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# Daily Defence Current Affairs
# 21 June 2022

## Op SANKALP: 3rd YEAR OF INDIAN NAVY'S MARITIME SECURITY OPERATIONS

- Indian Navy's stealth Frigate, INS Talwar is presently deployed for Op Sankalp commemorating the 3rd continuous year of Indian Navy's presence in the Gulf for protection of India's Maritime Interests.

- In the milieu of the deteriorating security situation in the Gulf region, post attacks on merchant ships in the Gulf of Oman in June 2019, Indian Navy had commenced Maritime Security Operations, code named 'Op SANKALP', in the Gulf Region on 19 June 2019 to ensure safe passage of Indian Flag Vessels transiting through the Strait of Hormuz.

- Indian Navy continues to monitor the situation in the Gulf region and is maintaining presence in the region to ensure security of our sea borne trade and the safety of Indian Flag Merchant Vessels transiting through the region. The Indian Navy stands committed to protection of the nation's Maritime Interests.



Operation Sankalp

# National Conference on Cyber Safety and National Security

- A National Conference on Cyber Safety and National Security (Cyber Apradh Se Azadi – Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav) held at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi. The conference is being organized by Ministry of Home Affairs.

- The Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C), in the MHA in coordination with the Ministry of Culture, Government of India in the run-up to tomorrow's conference had also organized functions at 75 places in different States/Union Territories on Cyber Hygiene, Prevention of Cyber Crimes, Cyber Safety and National Security under the banner "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav" from June 8 to 17.

- In 2012, cyber crimes reported were 3,377 and in 2020 the figure has reached 50,000, 136 cyber crime cases were registered every day in 2020, the number of cyber crimes per one lakh population also increased by 270 percent in four years. In 2016 the figure was one and in 2020 it increased to 3.7. This shows how big a challenge this growth is going to be in the coming times.

- Shri Amit Shah said the Cyber and Information Security (CIS) Division was created in the Ministry of Home Affairs in 2017 under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and from there a lot of steps were taken in the direction of Cyber Security. I4C and CIS Division are working towards prevention of cyber crimes on seven pillars – National Cyber Crime Threat Analytics Unit, National Cyber Crime Reporting Portal, National Cyber Crime Training Centre, National Cyber Crime Research and Innovation Center, Joint Cybercrime Coordination, National Cyber Crime Ecosystem Management Unit and National Cyber Crime Forensic Laboratory.

- **What is Cyber Security?**

- There are 4 main types of threat to cyber security:

- **Cyber espionage:** It is an Intelligence gathering and data theft activity. The data theft will occur without the user's permission/knowledge.

- **Cyber warfare:** It refers to the use of digital attacks (like computer viruses and hacking) by one country to disrupt the computers or information networks of another country.

- **Cyber terrorism:** It refers to the convergence of terrorism and cyberspace. In this, the terrorists will use the internet to conduct violent activities such as threats, loss of life, etc. Terrorists will use cyberspace to achieve their political and ideological gains.

- **Cyber crime:** It is any criminal activity that involves a computer, networked device, or a computer network.



# Indian 5G Test Bed To Be Established At MCTE, Mhow

- An Indian 5G testbed is to be established at the Military College of Telecommunication Engineering, Mhow in collaboration with IIT Madras. A MoU to facilitate the same was signed between MCTE & IIT-M at a function in Chennai today. The test bed will facilitate Indian Army to utilise the 5G technology for its operational use, especially along its borders.

- The MoU signed will give an impetus to induction of systems, devices & equipment using niche technology and also use of AI based algorithms for enhancing capabilities of our Armed Forces. It will also promote collaborative and cooperative research and facilitate exchange of ideas for development of new technologies.

- It will encourage students, faculties and scientist for research in area of 5G communications and development of military applications. Joint partnership between MCTE and IIT-Madras aims to accelerate Indian Army's indigenisation efforts for achieving 'Atmanirbharta' in the fields of communications and provide a testing facility for Tri-Service and thus act as a catalyst for Research and Development. Under the ambit of the MoU, IIT Madras will provide

consultancy, duly supported by research for feasibility studies and prototype development on 5G enabled future communications.



# "Ex Khaan Quest – 2022" Concludes At Mongolia

- The Multinational Peacekeeping Exercise "Ex Khaan Quest -2022" culminated today at the Peace Support Operations Training Centre in Ulaanbaatar at Mongolia.
- The exercise conducted from 06 June to 20 June 2022 provided a platform for mutual learning and sharing best practices amongst the armies from 16 Nations. The Indian contingent consisting of personnel from the LADAKH SCOUTS participated in the field training as well as the Command Post exercise.
- A number of training activities were organised during the course of the exercise, which included mock tactical operations as per United Nations (UN) mandate, combat discussions, training of staff & command appointments; as part of a combined UN brigade, in order to enhance multinational interoperability.
- The bonhomie, espirit-de-corps and goodwill generated during the exercise will go a long way in future strengthening of bonds between the Armies of participating Nations.

## China Tested Missile-interception System

- China has carried out a land-based missile interception test that "achieved its expected purpose", the Defence Ministry said, describing it as defensive and not aimed at any country.
- China has been ramping up research into all sorts of missiles, from those that can destroy satellites in space to advanced nuclear-tipped ballistic missiles, as part of an ambitious modernisation scheme overseen by President Xi Jinping.
- China, along with its ally Russia, have repeatedly expressed opposition to the U.S. deployment of the Terminal High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD) anti-missile system in South Korea.
- Beijing says such technology is needed for national defence and security.

# 5 Countries, Including India, Reject Pak's Attempt To List Indian National As UN Terrorist

- Five countries, including India, have rejected the Pakistani attempt to list an Indian National as a United Nations-listed international terrorists. Islamabad had planned to list Gobinda Patnaik Duggivalasa at the United Nations Security Council's 1267 committee, claiming he was involved in terror attacks in the country.
- Countries that supported the Indian bid are the UK, US, France, and Albania. Three of the counties are permanent member of the security council, while Albania is the President of the Council for this month.
- The development comes even as last week, China had put a hold on the UN listing of Lashkar-e-Tayyiba's 2nd command Abdul Rehman Makki. While China's hold lasts for 6-month, Pakistan's attempt to again list the Indian national has been rejected by all members of the UNSC.
- Makki has a reward of $2 million on him by US Govt and both Washington & Delhi have listed him as a terrorist under domestic laws. He is 26/11 mastermind Hafiz Saeed's Brother-in-law & close to al-Qaeda's Ayman al-Zawahiri & Taliban leadership.
- The development is seen as China's support to Pakistan at the UN, a nexus seen in other multilateral organisations.

# REVIEW QUESTIONS

**1. Who Holds the June 2022 UN Security Council Presidency?**

A. China

B. USA

C. Albania

D. Maldives

**ANSWER: C**

**2. Armaments Research & Development Establishment (ARDE) Is Located In**

A. Pune, Maharashtra

B. Bengaluru, Karnataka

C. Chennai, Tamil Nadu

D. None of the above

**ANSWER: A**

**3. United States Indo-Pacific Command Is Responsible For**

A. West Pacific Ocean Region

B. South China Sea Region

C. Indo-Pacific region

D. None of the above

**ANSWER: C**

**4. INS Arighat Is A**

A. Nuclear Powered Submarine

B. Diesel  Powered Submarine

C. Destroyer

D. Sailing Ship

**ANSWER: A**

**5. The Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) Is A Project Of**

A. Brazil

B. Russia

C. China

D. None of the above

**ANSWER: C**

**6. Operation Meghdoot Was Conducted In**

A. 13 April 1984

B. 14 April 1984
C. 15 April 1984
D. 16 April 1984
   **ANSWER: A**

**7. QRFV Stands For**
A. Quick Reaction Fighting Vehicle Medium
B. Quick Reaction Fighting Vast Medium
C. Quick Reaction Fight Vehicle Medium
D. None
   **ANSWER: A**

**8. The IAI Harpy is a**
A. Helicopter
B. Machine Gun
C. UAV
D. Fighter Jet
   **ANSWER: C**

**9. Motto Of Integrated Defence Staff**
A. Victory Through Jointness
B. Victory Everywhere
C. Always Ahead
D. None of the above
   **ANSWER: A**

**10. Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Hq Is In**
A. Queenstown, Singapore
B. Berlin, Germany
C. Abu Dhabi (UAE)
D. Kathmandu, Nepal
   **ANSWER: A**

**11. XIV Corps Of Indian Army Is Also Known As**
A. Fire and Fury Corps
B. Chinar Corps
C. White Knight Corps
D. None
   **ANSWER: A**

**12. First Made In India Passenger Aircraft Is___**

A. Dornier 228

B. Chetak

C. Cheetah

D. None of the above

**ANSWER: A**

**13. Operation Sarp Vinash Was Conducted In**

A. 1978

B. 2016

C. 2003

D. 1980

**ANSWER: C**

**14. Tirana Is The Capital Of**

A. Albania

B. Qatar

C. UAE

D. Maldives

**ANSWER: A**

**15. "All Time Favorites for Children" Book Is Written By**

A. Sunita Dwivedi

B. Avtar Singh Bhasin

C. Hew Strachan

D. Ruskin Bond

**ANSWER: D**

**16. War Cry Of THE BRIGADE OF THE GUARDS Is**

A. Garud ka hun bol pyare

B. Everywhere

C. Victory Is Mine

D. Charge and Attack

**ANSWER: A**

**17. C-130J Super Hercules Is A**

A. Destroyer

B. OPV
C. Submarine
D. Transport Aircraft
   **ANSWER: D**

## 18. Saab AB Is An Aerospace Company of

A. USA
B. Sweden
C. France
D. China
   **ANSWER: B**

## 19. Joint Ex B/w The India And Singapore Is Called:

A. Bold Kurukshetra
B. SLINEX
C. Indra
D. Yudha Abhyas
   **ANSWER: A**

## 20. Neptune Is A

A. Destroyer
B. Tank
C. Anti Ship Missile
D. Machine Gun
   **ANSWER: C**

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