

Punj Lloyd Wins Order to Install Five FBTS at India's Borders



A ministry of home affairs (MHA) order worth Rs 120 crore for the installation of five X-ray based full body truck scanners (FBTS) at India's borders has been awarded to Punj Lloyd. The company will become the first private sector company in India to supply and commission the FBTSs.

The scanners are capable of detecting concealed arms, ammunition, explosives, detonators, IEDs, narcotics and fake currency.

Speaking on being awarded the order, Chairman Punj Lloyd, Atul Punj said, "This is our first order in homeland security and is extremely significant as it will enhance the national security of the country by fortifying our borders against illegal activities". He added, "The scanners will be manufactured at Punj Lloyd's state-of-the-art manufacturing facility at Malanpur.

Miscreants are today adept at concealment techniques but these scanners make the process of screening smooth and highly efficient in quick identification of suspicious consignments, with the least impact on legitimate trade."

According to Punj Lloyd, the primary objective of the FBTS/ Drive-Through Container scanner system is to scan trucks/ truck mounted containers. These scanners can detect violations of Customs Act and other laws of India, enforced by Customs and other agencies during import, trans-shipment, and export of goods including mis-declaration of description and quantity of goods, of quality such as grades, defective, concealment of contraband goods, etcetera. The hi-tech system can also detect contraband items hidden inside cavities or specially created spaces in the carrier or consignments. ||