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Adani Unveils South Asia's Largest Ammunition And Missiles Complex

- Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Monday inaugurated the Ammunition & Missiles Complex, the first leg of the state's defence corridor in the presence of Chief of Army Staff, Gen Manoj Pande.
- According to Ashish Rajvanshi, CEO, Adani Defence, nearly 4000 jobs will be generated in this complex with five times the multiplier effect on MSMEs and the local ecosystem benefiting from it indirectly and an investment plan of Rs 3000+ crore.
- The Adani ammunition centre is South Asia's largest ammunition manufacturing complex and has been dedicated to the brave warriors of the Balakot strike who carried out '**Operation Bandar**' in response to the Pulwama attack that claimed the lives of 40 Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) soldiers.
- Spread over **500 acres**, the facility in Kanpur is set to become one of the largest integrated ammunition manufacturing complexes. It will produce small, medium and large calibre ammunition for the armed forces, paramilitary forces and police.
- The facility has started rolling out small calibre ammunition, starting with 150 million rounds estimated at 25 percent of India's annual requirement.



India-US To Engage In Homeland Security Talks

- India and the United States are likely to conduct a significant dialogue on homeland security, focusing on topics such as counterterrorism, concerns related to Sikh radicals, cybersecurity, and aviation security, among other matters.
- Sources familiar with the matter indicate that discussions will be led by Union Home Secretary Ajay Bhalla and his counterparts from the United States in the national capital.
- The anticipated topics for discussion are cooperation in counterterrorism, cybersecurity, combating illegal migration, extradition, aviation security, safeguarding global supply chains, and maritime security, among other areas. The last homeland security dialogue took place in January 2022.



Indian Navy Conducts Airborne Insertion Ops Over Arabian Sea

- The Indian Navy undertook airborne insertion of Special Forces by paratropping inflatable crafts and MARCOs from C-130 aircraft in the Arabian Sea for continued anti-piracy operations in the region, Indian Navy said.
- The exercise was undertaken in response to the ongoing maritime security situation in the Gulf of Aden and Arabian Sea and to ensure prompt action against any maritime threat.
- Meanwhile, in January, the **Indian Navy warship INS Sumitra** thwarted the piracy attempt on an Iranian-flagged fishing vessel, Al Naeemi sailing off the East Coast of Somalia and successfully rescued 19 Pakistani nationals on Monday, as per the Indian Navy.



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BrahMos Missile Now Our Primary Weapon: CONS

- Indian Navy Chief Admiral R Hari Kumar has declared that the BrahMos supersonic cruise missile will become the primary weapon of the Indian Navy, supplanting older missile systems acquired from other countries. In an interview with ANI, Admiral Kumar stated, "**BrahMos will be our primary weapon now as the surface-to-surface missile weapon.**"
- He also indicated that the Indian Air Force and its fighter aircraft might adopt BrahMos as their primary air-to-surface weapon. He praised BrahMos for its

evolution in range, capabilities, and lethality, emphasizing that the missile is "a very potent missile."

- The Navy chief's comments follow the Cabinet Committee on Security's clearance of a deal for over **200 BrahMos missiles** under a **Rs 19,000 crore** contract, expected to be signed on March 5.



Balakot Airstrike Anniversary

- On February 26, 2024, India commemorates the **fifth anniversary** of the Balakot airstrike, a historic military operation conducted by the IAF in response to the Pulwama terror attack. The Balakot airstrike, conducted on February 26, 2019, was a meticulously planned and executed operation that demonstrated India's unwavering commitment to national security.
- The codeword "**Bandar Mara Gaya**" was reportedly used to relay the success of the mission, signaling the elimination of a significant threat.
- The message meant that the Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM) terrorist training camp at Balakot in Pakistan's hinterland had been destroyed by Indian fighter jets in a daring pre-dawn cross-border operation.
- Top officials and functionaries involved in the Balakot strike previously told HT that the code name "Bandar" was deliberately chosen to confuse Pakistani intelligence, which the Indian side hoped would think the reference was to the JeM HQ in Bhawalpur, where the terror group's ailing chief Masood Azhar was safely housed.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Indian Navy Conducts Airborne Insertion Ops Over

- A. Arabian Sea
- B. Pacific Ocean
- C. Bay of Bengal
- D. None

ANSWER: A

2. Adani Unveils South Asia's Largest Ammunition And Missiles Complex In

- A. Mumbai
- B. Kanpur
- C. Pune
- D. Kochi

ANSWER: B

3. On February 26, 2024, India Commemorates The Fifth Anniversary of The

- A. Op Bandar
- B. Op Safed Sagar
- C. Op Parakram
- D. None

ANSWER: A

4. India Isn't A Member Of Which Of The Following Groups?

- A. Nuclear Suppliers Group
- B. Australia Group
- C. Missile Technology Control Regime
- D. Wassenaar Arrangement

ANSWER: A

5. Udarshakti Is A Exercise Held B/W India And Which Other Country?

- A. Malaysia
- B. Singapore
- C. Russia
- D. Japan

ANSWER: A

6. What Is The Name Of The Submarine Which Has been Decommissioned From The Indian Navy?

- A. INS Rajput
- B. INS Nishank
- C. INS Sindhudhvaj
- D. INS Ranjit

ANSWER: C

7. Chinook Helicopter Is Manufactured By

- A. IAI
- B. Airbus
- C. Boeing
- D. Lockheed Martin

ANSWER: C

8. The India-Bangladesh Land Boundary Agreement (LBA) came into force in

- A. 2015
- B. 2016
- C. 2017
- D. 2018

ANSWER: A

9. AMCA Stands For

- A. Advanced Medium Cockpit Aircraft
- B. Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft
- C. Advanced Motor Combat Aircraft
- D. Advanced Machine Combat Aircraft

ANSWER: B

10. Wartime Gallantry Award Is/Are

- A. Param Vir Chakra
- B. Maha Vir Chakra
- C. Ashok Chakra
- D. Both a & b

ANSWER: D

11. Motto Of Territorial Army Is

- A. Rhino Charge
- B. Duty Unto Death
- C. Valour
- D. Savdhani Va Shoorta

ANSWER: D

12. Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre Is Located At

- A. Mumbai
- B. Chennai
- C. Kochi
- D. Thiruvananthapuram

ANSWER: D

13. Major Rank Of Indian Army Is Equivalent To Which Rank Of The Indian Navy?

- A. Captain
- B. Inspector
- C. Lt Commander
- D. Vice-admiral

ANSWER: C

14. "Freedom Is Not Given, It. Is Taken". Said By__

- A. Pandit Nehru
- B. Mahatma Gandhi
- C. Subhas Chandra Bose
- D. Bhagat Singh

ANSWER: C

15. "Rajtarangini" Book Is Written By

- A. Jay Prakash Narayan
- B. Jane Austen
- C. Hew Strachan
- D. Kalhana

ANSWER: D

16. Prithvi Defence Vehicle Mark 2 Is A

- A. MRBM
- B. IRBM
- C. ICBM
- D. Anti-satellite Missile Test

ANSWER: D

17. Duncan Passage Separates:-

- A. Rutland Island and Little Andaman
- B. Andaman and Nicobar
- C. North and South Andaman
- D. South Andaman and little Andaman

ANSWER: A

18. Motto of THE MARATHA LIGHT INFANTRY REGIMENT

- A. Parakramo Vijayate
- B. Assam Vikram
- C. Yudhaya Krit Nishchaya
- D. Duty, Honour, courage

ANSWER: D

19. Joint Exercises B/w The India And Sri Lanka Is Called:

- A. SAMVEDNA
- B. SLINEX
- C. Indra

D. Both A&B

ANSWER: D

20. Joint Exercises B/w The India And Bangladesh Is Called:

A. Table-Top Ex

B. SLINEX

C. Indra

D. Yudha Abhyas

ANSWER: A

