MAKE IN JAPAN TO MADE IN JAPAN: INDIGENISATION LESSONS FROM THE IMPERIAL JAPANESE NAVY 1880- 1941

(Rear Admiral Sudarshan Shrikhande, IN)

- Meiji Restoration 1868
- 1870s "Make in Japan" for IJN starts
- Victory in Sino- Japan war 1894-95
- Imperial consolidation/ expansion
- Russo- Japanese war 1904- 05
- Tsushima Strait victory, May 1905







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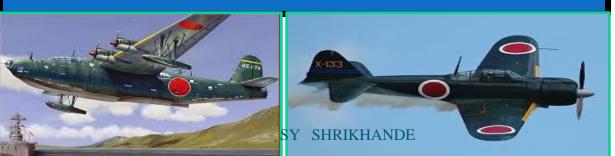
- Meiji Japan v/s Colonial India 1890s?
- *"Fukoku Kyohei"*: Rich Country, Strong Army
- "Jiritsu" Self Reliance/ "Made in Japan"
- "Bending Adversity" Always
 - "Their determination to learn from the west was wholly practical. Japan must learn how to make trains, guns and floating battleships...because they were tools to stand up

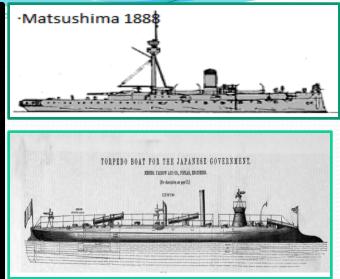
to western aggression ... "



BEGINNINGS OF FOREIGN COLLABORATION & MAKE IN JAPAN

- IJN/ Kaigun's Problemtic Childhood
- France & Britain as Partners
- No Choice but "Skill Japan"
- Build a Navy: Float+ Move+Fight: JDDM!!
- Naval Aviation: Fly +Move+Fight :JDDM!!
- Lack of Jointness





Nakajima: Pioneer Aviator





APEX STRUCTURES & POLICIES

• 1885:KaikokuNippon:Maritime Japan

• 1872: Navy Ministry

Orgn & Personnel Reforms in IJN

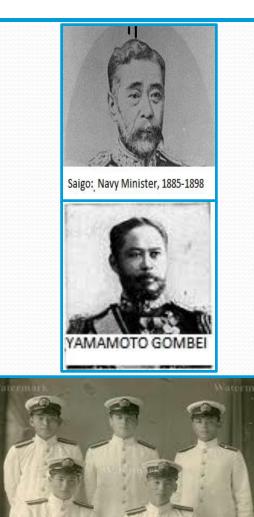
• 1896: "Sukosha" Naval Association

• 1896 Onwards: Naval Plans

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Forging a Nation: Leveraging Technology Imports, R & D

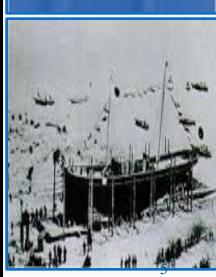
• Whole of Nation Approach to Tech:

"Competitive advantage is not God-given. Japan's shipbuilders assimilated and in some time surpassed foreign best-practice technology, and became a major world force in the industry. But this process took time and involved industrial firms, academic and financial institutions, as well as government policies. It was different from assumptions of strategic trade theory, that govts can create a competitive advantage by giving firms a quick preemptive nudge down the learning curve"

– (Dr Fukasaku (Mitsubishi Nagasaki Shipyard 1884- 1934)

Technology and Industrial Development in Pre-War Japan Mechen Negasiki Shoved 1884-1994

ukiko Fukasaku



Forging a Nation: Leveraging Technology Imports, R & D

- Tech Imports & Development of Indigenous Tech Concurrent & Complimentrary
- *"Reluctance for TOT is a supply side problem, recipient countries can remain passive victims"* ...but MNS and Japan chose not to be victims...
- Learning by doing not enough; MNS started own R & D early
- Invest in Knowledge Acquisition; Integrate with Institutions
- Technology Learning v/s Technology Creation (ITLC & ITTC)
- Ministry of Munitions (now MITI!) Controlled Tech Flow. Applied Research, not Fundamental Research
- Japan Developed Steel: "The Food of Industry"
- Industrial Policies: Fire in the Belly for All: 1918: Machine Tools were 50% "Swadeshi"
- Labs, Universities, Military R & D Linkages; "Jikkenba"

Skill Japan: Yards' Role in Tech Imports & Training

- Employment Conditions for Foreigners: "ungenerous in sharing their knowledge and essential construction works were done secretively"
- Send More for Training; Bring Fewer in to Work
- Drive Hard Bargains into License Agreements; Use Every Leverage (eg Parsons turbines)
- Professional, Society memberships, libraries, etc
- Company & National Vocational Trg
- Fire in the Belly: Idealism, Patriotism, Nationalism & Profits too: "the development of shipbuilding industry affects not only the profit of the firm, but also national strength...most urgent (to train) technicians ...to develop their knowledge in application of engg to form the basis for development of the industry which in turn will serve the public interest of the nation"
- Infusion of naval officers into Mitsubishi and others: user inputs, end- awareness
- Mazagon Docks: Leander Frigate Pgme & Later. Austerity in Pennies, Profligacy in Rounds?

FORGING THE NIHON TEIKOKU KAIGUN (IJN)

- 1896-1906: 90 % of 2,34,000 tons= 70% of IJN built overseas
- Public & Private Yards start Make in Japan for Float, Move, Fight
- Yamanouchi QF gun;Makimura torp;Kimura R/T;Shimose expl





THE KONGO TEMPLATE?

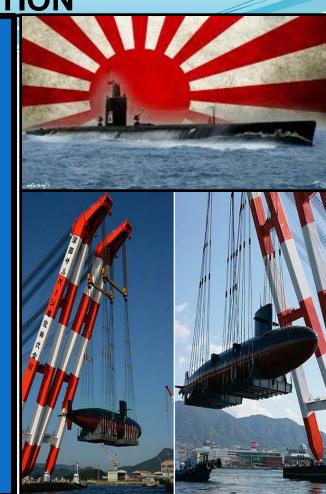
- Buy One, Make Three!! : in Japan
- Rapidity of Design Change in UK &
 Execution in Yards (1 IJN; 2 Private)
- Benefits of Building Method
- Modernisation Refits: CB to BB! "While they could & did construct new classes, cheaper to refit & reconstruct existing units"
- Conversions of merchant ships into escort carriers; of submarines; re-gunning; reengining; stability, etc
- Long term benefits
- WW II IJN: "Made in Japan"





SUBMARINE CONSRUCTION

- Initial help from Britain: Trg; S/M School
- Studied 7 German U-boats 1920
- 'K' Class: 20,000 mile range
- German clones; harnessing people
- KD and J classes; Move & Fight also
- Innovation in designs: "JDDM!!"
- Long- lasting DNA?







WORK DISTRIBUTION

IJN Yards

- Yokosuka
- Kure
- Sasebo
- Maizuru



41%

- <u>Private Yards</u>
- Mitsubishi (Nagasaki)
- Mitsubishi (Kobe)
- Mitsubishi (Yokohama)
- Kawasaki
- Ishikawajima
- Uraga
- Fujinagata
- Mitsui

Types

Battleships (BB), Fleet Carriers (CV), Heavy Cruisers(CA), Submarines (SS)

BB, CA, SS

Light Cruisers (CL), Destroyers (DD), SS

DD, SS

Types

BB, CA/ CL

SS

Special ships

CV, CA/CL, SS

DD, Smaller craft

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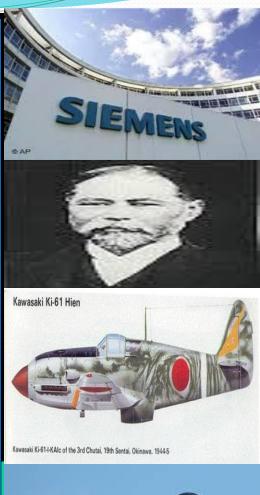
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OTHER FACTORS & SOME LESSONS

- Corruption: Kongo & the "Siemens Affair" 1913-14
- Deferred Profits: "Growth Now, Profits Later"
- Globalisation for Trade; *Jiritsu* for Defence
- Too Many Classes
- Too Little Jointmanship
- Accidents Happen, But Need not Always
- Build an Effective force; Not a "Comforting" one





CONCLUSIONS: "JIRITSU" & "SWAVALAMBAN"

- Fukoku Kyohei: Over-Arching "Fire in the Belly"
- Self- Reliance: the Key to National Security: *Jiritsu & Swalamban. "JDDM and now IDDM in DPP 2016*
- Robustly Leverage Engagement with Foreign Partners
- Technology Denial Regimes Always Existed & Will Exist
- TOT More Dependent on Will of the Recipient than Willingness of the Supplier
- Absorption & Adaptation of Technology Important: Skill
 Development; R & D
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CONCLUSIONS: "JIRITSU" & "SWAVALAMBAN"

- Don't Exaggerate BTP as TOT
- Correctly Measure Indigenisation
- Composite Approach: Float/ Fly + Move + Fight
- PPP; But Public Sector Important; Growth Now, Profits Later?

• Protection of Defence Trade a Reality; Protection of

India a Necessity SY SHRIKHANDE

JIRITSU TO SWAVALAMBAN

