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# Hamas Chief Ismail Haniyeh Killed In Iran's Capital

- Hamas chief Ismail Haniyeh and one of his bodyguards were killed after their residence was targeted in Iran, the Palestinian group said in a statement today.
- Hamas said Ismail Haniyeh was killed in "a treacherous Zionist raid on his residence in Tehran" Tuesday morning. The group said an investigation is on to find out more details about the attack.
- Haniyeh was in the Iranian capital to attend the swearing-in of Iran's president Masoud Pezeshkian.
- "Brother, leader, mujahid Ismail Haniyeh, the head of the movement, died in a Zionist strike on his headquarters in Tehran after he participated in the inauguration of the new (Iranian) president," the statement read.
- Iran's Revolutionary Guards also confirmed his death, saying Haniyeh's residence in Tehran was "hit" and he was killed along with a bodyguard.
- Hamas has accused Israel of Haniyeh's killing, calling it "grave escalation".
- He had travelled on diplomatic missions to Iran and Turkey during the war, meeting both the Turkish and Iranian presidents.
- Haniyeh was said to maintain good relations with the heads of the various Palestinian factions, including rivals to Hamas.
- He joined Hamas in 1987 when the militant group was founded amid the outbreak of the first Palestinian intifada, or uprising, against Israeli occupation, which lasted until 1993.
- Hamas is part of the "axis of resistance" of Iran-backed armed groups arrayed against arch-foe Israel around the Middle East. Iran has made support for the Palestinian cause a centerpiece of its foreign policy since the 1979 Islamic revolution.

 Hamas is likely to pick senior member Khaled Meshaal as its new leader after Wednesday's 'assassination' of Ismail Haniyeh, apparently by Israel, in Iran's capital, Tehran, where Haniyeh attended the swearing-in of Masoud Pezeshkian, Iran's new President.



# Way<mark>an</mark>ad Landslides

- District authorities in Kerala's landslide-struck Wayanad on July 31 started collecting data to determine the number of people missing following the massive tragedy, as rescue operations resumed to trace persons suspected to be trapped.
- Helicopters will be used to airlift injured persons from the affected areas. Members of several families have reported that their loved ones remain untraced.
- In Wayanad, 45 relief camps have been established, accommodating 3,069 people. Meanwhile, various rescue agencies resumed their operations early in the morning to trace people suspected to be trapped in the tragedy, which has killed at least 150 people and left 197 injured.
- Union Minister Amit Shah today claimed in Parliament that the Kerala government was on July 23 given early warning over potential landslides. Over 150 people died and 200 were injured after devastating landslides hit Wayanad district on Tuesday. Rescue operations are underway for 180 others who are missing.



### **Southern Naval Command Joins Relief Operations**

- A major landslide hit Chooralmala and Mundakkai areas of Wayanad district of Kerala on 30 Jul 24. Based on the request from the Kerala State Disaster Management Authority the Southern Naval Command dispatched a disaster relief team of 68 personnel from INS Zamorin at Ezhimala to the landslide affected site at 1430h on 30 Jul 24.
- The rescue team comprising of skilled personnel along with medical team and necessary equipment reached the site at 2200h on 30 Jul 24. Additional teams have been kept standby for deployment at short notice and will be mobilised as required.
- An ALH detachment in SAR configuration was deployed from Kochi to Calicut at 0730h on 31 Jul 24 to augment the rescue efforts. The adverse weather conditions due to incessant rains poses challenges in the area. All out efforts are underway to provide immediate relief and support to the local populace impacted by the disaster.





### ICG launches 'Suvidha Software Version 1.0'

- ICG launched 'Suvidha Software Version 1.0' during its maiden 'Annual Operational Sea Training Conference' at Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh on July 30, 2024.
- This software is a cutting-edge tool designed to enhance training protocols and ensure consistency across all ICG platforms.
- Deputy Director General (Sea Training) Inspector General Anupam Rai delivered the keynote address on the occasion. He emphasised the importance of fostering a culture of excellence and adaptability within the ICG.
- The conference saw active participation from senior officers from various ICG regions, underlining the need for a unified approach to complex operations. It provided a valuable platform for discussing best practices, sharing insights, and aligning strategies to address the dynamic maritime security landscape. The event underscores the ICG's commitment to excellence and innovation in operational training.



# Indian Army Launches E-Sehat Tele-consultancy

• The Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS) has launched the Electronic Services e-Health Assistance and Tele-consultation (E-SeHAT) module on 30th July 2024.

- The E-SeHAT Tele-consultancy would enable ECHS beneficiaries in obtaining online Tele-consultation for medical treatment from their homes without visiting the ECHS Polyclinic.
- The module aims to provide health care services through safe and structured video based clinical consultations. The pilot project has been launched today at 12 ECHS Polyclinics including remote locations of Baramulla, Imphal, Churachandpur, Dimapur and Aizawal.



# **REVIEW QUESTIONS**

- 1. Which Indian Navy ship participated in the 328<sup>th</sup> Russian Navy Day celebrations?
- A. INS Vikrant
- B. INS Tabar
- C. INS Shivalik
- D. INS Kolkata ANSWER: B
- 2. What is the name of the software launched by the ICG?
- A. Suvidha Software Version 1.0
- B. Shakti Software Version 2.0
- C. Suraksha Software Version 1.0
- D. Samudra Software Version 2.0 ANSWER: A



- 3. Which module was launched by the Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS)?
- A. E-Medical Assistance and Tele-consultation (E-MAT)
- B. E-Health and Tele-consultation Services (E-HTS)
- C. Electronic Services e-Health Assistance and Tele-consultation (E-SeHAT)
- D. E-Health and Medical Assistance (E-HMA) ANSWER: C

#### 4. Ex 'JIMEX' Conducted b/w India &

- A. Qatar
- B. Oman
- C. Japan
- D. Jamaica ANSWER: C

#### 5. K9 Vision System And The Canine Remote Deployment System Is Wear By

- A. Horse
- B. Dogs
- C. Snakes
- D. Tiger ANSWER: B

#### 6. Home Port of The INS Satpura Is In Joint Exercises B/w

- A. ENC
- B. WNC
- C. SNC
- D. None

**ANSWER: A** 

#### 7. INS Satpura Is A

- A. Destroyer
- B. OPV
- C. Submarine
- D. Frigate ANSWER: D
- 8. INS Satpura Is Manufactured By
- A. DRDO & ISRO

- B. DRDO & Israel Aerospace Industries
- C. CSL
- D. MDL

ANSWER: D

- 9. Cho La Incident Was Done In
- **A.** 1967
- **B.** 1988
- **C.** 1998
- **D.** 1980

**ANSWER: A** 

#### 10.VL-SRSAM Is A Quick Reaction Surface-to-air Missile Developed By

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

ANSWER: C

#### 11. Peacetime Gallantry Award Is/Are

- A. Param Vir Chakra
- B. Maha Vir Chakra
- C. Vir Chakra
- D. None of the above **ANSWER: D**

#### 12. WNC Is In

- A. Mumbai
- B. Kochi
- C. Chennai
- D. Panaji
  - ANSWER: A

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

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

**Tack** EXAMS

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

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

#### 15. "The Blue Book: A Writer's Journal" Book Is Written By

- A. Amitava Kumar
- B. Vikas Kumar Jha
- C. Usha Uthup
- D. Richa Mishra ANSWER: A

#### 16. CONAKRY Is The Capital Of

- A. GUINEA
- B. GUATEMALA
- C. GRENADA
- D. GREECE

#### 17. IRBM Stands For

- A. Intermediate Resource Ballistic Missile
- B. Intermediate Range Ballistic Missile
- C. Intermediate Range of Ballistic Missile
- D. Intermediated Range Ballistic Missile ANSWER: B

#### 18. BEL HQ Is In

- A. Bengaluru
- B. Noida
- C. New Delhi
- D. Chennai

#### ANSWER: A

#### 19. Major Rank Of Indian Army Is Equivalent To Which Rank Of The Indian Navy?

- A. Captain
- B. Inspector

- C. Lt Commander
- D. Vice-admiral **ANSWER: C**

#### 20. War Cry of ASSAM REGIMENT

- A. Parakramo Vijayate
- B. Rhino Charge
- C. Jai Bajrangbali
- D. Duty, Honour, courage **ANSWER: B**

