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## MoD Inks MoU With BEML Limited, BEL & MIDHANI

- Ministry of Defence has signed a tripartite MoU with BEML Limited, Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) and Mishra Dhatu Nigam Limited (MIDHANI) for indigenous development of Advanced Fuelling and Control System for Engines for heavy duty applications.
- The MoU was inked with Chairman & Managing Director, BEML Limited Shri Shantanu Roy; CMD, MIDHANI Dr SK Jha; and CMD, BEL Shri Bhanu Prakash Srivastava, in the presence of Defence Secretary Shri Giridhar Aramane in New Delhi on March 04, 2024.
- This collaborative initiative will focus on leveraging indigenous capabilities to design, test, and manufacture an Advanced Fuelling and Control System that offers enhanced efficiency, performance, and reliability.



## Raksha Mantri To Inaugurate The Infrastructure/ Facilities of Project Seabird

 Raksha Mantri Rajnath Singh will be inaugurating two major piers and seven residential towers comprising 320 houses for Naval Officers and Defence civilian personnel and 149 single officers' accommodation in Naval Base Karwar on 05 Mar 24.

- Phase I of Project Seabird was designed to accommodate 10 ships and was successfully concluded in 2011. The infrastructure comprised a breakwater, a pier capable of berthing 10 ships, a 10,000-ton ship lift and dry berth, a Naval Ship Repair Yard, logistics and armament storage facilities, accommodation for 1000 personnel, a Headquarters/Depot Organisation, and a 141-bed Naval Hospital.
- Once fully operational, with an estimated 50,000 individuals residing in the Naval Facilities spread over the 25-km expanse, a substantial contribution to the local economy is foreseen. The establishment of the Naval Dockyard and the maintenance needs of ships will act as catalysts for the industrial growth of the region.



## **Curtain Raiser Naval Commanders' Conference 24/1**

- The first edition of the Naval Commanders' Conference of 2024 is scheduled to commence from 05 Mar 24. The Conference, this time around, will be held in a Hybrid format where in the first phase will be held at sea.
- The inaugural session of the Conference will have Raksha Mantri embarking at sea to witness both aircraft carriers demonstrating Indian Navy's ability to conduct 'twin carrier operations.
- During the three-day event, the Raksha Mantri, Shri Rajnath Singh, will address
  the Naval Commanders. The CDS, along with the Chiefs of the Indian Army and
  Indian Air Force, will also engage with the Naval Commanders during the
  conference to discuss the convergence of the three Services in light of the
  common national security environment.



## **Delivery Of Ammunition Cum Torpedo Cum Missile Barge**

- The delivery of 'Ammunition Cum Torpedo Cum Missile Barge, LSAM 19', 5th
  Barge of 11 x ACTCM Barge Project, built by MSME Shipyard, M/s Suryadipta
  Projects Pvt Ltd, Thane for Indian Navy, was undertaken on 04 Mar 24 at Naval
  Dockyard, Mumbai for NAD(Karanja).
- The contract for building 11 X ACTCM Barge was signed between MoD and M/s Suryadipta Projects Pvt Ltd, Thane on 05 Mar 21. Induction of these Barges would provide impetus to operational commitments of IN by facilitating Transportation, Embarkation and Disembarkation of articles/ammunition to IN Ships both alongside jetties and at outer harbours.



## Saab to establish Carl-Gustaf Weapon System plant at Reliance MET city

 A milestone was achieved by MET City, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Reliance Industries Limited, as it becomes home to Saab's first manufacturing facility of the famous Carl-Gustaf Weapon System in India.

- Saab is a Swedish defence major and has a wide array of defence products and their relationship with India is not new.
- As per a release, it is a significant development for India to become Aatmanirbhar in defence manufacturing as this will be India's first 100 percent FDI in defence.
- MET City (METL) is a 100 per cent subsidiary of Reliance Industries Limited, which is developing a world-class Greenfield Smart city on over 8,000 acres land in the district of Jhajjar near Gurugram in the state of Haryana. More than 480 companies including some of the best national and international corporates have set up their bases in MET City.







## **REVIEW QUESTIONS**

- 1. Which company's subsidiary achieved a milestone by becoming home to Saab's first manufacturing facility?
- A. Tata Group
- B. Mahindra & Mahindra
- C. Reliance Industries Limited
- D. Larsen & Toubro

**ANSWER: C** 

- 2. What is the focus of the tripartite MoU signed by the MoD with BEML Limited, **BEL & MIDHANI?**
- A. Development of advanced missile systems
- B. Indigenous development of Advanced Fuelling and Control System for Engines
- C. Procurement of foreign weaponry
- D. Maintenance of naval vessels

#### **ANSWER: B**

#### 3. AESA Stands For

- A. Activated Electronically Scanned Array
- B. Active Electronically Scanned Array
- C. Active Electronics Scanned Array
- D. None

**ANSWER: B** 

#### 4. The Uttam AESA, Developed By

- A. DRDO
- B. HAL
- C. BEL
- D. NASA

**ANSWER: A** 

#### 5. "Ex SAMPRITI-X" Conducted At

- A. Bangladesh
- B. Bharat
- C. Both A&B
- D. None

**ANSWER: A** 

#### 6. GPMG Stands For

- A. General Purple Machine Gun
- B. General Purpose Machine Gun
- C. General Purpose Machine Gum
- D. None

**ANSWER: B** 

#### 7. 'Ex Zapad' Conducted B/W India &

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

**ANSWER: B** 

#### 8. Hq Of Department of Space Is In

A. New Delhi

- B. Bengaluru
- **C.** Kochi
- **D.** Kolkata

**ANSWER: B** 

- 9. "An Odyssey in War and Peace" Book Is Written By
- A. Shashi Tharoor
- B. SHF Manekshaw
- C. Hew Strachan
- D. Lt Gen J.F.R. Jacob

**ANSWER: D** 

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

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

**ANSWER: D** 

### 11. Ex KAZIND Conducted B/W India And

- A. France
- B. China
- C. Kazakhstan
- D. Kyrgyzstan

**ANSWER: C** 

#### 12. Group Captain Rank Of IAF Is Equivalent to Which Rank of Indian Navy?

- A. Colonel
- B. Captain
- C. Commander
- D. Major

**ANSWER: B** 

#### 13. SLNS Sayurala Is A Ship Of

- A. Oman
- B. Qatar
- C. Sri Lanka
- D. Maldives

#### **ANSWER: C**

#### 14. Male Is The Capital Of

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

**ANSWER: D** 

## 15. "The Bubble" Book Is Written By

- A. Ismat Chugtai
- B. Mulk Raj Anand
- C. Khushwant Singh
- D. Anne Frank ANSWER: B

#### 16. Exercises B/w The India And UK Is Called:

- A. Desert Eagle
- B. SLINEX
- C. Indra
- D. Indradhanush

**ANSWER: D** 

#### 17. Rajputana Rifles Hq Is In

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

**ANSWER: D** 

#### 18. "Jat balwan, jai bhagwan" Is The Motto Of

- A. JKRIF
- B. RR
- C. CORPS OF ENGINEERS
- D. JAT REGIMENT

**ANSWER: D** 

### 19. Joint Exercises B/w The India And Maldives Is Called:

A. Ekatha

- B. SLINEX
- C. Indra
- D. Yudha Abhyas

ANSWER: a

## 20. The Hawker Siddeley HS 748 is a

- A. Helicopter
- B. Machine Gun
- C. UAV
- D. Transport Aircraft

**ANSWER: D** 

