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# Defence Current Affairs

## 05 May 2023

### Manipur Unrest: Curfew Imposed

- The Manipur gov imposed a curfew in most of the districts and **suspended mobile internet services** in the entire state for five days with immediate effect from Tuesday after a mass rally organised by the **All-Tribal Students' Union Manipur** turned violent in an area bordering Bishnupur and Churachandpur dis.
- The rally “**solidarity march**” was organised in **protest against** the demand for inclusion of the **state's Meitei community in the Scheduled Tribe (ST)** category, following an **April 19 Manipur High Court directive**.
- The development has reopened an old ethnic Faultline in the state between the plain-dwelling **Meitei community and the hill tribes**.
- **Meiteis already enjoy SC, OBC and EBC reservations**, ‘Meiteis can't eat all the pie and have it too’, ‘Meiteis are not tribals, they are SC, OBC & Brahmin’, ‘No protection for our land if Meiteis become ST’, ‘Tribals of Manipur Unite’, ‘We want 6th Schedule for our Survival, No 6th Schedule no rest’ was also **displayed among others were displayed**.
- Following the **HC's directive** on April 19 — to recommend for inclusion of the Meitei/Meetei community in the Scheduled Tribe list of the Constitution of India — the **state's tribal groups had expressed their strong opposition**.



## Kishtwar Army Chopper Crash

- An Army Aviation **ALH Dhruv helicopter** on an operational mission crashed while making a '**precautionary landing**' on the banks of Marua river in Jammu and Kashmir's Kishtwar.
- The pilots had reported a technical fault to the Air Traffic Controller (ATC) and proceeded for '**precautionary landing**' at about 11.15 hours on May 4.

- Craftsman Pabballa Anil later succumbed to his injuries. The 30-year-old was a native of Malkapur village in Telangana's Rajanna Sircilla district.
- In March this year, two pilots were killed after an Army aviation Cheetah helicopter crashed while flying an operational sortie near Bomdila in Arunachal Pradesh.



## IAF Chief Meets Sri Lanka PM Gunawardena On Second Day Of Island Nation's Visit

- **IAF Chief VR Chaudhari** met **Sri Lanka Prime Minister Dinesh Gunawardena** on the second day of his four-day visit to the island nation and discussed bilateral ties.
- The bilateral talks between the leaders assured IAF's steadfast commitment to Sri Lanka at all times when India is called upon.
- Furthermore, the Chief of Air Staff (CAS) also gave a talk at the prestigious **Sri Lankan National Defence College**.
- **India and Sri Lanka** are two South Asian nations situated in the Indian Ocean region. Geographically, Sri Lanka is located just off the southern coast of India, separated by the **Palk Strait**.
- India is Sri Lanka's **third largest export** destination, after the US and UK. More than **60%** of Sri Lanka's exports enjoy the benefits of the **India-Sri Lanka Free Trade Agreement**. India is also a major investor in Sri Lanka.



- India and Sri Lanka conduct joint Military (**Mitra Shakti**) and Naval exercise (**SLINEX**).



## Ajeya Warrior 2023: India, UK Carry Out Casualty Evacuation' Practice

- India and the United Kingdom carried out 'Casualty Evacuation' and 'Establishing Communication' practices during the ongoing Joint Military Training 'Ajeya Warrior' in the UK.
- The bilateral exercise is being held at Salisbury Plains, United Kingdom till May 11, according to the statement released by Defence Ministry.
- Ajeya Warrior is a biennial training event with the United Kingdom conducted alternatively in the United Kingdom and India, the last edition was held at Chaubatia, Uttarakhand in October 2021.



## India-China Border Stable : Chinese FM Qin To Jaishankar

- **Chinese Foreign Minister Qin Gang** reiterated that the situation at the India-China border is **generally stable** and both sides should consolidate the present achievements and strictly abide by the relevant agreements while pushing for further cooling and easing of the conditions for sustainable peace and tranquillity at the frontier.
- He said the two sides should continue to implement the important consensus reached by the leaders of the two countries, consolidate the existing achievements, strictly abide by relevant agreements, push for further cooling and easing of the border situation and maintain sustainable peace and tranquillity in the border areas.
- Jaishankar said the discussions were also held on issues relating to **the SCO, G20 and BRICS (Brazil-Russia-India-China-South Africa)**.



## EU Warns Moscow Not To Use Drone 'Attack' To Escalate War

- EU foreign policy chief Josep Borrell warned Moscow on Thursday to not use an **alleged drone attack** that it said targeted the Kremlin to escalate its war in Ukraine.
- Moscow said anti-aircraft units shot down the drones, claiming the alleged attack was an **assassination attempt on Russian President Vladimir Putin**, who does not sleep in the Kremlin.
- The White House said Wednesday that the **Kremlin was "lying"** by accusing Washington of guiding Ukraine to launch the alleged drone attack.





## Review Questions

**1. SCO Foreign Affairs Summit 2023 Conducting At**

- A. Goa
- B. Chennai
- C. New Delhi
- D. Mumbai

**ANSWER: A**

**2. Ex 'Ajeya Warrior' Conducted b/w India &**

- A. Qatar
- B. USA
- C. UAE
- D. UK

**ANSWER: D**

**3. HTT-40 Is A**

- A. UAV
- B. Helicopter
- C. Trainer Aircraft
- D. Tank

**ANSWER: C**



**4. ECIL Stands For**

- A. Electronics Corporation of India Limited
- B. Electronics Corporate of India Limited
- C. Electrical Corporation of India Limited
- D. None

**ANSWER: A**

**5. INCOSPAR Stands For**

- A. Electronics Corporation of India Limited
- B. Electronics Corporate of India Limited
- C. Electrical Corporation of India Limited
- D. None

**ANSWER: A**

**6. INCOSPAR Stands For**

- A. Indian National Committee for Space Research
- B. Indian National Council for Space Research
- C. Indian National Committee for Space Read
- D. None

**ANSWER: A**

**7. Dr Sameer V Kamath Is The Current Chairman Of**

- A. ISRO
- B. HAL
- C. DRDO
- D. BDL

**ANSWER: C**

**8. Operation Meghdoot Was Conducted In**

- A.** 13 April 1984
- B.** 14 April 1984
- C.** 15 April 1984
- D.** 16 April 1984

**ANSWER: A**

**9. Port of Chittagong Is In**

- A. India
- B. Bangladesh
- C. Sri Lanka

D. Bhutan

**ANSWER: B**

**10. Rashtriya Raksha University Is In**

A. Gandhinagar

B. Mumbai

C. New Delhi

D. Chennai

**ANSWER: A**

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

A. Brazil

B. Russia

C. China

D. None of the above

**ANSWER: C**

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

A. Afghanistan

B. Bangladesh

C. Bhutan

D. Madagascar

**ANSWER: D**

**13. HSTDV Stands For**

A. Hypersonic Technology Vehicle

B. Hypersonic Technology Demonstrator Vehicle

C. Hypersonic Technology Detonator Vehicle

D. None of the above

**ANSWER: B**

**14. INS Arighat Is A**

A. Nuclear Powered Submarine

B. Diesel Powered Submarine

C. Destroyer

D. Sailing Ship

**ANSWER: A**

**15. MANAMA Is The Capital Of**

- A. BAHRAIN
- B. BANGLADESH
- C. BARBADOS
- D. BELARUS

**ANSWER: A**

**16. "Believe-What Life and Cricket Taught Me" Book Written By**

- A. Suresh Raina
- B. JK Rowling
- C. Jhumpa Lahiri
- D. Amitav Ghosh

**ANSWER: A**

**17. THAAD System Designed and Manufactured By**

- A. Lockheed Martin
- B. Almaz – Antey
- C. Raytheon
- D. MBDA/ Eurosam

**ANSWER: A**

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

- A. Kochi
- B. Vishakhapatnam
- C. Prayagraj
- D. Lucknow

**ANSWER: C**

**19. For the Benefit of All Is The Motto Of**

- A. ISRO
- B. DRDO
- C. NASA
- D. JAXA

**ANSWER: C**

**20. 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**

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