



## Rafale International to showcase capabilities at Aero India 2019

**India, February 18, 2019**– For this year edition of Asia’s premier air show Aero India 2019 held at the Air Force Station, Yelahanka, Karnataka from February 20 to 24 Rafale International will showcase three Rafale fighters of the French Air Force, one single-seat Rafale C and two two- seat Rafale B to perform a daily flight “solo” display and to be presented to the visitors.

This great participation of the Rafale fighter to Aero India is consistent with Rafale International’s endeavor to demonstrate its commitment to India and to Indian interests.

On the Rafale International booth and in addition to the static display, a scale 1:5 Rafale mock up with the Indian colors will pay tribute to the arrival of the aircraft in the Indian Air Force at the end of this year and to the commitment of the team to fulfill the requests of the competition for the acquisition of additional 114 combat aircraft.

A scale 1:10 Rafale M mock up will be as well displayed to present capabilities of the Rafale variant for Navy, as the aircraft is taking part in the tender of 57 aircraft to equip Indian Navy.

At last but not at least, a scale 1:10 Mirage 2000 I/TI mock up will salute the success of the upgrade of the Mirage 2000 legendary aircraft of the Indian Air Force.

A holographic illustration of the long history of Dassault Aviation aircraft and India, starting with the Toofani, followed by the Mystere IV, the naval Alize, the Jaguar (manufactured under license by HAL), and the Mirage 2000, will illustrate the strategic partnership maintained between India and France and the relationship of trust initiated in 1953 when India became Dassault Aviation’s first export customer.

And on a space dedicated to the “Make in India” commitment of Dassault Aviation, the first massive Falcon 2000 cockpit coming out of the Dassault Reliance Aerospace Limited facility at MIHAN, Nagpur, will be showcased before being sent to Dassault Aviation’s Falcon final assembly line in France.

This major segment of the world Class Falcon 2000 Bizjzt highlights Dassault Aviation’s determination to build up an Indian aerospace manufacturing eco-system, matching the highest standards in this field and positioning India as an international reference in the global aerospace market.

“The technological know-how and competences of Dassault Aviation and its partners, Thales and Safran Aircraft Engines are entirely dedicated to partner India in meeting its strategic defence and economic needs. Participating at Aero India and more widely, establishing ourselves in India with a view to developing wide-ranging cooperation under the “Make in India” policy, means renewing our vows with India after more than six decades of common history and a bright future ahead. ” Said Eric Trappier, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Dassault Aviation.

Rafale International, is honored and delighted to pay tribute to India on the Indian ground and in the Indian skies.

*Please Visit us: Rafale International (Stall no:2.1.) at Hall AB*



### **About Rafale**

Designed to be the sole combat aircraft within French Air Force and Navy, extremely powerful, highly agile, and very discrete, fitted with awesome weapon load which can be simultaneously used for air-combat and surface-attacks during the same mission, Rafale demonstrates a unique "omnirole" capability combined to an accurate tactical situation awareness.

Able to carry heavy payload at very long range, Rafale is perfectly suited to perform all types of air-to-air, air-to-ground, attack at sea, and recce and deterrence missions.

Integrating a smart suite of active / passive sensors, including AESA radar, integrated optronics and EW systems, data-link, and using a unique multi-sensor data-fusion concept, Rafale is fully mature. Being operated by the French armed forces in combat operations for more than a decade now and, Rafale has proven its operational excellence in various theatres around the world.

With twin-engine configuration, digital terrain following system, associated to stealth design, Rafale provides a high level of survivability.

Land or carrier based, requiring only a reduced logistical footprint, Rafale is suitable for all types of engagement, in coalitions or in full autonomy.

Thanks to already available growth potential, Rafale is also fully adaptable to any future needs.

### **About Rafale International**

Rafale International is a Joint-venture (G.I.E Groupement d'Intérêt Economique) set up by Dassault Aviation, Thales and Safran Aircraft Engines to promote the Rafale fighter aircraft to international customers.

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