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Exercise Maru Jwala

- The Indian Army's Southern Command conducted 'Exercise Maru Jwala' on Tuesday in Jaisalmer, Rajasthan, as part of the ongoing tri-services 'Trishul' drill, showcasing the preparedness and coordination of its elite units.
- Lieutenant General Dhiraj Seth, General Officer Commanding-in-Chief of the Southern Command, described the exercise as a crucial phase of the overall Trishul operations.
- The exercise brought together key units of the Southern Command. "...Exercise Maru Jwala is a very important part of the overall Exercise Trishul, which is a tri-service exercise. This Maru Jwala exercise was actually the final phase of the operations over the last two months. This means that for two months, the Sudarshan Chakra Corps of the Southern Command, which is a strike corps, has been training diligently here."
- Tri-Services Exercise (TSE-2025) "Trishul", being conducted by the Indian Navy as the lead service jointly with the Indian Army and Indian Air Force, will commence in early Nov 2025.
- Headquarters Western Naval Command, in close coordination with the three Services, will be conducting the exercise which will feature large scale operations across the creek and desert sectors of Rajasthan and Gujarat, alongside comprehensive maritime operations including amphibious operations in the North Arabian Sea.
- Covering the Gujarat coast and the northern Arabian Sea - Army Southern Command, Western Naval Command, and the South Western Air Command are the principal formations participating in the exercise - Indian Coast Guard, Border Security Force, and other central agencies are also participating in large numbers, further reinforcing inter-agency coordination and integrated operations.



Paras Defence & Space Tech Secures Rs 35.68-cr Order

- Paras Defence and Space Technologies on Tuesday said it has secured a domestic order worth about Rs 35.68 crore from the defence ministry for the supply of portable counter-drone systems (PCDS).
- In addition, the company's subsidiary, Paras Anti-Drone Technologies Pvt Ltd, has also received a separate order to the tune of Rs 3.95 crore from the defence ministry for radio frequency (RF) jammers (integrated drone detector and jammer).
- "These consecutive orders, marking our second and third engagements with the ministry within just two months, reflect the growing confidence placed in our indigenous capabilities and our commitment to strengthening India's defence preparedness," said Ashutosh Baheti, CEO, Paras Anti-Drone Technologies Pvt Ltd.



Swan Defence and Heavy Industries signs \$220 mn Deal

- Swan Defence and Heavy Industries Limited (SDHI), India's largest shipbuilding and heavy fabrication company, has signed a Letter of Intent (LoI) with European ship owner and operator Rederiet Stenersen AS for construction of 6 (six) nos IMO Type II chemical tankers, each of 18,000 DWT capacity.
- The LoI marks a defining moment for India's shipbuilding export, covering six vessels valued at approximately \$220 million, with an option for additional six ships to follow under the same class, the company said in a press release.
- This partnership marks a defining moment for SDHI and for Indian shipbuilding — our first major export of advanced chemical tankers to Norway. We see this as a step towards realizing India's maritime ambitions by building large and complex vessels across tankers, bulkers, and specialized segments.



2026-27 As Year of Networking And Data Centricity

- The Indian Army is working on designating 2026-27 as the "year of networking and data centricity", force chief General Upendra Dwivedi said on Tuesday, and flagged that this is one field in which "we are not prepared" and therefore, "need to act faster".
- In his address at a seminar here, Gen Dwivedi also said that Operation Sindoor has given some lessons and "we came out as a winner", but the Army must always look at what the lessons which have been drawn are.
- The Army has declared 2024-25 as the 'year of technology absorption', he said.
- "As far as electronic warfare is concerned, it is a protection layer. It is a armoured protection layer, if I can say that. So, you have reactive armour and other things as far as electronic warfare is concerned. This is also a protection layer, and it will have to be inherent in the platform which is being produced here after," he said.



‘Durga Drone Squadron’

- The Border Security Force (BSF) has commissioned its first-ever all-women “Durga Drone Squadron” at the School of Drone Warfare (SDW), situated within the BSF Academy in Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh.
- This historic formation marks a major milestone in integrating gender inclusivity with advanced technological warfare within India’s premier border-guarding organisation.
- Named after the goddess Durga, symbolising strength and protection, the all-female squadron represents a strategic leap in empowering women officers with frontline operational roles involving autonomous systems and drone-based surveillance.
- The Durga Drone Squadron is trained at the SDW, a state-of-the-art facility specialising in Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) operations, counter-drone tactics, and artificial intelligence-driven reconnaissance missions.

भारत सरकार पंजाब की पाक सीमा पर थी तैनात, अन्य राज्यों के लिए भी तैयार होंगी महिला ड्रोन स्क्वाड्रन ज्वालियर में तैयार होगी BSF की पहली 'दुर्गा ड्रोन स्क्वाड्रन', इन महिला अफसरों ने ऑपरेशन सिंदूर में पाक के ड्रोन हमलों को किया था नाकाम

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सीमा पर पाकिस्तान के खिलाफ ऑपरेशन सिंदूर में भागीदारी करने वाली बीएसएफ की महिला अफसरों को ज्वालियर की टेकनपुर अकादमी में 6 सप्ताह का ड्रोन कमांडो प्रशिक्षण दिया जा रहा है। ऑपरेशन सिंदूर में दिखाई बहदुरी के चलते इन महिला अफसरों का चयन किया गया है। इस प्रशिक्षित स्क्वाड्रन को दुर्गा ड्रोन स्क्वाड्रन का नाम दिया गया है। प्रशिक्षण के लिए चयनित इन महिला अफसरों ने ऑपरेशन सिंदूर के दौरान पंजाब की पाक सीमा पर पाकिस्तान के ड्रोन हमलों का मुकाबला किया था। इस पहली प्लाटून के बाद देश के अन्य राज्यों की सीमा से भी महिला अफसरों को टेकनपुर अकादमी में प्रशिक्षण दिया जाएगा।



ऑपरेशन सिंदूर की नासिकहाई टेकनपुर में प्रशिक्षण लेते हुए।

ज्वालियर में प्रशिक्षित हुई थी बीएसएफ की पहली महिला कॉर्बेट अफसर तनुश्री
ज्वालियर की टेकनपुर अकादमी में ही बीएसएफ की पहली महिला कॉर्बेट अफसर तनुश्री पारीक को भी प्रशिक्षित कर पंजाब सीमा की एक यूनिट पर तैनात किया गया था। तनुश्री बीएसएफ की पहली महिला कॉर्बेट अफसर हैं। बीएसएफ की टेकनपुर अकादमी के महानिदेशक दलजीत सिंह चौधरी ने बताया अकादमी स्थित स्कूल ऑफ ड्रोन वारफेयर (एसडीडब्ल्यू) में बल के पहले दुर्गा ड्रोन स्क्वाड्रन को प्रशिक्षण दिया जा रहा है।

रियल-टाइम इंटेलिजेंस, डेटा विश्लेषण भी सीखेंगी

महिला प्रहरीयों को ड्रोन उड़ाने, निर्वजित करने और निगरानी मिशन के लिए डेटा एकत्रित करने की विशेष ट्रेनिंग दी जाएगी। प्रशिक्षकों को सीमा पार से आने वाले ड्रोन खतरों से निपटने के उपाय, इलेक्ट्रॉनिक डिटेक्शन और रेस्पॉन्स सिस्टम की ट्रेनिंग। ड्रोन के माध्यम से खोज एवं आपदा में बचाव कार्यों की जानकारी मिलेगी। प्रशिक्षण से महिला स्क्वाड्रन रियल-टाइम इंटेलिजेंस, डेटा विश्लेषण और निर्णय क्षमता में दक्ष होगी, जिससे सीमा की सुरक्षा व्यवस्था और सुदृढ़ बनेगी।

धैर्य, शुद्धता व दृढ़ता पहचान
ड्रोन स्क्वाड्रन तैयार कर रहे

अकादमी के महानिदेशक दलजीत सिंह ने कहा- वर्तमान में युद्ध बल से नहीं तकनीक से लड़ा जा रहा है। महिलाओं की तीन विशेषताएं- धैर्य, शुद्धता व दृढ़ता को पहचान कर ड्रोन संचालित ऑपरेशन में उनकी विशेष भूमिका के लिए स्क्वाड्रन को तैयार किया जा रहा है। प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रम अकादमी के निदेशक डॉ. शमशेर सिंह नेतृत्व में संचालित किया जाएगा। इसमें महिला अफसरों को आधुनिक तकनीक से लेस कर सीमा प्रबंधन और सुरक्षा में उनकी भागीदारी और सशक्त होगी।

REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Exercise Maru Jwala was conducted by which command of the Indian Army?

- A. Northern Command
- B. Southern Command
- C. Western Command
- D. Eastern Command

ANSWER: B

2. What is the primary objective of the Tri-Services Exercise 'Trishul'?

- A. To enhance maritime trade with neighbouring countries
- B. To test inter-agency coordination and joint operational capabilities across land, sea, and air
- C. To conduct humanitarian missions in coastal regions
- D. To train naval cadets for submarine operations

ANSWER: B

3. Paras Defence and Space Technologies recently received a defence order worth Rs 35.68 crore for?

- A. Laser communication systems
- B. Portable counter-drone systems
- C. Satellite launch modules
- D. Armoured vehicle navigation kits

ANSWER: B

4. Swan Defence and Heavy Industries Limited signed a \$220 million deal for which European company?

- A. Rederiet Stenersen AS
- B. Maersk Line
- C. Stena Bulk
- D. Hellenic Shipping Company

ANSWER: A

5. What is the significance of the BSF's newly formed 'Durga Drone Squadron'?

- A. It is India's first drone unit operating along the international borders
- B. It is the BSF's first all-women drone squadron trained for surveillance and counter-drone missions
- C. It is a naval unit for underwater drone operations
- D. It focuses solely on disaster management and rescue operations

ANSWER: B

6. Defence Institute of Physiology & Allied Sciences Is A Operating Agency Of

- A. ISRO
- B. BDL
- C. DRDO
- D. CSL

ANSWER: C

7. Ex 'BLUE FLAG' Conducted b/w India &

- A. Qatar
- B. Oman
- C. Israel
- D. Kazakhstan

ANSWER: C

8. Which Organisation Manufactured Tejas Mark-2 Fighter Jets?

- A. BEL
- B. BDL
- C. HAL
- D. DRDO

ANSWER: C

9. Udarshakti Is A Bilateral Exercise Which Held Between India And Which Other Country?

- A. Malaysia
- B. Singapore
- C. Russia
- D. Japan

ANSWER: A

10. What Is The Name Of The Submarine Which Has been Decommissioned From The Indian Navy?

- A. INS Rajput
- B. INS Nishank
- C. INS Sindhudhvaj
- D. INS Ranjit

ANSWER: C

11. Heron MK II Is A

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

ANSWER: C

12. Chabahar Port Is Located In

- A. USA
- B. Sweden
- C. France
- D. Iran

ANSWER: D

13. Pratap Chandra Lal Was A Former Chief Of

- A. IAF
- B. Indian Army
- C. Indian Navy
- D. BSF

ANSWER: A

14. Space & Upper Atmosphere Research Commission Is A Space Agency Of

- A. USA
- B. Pakistan
- C. China
- D. Bhutan

ANSWER: B

15. RS-28 Sarmat "Satan 2" Is A

- A. Helicopter
- B. Machine Gun
- C. Missile
- D. Fighter Jet

ANSWER: C

16. BELMOPAN Is The Capital Of

- A. BELIZE
- B. BENIN
- C. BHUTAN
- D. Maldives

ANSWER: A

17. "The Living Mountain" Book Written By

- A. JK Rowling
- B. Aakash Ranison
- C. Hew Strachan
- D. Amitav Ghosh

ANSWER: D

18. Joint Exercises B/w India And Sri Lanka Is Called:

- A. Ashoka
- B. SLINEX
- C. Indra
- D. MITRA SHAKTI

ANSWER: B&D

19. India Purchased Sig Sauer Assault Rifles From

- A. USA
- B. Sweden

- C. France
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: A

20. India Purchased MH Romeo 64 Helicopter from

- A. USA
- B. Sweden
- C. France
- D. Russia

ANSWER: A

