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Who is Nalin Prabhat, Anti-Naxal And Terror Specialist

- Highly decorated IPS officer Nalin Prabhat has been appointed as the Special Director General of Jammu and Kashmir Police. He will take over the leadership of the force following the retirement of R R Swain on September 30. The Ministry of Home Affairs announced this decision on Thursday, marking a significant change in the region's security leadership.
- Nalin Prabhat: 1992 Batch IPS officer from Andhra Cadre
- Prabhat, a 1992 batch IPS officer from the Andhra Pradesh cadre, has been sent to Jammu and Kashmir with "immediate effect," according to the Ministry of Home Affairs order. The announcement also confirms that upon Swain's retirement, Prabhat will be appointed as the Director General of Police (DGP) for Jammu and Kashmir.
- At 55, Prabhat is a highly respected officer, having won the police gallantry medal three times. He has a distinguished record, including heading the 'Greyhounds,' a specialized anti-Naxal police force in Andhra Pradesh. His extensive experience in handling sensitive operations is evident from his past roles in the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), where he served as the Inspector General (IG) of operations and Additional Director General (ADG) overseeing deployments in Kashmir.



MoD To Sign Rs 21,000 Cr Deal For 230 Sukhoi Engines

- The defence ministry is set to ink an estimated ₹21,000 crore deal to acquire jet engines for its Su 30MKI fighter fleet. The engines will be made in India from the raw material stage by HAL and will replace older engines that are coming to the end of their service life.
- The order for about 230 engines will be placed in the coming days, with deliveries to take place over the next few years, said people familiar with the matter.. The total requirement of the AL 31 FP engines is close to 950.
- The AL-31FP engines are crucial for the Su-30MKI, a twin-engine fighter jet that forms the backbone of the IAF. The total requirement for these engines is approximately 950 to maintain the operational readiness of the entire fleet.
- The engines will be produced by HAL, which has established a robust vendor and supplier network over the years. A significant portion of the deal's value will benefit this local ecosystem, promoting indigenization in defence manufacturing.
- In addition to the engine procurement, there are plans to upgrade around 100 Su-30MKI jets with new avionics, radars, and electronic warfare systems. This upgrade initiative is projected to exceed ₹60,000 crore and will be conducted entirely within India, with HAL leading the project in collaboration with the IAF and various partners.



Renowned DRDO Scientist Ram Narain Agarwal, Passes Away

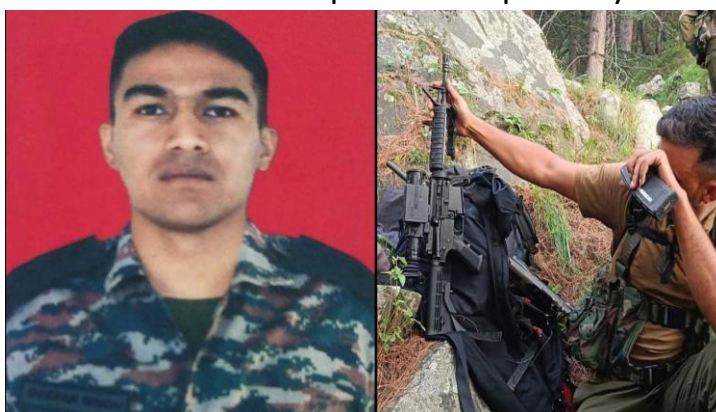
- Renowned DRDO missile scientist Ram Narain Agarwal, widely celebrated as the Father of Agni Missiles, passed away on Thursday in Hyderabad. Agarwal was a pioneering figure in India's defense research and development, significantly contributing to the country's long-range ballistic missile program.
- Agarwal's work was instrumental in shaping India's missile capabilities. As the first Programme Director of the Agni missiles, he played a pivotal role in the development of these strategic weapons. His leadership and vision earned him the moniker "Agni Man".
- Dr Agarwal led India's Agni missile programme from its inception in 1983 until his retirement in 2005. He spearheaded the development of various versions of the Agni missile, culminating in the successful Agni V, capable of striking targets over 5000 kilometers.



Army, Police Pay Tributes To Captain Deepak Singh Killed In Doda Encounter

- Army and police on Thursday paid tributes to Captain Deepak Singh who was killed in an encounter with terrorists in nearby Udhampur district, officials said. A search operation to track down the terrorists who fled the site of encounter is underway in Assar belt of Doda district.
- A wreath-laying ceremony was held in Jammu in which General-officer-Commanding (GoC) White Knight Corps Lieutenant General Navin Sachdeva, Divisional Commissioner Ramesh Kumar, ADG of Police Anand Jain laid wreaths and paid tributes to Singh at the IAF station here.

- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Wednesday convened an important meeting on the "rising" terror-related incidents in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir on Wednesday.
- In July, the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) reported to the Lok Sabha that 28 people, including civilians and security personnel, were killed in 11 terror-related incidents and 24 counter-terror operations up to July 21 this year.



Volodymyr Zelenskyy Says Kyiv Troops Control Russian Town Sudzha

- The town, the largest that Ukraine has reportedly seized so far, had a prewar population of around 5,000 people. It holds a measuring station for Russian natural gas that flows through Ukrainian pipelines to Europe.
- Natural gas flows from West Siberian gas fields through pipes that pass through Sudzha and cross the Ukrainian border into Ukraine's system.
- Zelenskyy said a Ukrainian military commander's office is being set up in Sudzha. He didn't elaborate on the details or the functions of the office. The claim couldn't be independently verified. Russia did not immediately respond to Zelenskyy's statement, but its defense ministry said earlier Thursday that Russian forces had blocked attempts to take several other communities.
- There was no indication of any disruption of the gas flow through Sudzha, which accounts for about 3% of Europe's imports.
- Kursk acting governor Alexei Smirnov on Thursday ordered the evacuation of the Glushkovo region, about 45 km northwest of Sudzha, as Kyiv's daring incursion into the bordering Kursk region entered its second week.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Which organization will manufacture the new jet engines for the Su-30MKI fighter fleet in India?

- A. Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL)
- B. Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)
- C. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)
- D. Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)

ANSWER: C

2. Ram Narain Agarwal, who passed away recently, was known as the Father of which missile program?

- A. BrahMos Missiles
- B. Prithvi Missiles
- C. Agni Missiles
- D. Akash Missiles

ANSWER: C

3. S 400 TRIUMF Indian Version Named As

- A. Chakra
- B. Sarang
- C. Ajgav
- D. Sudarshan

ANSWER: D

4. Heron Mk2 & Hermes 900 Are

- A. Helicopter

- B. Machine Gun
- C. UAV
- D. Fighter Jet

ANSWER: C

5. First INDUS-X Investors Meet Held In

- A. New Delhi
- B. Pune
- C. Kolkata
- D. Chennai

ANSWER: A

6. Who is the chairman of the National Command Authority of India?

- A. PM
- B. NSA
- C. Cabinet Secretary
- D. Defence Minister

ANSWER: A

7. Which is the longest-range missile in India?

- A. Agni III
- B. Agni I
- C. Agni V
- D. None of these

ANSWER: C

8. A hypersonic speed cruise missile would travel at least _____ the speed of sound.

- A. four times
- B. five times
- C. Three times
- D. None of these

ANSWER: B

9. 'No First Use Policy of Nuclear' Is Related To Which Nation Policy?

- A. USA
- B. India
- C. UK

D. Pakistan

ANSWER: B

10. Annual Hydrographic Conference Held At

A. Dehradun

B. Ranikhet

C. Jaipur

D. None of the above

ANSWER: A

11. How Many Countries Are In BRICS?

A. 3

B. 4

C. 5

D. 6

ANSWER: C

12. 'Ex KOMODO' Hosted By

A. Qatar

B. Oman

C. UAE

D. Indonesia

ANSWER: D

13. Hiroshima Day Observed Every Year

A. 4 August

B. 5 August

C. 6 August

D. None of the above

ANSWER: C

14. India Meteorological Department Comes Under The Ministry Of__.

A. MHA

B. Ministry of Earth Sciences

C. Ministry of I&T

D. MOD

ANSWER: B

15. INS Kumbhir Is A

- A. Destroyer
- B. OPV
- C. Submarine
- D. Landing Ship Tank

ANSWER: D

16. Operational Range of Rudram-1 Is

- A. 150 km
- B. 250 km
- C. 350 km
- D. 450 km

ANSWER: B

17. Which One Of The Following Countries Does Not Border With Lithuania?

- A. Latvia
- B. Belarus
- C. Poland
- D. Ukraine

ANSWER: D

18. "Tiger of Drass: Capt. Anuj Nayar, 23, Kargil Hero" Book Is Written By

- A. Rajesh Talwar
- B. Roger Faligot
- C. Mithilesh Tiwari
- D. Meena Nayar & Himmat Singh Shekhawat

ANSWER: D

19. Army Air Defence College Is In

- A. Gopalpur, Odisha
- B. Pune, M.H.
- C. Chennai, T.N.
- D. None

ANSWER: A

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

- A. Yama
- B. Indradhanush
- C. Indra

D. Yudha Abhyas

ANSWER: B