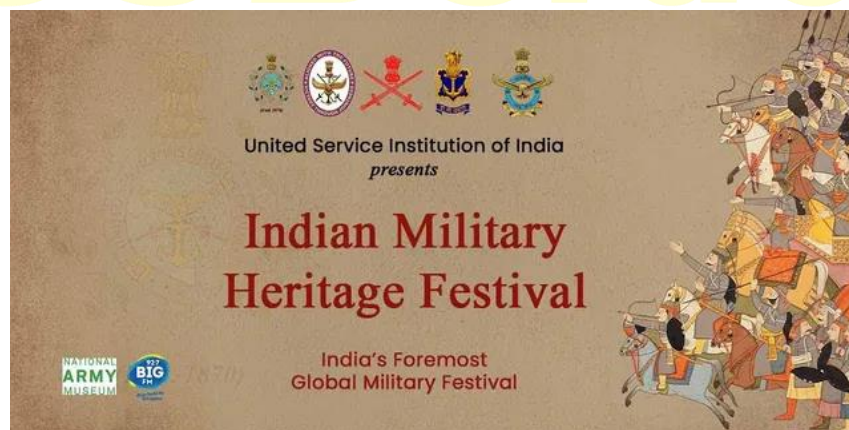


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2nd Edition of Indian Military Heritage Festival

- The 2nd edition of the annual **Indian Military Heritage Festival** (IMHF) is all set to kick start in New Delhi on November 8, 2024.
- The two-day festival aims to engage global and Indian think tanks, corporations, public and private sector undertakings, non-profits, academicians, and research scholars focusing on India's national security, foreign policy, military history and military heritage.
- The inauguration of the festival will also witness the launch of **Project 'Shaurya Gatha'**. The project is an initiative of the Department of Military Affairs and the USI of India which aims to conserve and promote India's military heritage through education and tourism.



Indian Official Meets Afghan Defence Minister

- In a significant move, an Indian delegation met Afghanistan's acting Defence Minister Mullah Mohammad Yaqoob and offered the use of Chabahar Port in Iran to businesses in his country, and also discussed extending humanitarian assistance to Kabul.

- The delegation was led by J P Singh, the Joint Secretary of the Pakistan-Afghanistan-Iran division in the External Affairs Ministry.
- During a weekly media briefing here, EAM spokesman Randhir Jaiswal said that apart from Mohammad Yaqoob, the delegation also met with former President Hamid Karzai and other senior ministers, along with the heads of UN agencies.
- "They had discussions on India's humanitarian assistance, also how the Chabahar Port can be utilised by the business community in Afghanistan for transactions and for export and import and any other thing that they would like to do," Jaiswal said in response to a question.
- India does not recognise the Taliban regime that has been ruling Afghanistan since 2021. India has been providing humanitarian aid, including wheat, medicines and medical supplies, to the Afghan people from time to time.



IAF, Navy, ICG Have Initiated The Process To Scrap Their Agreements With Cab aggregator Uber

- IAF, Navy and Coast Guard have initiated the process to scrap their agreements with cab aggregator Uber as a precautionary step after some cyber security experts red-flagged the risks of potential data exposure and location tracking of military personnel and their families using the service.
- IAF on Oct 18 signed an agreement with Uber to provide "reliable, convenient, and safe transportation services for IAF personnel, veterans and families", following similar MoUs inked by Navy and Coast Guard earlier.

- "Adequate steps were taken to ensure data security was protected when MoUs were signed with Uber. But due to a huge controversy being generated on social media, the contracts are being scrapped after giving due notice to the cab aggregator," an official said.



‘New Counter Terrorism Policy Soon’: Amit Shah

- Union home minister Amit Shah on Thursday said that the central government is soon planning to introduce a new counter-terrorism policy and strategy to fight national security threats, terrorists and their ecosystem.
- Addressing the anti-terrorism conference in New Delhi, Shah also said that the Modi government is committed to create a strong ecosystem against terrorism and eliminate it.
- Amit Shah said that while law and order is a state subject and states have the geographical boundaries and constitutional limitations, terrorism doesn't and hence all security agencies - central and states - must work in close coordination, chalk out joint strategies and share intelligence.
- The Centre has come up with a vision on a **model anti-terrorism squad (ATS) and model special task force (STF)** for all states and Union territories, which will work as a common platform to deal with the menace of terrorism, the home minister said.



President Murmu Onboard INS Vikrant

- President Droupadi Murmu boarded the indigenous aircraft carrier INS Vikrant and witnessed an operational demonstration by the Indian Navy at sea on Thursday.
- Droupadi Murmu arrived at INS Hansa, the Naval Air Station in Goa, on Thursday, where she was received by Admiral Dinesh K Tripathi, Chief of the Naval Staff, and Vice Admiral Sanjay J Singh, Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Western Naval Command. A ceremonial 'Guard of Honour' comprising 150 personnel was paraded in her honour upon arrival.
- "It is a matter of pride that India is one of only six countries globally, and the only non-P5 nation, capable of building and operating both SSBNs and aircraft carriers indigenously," Tripathi said.
- INS Vikrant is an aircraft carrier in service with Indian Navy. The carrier is India's fourth carrier and the first to be built in India. It was constructed by the Cochin Shipyard Limited in Kochi, Kerala. The namesake Vikrant is a tribute to India's first aircraft carrier INS Vikrant.
- Length: 262 m
- Launched: 12 August 2013
- Builder: Cochin Shipyard
- Construction started: 28 February 2009
- Draft: 8.4 m
- Ship Class: Vikrant-class aircraft carrier



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Why did the Indian Air Force, Navy, and Coast Guard decide to end their agreements with Uber?
 - A. Uber's fare structure was too high
 - B. Concerns over potential data exposure and location tracking
 - C. Incompatibility with government regulations
 - D. Lack of availability of Uber services in remote areas

ANSWER: B

2. During her recent visit, which Indian Navy vessel did President Droupadi Murmu board?

- A. INS Vikramaditya
- B. INS Viraat
- C. INS Vikrant
- D. INS Chennai

ANSWER: C

3. What did Amit Shah announce regarding counter-terrorism at the anti-terrorism conference in New Delhi?

- A. A joint military exercise with the US
- B. Introduction of a new counter-terrorism policy and strategy
- C. Formation of a new intelligence agency
- D. Increase in funding for international anti-terrorism efforts

ANSWER: B

4. Who will inaugurate the 2nd edition of the Indian Military Heritage Festival in New Delhi?

- A. Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- B. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh
- C. Chief of Defence Staff Gen Anil Chauhan and the three Service Chiefs
- D. President Droupadi Murmu

ANSWER: C

5. INS Mormugao Is A

- A. Helicopter
- B. Machine Gun
- C. UAV
- D. Destroyer

ANSWER: D

6. Information Management and Analysis Centre Is In

- A. Noida
- B. New Delhi
- C. Mumbai
- D. Gurugram

ANSWER: D

7. ___ 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

8. 'Service And Loyalty' Is The Motto Of

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

ANSWER: A

9. SIPRI Stands For

- A. Stockholm International Peace Rice Institute
- B. Stock International Peace Research India
- C. Stockholm International Peace Research Institute
- D. Sugar International Peace Research Institute

ANSWER: C

10. "Nischay Kar Apni Jeet Karon" is The Motto Of ___

- A. RAJPUT REGIMENT
- B. RAJPUTANA RIFLES
- C. THE BRIGADE OF THE GUARDS
- D. SIKH REGIMENT

ANSWER: D

11. Maiden AL-Mohed AL-Hind exercise held b/w India &

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

ANSWER: D

12.C-17 Globemaster Manufactured By

- A. Airbus
- B. Lockheed Martin
- C. Dassault
- D. Boeing

ANSWER: D

13. Shakti military exercise held between India and ___?

- A. Iran
- B. Iraq
- C. France
- D. Uzbekistan

ANSWER: C

14. Air Commodore Rank Of IAF Is Equivalent To Which Rank Of Indian Army?

- A. Brigadier
- B. Lt. Gen
- C. Captain
- D. Major General

ANSWER: A

15. "Supreme Court On Commercial Arbitration" Book Written By

- A. Dr. Manoj Kumar
- B. J. Sai Deepak
- C. Hew Strachan
- D. Kapil Sibbal

ANSWER: A

16. ___ Is The Largest Defense Contractors in the World.

- A. Lockheed Martin
- B. Boeing
- C. Raytheon Technologies
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: A

17. Port Gqeberha Is Located At

- A. South Africa
- B. Australia
- C. USA

D. Sri Lanka

ANSWER: A

18. Ex 'IBSAMAR' Conducted b/w India &

A. South Africa, Oman

B. South Africa, Brazil

C. Sri Lanka, Oman

D. None

ANSWER: B

19. The World's Biggest Employer of The World Is

A. Walmart

B. Amazon

C. Ministry of Defence(India)

D. Foxconn

ANSWER: C

20. ISRO Is Ramping Up Its Efforts To Build Its Own Space Station By___.

A. 2022

B. 2025

C. 2027

D. 2035

ANSWER: D