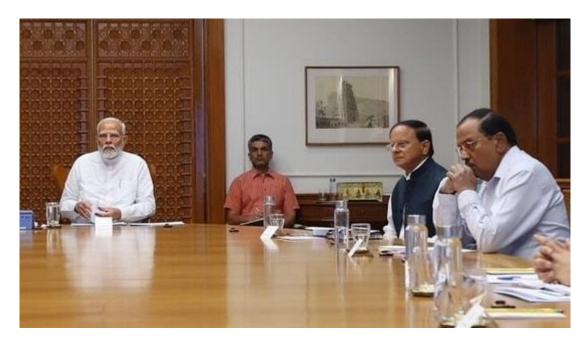
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# Ajit Doval Reappointed As National Security Adviser: Government Order

- Ajit Doval has been reappointed as the National Security Adviser for a third term, as per a government order issued on Thursday.
- The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved Doval's appointment with effect from June 10.
- "His appointment will be co-terminus with the term of the Prime Minister or until further orders, whichever is earlier," the order read.
- Even before the extension, Doval is the longest-serving NSA. He served his first term of 5 years beginning 2014, and his second term in 2019. His last term ended on June 5.
- Meanwhile, the Centre on Thursday reappointed Pramod Kumar Mishra as the principal secretary to Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- The appointments committee of the cabinet also re-appointed PK Mishra as the Principal Secretary to Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- With PM Narendra Modi reappointing Dr P K Mishra as Principal Secretary to PM and Ajit Doval as National Security Advisor, the two retired bureaucrats have become the longest-serving principal advisors to the Prime Minister.



# **DRDO Unveils the Power of AI**

- Ingenious Research Solutions Pvt Ltd., a start-up established by a woman entrepreneur, Dr. Shivani Verma after winning the prestigious Dare to Dream Innovation contest 2.0, a pan India theme-based contest organised by the DRDO has successfully developed an AI tool "Divya Drishti".
- Al tool "Divya Drishti" that integrates face recognition with immutable
  physiological parameters such as gait and skeleton. This innovative solution
  marks a significant advancement in biometric authentication technology,
  offering enhanced accuracy and reliability in identifying individuals.
- Divya Drishti' creates a robust and multifaceted authentication system by combining facial recognition with gait analysis. This dual approach enhances the accuracy of identification, minimizing the risk of false positives or identity fraud and has versatile applications across diverse sectors including Defence, Law Enforcement, Corporate and Public Infrastructure.



# Dras Thunder Motorcycle Rally From Delhi To Kargil War Memorial

- In a poignant tribute to Bravehearts who made the supreme sacrifice during Op VIJAY, Dras Thunder Motorcycle Rally was ceremoniously flagged off today from Cariappa Parade Ground, New Delhi by Lt General Upendra Dwivedi.
- Dras Thunder Motorcycle Rally comprises of an Officer and 19 soldiers of 13 JAK RIFLES (KARGIL). Subedar Mehar Singh, Vir Chakra and Naib Subedar Kewal Kumar, Sena Medal, members of the team, are Op VIJAY Gallantry awardees and had actively taken part in capture of Pt 4875 and Pt 5140.
- The rally aims to pay homage to Indian Army braves, who brought victory during the Kargil War 25 years ago. Riding with a sense of purpose, the motorcycle rally will cover a distance of 1029 Km through challenging terrain, echoing the spirit and determination displayed by Indian Army in the battlefield.



#### **IAF Effort: General Elections-2024**

- The Transport and Helicopter fleets of IAF undertake varied war and peacetime tasks. In addition to the peacetime role of sustaining our troops by air maintenance, airlift of combat troops during domestic and international exercises, etc, a number of tasks towards nation building are undertaken.
- IAF has particularly been on the forefront in aid to civil power. During the General Elections-2024, substantial flying effort has taken place over the last few months by the medium lift helicopters (Mi-17 Variants), light utility helicopters (Chetaks) and the indigenously manufactured ALH Dhruv.
- IAF has been actively involved with the task of airlifting electronic voting
  machines and deploying ECI personnel on election duties, as has been carried
  out during previous General/ Assembly elections. During General Elections 2024,
  IAF played a pivotal role in extending the reach of ECI into remote corners of the
  country and to places where movement by road was a security concern.



# **G7 Draft Confronts China's 'Unfair' Business Competition**

- The Group of Seven (G7) nations vowed on Friday to tackle what they called **unfair business practices by China** that were undermining their workers and industries, according to a draft statement on the final day of their annual summit.
- The G7 also warned of action against Chinese financial institutions that helped Russia obtain weaponry for its war against Ukraine.
- The draft summit statement, reviewed by Reuters, stressed the G7 was not trying to harm China or thwart its economic development but would "continue to take actions to protect our businesses from unfair practices, to level the playing field and remedy ongoing harm".
- **Pope Francis** joined the leaders of Italy, the United States, Britain, Canada, France, Germany and Japan in southern Italy on Friday, a historic appearance at a G7 to take part in a discussion on artificial intelligence.
- Pope Francis called on Friday for a ban on "lethal autonomous weapons", when
  he addressed the G7 leaders' summit in Italy on the perils of artificial
  intelligence.







# **Home Minister Reviews J-K Security Situation**

- Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Friday reviewed the security situation in Jammu and Kashmir in the wake of several terror incidents there, including an attack on a bus ferrying pilgrims, sources said.
- He also called a high-level meeting on June 16, to be attended by NSA Ajit Doval, Lt Governor of J&K Manoj Sinha, top officials of the Army and CRPF, and others.
- Terrorists struck at four places in Reasi, Kathua and Doda districts of Jammu and Kashmir over the past four days, killing nine pilgrims and a CRPF jawan and leaving seven security personnel and several others injured.

• Two suspected Pakistani terrorists were also killed in an encounter with security forces in Kathua district and a large quantity of arms and ammunition were recovered from them.





# **REVIEW QUESTIONS**

- 1. Which country hosted the G7 summit in 2024?
- A. United Kingdom
- B. Japan
- C. Germany
- D. Italy

**ANSWER: D** 

- 2. Which company delivered the first batch of indigenously developed Nagastra-1 Loitering Munitions to the Indian Army?
- A. Bharat Electronics
- B. Larsen & Toubro
- C. Tata Advanced Systems
- D. Solar Industries

**ANSWER: D** 

- 3. Who is the woman entrepreneur behind Ingenious Research Solutions Pvt Ltd. that developed the AI tool "Divya Drishti"?
- A. Dr. Shivani Verma
- B. Dr. Nandini Sharma
- C. Dr. Meera Rao
- D. Dr. Anjali Gupta

**ANSWER: A** 

- 4. With which organization has the Indian Army collaborated for demonstration trials of Hydrogen Fuel Cell Bus technology?
- A. Indian Oil Corporation Limited
- B. Ashok Leyland
- C. Tata Motors Limited
- D. Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited

**ANSWER: A** 

- 5. Which organization awarded the contract to Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers to build a research vessel?
- A. HAL
- B. DRDO
- C. ISRO
- D. BHEL

**ANSWER: B** 

- 6. "Freedom is not given, It. Is taken". Said By\_\_\_
- A. Pandit Nehru
- B. Mahatma Gandhi
- C. Subhas Chandra Bose
- D. Bhagat Singh

**ANSWER: C** 

- 7. DESERT EAGLE Exercise Conducted b/w India &
- A. Qatar
- B. Oman
- C. UAE
- D. Maldives

**ANSWER: C** 

#### 8. War Cry Of THE INDIAN ARMY

- A. Bharat Mata ki Jai
- B. Vande Mataram
- C. Jai Hind
- D. All of the above

**ANSWER: D** 

#### 9. Major General Rank Of Indian Army Is Equivalent To Rank Of IAF Is

- A. Commander
- B. Squadron Leader
- C. Group Captain
- D. Air Vice Marshal

**ANSWER: D** 

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

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

ANSWER: A

#### 11. Mitra Shakti Ex Held B/w India &

- A. Sri Lanka
- B. USA
- C. UK
- D. Nepal

**ANSWER: A** 

### 12. \_\_Himalayan pass is situated b/w India and China.

- A. Shenkota
- B. Thalghat
- C. Bhorghat
- D. Shipki La

**ANSWER: D** 

#### 13. 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** 

#### 14. Wartime Gallantry Award Is/Are

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

**ANSWER: D** 

#### 15. Military College of Telecommunication Engineering Is At

- A. Gopalpur
- B. Mhow
- C. Pune
- D. Haridwar

**ANSWER: B** 

#### 16. "Bolo Hindustan Ki Jay" Is The War Cry Of

- A. JKRIF
- B. RR
- C. MAHAR REGIMENT
- D. JKLIR

**ANSWER: C** 

#### 17. Quito Is The Capital Of

- A. Ecuador
- B. Qatar
- C. UAE
- D. Ethiopia

**ANSWER: A** 

#### 18. "The Earth spinner" Book Is Written By

- A. Brisha Jain
- B. Sanjay Gubbi
- C. Hew Strachan
- D. Anuradha Roy

**ANSWER: D** 

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

- A. Shinyuu Maitri
- B. SLINEX
- C. Indra
- D. Yudha Abhyas

**ANSWER: A** 

#### 20. Motto of Territorial Army Is

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

**ANSWER: D** 

