

# Defence Current Affairs

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### Myanmar Military Says Lost Control Of Chinshwehaw Town On The Chinese Border

- Yangon, Nov 02, 2023 -Myanmar's military has lost control of a strategic town on the Chinese border following days of clashes with ethnic armed groups, in what analysts say is the biggest military challenge it has faced since seizing power.
- Fighting has raged since Friday across northern Shan state, with an alliance of ethnic groups claiming to have seized four towns, blocked trade routes to China and captured dozens of military outposts.
- The remoteness of the rugged, jungle-clad region -- home to pipelines that supply oil and gas to China -- and patchy communications make it difficult to verify casualty numbers in the fighting, which the United Nations fears has displaced thousands.



## Vladimir Putin Revokes Russia's Ratification Of Nuclear Test Ban Treaty

- President Vladimir Putin on Thursday signed off on a law revoking Russia's ratification of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty, a move he says is designed to bring Moscow into line with the United States.
- Russia says that it will not resume testing unless Washington does and that its de-ratification does not change its nuclear posture or the way it shares information about its nuclear activities.
- Washington had signed but never ratified the 1996 treaty and Putin had said he wanted Russia, which had signed and ratified the pact, to adopt the same stance on the treaty as the United States.

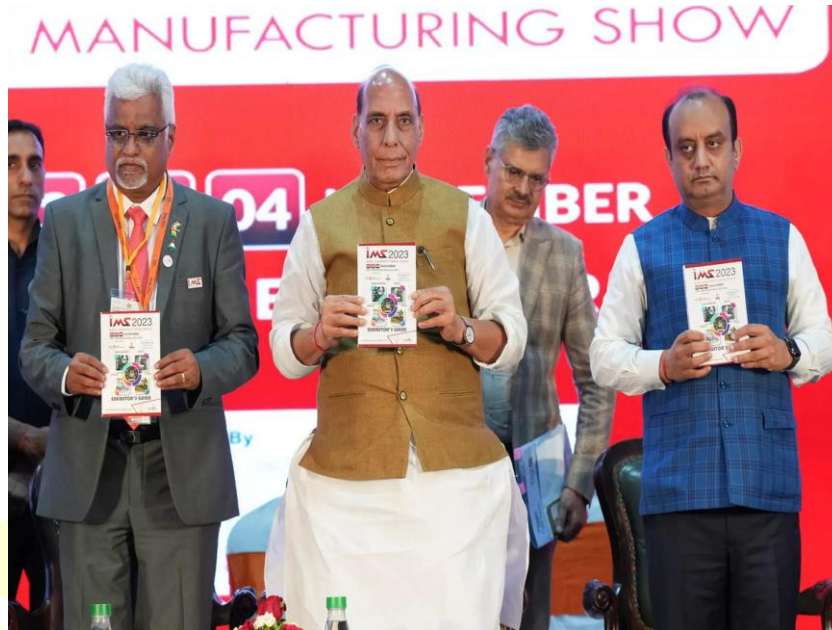


## Govt Reserved 75 % Of Defence Capital Acquisition Budget

- The government has reserved 75 % of the defence capital acquisition budget, which amounts to approximately Rs one lakh crore, for purchases from local companies, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh said.
- The move is to ensure adequate demand assurance for the domestic industries, he said at the 'India Manufacturing Show-2023' here, as he listed the steps taken for MSMEs in the defence sector.
- "We are the first government which imposed restrictions on itself for the import of weapons. We released five positive indigenisation lists, under which 509

equipment have been identified, the manufacturing of which will now take place in India," Singh said.

- Singh also referred to the Innovations for Defence Excellence (iDEX) initiative, which was launched to invite new ideas in defence manufacturing through start-ups and innovators.



## **DRDO holds XVIII International Workshop on High Energy and Special Materials**

- DRDO High Energy Material Research Laboratory, Pune is organizing the XVIII International Workshop on High Energy and Special Materials in association with Tomsk State University & Federal Research & Production Centre, Russia on 2nd & 3rd November 2023 at Dr APJ Abdul Kalam DRDO Golden Jubilee Auditorium, Pashan, Pune.
- HEMRL is organizing this international workshop for the first time in India, which provides a platform to the scientists, technocrats and researchers to share knowledge, experience and technological advancements made in recent past.
- EMs-2023 is being held to discuss, deliberate and share new developments in recent past in High Energy Materials and allied technologies. The theme of this workshop is '**Emerging Trends in High Energy and Special Materials**'.



## 34<sup>th</sup> Tri-Services Training Commanders Conference

- The 34<sup>th</sup> Tri-Services Training Commanders Conference was held at Army Training Command in Himachal Pradesh's Shimla, the Defence officials said. As per the official, the conference was chaired by CDS General Anil Chauhan.
- The conference focused on jointness and integration in training pedagogy in the defence forces. The CDS has already held similar meetings for the northern theatre and maritime theatre in the last few months as part of discussions towards creating theatre commands.
- As part of promoting the Tri-Service culture in the forces, the services are having cross postings of personnel from one force to the other as recently Army officers from Air Defence units are getting posted to the Air Force Surface to Air Missile (SAM) Squadrons.
- The joint acquisition of weapon systems has already started in the Armed Forces with the case of procurement of Predator drones from the US to be followed up by the Medium Altitude Long Endurance drones being next on the agenda.



## Review Questions

**1. Who is organizing the XVIII International Workshop on High Energy and Special Materials (HEMs-2023)?**

- A. Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO)
- B. Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)
- C. Tomsk State University
- D. Army Training Command

**ANSWER: B**

**2. Where was the 34<sup>th</sup> Tri-Services Training Commanders Conference held?**

- A. Tomsk State University
- B. Army Training Command in Himachal Pradesh's Shimla
- C. Dr APJ Abdul Kalam DRDO Golden Jubilee Auditorium, Pashan, Pune
- D. Federal Research & Production Centre, Russia

**ANSWER: B**

**3. Department of Ex-servicemen Welfare Comes Under**

- A. MHA
- B. MOD
- C. MEA
- D. None

**ANSWER: B**

**4. Ex 'SURYA KIRAN' Conducted b/w India &**

- A. Russia
- B. Oman
- C. Nepal
- D. Maldives

**ANSWER: C**

**5. The Chinook Is A**

- A. Helicopter
- B. Machine Gun
- C. UAV
- D. Fighter Jet

**ANSWER: A**

**6. Which Team Won Durand Cup Championship 22?**

- A. Mohun Bagan
- B. Mumbai City FC
- C. Chennai City
- D. None

**ANSWER: A**

**7. Aerobatic Team Of IAF Is**

- A. Surya
- B. Surya Kiran
- C. Kiran
- D. None of the above

**ANSWER: B**

**8. Sampriti Ex Conducts B/W**

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

**ANSWER: B**

**9. Assistant Commandant Of ICG Is Equivalent To Which Rank Of Indian Army?**

- A. Captain
- B. Brigadier
- C. Lieutenant
- D. Major General

**ANSWER: C**

**10. Parachute Regiment Training Centre Is At**

- A. Bangalore
- B. New Delhi
- C. Nagpur
- D. Chennai

**ANSWER: A**

**11. Thales Group Is A Company Of Which Nation**

- A. Taiwan
- B. China
- C. USA
- D. France

**ANSWER: D**

**12. Which Country Hosted Multilateral Exercise MILAN 2022?**

- A. France
- B. UK
- C. India
- D. Malaysia

**ANSWER: C**

**13. Quito Is The Capital Of**

- A. Ecuador
- B. Egypt
- C. UAE
- D. El Salvador

**ANSWER: A**

**14. "Modi @20: Dreams Meeting Delivery" Book Is Written By**

- A. Shashi Tharoor
- B. Rajesh Talwar
- C. Venkaiah Naidu
- D. Rasheed Kidwai

**ANSWER: C**

**15. Russia's New Nuclear-capable Intercontinental Missile That Can Strike Any Target In The World Is \_\_\_\_.**

- A. Nikita
- B. Mashov
- C. Spike
- D. Sarmat

**ANSWER: D**

**16. What Is The Name Of India's First Indigenously Developed Flying Trainer?**

- A. Horn-NG

- B. HANS-NG
- C. HANSA-NG
- D. Hawk-NG

**ANSWER: C**

**17. Sea Dragon Is A**

- A. Domestic Ex
- B. Multilateral Ex
- C. Bilateral Ex
- D. None of these

**ANSWER: B**

**18. World's Highest Motorable Road Is In**

- A. Sikkim
- B. Ladakh
- C. Himachal Pradesh
- D. Assam

**ANSWER: B**

**19. Exercises B/w The India And UK Is Called:**

- A. AJEYA WARRIOR
- B. KONKAN
- C. Indra
- D. Both A&B

**ANSWER: D**

**20. CTBT Treaty Is Related To**

- A. Nuclear Test Ban
- B. Dual Use Goods Tech
- C. Spreading Biological Weapons
- D. Both A&B

**ANSWER: A**