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‘Progress Made In Deliberations For Tri-services Theaterisation Plan’: IAF Chief

- Definite progress has been made in ongoing deliberations for the theaterisation plan and the Indian Air Force (IAF) remains fully committed to the tri-services integration for enhancing comprehensive national combat power, Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhari.
- As per the plan, each of the theatre commands will have units of the Army, the Navy and the Air Force and all of them will work as a single entity looking after security challenges in a specified geographical territory under an operational commander.
- Initially, a plan was firmed up for the creation of an Air Defence Command and Maritime Theatre Command.
- The theatre commands are being planned to integrate the capabilities of the three services and to ensure optimal utilisation of their resources



Agnipath: Indian Army Aims To Reduce Strength To Under 11 Lakh In A Decade

- One of the biggest reforms in the Indian military envisaged to achieve a lean and mean force, the Agnipath recruitment scheme. The long-term plan is to cut down the army's strength to under 11 lakh from the current 13 lakh plus.
- "This will be done in a phased manner over the next decade. It is felt if the army has to move towards being a modern force driven by technology, it cannot be manpower-intensive".
- Out of the total defence allocation of **Rs 5,25,166.15** crore for 2022-23, the capital expenditure meant for new equipment and infrastructure development is pegged at only **Rs 1,52,369.61**. Effectively, only 30 % of the defence budget can be used for capital procurement.
- The overall defence budget, which includes revenue expenses such as salaries and pensions as well as capital outlay, has increased by 9.8 percent for fiscal year 2022-23.
- The allocation under capital expenditure is meant to procure big-ticket weapons such as fighter jets, submarines, helicopters, and other modern military systems.



Homegrown Drone Start-up Garuda Aerospace To Set Up Plant In Malaysia

- India's integrated drone manufacture and drone-as-a-service (DAAS) provider Garuda Aerospace will set up a production facility in Malaysia at an outlay of Rs 115 crore.

- “We have decided to set up a drone production facility in Malaysia with a production capacity of about **50 drones per day**. We will be importing the components from India and other countries,” Agnishwar Jayaprakash, Founder & CEO of Garuda Aerospace.
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- The company manufactures 30 different types of drones and offers over 50 types of services such as precision agriculture spray, industry 4.0 upgradation services, structural damage inspection, warehouse management, seed dropping, solar panel cleaning, project monitoring, drone delivery of medicines for hospitals and drone delivery of packages for food.



LCA-Tejas Among Shortlisted Contenders In The Malaysian Tender

- The Royal Malaysian Air Force has shortlisted India's LCA-Tejas Mk1A along with Sino-Pakistani developed JF-17, Chinese L-15 LIFT Jets with South Korean FA-50

jets to meet its requirements of LCA/LIFT jets under the tender for 18 LCA as per internal leaked picture of the RMAF.

- **India-Malaysia Relation**
- India established diplomatic relations with Malaysia in 1957.
- **Economic Relation:** India and Malaysia have signed the Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA). CECA is a kind of Free Trade Agreement (FTA).
- India has also signed the FTA in services and investments with the 10-member ASEAN.
- Malaysia is the third largest trading partner in ASEAN.



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- Lt Gen VM Bhuvana Krishnan takes over as GOC Brahmastra Corps. On assuming command, the Corps Commander laid wreath to pay homage to Bravehearts & exhorted all ranks to continue working with dedication & focus on operational preparedness.
- **XVII Corps (India)**
- XVII Corps is the first mountain strike corps of India which has been built as a quick reaction force and as well as counter-offensive force against China along LAC. Its HQ is located at Panagarh in West Bengal under Eastern Command. It is also known as **Brahmastra Corps**.



Naval Children School Coimbatore celebrated Raising Ceremony of a Naval Wing NCC

- Naval Children School, Coimbatore celebrated Raising Ceremony of a Naval Wing NCC on 25 Jun 22. The wing will function under 2TN_NCC Madurai. Cmde Ashok Kumar Rai, CO INS Agrani & Station Commander, Coimbatore was the Chief Guest.
- The unit's raising ceremony was held at the school. Twenty-five junior division cadets, 13 boys and 12 girls were enrolled in the first batch.
- The chief guest administered the oath to the cadets. In his address to the gathering, the chief guest exhorted the other students present there to enroll in the various wings of the NCC units, as NCC facilitates building of character. For any country to become great, a well disciplined and healthy manpower plays a very important role as apart from a strong economy and military might, it's the national character that catapults a nation to greater heights. On completion of the Raising ceremony, the audience interacted with the officials and NCC cadets over high tea.

About NCC

- The NCC was formed in 1948 (on the recommendation of **H. N. Kunzru** Committee-1946), and has its roots in British era uniformed youth entities like University Corps or University Officer Training Corps.
- Its history can be traced back to the 'University Corps', which was created under the Indian Defence Act 1917 with an objective to make up for personnel shortage in the Indian Army.

- Currently it has a strength of around 14 lakh cadets from Army, Navy and Air Force wings.
- The NCC falls under the purview of the Ministry of Defence and is headed by a Director General of three-star military rank.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA)?

1. It is a non-statutory body.
2. It is chaired by the Union Minister of Home Affairs.

Choose the correct answer using the codes given below:

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: D

2. “Akashe Shatrun Jahi” Is The Motto Of

- A. Bombay Sappers
- B. Armoured Corps Regiments
- C. The Regiment Of Artillery
- D. Army Air Defence Regiments

ANSWER: D

3. The Primary Mission Of The Indian Army Is To Ensure

- A. National Security And National Unity
- B. Peace
- C. Air Quality Neat And Clean

D. None

ANSWER: A

4. Cho La Incident Was Held In

A. 1967

B. 1988

C. 1998

D. 1980

ANSWER: A

5. VL-SRSAM Is A Quick Reaction Surface-to-air Missile Developed By

A. NASA

B. BEL

C. DRDO

D. ISRO

ANSWER: C

6. Special Protection Group Was Raised In

A. 1967

B. 1988

C. 1998

D. 1985

ANSWER: D

7. Army Aviation Corps Center Is In

A. Nasik

B. Devlali

C. Pune

D. None of the above

ANSWER: A

8. Lt Commander of Indian Navy is equivalent to the which rank of Indian Army?

A. Brigadier

B. Captain

C. Lt. Colonel

D. Major

ANSWER: D

9. International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking Is Observed On

- A. 26 June
- B. 27 June
- C. 28 June
- D. 29 June

ANSWER: A

10. School of Artillery Is At

- A. Chennai
- B. Bhopal
- C. Nagpur
- D. Deolali

ANSWER: D

11. Barak 8 Is A

- A. Destroyer
- B. OPV
- C. Missile
- D. Tank

ANSWER: C

12. INS Rajput Is A

- A. Destroyer
- B. OPV
- C. Submarine
- D. Tank

ANSWER: A

13. Peacetime Wartime Gallantry Award Is/Are

- A. Param Vir Chakra
- B. Maha Vir Chakra
- C. Vir Chakra
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: D

14. XVII Corps Is Also Known As

- A. Brahmastra Corps
- B. Chinar Corps

- C. White Knight Corps
- D. None

ANSWER: A

15. Berlin Is The Capital Of

- A. Guinea
- B. Qatar
- C. Guyana
- D. Germany

ANSWER: D

16. 'The Struggle for Police Reforms in India' Book Is Written By

- A. Rajnath Singh
- B. Prakash Singh
- C. Devika Rangachari
- D. Ashwini Shrivastava

ANSWER: B

17. With reference to the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, which of the following statements is/are correct?

- 1. India and Russia are the members of Shanghai Five.
- 2. The SCO's official languages are Chinese and English.
- 3. Recently, Iran became a member of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 3 only

ANSWER: D

18. North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) Hq Is In

- A. Brussels, Belgium
- B. Berne, Switzerland
- C. Jakarta, Indonesia
- D. Kathmandu, Nepal

ANSWER: A

19. Multinational Ex Sea Dragon Hosted By

- A. USA
- B. Sweden
- C. France
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: A













20. SIMBEX Exercise Held B/W India And____?

- A. USA
- B. South Korea
- C. Sri Lanka
- D. Singapore

ANSWER: D

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