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Accidental Blast in Nowgam Police Station

- Nine people were killed and several others were injured in a powerful accidental explosion at the Nowgam police station on the outskirts of Srinagar.
- According to officials, the blast occurred while a police and forensic team was examining explosive material seized from Faridabad, part of the 2,900 kg chemical cache recovered from an arrested doctor in the case.
- At least 27 people — including 24 police personnel and three civilians — were injured, many of whom are undergoing treatment in Srinagar hospitals for burn injuries and blast trauma. Officials said the explosion is linked to the same chain of events that led to the unravelling of a major terror module.
- J&K DGP said this was the accidental blast during checking of that explosive inn the Station in which officials and civilians were killed and injured. Enquiry has been setup.
- The explosive material being examined had been transported from Faridabad, Haryana. It was part of the cache seized during the investigation into the white-collar terror module. The seized explosives, had exposed a “white-collar terror module” linked to Jaish-e-Mohammed and Ansar Ghazwat-ul-Hind operating across Kashmir, Haryana, and Uttar Pradesh.



Idea Forge Tech Bags Rs 100-cr Supply Order From Indian Army

- City-based drone maker idea Forge Technology Ltd on Friday said it has secured a supply order worth about Rs 100 crore from the Indian Army for its next-generation tactical unmanned vehicle Zolt and all-terrain VTOL drone, SWITCH 2.
- The capital emergency procurement order for its Zolt is valued around Rs 75 crore, following an extensive and rigorous evaluation process -- extensive field trials in electronic warfare (EW) environments and stringent country of origin checks, while the SWITCH2 order is valued at Rs 30 crore, ideaForge said.
- The company had launched the two UAVs at the Aero India show in Bengaluru earlier this year.
- Zolt is a multi-role platform capable of long-range ISR (intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance) and precision payload delivery, and is purpose-built for present-day defence operations, combining performance, autonomy, and resilience for ISR while SWITCH 2 is already battle tested and inducted into the Army's arsenal for ISR operations, idea Forge said.



China Begins Sea Trials of EMALS

- Beijing, China began the sea trial of Sichuan, a large amphibious assault ship fitted with an **electromagnetic aircraft launch system** (EMALS) to operate fighter planes, helicopters and drones, according to the Chinese Navy.
- The launch follows the commissioning of the country's third aircraft carrier, the Fujian, by Chinese President Xi Jinping earlier this month. The aircraft carrier is stated to be the most modern warship equipped with EMALS, which is used only by the American aircraft carrier **USS Gerald R. Ford**.
- The first hull of Sichuan, China's Type 076 amphibious assault ship, set off from a port of Hudong-Zhonghua Shipyard in Shanghai and sailed toward the relevant sea area for its maiden sea trial, an official statement by the Chinese Navy said.
- As a new-generation amphibious assault ship, the Sichuan has a full-load displacement of over 40,000 tonnes, featuring a dual-island superstructure and a full-length flight deck.
- It adopts electromagnetic catapult and arrestment technologies, and can carry fixed-wing aircraft, helicopters, amphibious equipment and other assets, state-run China Central Television (CCTV) News reported.
- China, which is manufacturing a variety of battle ships and submarines at a rapid speed, currently has three aircraft carriers: the Liaoning, a refit of the Soviet-era ship commissioned in 2012; Shandong, an indigenously built 2nd aircraft carrier operationalised in 2019, and the Fujian, which was commissioned earlier this month.
- It is also developing new fighter aircraft like J-15T, J-35 and KongJing-600 to operate from aircraft carriers.



High-altitude Mono Rail System In Arunachal Pradesh

- The Indian Army's Gajraj Corps has operationalised an indigenous mono rail system at 16,000 feet in the Kameng Himalayas of Arunachal Pradesh, marking a major breakthrough in high-altitude logistics.
- The system has been successfully conceptualised, engineered, and deployed to address one of the toughest operational challenges faced by troops in the region, ensuring uninterrupted supply to forward posts routinely cut off by snow, extreme terrain, and unpredictable weather.
- The mono rail system can transport over 300 kg of load in a single run, providing a reliable lifeline to remote posts that lack any other mode of communication or supply.



DRDO Develops New Generation Man-portable Underwater Vehicles

- A new generation of man-portable autonomous underwater vehicles (MP-AUVs) have been successfully developed by the DRDO.
- The system comprises multiple autonomous underwater vehicles (AUVs) equipped with side scan sonar and underwater cameras as primary payloads for real-time detection of mine-like objects.
- The onboard deep learning based target recognition algorithms enable autonomous classification, significantly reducing operator workload and mission time, the ministry said.
- The MP-AUVs have been developed by the DRDO's Naval Science and Technological Laboratory (NSTL) in Visakhapatnam.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. IdeaForge's recent supply order from the Indian Army includes which two UAVs?
A. NETRA V4 and SWITCH X
B. Zolt and SWITCH 2
C. Garuda and Rustom
D. Predator and Heron

ANSWER: B

2. What is the full-load displacement of China's new Type 076 amphibious assault ship, Sichuan?

- A. 20,000 tonnes
- B. 30,000 tonnes
- C. Over 40,000 tonnes
- D. 55,000 tonnes

ANSWER: C

3. At what altitude has the Indian Army operationalised the indigenous mono rail system in Arunachal Pradesh?

- A. 10,000 feet
- B. 12,500 feet
- C. 14,000 feet
- D. 16,000 feet

ANSWER: D

4. The MP-AUVs developed by DRDO are primarily designed for which task?

- A. Underwater communication
- B. Detection of mine-like objects
- C. Submarine navigation
- D. Oceanographic data collection

ANSWER: B

5. What technology is used on China's Sichuan ship for launching aircraft?

- A. Steam catapult system
- B. Magnetic levitation launch
- C. Electromagnetic Aircraft Launch System (EMALS)
- D. Hydraulic assisted launch

ANSWER: C

6. The Motto Of AMC, "सर्वे सन्तु निरामयाः" Which Is Derived From The

- A. Brihadaranyaka Upanishad
- B. Mundak Upanishad
- C. Taittiriya Upanishad
- D. Katha Upanishad

ANSWER: A

7. Khardung La Is Located At

- A. Leh

- B. Shimla
- C. Dharmshala
- D. J&K

ANSWER: A

8. Minuteman III Is A

- A. ICBM
- B. SRBM
- C. SLBM
- D. MRBM

ANSWER: A

9. Op Sankalp Was Initiated And Implemented By The

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

ANSWER: C

10. Which Of The Following Is The Oldest CAPF?

- A. CRPF
- B. BSF
- C. Assam Rifles
- D. BSF

ANSWER: C

11. Prahaar Missile Manufactured By

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

ANSWER: B

12. What Is The Name Given To India's First-ever Satellite And Nuclear-missile Tracking Ship?

- A. INS Tez
- B. INS Parvat
- C. INS Eklavya

D. INS Dhruv

ANSWER: D

13. INS Kochi Is A

A. Destroyer

B. OPV

C. Submarine

D. Tank

ANSWER: A

14. IBSAMAR Trilateral Naval Exercise Held Between India, Brazil And___?

A. North Korea

B. Switzerland

C. Singapore

D. South Africa

ANSWER: D

15. The National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) motto is

A. Always be there

B. Service for Nation

C. 24*7

D. Disaster Service Forever

ANSWER: D

16. Which Honorary Rank Does Sachin Tendulkar Hold?

A. Lieutenant Colonel

B. Lieutenant

C. Major

D. Group Captain

ANSWER: D

17. The Port Duqm Is In

A. Yemen

B. Iran

C. Iraq

D. Oman

ANSWER: D

18. Regimental Centre Of THE BRIGADE OF THE

- A. Kamptee, Maharashtra
- B. Ahmednagar, Maharashtra
- C. Delhi Cantonment
- D. Fatehgarh, Uttar Pradesh

ANSWER: A

19. Lamitye Exercise Held B/W India And ____?

- A. Thailand
- B. USA
- C. Qatar
- D. Seychelles

ANSWER: D

20. War Cry of THE MAHAR REGIMENT

- A. Bharat Mata ki Jai
- B. Bolo Hindustan Ki Jay
- C. Jai Hind
- D. Durga Mata Ki Jai

ANSWER: B



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EXAMS