

# Daily Defence Current Affairs

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### Keel Laying of First And Second NGOPV

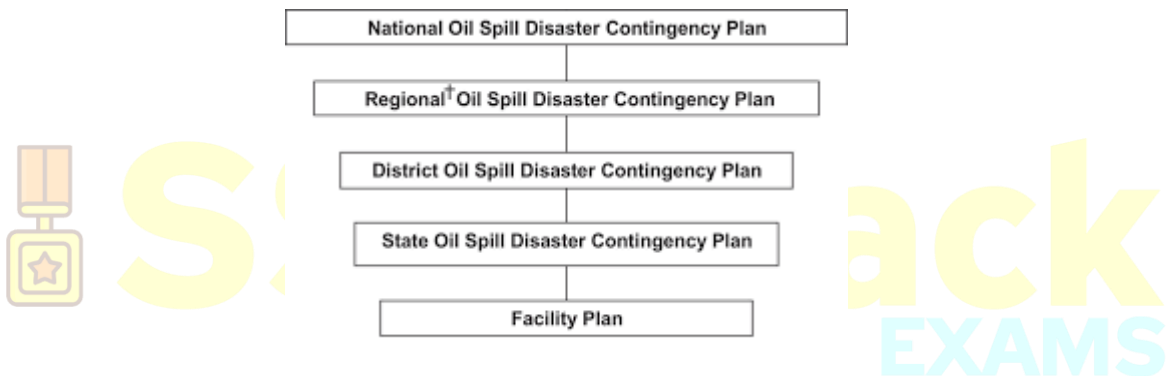
- Keel Laying ceremony of Yard 3037 and 3038, the 1st & 2nd Next Generation Offshore Patrol Vessels (NGOPV) (ex-GRSE) was held at M/s Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Ltd, Kolkata on 05 Nov 24.
- The contracts for indigenous design and construction of 11 NGOPVs were concluded in Mar 23 between MoD and M/s GSL, Goa for seven ships and M/s GRSE, Kolkata for four ships.
- The NGOPVs with an approximate tonnage of 3000T are envisaged for Coastal Defence & Surveillance, Search & Rescue operations, Protection of Offshore Assets and Anti-Piracy missions.



### 26<sup>th</sup> National Oil Spill Disaster Contingency Plan Meeting

- ICG convened the 26<sup>th</sup> National Oil Spill Disaster Contingency Plan (NOSDCP) meeting today on November 05, 2024, in New Delhi, to review the nation's preparedness for responding effectively to oil spill contingencies in Indian waters.
- It was chaired by Director General Paramesh Sivamani, who is also Chairperson of NOSDCP. Addressing the gathering, DG ICG reaffirmed the Indian Coast

Guard's commitment to deal with regional threats, including marine oil and chemical spills.



## ADG (Retd) VD Chafekar, ICG, Appointed As Executive Director of ReCAAP ISC

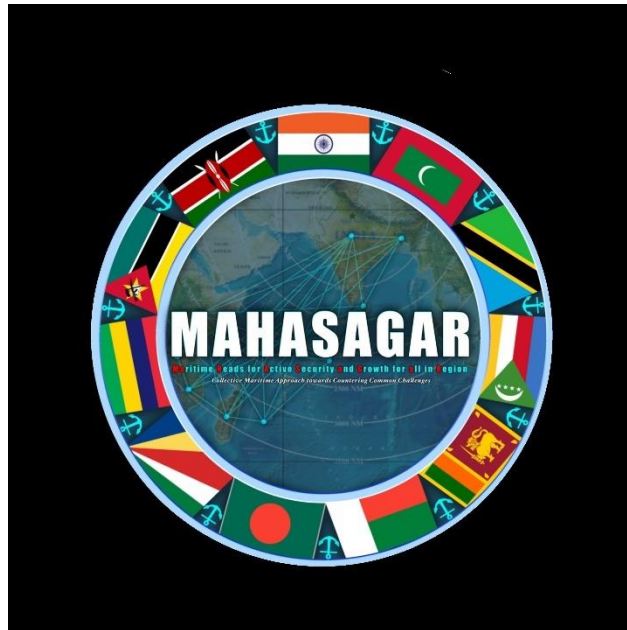
- Additional Director General (Retd) VD Chafekar, formerly of the Indian Coast Guard, has been appointed as the seventh Executive Director of Regional Cooperation Agreement on Combating Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia Information Sharing Centre (ReCAAP ISC) in Singapore.
- He was appointed as the Executive Director by the Governing Council of ReCAAP ISC for the period from April 01, 2025, till March 31, 2028.
- **Established in 2006**, the ReCAAP ISC is the first regional government-to-government agreement to promote and enhance cooperation against piracy and armed robbery at sea in Asia.

- It has been instrumental in facilitating information sharing, capacity building, and collaborative efforts to address maritime security challenges across the region.



### Third Edition of 'Mahasagar'

- The third edition of the high-level virtual interaction MAHASAGAR was conducted by the Indian Navy on 05 Nov 24, during which Admiral Dinesh Kumar Tripathi, Chief of the Naval Staff interacted with Heads of Navies.
- The interaction's theme was '**Training Cooperation to Mitigate Common Maritime Security Challenges in IOR**'.
- MAHASAGAR which stands for vast ocean in Hindi, is the Indian Navy's flagship outreach for high-level virtual interaction between **Maritime Heads for Active Security And Growth for All in the Region**.
- The initiative, started by the Indian Navy, is conducted bi-annually and has garnered wide acceptance among the participating nations ever since its inception in 2023.



## Israel PM Netanyahu fires Defence Minister over "lack of trust"

- Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu fired his Defence Minister Yoav Gallant citing lack of trust.
- Gallant, who was a longtime rival from within the Likud Party, will be replaced by Israel's Foreign Minister Israel Katz. Minister without Portfolio Gideon Sa'ar will replace Katz, as per Times of Israel.
- The "crisis of faith" with the defense minister "does not enable the proper continuation of the [military] campaign," Netanyahu said.



## Exercise 'Indus Shield-Chinese'

- Air Forces of Pakistan and China on Tuesday concluded an exercise aimed at validating interoperability between the two countries in the face of "contemporary air combat challenges."

- Indus Shield-Chinese, a bilateral module of Exercise Indus Shield 2024, was conducted separately between Chinese and Pakistan air forces at an operational air base of Pakistan Air Force, according to an official statement from Rawalpindi.
- The exercise witnessed participation from People's Liberation Army Air Force of China with its personnel and high-tech equipment.
- The equipment comprised AESA Radar and Long Range BVR Equipped J-16 & J-10C fighter aircraft, Lethal HQ-22 Surface to Air Defence system, Potent Airborne Electronic Warfare YTG-9 Platform, alongside KJ-500 Airborne Early Warning system.



## REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. **What was the theme of the third edition of MAHASAGAR conducted by the Indian Navy?**
  - A. Enhancing Maritime Capabilities in the Indo-Pacific
  - B. Regional Stability through Naval Alliances
  - C. Training Cooperation to Mitigate Common Maritime Security Challenges in IOR
  - D. Indian Naval Empowerment in Global Waters

**ANSWER: C**

2. **Who has been appointed as the 7<sup>th</sup> Executive Director of the ReCAAP ISC?**
  - A. Director General Paramesh Sivamani
  - B. Air Marshal Ajay Kumar Arora
  - C. Admiral Dinesh K Tripathi
  - D. Additional Director General (Retd) VD Chafekar

**ANSWER: D**

**3. Where was the 26<sup>th</sup> National Oil Spill Disaster Contingency Plan (NOSDCP) meeting held?**

- A. Mumbai
- B. New Delhi
- C. Goa
- D. Chennai

**ANSWER: B**

**4. Which shipbuilding company held the Keel Laying ceremony for Next Generation Offshore Patrol Vessels?**

- A. Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Ltd
- B. Cochin Shipyard Ltd
- C. Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Ltd (GRSE)
- D. Goa Shipyard Ltd (GSL)

**ANSWER: C**

**5. The "Indus Shield-Chinese" exercise was conducted between which two countries?**

- A. India and Pakistan
- B. China and Russia
- C. Pakistan and China
- D. India and China

**ANSWER: C**

**6. "If a man says he is not afraid of dying, he is either lying or he is a Gorkha". Said By Whom?**

- A. V K Singh
- B. SHF Manekshaw
- C. Hew Strachan
- D. Lt Gen J.F.R. Jacob

**ANSWER: B**

**7. CSL Hq Is In**

- A. Kochi
- B. Noida
- C. Bengaluru
- D. Chennai

**ANSWER: A**

**8. India Conducted Vajra Prahar Exercise With\_\_.**

- A. Qatar
- B. Maldives
- C. USA
- D. Oman

**ANSWER: C**

**9. Who Is The Chairman Of The NHRC?**

- A. Chief Justice of India or a judge of the Supreme Court
- B. Governor
- C. PM
- D. None of the above

**ANSWER: A**

**10.UDHR Stands For**

- A. Universal Declaration of Human Rights
- B. Universal Declaration of Human Riot
- C. Universal Declared of Human Rights
- D. None of the above

**ANSWER: A**

**11.Which one of the following statements is/are correct regarding BRICS?**

**1. It was set up with the sole purpose of countering the NATO influence and emerging as its substitute.**

**2. The New Development Bank is one of the initiatives of BRICS.**

**Choose the correct answer using the codes given below:**

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

**ANSWER: B**

**12.World Economic Forum Hq Is In**

- A. Geneva, Switzerland
- B. Lausanne, Switzerland
- C. The Hague, The Netherlands
- D. Gland, Switzerland

**ANSWER: A**

**13. Which Is Not An Asian Country?**

- A. Singapore
- B. Brunei
- C. UAE
- D. Peru

**ANSWER: D**

**14. GPMG Stands For**

- A. General Purple Machine Gun
- B. General Purpose Machine Gun
- C. General Purpose Machine Gum
- D. None

**ANSWER: B**

**15. 'Ex Zapad' Conducted B/W India &**

- A. Qatar
- B. Russia
- C. UAE
- D. Maldives

**ANSWER: B**

**16. Padma Vibhushan Award Was Instituted on**

- A. 2nd January 1954
- B. 2nd January 1955
- C. 2nd January 1956
- D. 2nd January 1957

**ANSWER: A**

**17. Hq Of Department of Space Is In**

- A. New Delhi
- B. Bengaluru
- C. Kochi
- D. Kolkata

**ANSWER: B**

**18. CAIR Stands For**

- A. Centre for Artificial Intelligence & Robotics



- B. Centre for Artificial Intelligent & Robotics
- C. Centre for Artillery Intelligence & Robotics
- D. Centre form Artificial Intelligence & Robotics

**ANSWER: A**

**19. "An Odyssey in War and Peace" Book Written By**

- A. Shashi Tharoor
- B. SHF Manekshaw
- C. Hew Strachan
- D. Lt Gen J.F.R. Jacob

**ANSWER: D**

**20. With reference to the Project 15B warships, consider the following statements:**

- 1. They are equipped with BrahMos supersonic cruise missiles and long-range Surface-to-Air Missiles.**
- 2. 'INS Surat' was the first-ever ship of Project 15B Destroyers.**
- 3. Project 15B warships are completely indigenou.**

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

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

**ANSWER: A**