

Japan Coast Guard orders an additional H225

Tokyo, 14 March 2016 — Airbus Helicopters has signed a contract with Japan Coast Guard (JCG) for the purchase of an additional H225. JCG, which already operates five H225s, has ordered this additional aircraft as part of its fleet renewal plans. The helicopter is scheduled for delivery by the end of 2018.

This H225 will be equipped with the most advanced search and rescue mission systems and operated in security enforcement, territorial sea guard duties as well as disaster relief missions.

"We feel honoured to have signed this contract with Japan Coast Guard for their sixth H225 and are grateful for our customer's renewed trust in the aircraft", said Stéphane Ginoux, President of Airbus Helicopters in Japan. "We are proud to see that the H225's outstanding performance in challenging search and rescue missions, as well as our comprehensive support and services offer are being recognised and valued. To ensure our customer's complete satisfaction, we remain committed to high availability rates for JCG's H225 fleet, thanks to our domestic footprint and our broad range of services".

The H225, member of Airbus Helicopters' Super Puma family, is an 11-ton-category twinturbine rotorcraft which accommodates up to 19 passengers. Equipped with state-of-the-art electronic instruments and autopilot, the H225 offers outstanding endurance and fast cruise speed and can be fitted with various equipment to suit any role and purpose. Currently, more than 180 H225s are operating in 22 countries and have logged nearly 500,000 hours of flight time.

A total of 24 helicopters from the Super Puma family are operated in Japan by civil and parapublic users for search and rescue, offshore operations and passenger transport missions.

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