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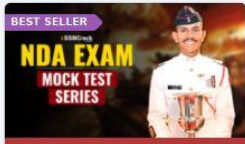


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# Daily Defence Current Affairs

## 17-18 July 2022

### COAS Proceeds on a Three-Day Visit to Bangladesh

- Continuing with the excellent bilateral defence ties between India and Bangladesh, General Manoj Pande, the Chief of Army Staff (COAS) has proceeded on a visit to the Bangladesh from 18 to 20 July 2022. This is the first foreign visit by General Manoj Pande since assumption as Army Chief.
- The Army Chief will commence his visit by paying tributes to the brave-hearts who made the supreme sacrifice during the Liberation War of 1971 by laying a wreath at the Shikha Anirban on 18 July 2022. During the day, the COAS will be carrying out multiple meetings with senior officials of the security establishment and exchange views on various defence related issues. He will also pay tributes to the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Memorial Museum in Dhanmondi.
- On the second day of his visit, the Army Chief will address the students and faculty of Defence Services Command & Staff College, Mirpur. He will thereafter visit and interact with the members of Bangladesh Institute of Peace Support and Operation Training (BIPSOT), a premier institute of Bangladesh which trains peacekeepers for employment in various UN Peace Operations. This will be followed by a visit to the Bangabandhu Military Museum at Mirpur.
- The visit of the COAS will further deepen the bilateral relationships between the two Armies and act as a catalyst for closer coordination and cooperation between the two countries on a host of strategic issues.
- **India-Bangladesh Relations**
- India was one of the first countries to recognize Bangladesh and establish diplomatic relations immediately after its independence in December 1971.
- **Defence Cooperation:**

- Various Joint exercises of Army (Exercise Sampriti) and Navy (Exercise Milan) take place between the two countries.
- **Border Management:** India and Bangladesh share **4096.7 km.** of border, which is the longest land boundary that India shares with any of its neighbours.
- The India-Bangladesh Land Boundary Agreement (LBA) came into force following the exchange of instruments of ratification in June 2015.



## INS Sindhudhvaj Decommissioned

- INS Sindhudhvaj bid adieu to Indian Navy on Saturday, 16 Jul 2022, serving for a glorious period of 35 years. Vice Adm Biswajit Dasgupta Flag Officer Commanding -in-Chief, Eastern Naval Command was the Chief Guest for the ceremony. The Decommissioning event was attended by 15 of the former Commanding Officers including Cmde SP Singh (Retd), the Commissioning CO and 26 Commissioning crew veterans.
- The submarine crest depicts a gray colour nurse shark and the name means flag bearer at sea. Sindhudhvaj, as the name suggests, was the flag bearer of indigenisation and Indian Navy's efforts towards achieving Atmanirbharta in the Russian built Sindhughosh class submarines throughout her journey in the navy. She had many a firsts to her credit including operationalisation of the indigenised sonar USHUS, Indigenised Satellite Communication systems Rukmani and MSS, Inertial Navigation System and Indigenised Torpedo Fire Control System.

- She also successfully undertook mating and personnel transfer with Deep Submergence Rescue Vessel and only submarine to be awarded CNS Rolling trophy for Innovation by the Honourable Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi.
- The traditional ceremony was conducted at sunset, with an overcast sky adding to the solemnity of the occasion when the Decommissioning Pennant was lowered and the submarine was paid off after a glorious patrol of 35 Years.



## IAF plans to induct AMCA, LCA along with 114 multirole fighters under Make in India : IAF Chief

- In a bid to bolster its combat capabilities through indigenisation, Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhari said the Indian Air Force is looking to induct AMCA and Light Combat Aircraft MK-1A and MK-2 along with the 114 multirole fighters under 'Make-in-India' in the future.
- "We have already committed to seven squadrons of AMCA. The numbers for the LCA MK-2, we will take a call as and when the first production model comes out and we start inducting the aircraft into the air force and we can always increase the quantity based on its performance and rate of induction“.
- “The induction program of S-400 is going as per the schedule. The first firing unit has been inducted and deployed. The second unit is also in the process of getting inducted. Delivery schedules are on time, hopeful that by the end of next year all deliveries will be completed,” said the Air Chief Marshal.



## Philippines In Talks With India To Procure Advanced Light Helicopters

- The Philippines is looking at procuring a batch of advanced light helicopters from India to crank up its combat capability, months after sealing a USD 375 million deal to acquire three batteries of the BrahMos cruise missile.
- The indigenously developed ALH helicopter is a twin engine, multi-role, multi-mission new generation helicopter in the 5.5 ton weight class and is considered to be an effective platform for various military operations.
- The Philippines is a key strategic partner of India in the Southeast Asian region and the bilateral defence and security ties have been on an upswing in the last few years, especially in the maritime domain.
- The Philippines is also a key member of the 10-nation Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), an influential bloc with whom India's ties have witnessed major expansion in the last one decade.



## **PM Narendra Modi to unveil 'SPRINT Challenges' to boost usage of indigenous technology in Navy**

- PM Narendra Modi will unveil 'SPRINT Challenges', an initiative to give fillip to usage of indigenous technology in the Indian Navy on July 18. During the event, the PM will address the NIIO (Naval Innovation and Indigenisation Organisation) Seminar 'Swavlamban'.
- The two-day seminar (July 18-19) aims to engage Indian industry and academia towards achieving self-reliance in the Defence sector. It will also provide a platform for leaders from industry, academia, services and government to come together on a common platform to ideate and come up with recommendations for the defence sector.
- Sessions dedicated to innovation, indigenisation, armament and aviation will be held. The second day of the seminar will witness outreach to the Indian Ocean Region, in line with the government's vision of SAGAR (Security and Growth for All in the Region).



## REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Project 17A Frigates involves the construction of seven stealth frigates that will be hard to detect by radar or sonar technology.
2. Y-3023 Dunagiri is part of Project 17A frigates.
3. Y-3023 Dunagiri is not capable of carrying Brahmos Supersonic Missile due to the supersonic speed of the missile.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

**ANSWER: A**

2. Consider the following statements about 'NIRF Rankings 2022':

1. National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF), 2022 was launched by the Ministry of Education.
2. NIRF Ranking 2022 ranks only Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in the country.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

**ANSWER: C**

**3. SAGAR Stands For**

- A. Security and Growth for All India the Region
- B. Security and Gravity for All in the Region
- C. Security and Growth for All in the Regional
- D. Security and Growth for All in the Region

**ANSWER: D**

**4. INS Sindhudhvaj Is A**

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

**ANSWER: C**

**5. Param Shakti Is A**

- A. Super Transistor
- B. Supercomputer
- C. Hypersonic Vehicle
- D. Bullet

**ANSWER: B**

**6. Where Is The Hq Of The Western Command of The Indian Army?**

- A. Kochi
- B. Chand mandir
- C. Pune
- D. Mumbai

**ANSWER: B**

**7. Joint Exercises B/w India And China Is Called:**

- A. Yama
- B. SLINEX
- C. Indra
- D. Hand in Hand

**ANSWER: D**

**8. P-8I Aircraft Manufactured By**

- A. HAL
- B. Boeing
- C. Lockheed Martin



D. IAI

**ANSWER: B**

**9. Rajendra is a passive electronically scanned array radar developed by\_\_**

A. DRDO

B. C-DAC

C. ISRO

D. NASA

**ANSWER: A**

**10. Army School of Physical Training Is At**

A. Pune

B. Pachmarhi

C. Chennai

D. Bangalore

**ANSWER: A**

**11. Army Airborne Training School Is At**

A. Pune

B. Agra

C. Chennai

D. Noida

**ANSWER: B**

**12. Nelson Mandela International Day Is Observed On**

A. 17<sup>th</sup> July

B. 18<sup>th</sup> July

C. 19<sup>th</sup> July

D. None of the above

**ANSWER: B**

**13. Ex 'Vajra Prahar' conducted b/w India &**

A. Qatar

B. Oman

C. UAE

D. USA

**ANSWER: D**

**14. Manila Is The Capital Of**

- A. Paraguay
- B. Qatar
- C. Peru
- D. Philippines

**ANSWER: D**

**15. "The Crossfire of Love" Book Is Written By**

- A. Dhiren Tiwari
- B. Dharmendra Rai
- C. Sudha Murty
- D. V. Krishnaswamy

**ANSWER: A**

**16. INTERPOL Hq Is At**

- A. Lyon, France
- B. New York, USA
- C. Berlin, Germany
- D. None

**ANSWER: A**

**17. B-1B Lancer Is A**

- A. Bomber
- B. Sniper Rifle
- C. Anti-tank Guided missile
- D. Communication satellite

**ANSWER: A**

**18. Where Is The Hq Of The Eastern Command of The Indian Army?**

- A. Kochi
- B. Vishakhapatnam
- C. Kolkata
- D. Mumbai

**ANSWER: C**

**19. Iron Dome Is A System Of**

- A. UK
- B. USA

C. Germany

D. Israel

**ANSWER: D**

**20. Hq of PARA SF Is At**

A. Chennai

B. Bengaluru

C. Nagpur

D. Mumbai

**ANSWER: B**



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