

# Defence Current Affairs 04 August 2023

### Israel Approves USD 344 Million Sale Of 'David's Sling' Defense System To Finland

- Israel's Ministry of Defense revealed that the US Government approved the sale by Israel of the country's "David's Sling" anti-missile defence system to Finland.
- Israeli defence contractor that develops the system will participate in a ceremony to sign a procurement agreement worth approximately 316 million Euros (USD 344 million).
- The IDF says David's Sling system is capable of intercepting missiles fired towards Israel by enemy countries such as Iran and Syria.
- It can protect any country that uses it against large-calibre rockets, short-range ballistic missiles, and other developing threats. It's scheduled to be operational in two weeks.
- Unlike, the **mobile Iron Dome**, David's Sling is stationary and can protect the entirety of Israel from its permanent location, explains the IDF.
- Rafael boasts that David's Sling's "advanced, multi-mission interceptor," also known as the Stunner or the SkyCeptor, a joint endeavour of Rafael & Raytheon, two leaders in advanced weapons system development, offers interceptor as lethal, flexible and affordable hit-to-kill to defeat mass raids of threats.





## Over 20 Strategic Roads Close To LAC Have Year-end Deadline

- Over 20 strategic roads in Ladakh and northeast, several of them new alignments, have been identified as top priority projects to be completed by year-end.
- The focus is on building new alternative and lateral connectivity to the strategic Sub Sector North (SSN) besides considerable realignment works around the Durbuk-Shyok- Daulat Beg Oldie Road segment.
- The critical roads under construction include a road to provide alternate connectivity to the Daulat Beg Oldie (DBO) airfield located on the Depsang Plains in the strategic subsector north (SSN) and the realignment work on the Darbuk-Shyok-Daulat Beg Oldie (DS-DBO) road.
- The Sasoma-Saser La road (which will create alternate connectivity to DBO via the Saser La pass), the 32 km long Lukung-Chartse road (for connectivity from the north bank of Pangong Tso to the Hot Spring area), the 55 km long Changchenmo-Tsogatsalu road (providing connectivity to the strategic

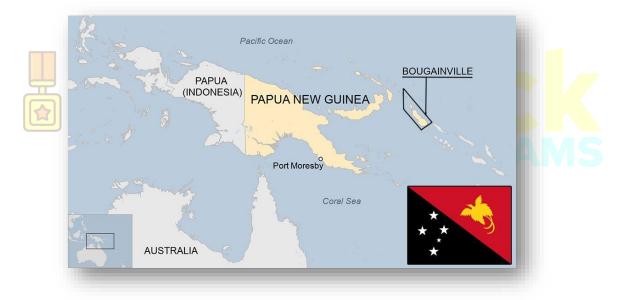
Changchenmo sector, which lies south of Aksai Chin), and the Mahe-Chushul and Koyul-Chisumle-Zursar roads are marked for completion by December.



### Port Call Of Ins Sahyadri And Ins Kolkata To Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea

- INS Sahyadri and Kolkata, mission deployed in the Eastern IOR, arrived at Port Moresby on 02 Aug 23, for enhancing maritime partnership and cooperation with Papua New Guinea.
- During the port call, the crew from the two ships will engage with personnel from PNG Defence Forces in a wide range of activities including professional interactions, cultural exchanges, Yoga sessions and ships visits. The port call is aimed at strengthening ties between India and Papua New Guinea in the maritime domain.





### Tinsukia Gold Cup 2023 Organised by Indian Army Concluded in Assam

 Spear Corps Warriors organised Tinsukia Football Gold Cup 2023 at Tinsukia, Assam. The football tournament was aimed at developing and finding new talents in Upper Assam and provided them with an opportunity to shine in the seven-day-long tournament.

- Total of 16 teams participated in the tournament from all over the district. The tournament concluded with the final match played between SANJIB BSA Vs BAREKURI RSA.
- BAREKURI RSA won the tournament in front of more than 200 energised spectators and was awarded with Rs 50000/- cash prize and the runner-up was awarded with Rs 30000/-. The tournament has paved the way for better interaction and social synergy between the army and locals.



### IAF Chief Visits Southwestern Army Command

- Indian Air Force Chief Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhari visited South- Western Army Command and interacted with the top brass of the base.
- The Indian Army officials said that "He discussed jointness and interservice coordination." His visit comes at a time when the force is working towards increasing jointness and integration as they are moving towards creating Theatre Command.
- Chaudhari highlighted the need for the IAF to adopt an evolved approach for the preparation of future military leaders to keep up with the accelerated technology infusion and fight tomorrow's wars while speaking at a seminar in New Delhi.





### **Review Questions**

- 1. Tinsukia Gold Cup 2023 Organised by
- A. IAF
- B. SSB
- C. NSG
- D. Indian Army ANSWER: D

#### 2. South- Western Army Command Hq Is In

- A. Jaipur
- B. Pune
- C. Mumbai
- D. Kolkata ANSWER: A
- 3. Agni, Prithvi, Trishul, Nag & Akash Missile Was Developed Under Which Programme?
- A. Nishan
- B. IGMDP
- C. RAKSHAK
- D. Tej
  - ANSWER: B

#### 4. Mission DefSpace Launched By PM Modi In \_\_\_\_

- A. T.N.
- B. M.H.
- C. Gujrat
- D. None ANSWER: C

#### 5. Deesa Airbase Of IAF Is Located In Which District Of Gujrat?

- A. Surat
- B. Banaskantha
- C. Vapi
- D. None

#### **ANSWER: B**

#### 6. \_\_\_ Is The Largest Air Command Of The IAF?

- A. Eastern
- B. Western
- C. S<mark>out</mark>hern
- D. Northern ANSWER: B

#### 7. Kamikaze Drones Developed By

- A. India
- B. Russia
- C. Ukraine
- D. Iran ANSWER: B

#### 8. Newly Created 'Weapon System Branch' Is Made Up For

- A. IAF
- B. BSF
- C. Indian Army
- D. ICG

**ANSWER: A** 

#### 9. M777 Ultra-Light Howitzer Have A Range Of Up To

- A. 20 km
- B. 30 km

- C. 40 km
- D. None of the above **ANSWER: B**

#### 10. "Lal Salam" Book Written By

- A. Smriti Irani
- B. JK Rowling
- C. Jhumpa Lahiri
- D. Amitav Ghosh

**ANSWER: A** 

#### **11. VL-SRSAM Developed By**

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

#### 12. Ex 'Khanjar' Conducted b/w India &

- A. Qatar
- B. Oman
- C. UAE
- D. Kyrgyzstan ANSWER: D

#### 13. Solomon Islands Is Located On

- A. Indian Ocean
- B. Pacific Ocean
- C. Arctic Ocean
- D. None of the above
  - ANSWER: B

#### 14. Saab AB Is An Aerospace Company of

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

#### 15. G7 Summit 2023 Held At -

- A. Paris
- B. Tokyo
- C. Hiroshima
- D. New York ANSWER: C

#### 16. DGAQA Stands For

- A. Directorate General of Aeronautical Quality Assurance
- B. Directorate General of Aeronautical Query Assurance
- C. Directorate General of Aeronautical Quality Assured
- D. None ANSWER: A

#### 17. Ex AL NAGAH, NASEEM-AL-BAHR, Ex EASTERN BRIDGE Conducted b/w India &

- A. Qatar
- B. Oman
- C. UAE
- D. Maldives

#### 18. Brahmos Is A

- A. Hypersonic Cruise Missile
- B. Supersonic Cruise Missile
- C. Subsonic Cruise Missile
- D. Ballistic Missile ANSWER: B

#### **19. PVSM Stands For**

- A. Param Vishisht Seva Medal
- B. Param Vishisht Sainik Medal
- C. Param Vishishthtm Seva Medal
- D. None

#### **ANSWER: A**

#### 20. Udarshakti Exercise Held B/W India And Which Other Country?

- A. Malaysia
- B. Singapore

C. Russia

D. Japan ANSWER: A

