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# Defence Current Affairs

## 01 February 2023

### India's Defence Exports Rose Six Times Due To Government's New Initiatives: President Murmu

- President Droupadi Murmu on Tuesday lauded India's indigenous defence manufacturing and said that the country's defence exports have increased manifold due to the initiatives of the government.
- "As a result of new initiatives by my government, our defence exports have increased six times. I am proud that today the first indigenous aircraft carrier in the form of **INS Vikrant** has also joined our Navy," President Murmu, who is also the supreme commander of the armed forces, said in her opening remarks of Parliament's Budget session.
- President Murmu in her maiden address to the joint sitting of the Parliament also noted that India's firm and tough stand against terrorism is the reason why the country is being heard seriously by the world on the issue of terrorism.
- President Murmu also mentioned India's G20 presidency this year and said that the country aims to find solutions to world problems.
- "India holds the presidency of the G20 this year. Along with all member states of G20, India aims to find solutions to world problems," she said.
- Referring to India's thrust on innovation and entrepreneurship, the President lauded the youth for taking India's innovation to the world.
- "My government has continuously laid unprecedented emphasis on innovation and entrepreneurship. Today our youth are showing the power of their innovation to the world," she said.



## From LoC to LAC, 'Decisive Govt' Ensured Befitting Response To Every Misadventure: Prez Murmu

- The Budget session of the Parliament started with the maiden address of President Droupadi Murmu to a joint sitting of both Houses on Tuesday. Addressing the joint sitting, President said that from a befitting response to every misadventure from LoC to LAC, the government has been recognised as a decisive government.
- The President said that today the world is also acknowledging India's tough stand on terrorism. "Due to this, India's voice against terrorism is being heard seriously on every global platform. In October last year, a special meeting of the UNSC Counter-Terrorism Committee was organised for the first time in India. In this too, India made its position clear against terrorism.
- "Today, through this Session, I express my gratitude to the people of the country for electing a stable government for two consecutive terms. My decisive government has always kept the country's interest paramount and shown the will-power to completely transform the policies and strategies when required. From surgical strike to a firm crackdown on terrorism, from a befitting response to every misadventure from LoC to LAC, from abrogation of Article 370 to Triple Talaq, my government has been recognized as a decisive government," said President in the joint session.

- "This year, India has assumed the Presidency of an influential global group like G-20. With the mantra of One Earth, One Family, One Future, India is attempting to find collective solutions to the current global challenges in collaboration with the G-20 member countries. My government does not want to limit it to just one diplomatic programme. Rather, it is an opportunity to showcase India's potential and culture, through the efforts of the entire country. Therefore, G-20 meetings are being held in dozens of cities across the country throughout the year," said President Murmu.



## **NSA Doval Highlights Need To Convert Intentions, Ideas Into Actions At USIBC Roundtable**

- NSA Ajit Doval on Monday highlighted the need to convert intentions and ideas into actions and specific deliverables through focused steps in a time-bound manner at the inaugural launch of the US-India Initiative on Critical and Emerging Technologies (iCET), according to the sources.
- He was at the Chamber of Commerce's US-India Business Council (USIBC) roundtable conference hosted by US Secretary of Commerce Gina Raimondo and US National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan.
- Other discussion topics included defence and space technology; roundtable participants underlined the importance of greater cooperation between government, industry, and academia to build a stronger innovation ecosystem

that supports American and Indian competitiveness in both traditional and novel defence domains.

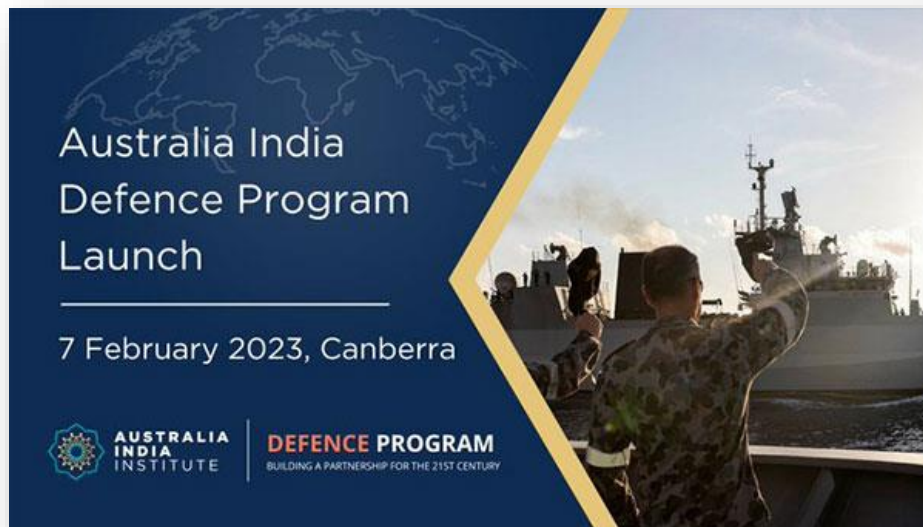


## **Australia India Institute To Unveil New Defence Programme On Feb 7**

- The Australia India Institute on Tuesday announced a new Australia-India Defence Programme which will be launched in Canberra on February 7.
- The programme will be led by Security & Geopolitics Director, David Brewster and will be addressed by Deputy Prime Minister of Australia and Minister for Defence, Richard Marles.
- Under the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership (CSP) and 2+2 Ministerial Dialogues, both countries have committed to increasing security and defence cooperation on a bilateral basis and within multilateral institutions in order to build and maintain a stable, peaceful, prosperous, and inclusive region.
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- Through engagement with policy-makers, leading experts, analysts and researchers, this program aims to develop a shared understanding of our regional security environment and the Australia-India security and defence relationship.
- This includes cooperation in defence capabilities, maritime security, intelligence-sharing and counter-terrorism, and in the enhancement of regional security



institutions and relationships. The program will address security cooperation in a broad range of areas including transnational threats, climate change and environmental security, critical infrastructure and technology, read Australia India Institute statement.



## NDC Delegation Calls On Punjab Chief Secretary Vijay Kumar Janjua

- NDC delegation calls on Punjab Chief Secretary Vijay Kumar Janjua Chandigarh, January 30.
- The delegation of 63rd course of National Defence College (NDC), New Delhi led by college secretary Brigadier AK Pundir paid a courtesy call on Punjab Chief Secretary Vijay Kumar Janjua on Monday at Chandigarh.
- The delegation is on study tour of the state of Punjab. The delegation interacted with Chief Secretary on various facets of the state.
- The delegation comprised of Senior Officers of the different ranks representing Indian Defence Forces, IPS and Military Officers from other Foreign countries including Sri Lanka, Myanmar, Indonesia and Nigeria. On this occasion Brigadier AK Pundir also felicitated the Chief Secretary.
- The delegation was accompanied by Director Defence Services Punjab Brigadier (Retd) Satinder Singh and Director Sports Amit Talwar.
- The NDC is a prestigious and world renowned International training institute functioning under the Ministry of Defence, Government of India.



## 47<sup>th</sup> Raising Day Of The Indian Coast Guard

- Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhari, CAS and all personnel of the IAF convey their greetings & best wishes on the occasion of the 47<sup>th</sup> Raising Day of the Indian Coast Guard.
- The Indian Coast Guard is an Armed Force of the Union of India for ensuring the security of the maritime zones of India with a view to the protection of maritime and other national interests in such zones and for matters connected therewith.
- **Founded:** 1 February 1977
- **Headquarters:** Ministry of Defence, New Delhi
- **Helicopter:** HAL Chetak; HAL Dhruv
- **Patrol:** Dornier 228
- **Director General:** Virender Singh Pathania
- **Motto(s):** वयम् रक्षामः



## Awards Related To Republic Day 2023

- Raksha Rajya Mantri Shri Ajay Bhatt gave away awards and prizes related to the Republic Day 2023 at Rashtriya Rangshala Camp, Delhi Cantt on 31 January 2023.
- The tableau of Uttarakhand, based on the theme 'Manaskhand', was given away the best tableau award among the 17 states/union territories tableaux.
- Tableau of Maharashtra displaying 'Sade Tin Shaktipithe & Nari Shakti' and Tableau of Uttar Pradesh showcasing the theme 'Ayodhya Deepotsav' were given the second and third best tableau awards respectively.
- The tableau of Ministry of Tribal Affairs based on 'Eklavya Model Residential Schools' (EMRSs) was given the Best Tableau award among Ministries/Departments.
- The tableau of Central Public Works Department (CPWD), with the theme 'Biodiversity Conservation', bagged the special prize, along with 'Vande Bharatam' Dance Group.
- The winners were chosen after intensive assessment of their performance by three panels of judges, appointed for this purpose.
- Shri Ajay Bhatt also distributed prizes to the winners in the popular choice category which has been initiated after the clarion call of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi to ensure Jan-Bhagidari or people's participation in the national festivals.



- The online poll for the popular choice was conducted between January 25-28, 2023 on MyGov web page and over one lakh people participated in it.
- Raksha Rajya Mantri gave away Gujarat the best tableau award in the popular choice category. Its theme was Clean-Green Energy Efficient Gujarat. Tableaux of Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra got the second and third best tableau awards in this category.
- Best Tableau award among Central Ministries/Departments in the popular choice category was given to CAPF (Ministry of Home Affairs).
- Shri Ajay Bhatt distributed mementos to the shramjeevis who contributed in organising the Republic Day Parade on Kartvyapath.
- Senior officials of Ministry of Defence and other ministries/departments and many artists and children who participated in the Republic Day Parade were present on the occasion. Raksha Rajya Mantri interacted with the participants and congratulated them for their performance in the parade.





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Ministry of Home Affairs #CAPFs tableau in #RepublicDayParade 2023 declared the Best Tableau among Central Ministries/ Department in the Popular Choice category.

The tableau displayed multidimensional role and valour of CAPF Women personnel performing challenging duties.



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**Punjab regiment centre, CRPF named best marching contingents at RD parade**

Panel chooses Punjab Regiment Centre Contingent as best Marching Contingent among the three services; Indian Air Force wins online poll. CRPF named best Marching Contingent among CAPF/other auxiliary forces in both categories. Uttarakhand adjudged best State/UT tableau.

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## Review Questions

1. \_\_\_ Marching Contingent Adjudged As The Best Marching Contingent Among The Three Services.

- A. Sikh Regiment
- B. Rajput Regiment
- C. Assam Regiment
- D. Punjab Regiment

**ANSWER: D**

2. Which Of The Following Force Awarded The Popular Choice Award In RD 2023?

- A. IAF
- B. NSG
- C. Indian Army
- D. Indian Navy

**ANSWER: A**

3. 47<sup>th</sup> Raising Day Of The ICG Is Held On

- A. 01 February 2023
- B. 02 February 2023
- C. 03 February 2023
- D. 04 February 2023

**ANSWER: A**

4. The Hambantota Port Is In

- A. Sri Lanka
- B. Qatar
- C. Iran
- D. Austria

**ANSWER: A**

5. \_\_\_ Will Be Andhra Pradesh's New Capital.

- A. Guntur
- B. Hyderabad
- C. Amaravati

D. Visakhapatnam

**ANSWER: D**

**6. SIPRI Stands For**

- A. Stockholm International Peace Rice Institute
- B. Stock International Peace Research India
- C. Stockholm International Peace Research Institute
- D. Sugar International Peace Research Institute

**ANSWER: C**

**7. The Eastern Command Indian Army HQ at**

- A. Kolkata
- B. Kochi
- C. Kerala
- D. Coimbatore

**ANSWER: A**

**8. Maiden AL-Mohed AL-Hindi exercise held b/w India &**

- A. Iran
- B. Iraq
- C. Indonesia
- D. Saudi Arabia

**ANSWER: D**

**9. Gwadar Port Is Located In**

- A. Israel
- B. Iran
- C. Pakistan
- D. Iraq

**ANSWER: C**

**10. Chairman Of The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet(ACC) Is**

- A. PM
- B. NSA
- C. CDS
- D. Home Minister

**ANSWER: A**

**11. \_\_\_ Is The Largest Defense Contractors in the World.**

- A. Lockheed Martin
- B. Boeing
- C. Raytheon Technologies
- D. None of the above

**ANSWER: A**

**12. Current Secretary-General Of NATO Is \_\_\_.**

- A. Jens Stoltenberg
- B. Admiral Rob Bauer
- C. General Tod D. Wolters
- D. None of the above

**ANSWER: A**

**13. OPEC Hq Is In**

- A. Budapest, Hungary
- B. New York, USA
- C. Luanda, Angola
- D. Vienna, Austria

**ANSWER: D**

**14. 'Beirut' Is The Capital Of**

- A. Lebanon
- B. Libya
- C. Lithuania
- D. Lesotho

**ANSWER: A**

**15. "The Poverty of Political Economics" Book Written By**

- A. Shashi Tharoor
- B. Mansukh Mandviya
- C. Randeep Datta
- D. Meghnad Desai

**ANSWER: D**

**16. Madagascar Is In**

- A. Pacific Ocean
- B. Indian Ocean
- C. Black Sea



D. Arctic Ocean

**ANSWER: B**

**17. Which Is Not A Member Of SAARC?**

A. Bangladesh

B. Myanmar

C. India

D. Pakistan

**ANSWER: B**

**18. With reference to MILAN Exercise, consider the following statements:**

1. It is a multilateral Naval Exercise conducted by the members of Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO).

2. MILAN 2022 conducted in the East China Sea.

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: D**

**19. Mitra Shakti Ex Conducts B/W**

A. India & Indonesia

B. India & UK

C. India & Sri Lanka

D. India & Thailand

**ANSWER: C**

**20. SPYDER Air-defense System New Laser-based Air Defence System Made By**

A. USA

B. UK

C. Israel

D. Russia

**ANSWER: C**

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