

# Flight Testing Of India's 'Loyal Wingman' Warrior Drone To Begin By 2024: Report

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India's new 'Warrior' drone.

## Snapshot

- HAL's Warrior is being developed to go into combat as a loyal wingman drone with existing manned fighter jets like LCA Tejas and Rafale of the IAF.
- A mock-up of the drone, which first emerged in 2019, found a place at HAL's pavilion at Aero India 2021.

The flight-testing of India's 'Warrior' drone, part of the indigenous Combat Air Teaming System (CATS) being developed by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) along with private sector players, will begin by 2024, *Janes* has reported.

"A loyal wingman programme being developed by India's HAL is on schedule to see flight-testing by 2024," the report says.