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India Delivers Brahmos Supersonic Cruise Missiles To Philippines

- India delivered the BrahMos supersonic cruise missiles to the Philippines on Friday, as part of the USD 375 million deal between the two sides signed in 2022.
- The Indian Air Force sent its American origin C-17 Globemaster transport aircraft with the missiles to the Philippines to deliver the weapon system to the Philippines' Marine Corps, according to the defence sources.
- The Philippines is taking delivery of the missile systems at a time when tensions between them and China have escalated owing to frequent clashes in the South China Sea. The three batteries of the BrahMos missile system would be deployed by the Philippines in their coastal areas to guard against any threat in the region.



DRDO Hands Over First Batch of Indigenous Leading-Edge Actuators & Airbrake Control Module to HAL

- DRDO's Aeronautical Development Agency has handed over the first batch of the indigenous Leading-Edge Actuators and Airbrake Control Module to HAL, marking a significant leap towards self-reliance in aeronautical technologies.
- The HAL, Lucknow has already made preparations for the production of these units for the current 83 LCA Tejas Mk1A order.
- The Secondary Flight Control of LCA-Tejas, comprising Leading Edge Slats and Airbrakes, now boasts state-of-the-art Servo-Valve based electro-hydraulic servo actuators and control modules.



Amid Israel-Iran Tensions, 'Bombing' Hits Iraq Military Base

- Several people were wounded in a "bombing" overnight Friday on an Iraqi military base housing pro-Iranian paramilitaries, two security sources said.
- The explosion hit the Calso base, where former pro-Iranian paramilitary group Hashed al-Shaabi -- now integrated into the regular army -- is stationed, according to an interior ministry source and a military official.
- The ministry of interior official said the attack had killed one person and wounded eight others, while the military source reported three Iraqi military personnel had been wounded.

- The organisation said an "explosion" had hit its premises on the base and that investigators were sent to the site.
- Responding to questions from AFP, the security sources would not identify who was responsible for the attack, or say whether it had been a drone strike.
- "The explosion hit equipment, weapons and vehicles," said the ministry source.
- There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the attack.
- Ruto said the Kenya Air Force had dispatched an investigation team to establish the cause of the crash, which took place in Elgeyo Marakwet county, about 400 kilometres (250 miles) northwest of the capital Nairobi.
- Ogolla's helicopter went down shortly after takeoff from the village of Chesegon, where he and his entourage had been visiting a school after making stops in other areas to see Kenyan troops and other sites.



North Korea Says It Tested 'Super-large' Cruise Missile Warhead

- North Korea said Saturday it tested a "super-large" cruise missile warhead and a new anti-aircraft missile in a western coastal area as it expands military capabilities in the face of deepening tensions with the United States and South Korea.

- North Korean state media said the country's missile administration on Friday conducted a "power test" for the warhead designed for the Hwasal-1 Ra-3 strategic cruise missile and a test-launch of the Pyoljji-1-2 anti-aircraft missile. It said the tests attained an unspecified "certain goal."
- North Korea conducted a similar set of tests Feb. 2, but at the time did not specify the names of the cruise missile or the anti-aircraft missile, indicating it was possibly seeing technological progress after testing the same system over weeks.



Andhra-cadre IPS Officer Nalin Prabhat Is New Counter-terror Force Chief

- Nalin Prabhat, a 1992 batch IPS officer of Andhra Pradesh cadre, has been appointed as the Director General of the National Security Guard (NSG).
- "Nalin Prabhat, presently working as an Additional Director General in the CRPF, has been appointed as the Director General of the National Security Guard (NSG) in Level-16 of the pay matrix from the date of joining the post and up to August 31, 2028, i.e., date of his superannuation or until further orders, whichever is earlier," read the official order.
- The Central government has also appointed Sapna Tewari, an Odisha cadre IPS officer of 1992 batch, as the Special Director of the Intelligence Bureau (IB).
- "Sapna Tewari, Additional Director, Intelligence Bureau, has been appointed as the Special Director (Level-16 in the pay matrix), IB, on 'in-situ' basis by temporarily upgrading the post of Additional Director held by the officer for a tenure of two years from the date of assumption of charge up to the date of her

superannuation, i.e., April 30, 2026, or until further orders, whichever is earlier," the order read.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. What was delivered to the Philippines as part of the USD 375 million deal signed in 2022?
 - A. Tanks
 - B. Fighter jets
 - C. Supersonic cruise missiles
 - D. Submarines

ANSWER: C

2. What did DRDO's Aeronautical Development Agency hand over to HAL?
 - A. Fighter aircraft
 - B. Helicopters
 - C. Leading Edge Actuators and Airbrake Control Module
 - D. Radar systems

ANSWER: C

3. Who has been appointed as the Special Director of the Intelligence Bureau (IB)?
 - A. Nalin Prabhat
 - B. Sapna Tewari
 - C. An Odisha cadre IPS officer
 - D. Director General of the National Security Guard

ANSWER: B

4. Armoured Corps Centre & School (ACC&S) Is In

- A. Chennai
- B. Pune
- C. Ahmednagar
- D. Nashik

ANSWER: C

5. PADMA Stands For

- A. Pay Roll Automation for Disbursement of Monthly Allowances
- B. Pay Roll Automation for Digital Monthly Allowances
- C. Pay Roll Automated for Disbursement of Monthly Allowances
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: A

6. India's One and Only Tri-Services Command

- A. New Delhi
- B. Northern Army Command
- C. Andaman & Nicobar Command
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: C

7. The ALH MK III Helicopters Have Been Indigenously Manufactured By__.

- A. Boeing
- B. HAL
- C. DRDO
- D. Dassault Aviation

ANSWER: B

8. INS Satpura Is A

- A. Destroyer
- B. OPV
- C. Submarine
- D. Guided Missile Stealth Frigate

ANSWER: D

9. HEAT Stands For ____.

- A. Highly Explosive Anti-Tank
- B. Highest Explosive Anti-Tank
- C. High Explosive Anti-Tank
- D. High Explore Anti-Tank

ANSWER: C

10. Current Secretary, Department of Defence R&D and Chairman DRDO Is__.

- A. Dr. Samir Kamath
- B. Dr. Rakesh
- C. Dr. Rajiv Kumar
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: A

11. The Hawker Siddeley HS 748 Is A

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

ANSWER: D

12. Juba Is The Capital Of

- A. South Sudan
- B. Spain
- C. Sweden
- D. Maldives

ANSWER: A

13. "Legend of Suheldev: The King Who Saved India" Book Is Written By

- A. Urjit Patel
- B. Stephen King
- C. J.K Rowling
- D. Amish Tripathi

ANSWER: D

14. Duty, Honour, Courage Is The Motto Of

- A. Maratha Light Infantry

- B. The Grenadiers
- C. Rajput Regiment
- D. Jat Regiment

ANSWER: A

15. Prahaar Missile Manufactured By

- A. MDL
- B. BDL
- C. CSL
- D. DRDO

ANSWER: B

16. Regimental Centre of GARHWAL RIFLES Is In

- A. Happy Valley, Shillong, Meghalaya
- B. Ranikhet, Uttarakhand
- C. Lansdowne, Uttarakhand
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: C

17. INS Jalashwa Is A

- A. Destroyer
- B. OPV
- C. Submarine
- D. Amphibious transport dock

ANSWER: D

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

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

ANSWER: D

19. How Many Countries Are In SAARC?

- A. 3
- B. 4
- C. 8
- D. 6

ANSWER: C

20. Current CDS of Indian Armed Forces Is

- A. Gen Anil Chauhan
- B. Gen Bipin Rawat
- C. Gen M M Narravane
- D. None

ANSWER: A

