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G20 TH INQ: The Indian Navy Quiz

- To commemorate Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav, Indian Navy had scaled up the Inter School Quiz competitions held at various stations to a National Level School Quiz Competition – The Indian Navy Quiz (THINQ).
- THINQ has become an international event and rechristened “**G20 THINQ**”. The event is being conducted by the Navy under the aegis of the G20 Secretariat and in partnership with NWWA (**Navy Welfare and Wellness Association**) and will have two levels National and International.
- The National Round of the G20 THINQ will see participation of school children studying in **Classes IX to XII**. Over **11700 schools** have registered for the quiz.
- As India hands over the G20 baton to Brazil on 01 Dec 23, the G20 THINQ will be the concluding chapter of a series of significant events held since Dec 22. It will serve as a remarkable finale to India’s Presidency that witnessed many unique achievements of the G20 at the global level.



Naval Commanders' Conference 2023/2

- The 2nd edition of Naval Commanders' Conference of 2023 is scheduled at New Delhi from 04 to 06 Sep 23. The Conference is the apex-level biannual event facilitating interaction between the Naval Commanders for deliberation and formulation of important policy decisions.
- During the three-day Conference, being conducted in a **'Hybrid' format**, the senior leadership of the Indian Navy, under the Chairmanship of the Chief of the Naval Staff, will review major operational, materiel, logistics, HR, training, and administrative activities undertaken during the previous six months.
- The last six months have seen an intense operational tempo as the Indian Navy's operations spanned from the **Atlantic to the Pacific**. Indian Naval ships were first responders for the evacuation of Indian nationals from Sudan as part of **'Op Cauvery'** and HADR in Myanmar in the aftermath of **Cyclone Mocha** as part of **'Op Karuna'**.



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Maj Gen Ignatius Delos Flora takes charge as Additional DG, MNS

- Maj Gen Ignatius Delos Flora has taken charge as the Additional Director General of Military Nursing Service (MNS) on 01 Sep 2023. The General Officer is an alumnus of the School of Nursing, Army Hospital Delhi Cantt, now College of Nursing, Army Hospital (R&R).
- She was commissioned into the MNS in the year 1985 and completed her Midwifery training at Command Hospital Air Force Bangalore in 1986.

Continuing the higher study, she completed her PCBSc Nursing from College of Nursing AFMC Pune in 1995.

- During her illustrious career of 38 years, the General Officer has held various key appointments in the Armed Forces Medical Services hospitals including JDMNS (Trg & HS) Eastern Command, DPM INHS Asvini, Principal Matron AICTS Pune, Brig MNS at HQ Northern Command.



India, US Hold Military Cooperation Group Meeting In Hawaii

- The 20th edition of the India-US Military Cooperation Group (MCG) meeting was held on August 30-31 in Hawaii, US, with the discussions focusing on cooperation mechanisms between the two nations, the Defence Officials said.
- The meeting was co-chaired from the Indian side by Lt Gen Johnson P. Mathew and Lt Gen Stephen D. Skelenka, Deputy Commander of American Indo-Pacific Command.
- The discussions focused on new initiatives under the ambit of existing bilateral defence cooperation mechanisms & strengthening the ongoing India-US defence engagements, the Defence officials added.



Japan's Defence Ministry Seeks Record 7.7 trillion Yen Budget For FY 2024

- Japan's Defence Ministry requested a record 7.7 trillion-yen (USD 53 billion) budget for fiscal year 2024 as the government aims to deploy arms to realize newly authorized capabilities to strike enemy targets for stronger deterrence in the wake of the worsening regional security environment.
- The budget exceeds the 6.8 trillion -yen initial budget for the current fiscal 2023 that started in April after Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida updated a key security document late last year and pledged to boost defence spending.
- The requested amount does not include costs linked to hosting US military bases, which have been about 200 billion yen annually. The initial defence budget, expected to be fixed by the year-end, will likely rise for the 12th straight year.



Iran Slows Enrichment Of Near-weapons-grade Uranium: UN nuclear watchdog report

- Iran has slowed its enrichment of uranium at nearly weapons-grade levels, a report by the United Nations' nuclear watchdog seen by The Associated Press.
- The confidential report comes as Iran and the United States are negotiating a prisoner swap and the release of billions of dollars in Iranian assets frozen in South Korea.
- Slowing its enrichment of uranium could serve as another sign that Tehran seeks to lower tensions between it and America after years of tensions since the collapse of its 2015 nuclear deal with world powers.
- The report by the International Atomic Energy Agency said Iran has 121.6 kilograms of uranium enriched up to 60%, a far-slower growth than in previous counts. An IAEA report in May put the stockpile of 60% uranium at just over 114 kilograms. It had 87.5 kilograms in February.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. 2nd Naval Commanders' Conference of 2023 Inaugurated In

- A. Mumbai
- B. Pune
- C. New Delhi
- D. Noida

ANSWER: C

2. Assumed The Charge of ADG of MNS

- A. Maj Gen Ignatius Delos Flora
- B. Maj Gen Amita Singh
- C. Maj Gen Anjali Verma
- D. None

ANSWER: A

3. HAL HPT-32 Deepak Is A

- A. Trainer Aircraft
- B. Fighter Aircraft
- C. Helicopter
- D. None

ANSWER: A

4. Malabo Is The Capital Of

- A. Equatorial Guinea
- B. Eritrea
- C. Estonia
- D. Ethiopia

ANSWER: A

5. "Super-Infinite: The Transformations of John Donne" Book Is Written By

- A. Ruskin Bond
- B. Gita Gopinath
- C. Hew Strachan
- D. Katherine Rundell's

ANSWER: D

6. Accuracy International Arctic Warfare Magnum Is A

- A. UAV
- B. Sniper Rifles
- C. Tank
- D. Transport Aircraft

ANSWER: B

7. What Is The Full Form Of SDSC?

- A. Satish Development Space Centre
- B. Scientific Development Space Centre
- C. Satish Dhawan Space Centre
- D. Static Development Space Centre

ANSWER: C

8. INS Cheetah Is A

- A. Destroyer
- B. OPV
- C. Submarine
- D. Landing ship tank

ANSWER: D

9. Which Port Is Located In Western Coast of India?

- A. Kandla
- B. Kolkata
- C. Mangalore
- D. Visakhapatnam

ANSWER: A

10. With reference to the Project 15B warships, consider the following statements:

- 1. They are equipped with BrahMos supersonic cruise missiles and long-range Surface-to-Air Missiles.**
- 2. 'INS Surat' was the first-ever ship of Project 15B Destroyers.**
- 3. Project 15B warships are completely indigenous.**

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 1 and 2 only

- C. 3 only
- D. 2 and 3 only

ANSWER: A

11. Brigadier Rank of Indian Army Is Equivalent To Which Rank Of Indian Navy?

- A. Commodore
- B. Captain
- C. Commander
- D. Lieutenant

ANSWER: A

12. The Counter Insurgency and Jungle Warfare School Is In

- A. Vairengte, Mizoram
- B. Pune, M.H.
- C. Lucknow, U.P.
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: A

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

- A. Kochi
- B. Shimla
- C. Pune
- D. Kolkata

ANSWER: D

14. "Sarvatra" (Everywhere) Is The Motto Of

- A. JKRIF
- B. RR
- C. CORPS OF ENGINEERS
- D. Madras Regiment

ANSWER: C

15. 'CORPS' In Indian Army Headed By__

- A. General Officer Commanding (GOC)
- B. General Officer Commanding-in-chief (GOC-in-C)
- C. Major General
- D. Brigadier

ANSWER: A

16. "Kiki Man Ray" Book Is Written By

- A. Mark Braude
- B. Sitaram Yechuri
- C. Maddie Mortimer
- D. Emma Donoghue

ANSWER: A

17. 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

18. LADAKH SCOUTS Is Also Known As

- A. Snow Warriors
- B. Fighter
- C. Protector
- D. Veera

ANSWER: A

19. Sampriti Ex Conducts B/W

- A. India & Indonesia
- B. India & Bangladesh
- C. India & Sri Lanka
- D. India & Russia

ANSWER: B

20. Which Of The Following Ports Is/Are Located In T.N?

- A. Kochi
- B. Chennai
- C. Ennore
- D. Both B&C

ANSWER: D