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Russia's Deadly Attack On Ukraine

- Russia battered much of Ukraine on Monday, firing scores of missiles and drones that killed four people, injured more than a dozen and damaged energy facilities in attacks that President Volodymyr Zelenskyy described as "vile."
- The barrage of over 100 missiles and a similar number of drones began around midnight and continued through daybreak in what appeared to be Russia's biggest onslaught in weeks.
- U.S. President Joe Biden called the Russian attack on energy infrastructure "outrageous" and said he had "re-prioritized U.S. air defense exports so they are sent to Ukraine first." He also said the U.S. was "surging energy equipment to Ukraine to repair its systems and strengthen the resilience of Ukraine's energy grid."
- Ukraine's national energy company, Ukrenergo, has been forced to implement emergency power cuts to stabilize the system, Shmyhal said. Power outages have been recorded in several cities, including Kyiv and Dnipro, according to Serhii Kovalenko, chief executive of the Yasno energy company.



Indian Navy's Frontline Warship 'Mumbai' Docks In Sri Lanka

- Indian Naval Ship 'Mumbai' is on a three-day visit to the island nation, the Sri Lanka Navy said in a press release.
- The 163-metre-long Destroyer, which is manned by a crew of 410 members, was welcomed by the Sri Lanka Navy in compliance with naval traditions.
- Meanwhile, three Chinese People's Liberation Army Navy warships -- "HE FEI", "WUZHISHAN" and "QILIANSHAN" -- also arrived at the port of Colombo on a formal visit on Monday morning, the Sri Lanka Navy said.
- INS Mumbai will engage in a **Passage Exercise (PASSEX)** with a Sri Lanka Navy ship off the coast of Colombo upon its departure on August 29.
- The indigenously built INS Mumbai was commissioned into the Indian Navy on January 22, 2001. Its visit is the eighth port call in Sri Lanka by Indian ships this year.



IIT-Kanpur To Host India's Largest Unmanned Aerial Systems Testing Facility

- In a groundbreaking collaboration, EndureAir Systems has emerged as the sole private entity partnering with five DPSUs to establish a state-of-the-art Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) testing facility at IIT Kanpur. This Rs. 60 crore

project, part of the Defense Testing Infrastructure Scheme (DTIS), aims to create the largest dedicated UAS testing center in India.

- The Ministry of Defense (MoD) has formalized this partnership through a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to develop advanced testing facilities within the Uttar Pradesh Defense Industrial Corridor (UPDIC).
- The five DPSUs (Defense Public Service Undertaking) involved are Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL), Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL), Gliders India Limited (GIL), Yantra India Limited (YIL), and Bharat Earth Movers Limited (BEM).
- The establishment of these state-of-the-art testing facilities will drive technological advancements and provide essential infrastructure for testing and refining specialized defense technologies, especially Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS).
- Launched by Defense Minister Rajnath Singh in May 2020 with an allocation of Rs 400 crore (\$50M), the Defense Testing Infrastructure Scheme (DTIS) aims to establish state-of-the-art testing facilities in collaboration with private industry and central/State Governments.



443-km India-Bangladesh border in Meghalaya is fully secure: BSF

- The Border Security Force (BSF) on Monday said the 443-km India-Bangladesh border in Meghalaya is fully secure and denied claims of illegal entry by Bangladeshi nationals.
- The paramilitary force issued a statement after the media in the neighbouring country reported that Awami League leader Ishak Ali Khan Panna died of heart

attack while climbing a hill in Meghalaya's Dawki in an attempt to flee his country. Dawki, in Meghalaya East Khasi Hills, is located close to Bangladesh.

- The BSF has contacted the assistant high commission of Bangladesh in Assam regarding the matter. "The assistant high commission of Bangladesh has confirmed that they have not received any official information concerning Panna's death near the border area as of now," the BSF spokesperson added.



Philippines Says China 'Biggest Disruptor' Of Peace In Southeast Asia

- Manila: China is the "biggest disruptor" of peace in Southeast Asia, the Philippine defence chief said Tuesday, as tensions between Manila and Beijing over disputed reefs and waters in the South China Sea escalate.
- "China... is the biggest disruptor of international peace in the ASEAN region," Gilberto Teodoro told a conference of the US Indo-Pacific Command in Manila, referring to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations.
- Teodoro's remarks follow a series of confrontations between Philippine and Chinese vessels in the South China Sea.
- China claims almost the entirety of the sea, despite an international ruling that its claims have no legal basis.
- Beijing's claims include reefs and waters inside the Philippines' Exclusive Economic Zone, which extends about 370 kilometres (200 nautical miles) from the country's coastal waters.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Which country discussed India with technology transfer for UNICORN at the 2+2 ministerial dialogue?

- A. United States
- B. Australia
- C. Japan
- D. South Korea

ANSWER: C

2. In which body of water did the Philippine government report collisions between coast guard ships and Chinese vessels?

- A. South China Sea
- B. Indian Ocean
- C. Pacific Ocean
- D. Gulf of Aden

ANSWER: A

3. Consider the following statements regarding CRPF:

1. It operates under the Ministry of Defense of India.
2. CRPF engages in combat operations during wartime and participates in UN

peacekeeping missions.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: B

4. Consider the following statements:

1. Galwan valley is strategically located between Ladakh in the west and Aksai Chin in the east.

2. Galwan river meets the Shyok river on India's side of the Line of Actual Control (LAC).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

5. Consider the following statements about ballistic and cruise missile systems :

1. Ballistic missiles are designed to fly at low altitudes and can be programmed to follow a specific flight path.

2. Cruise missiles are unguided rockets that follow a high parabolic trajectory.

3. Agni V is a nuclear-capable ICBM.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1 and 2 only

ANSWER: C

6. Consider the following pairs:

Country

1. India-Bangladesh

2. India-USA

3. India-UAE

Joint Exercise

a. Ex Sampriti

b. Ajeya Warrior

c. Al Nagah

Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

- A. 1 only

- B. 1 and 2 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

7. Akash Prime Is A

- A. Rocket
- B. Air Defence Missile System
- C. Sniper Rifle
- D. Tank

ANSWER: B

8. ___ Committee Had Recommended The Appointment Of The Chief of Defence Staff.

- A. Kargil War Committee
- B. Lodha Committee
- C. Abhijeet Sen Committee
- D. KV Kamath Committee

ANSWER: A

9. 'Service And Loyalty' Is The Motto Of

- A. CRPF
- B. BSF
- C. NSG
- D. ITBP

ANSWER: A

10. Maiden AL-Mohed AL-Hindi Exercise Held b/w India &

- A. Iran
- B. Iraq
- C. Indonesia
- D. Saudi Arabia

ANSWER: D

11. Ennore Port Is At

- A. Kerala
- B. Tamil Nadu
- C. West Bengal
- D. Gujarat

ANSWER: B

12. Gwadar Port Is Located In

- A. Israel
- B. Iran
- C. Pakistan
- D. Iraq

ANSWER: C

13. INS Kochi Is A

- A. Guided-missile destroyers
- B. Landing ship tank
- C. Submarine
- D. Frigates

ANSWER: A

14. Glock 18 Is A

- A. Destroyer
- B. Machine Pistol
- C. Assault rifle
- D. Submachine gun

ANSWER: B

15. Kaiga Atomic Power Plant Is In

- A. Karnataka
- B. Gujarat
- C. Madhya Pradesh
- D. Uttarakhand

ANSWER: A

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

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

ANSWER: D

17. College of Air Warfare Is At

- A. Pune
- B. Gurugram
- C. Wellington
- D. Secunderabad

ANSWER: D

18. "Love, Truth and A Little Malice" Book Is Written By

- A. Khushwant Singh
- B. Mahashweta Devi
- C. Kiran Bedi
- D. Amrita Pritam

ANSWER: A

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

- A. Flying Officer
- B. Flight Lieutenant
- C. Group Captain
- D. None

ANSWER: C

20. Ex Sampriti XI Held In

- A. UMROI, MEGHALAYA
- B. Ranikhet, UK
- C. Dhaka, Bangladesh
- D. None

ANSWER: A