

# Daily Defence Current Affairs

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### Launch Of 25t Bollard Pull Tug, Bajrang

- Third 25T Bollard Pull (BP) Tug, Bajrang was launched by Cmde V Pravin, AWPS (Mbi) on 14 Mar 24 at M/s Shoft Shipyard Pvt Ltd, Bharuch, Gujarat. This Tug is a proud flag bearer of “Make in India” initiative of Govt of India.
- Contract for construction and delivery of three 25T BP Tug was concluded with M/s **Shoft Shipyard Pvt Ltd** (M/s SSPL), an MSME, in consonance with “Aatmanirbhar Bharat” initiative of the Government of India. These Tugs are being built under the classification rules of Indian Register of Shipping (IRS).
- The availability of Tugs will provide impetus to Operational commitments of IN by facilitating assistance to Naval ships and submarines during berthing and unberthing, turning and manoeuvring in confined waters. The Tugs will also provide afloat firefighting assistance to ships alongside, at anchorage and will also have capability to conduct limited Search and Rescue Operations.



## Curtain Raiser POP Of Third Batch Of Agniveers

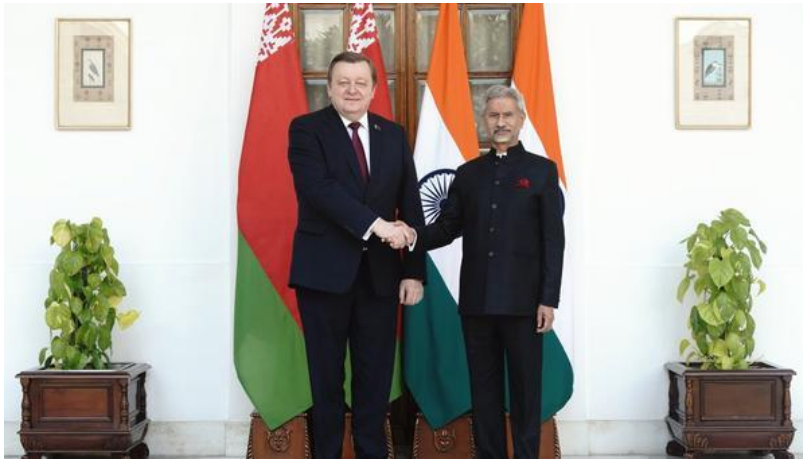
- The POP of the third batch of Agniveers is scheduled at INS Chilka on 15 Mar 24. The POP marks the successful culmination of training of approx. 2600 Agniveers, including women Agniveers who have undergone rigorous training at Chilka.
- This momentous event will be witnessed by the proud family members of the passing out Agniveer course. Besides this, various high achiever veterans and sports personalities will also be present during the ceremony inspiring the Agniveers with their remarkable achievements.
- The Chief of Naval Staff will also attend the valedictory function and present awards and trophies to various divisions and unveil the bilingual trainees' magazine 'Ankur'.



## "UNSC reforms should be facilitated": Belarussian FM backs India's bid

- Joining the chorus for reforms in the United Nations Security Council Belarussian Foreign Minister Sergei Aleinik, who is currently on a visit to India, said Minsk would support India's call for a permanent seat in the world body.
- Speaking on his meeting with his Indian counterpart S Jaishankar, Aleinik said, "We share views towards creating a more just, fair, and multipolar world order. We also hold the same views on the principles of international relations. So the core principles are equality of states and, the balance of interests of each and every country."

- "We also touched upon our cooperation in the SCO, as well as BRICS, and expressed our appreciation for the support that India extended to our application for full-fledged membership in the SCO," Belarussian FM.



## India's Africa Push — Defence Pact With Ethiopia In Final Stages

- India and Ethiopia are in the final stages of clinching a defence cooperation agreement that will see New Delhi help the African nation with military training and credit lines to shore up defences.
- Demeke Atnafu, the ambassador of Ethiopia to India, told on the sidelines of a conference organised by the Observer Research Foundation that the agreement is likely to be signed only after the general elections in India.
- While this will be the maiden agreement, India and Ethiopia have had a history of cooperation in defence since the 1950s.
- According to Boston University's Global Development Centre, the nation has, between 2000 and 2020, publicly signed 27 loan deals with eight African countries worth about \$3.5 billion for defence spending.



## India, Brazil Hold First '2+2' Defence And Foreign Ministerial Dialogue

- India and Brazil on Thursday explored ways to expand cooperation in areas of energy, critical minerals, technology and counter-terrorism at their first '2+2' defence and foreign ministerial dialogue.
- "Discussions spanned defence, space, energy, critical minerals, tech, counter-terrorism and regional, multilateral & other issues of mutual interest," he said. The dialogue took place in Delhi.
- It was co-chaired by additional secretary in the external affairs ministry G V Srinivas and joint secretary in the defence ministry Vishwesh Negi.



### REVIEW QUESTIONS

**1. Third 25T Bollard Pull (BP) Tug, Bajrang Developed By**

- A. Shoft Shipyard Pvt Ltd
- B. GRSE
- C. MDL
- D. CSL

**ANSWER: A**

**2. Where is the Passing Out Parade (POP) of the third batch of Agniveers scheduled?**

- A. Mumbai

- B. Chennai
- C. Bharuch
- D. INS Chilka

**ANSWER: D**

**3. Which of the following countries is NOT a member of BRICS?**

- A. Brazil
- B. Russia
- C. United Arab Emirates
- D. China

**ANSWER: C**

**4. Which missile system developed by India that can hit a target at a distance of more than 5000 kilometers?**

- A. Arjun
- B. Akash
- C. Agni - V
- D. Nag

**ANSWER: C**

**5. What is MPATGM?**

- A. India's indigenous anti-tank missile
- B. India's Advanced Multi-Role Combat Aircraft
- C. Self-Propelled Howitzer manufactured by L&T
- D. None of the above

**ANSWER: A**

**6. What is the full form of MIRV?**

- A. Multiple Integrated Tactical Re-entry Vehicle
- B. Multiple Indirect Targetable Re-entry Vehicle
- C. Multiple Independently Targetable Re-entry Vehicle
- D. Multi-Integrated Tactical Re-entry Vehicle

**ANSWER: C**

**7. Joint Ex B/w The India And Singapore Is Called:**

- A. Bold Kurukshetra
- B. SLINEX
- C. Indra

D. Yudha Abhyas

**ANSWER: A**

**8. Quad Was Founded On**

A. 2017

B. 2018

C. 2019

D. 2020

**ANSWER: A**

**9. Where Is The Hq Of The Training Command of The IAF?**

A. Kochi

B. Vishakhapatnam

C. Bengaluru

D. Mumbai

**ANSWER: C**

**10. Air Marshal Rank of IAF Is Equivalent to which rank of the Indian Navy?**

A. Commodore

B. Captain

C. Commander

D. Vice Admiral

**ANSWER: D**

**11. 'Ex Zapad' Conducted B/W India &**

A. Qatar

B. Russia

C. UAE

D. Maldives

**ANSWER: B**

**12. IBSAMAR Trilateral Naval Exercise Held Between India, Brazil And \_\_\_?**

A. North Korea

B. Switzerland

C. Singapore

D. South Africa

**ANSWER: D**

**13. The Port Duqm Is In**

A. Yemen

B. Iran

C. Iraq

D. Oman

**ANSWER: D**

**14. Madrid Is The Capital Of**

- A. Spain
- B. Sri Lanka
- C. UAE
- D. Maldives

**ANSWER: A**

**15. "Fit At Any Age" Book Is Written By**

- A. Ajay Bhatt
- B. Sitaram Yechuri
- C. Vikram Sampath
- D. Retd. Air Marshal PV Iyer

**ANSWER: D**

**16. Lamitye Exercise Held B/W India And \_\_\_?**

- A. Thailand
- B. USA
- C. Qatar
- D. Seychelles

**ANSWER: D**

**17. Which Of The Following Is Not Main Organ Of United Nations?**

- A. International Court of Justice
- B. Economic and Social Council
- C. Secretariat
- D. International Monetary fund

**ANSWER: D**

**18. "Badri Vishal Lal Ki Jai" Is The War Cry Of**

- A. GARHWAL RIFLES
- B. MARATHA LIGHT INFANTRY REGIMENT
- C. THE GRENADIERS
- D. PUNJAB REGIMENT

**ANSWER: A**

**19. NAMICA Stands For**

- A. Nag Missile Cart
- B. Nag Missile Carrier
- C. Nag Missile Corn
- D. None

**ANSWER: B**

**20. Akash Is A Medium-range Mobile Surface-to-air Missile System Developed By The \_\_\_**

- A. HAL
- B. TATA
- C. Mahindra

D. DRDO

**ANSWER: D**



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