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Exercise Maitree 2024

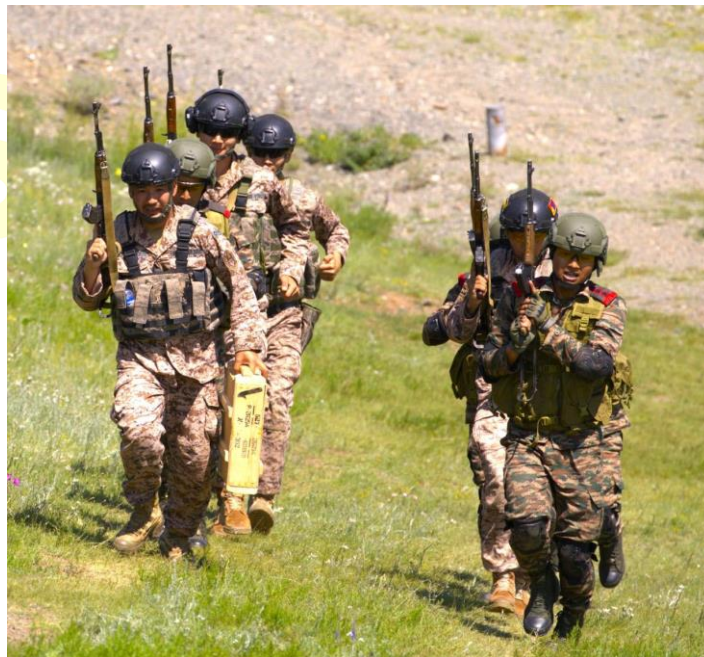
- The Indian Army contingent departed yesterday for the 13th edition of India-Thailand joint military Exercise MAITREE. The exercise is scheduled to be conducted from 1st to 15th July 2024 at Fort Vachiraprahan in Tak Province of Thailand.
- Last edition of the same exercise was conducted at Umroi, Meghalaya in September 2019.
- The Indian Army contingent comprising 76 personnel is being represented mainly by a Battalion of the LADAKH SCOUTS along with personnel from other arms and services. The Royal Thailand Army contingent also comprises 76 personnel mainly from 1st Battalion, 14 Infantry Regiment of 4 Division.



Exercise “Nomadic Elephant – 2024”

- The **16th edition** of Joint Military Exercise Nomadic Elephant between Indian Army & Mongolian Army will be conducted in **Umroi, Meghalaya** from 03 Jul to 16 Jul 2024.

- Indian Army contingent comprising of 43 personnel left for Mongolia. The contingent will participate in the **15th edition** of bilateral joint military exercise “NOMADIC ELEPHANT-23”.
- The exercise aims to enhance interoperability between both Armies in conducting semi conventional operations in semi urban/ mountainous terrain under the UN mandate.
- India and Mongolia have a shared commitment to regional security and cooperation. Exercise NOMADIC ELEPHANT-24 will be yet another significant milestone in the defence cooperation between the Indian Army and Mongolian Army which will further foster bilateral relations between the two nations.
- **Multinational Peacekeeping** Joint Exercise “Ex Khaan Quest 2023” featuring participation from military contingents and observers from over **20 countries** has commenced in Mongolia.



Weapon Systems School Inaugurated By IAF Chief

- A new chapter has been introduced in the history of the IAF with the inauguration of the Weapon Systems School by Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhari, Chief of the Air Staff at Air Force Station Begumpet, Hyderabad on 01 July 24.
- The WSS will impart effect based training that is contemporary in nature and prepare officers of the newly formed branch in line with the requirements of the

IAF. With inauguration of the WSS, Flight Cadets of WS Branch will undergo their second semester of training at this institute.



MoD inks MoU To Set Up Testing Facilities

- MoD has signed an MoU to establish three state-of-the-art testing facilities in Chennai under the Tamil Nadu Defence Industrial Corridor - one each in Unmanned Aerial System, Electronic Warfare and Electro Optics (EO) domains.
- The MoU, under the Defence Testing Infrastructure Scheme (DTIS), was exchanged between senior officials of MoD and Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation Limited in the presence of Defence Secretary Shri Giridhar Aramane in New Delhi on July 02, 2024.
- With an outlay of Rs 400 crore, the DTIS was launched by Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh in May 2020 to set up state-of-the-art testing facilities in collaboration with private industry and Central/State Government, promoting indigenous defence production, reducing military equipment imports and enhancing self-reliance.
- The DTIS provides up to 75% government funding as 'Grant-in-Aid', with the remaining 25% funded by the Special Purpose Vehicle (SPVs), comprising Indian private entities and State/Central Governments.



Russia's Novorossiysk Authorities Limit Beach Access After Sea Drones Attacks

- Beach access in the Russian Black Sea port of Novorossiysk will be restricted early on Wednesday, the mayor of the city said, after reporting earlier that defence forces were engaged in repelling a sea drone attack.
- Russia has often accused Ukraine of attacking its port cities on the Black Sea coast and on the Moscow-annexed Crimean Peninsula, but Russian officials often do not disclose the full extent of damage inflicted by Ukrainian attacks.
- Kyiv has said attacks on Russia's military, transport and energy infrastructure are in response to Moscow's continuous attacks on Ukraine's territory since the start of Russia's invasion of Ukraine in 2022.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Where will the MoD establish three state-of-the-art testing facilities under the Tamil Nadu Defence Industrial Corridor?

- A. Bengaluru
- B. Hyderabad
- C. Chennai
- D. Pune

ANSWER: C

2. Who inaugurated the Weapon Systems School (WSS) at Air Force Station Begumpet, Hyderabad?

- A. Air Chief Marshal RKS Bhadauria
- B. Air Chief Marshal BS Dhanoa
- C. Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhari
- D. Air Chief Marshal Arup Raha

ANSWER: C

3. Where is the 13th edition of the India-Thailand joint military Exercise MAITREE scheduled to be conducted?

- A. Bangkok
- B. Chiang Mai
- C. Fort Vachiraprahan in Tak Province
- D. Pattaya

ANSWER: C

4. Ex Nomadic Elephant 2024 Conducting At

- A. Meghalaya
- B. T.N
- C. U.P
- D. M.H

ANSWER: A

5. Port Al-Shuwaikh Is Located At

- A. Kuwait
- B. Oman
- C. Iran
- D. Pakistan

ANSWER: A

6. Varuna Is A

- A. Helicopter
- B. Machine Gun
- C. Drone
- D. Fighter Jet

ANSWER: C

7. Varuna Has Been Developed By The____.

- A. Sagar Defence Engineering Private Limited
- B. DRDO
- C. IIT Kanpur
- D. HAL

ANSWER: A

8. Ex 'KONKAN, INDRADHANUSH' Conducted b/w India &

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

ANSWER: D

9. __Is India's Border Guarding Organisation On Its Border With Pakistan And Bangladesh.

- A. SSB
- B. ITBP
- C. BSF
- D. None

ANSWER: C

10. Eastern Region (E) Of ICG Is Located At

- A. Chennai
- B. Mumbai
- C. Kolkata
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: A

11. Priyadarshini-class Patrol Vessels Is Manufactured By

- A. CSL
- B. MDL
- C. GRSE
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: C

12. Indian Navy Founded On

- A. 26 January 1945
- B. 26 January 1950
- C. 26 January 1960
- D. 26 January 1970

ANSWER: B

13. With Which Nation India Holds 2+2 Dialogue?

- A. Pakistan
- B. Japan
- C. USA
- D. Both B & C

ANSWER: D

14. DRDO Lakshya Is A

- A. Fighter Jet
- B. Ship
- C. Tank
- D. UAV

ANSWER: D

15. Exercise Samudra Shakti Conducted B/w Indonesia &

- A. India
- B. Nepal
- C. Bangladesh
- D. Bhutan

ANSWER: A

16. Captain Rank of Indian Navy Equivalent to Which rank of IAF?

- A. Flying Officer
- B. Flight Lieutenant

- C. Group Captain
- D. None

ANSWER: C

17. Brussels Is The Capital Of

- A. Belgium
- B. Belize
- C. Benin
- D. Bhutan

ANSWER: A

18. "Jungle Nama" Book Is Written By

- A. Jhumpa Lahiri
- B. Amitav Ghosh
- C. Hew Strachan
- D. Nirupama Rao

ANSWER: B

19. Rapid Action Force Hq Is In

- A. Mumbai
- B. Lucknow
- C. Surat
- D. New Delhi

ANSWER: D

20. War Cry Of SIKH LIGHT INFANTRY Is

- A. Garud ka hun bol pyare
- B. Everywhere
- C. Raja Ramachandra ki jai
- D. Jo bole So Nihal, sat sri akal

ANSWER: D