EDGE’s CARACAL Unveils New Light Machine Gun



CARACAL launches new light machine gun chambered in 5.56mm The new machine gun has unique features including a quick interchangeable barrel

Abu Dhabi, UAE: 20 February – EDGE Group entity, CARACAL, a leading firearms producer in the GCC region, today has unveiled the CARACAL LIGHT MACHINE GUN 556 (CLMG 556) at the 16th edition of the International Defence Exhibition (IDEX 2023).

The new CLMG 556, chambered in 5.56x45mm NATO, is a belt-fed, fully-automatic developed by CARACAL. Weighing around 7.8 kg, the open bolt gun features an advance long stroke gas piston system.

Hamad Alameri, CEO of CARACAL, said: “The new CLMG 556 has been an exciting project for us. As the first machine gun to be developed in the UAE, the CLMG 556 has been developed with the end-user in mind. Modularly, ergonomics, weight, accuracy and durability have been the factors underpinning its development and thanks to our strong R&D [research and development] team, latest technology prototyping and advanced manufacturing methods, the CLMG 556 has hit the mark in all these areas.”

The CLMG 556 has been developed using the latest rapid prototyping and precision manufacturing technology, giving it similar modularity, durability and weight-saving features seen with other CARACAL firearms. It comes standard with a five position

telescopic adjustable stock and three position adjustable cheek piece. For attachments, a STANAG 4694/MIL-STD-1913 long rail is positioned at 12 o’clock on the main receiver. Adding to the CLMG 556’s modern features is a fixed iron sight with range adjustment and built-in bipod that has a three position adjustable height. The CLMG556 has a hammer-forged chrome-lined barrel that comes in three different barrel lengths (13” 16” and 18”), which can be quickly interchanged, providing exceptional durability.

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