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## **GRSE Delivers Anti-submarine Warfare 'Anjadip'**

- The Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE) Ltd delivered its fifth warship of the year to the Navy. The Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft (ASW SWC) Anjadip is the third of eight such platforms being built at the shipyard. The ship was delivered to the Navy at the Chennai Port Trust.
- Anjadip is the 115th warship built by GRSE and the 77th warship delivered to the Navy. The ASW SWC was accepted by Rear Admiral Gautam Marwaha, VSM, CSO (Tech), Eastern Naval Command.
- GRSE delivered four warships in 2025 ahead of Anjadip. These include the Advanced Guided Missile Frigate Himgiri, the first two ASW SWCs of the series Arnala and Androth, and the Survey Vessel (Large) Ikshak. All four have since been commissioned into the Navy.
- Anjadip is also an example of how the shipyard has focused on Atmanirbharta in defence shipbuilding. Like its two predecessors - Arnala and Androth - this warship is also fitted with an indigenous 30 mm Naval Surface Gun, manufactured by GRSE, and has nearly 88% indigenous content.
- With three water jets (fitted to marine diesel engines), Anjadip is extremely
  agile and manoeuvrable. A great advantage is that she only requires a draught
  of 2.7 metres, allowing her to access the coasts easily in search of sub-surface
  threats.
- GRSE is currently building 12 more warships, including two P17A advanced stealth frigates, five ASW SWCs, a Survey Vessel (Large) and four Next Generation Offshore Patrol Vessels.



## Trump Announces New US warship Class Named After Himself

- US President Donald Trump on Monday announced a new class of heavily armed warships that will be named after himself -- an honor usually reserved for leaders who have left office.
- Two of the Trump-class ships will be built initially, but that number could grow substantially, according to the president, who said they will be "some of the most lethal surface warfare ships" and "the largest battleship in the history of our country."
- Asked if the planned warships are a counter to Washington's rival Beijing, Trump declined to specify, instead saying: "It's a counter to everybody, it's not China.
   We get along great with China."
- He said the ships will weigh between 30,000 and 40,000 tons and will be armed with missiles and guns as well as weaponry still in development, such as lasers and hypersonic missiles.
- They will also be capable of carrying atomic weapons in the form of the nucleararmed sea-launched cruise missile, Trump said.



## Asim Munir Gets Saudi Arabia's Top Civilian Honour

- Pakistan's Chief of Defence Forces, Field Marshal Syed Asim Munir, has been awarded Saudi Arabia's highest civilian honour, the King Abdulaziz Medal of Excellence, during his official visit to the Kingdom.
- The award comes amid renewed focus on Munir's regional outreach and his recent public remarks on faith, security, and geopolitics. The Pakistan Army announced the honour, saying it was approved through a Royal Decree.
- Saudi leaders praised Munir's professionalism and strategic outlook, and acknowledged his role in strengthening what they described as long-standing, brotherly ties between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia.



## Russia's Su-57 Makes Maiden Flight With New-generation Engine

- Russia's fifth-generation stealth fighter Su-57 has completed its maiden flight powered by a new-generation engine, state-owned aerospace company United Aircraft Corporation (UAC) said.
- In a press release posted on its corporate website, the UAC said flight tests of the Izdeliye 177 engine have begun as part of the Su-57 aircraft system in cooperation with the United Engine Corporation, a subsidiary of the state-run Rostec group.
- The advanced engine, developed specifically for the Su-57, is designed to deliver increased thrust and improved flight performance. Russia has claimed the Su-57 to be the only combat-proven fifth-generation fighter, citing its operational use in Syria and Ukraine.
- According to Rostec, which controls almost the entire Russia's military-industrial complex, the Izdeliye 177 engine will enhance the aircraft's flight performance and facilitate further development.
- The Su-57 is designed to carry out a wide range of combat missions, including engagement of air, ground and maritime targets. It is capable of operating round the clock, in adverse weather and under electronic warfare conditions, while its low observability is intended to reduce vulnerability to modern air defence systems.



## **China Likely Loaded More Than 100 ICBMs in Silo Fields**

- China is likely to have loaded more than 100 intercontinental ballistic
  missiles across three silo fields and has no desire for arms control talks,
  according to a draft Pentagon report which highlighted Beijing's growing military
  ambitions.
- China is expanding and modernizing its weapons stockpile faster than any other nuclear-armed power. Beijing has described reports of a military buildup as efforts to "smear and defame China and deliberately mislead the international community."
- Last month, U.S. President Donald Trump said that he may be working on a plan to denuclearize with China and Russia. But the draft Pentagon report, which was seen by Reuters, said Beijing did not appear to be interested.
- "We continue to see no appetite from Beijing for pursuing such measures or more comprehensive arms control discussions," the report said.
- In particular, the report said that China had likely put in more than 100 solid-fuelled DF-31 ICBMs in silo fields close to China's border with Mongolia the latest in a series of silo sites. The Pentagon had previously reported the existence of the fields but not the number of missiles loaded.
- The Pentagon and China's embassy in Washington did not immediately respond to a request for comment.



## **REVIEW QUESTIONS**

- 1. Which organisation delivered the Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft Anjadip to the Indian Navy?
- A. Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited
- B. Cochin Shipyard Limited
- C. Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Ltd
- D. Hindustan Shipyard Limited

ANSWER: C

- 2. What is the approximate indigenous content of the ASW SWC Anjadip?
- A. 65%
- B. 72%
- C. 80%
- D. 88%

**ANSWER: D** 

- 3. The newly tested Izdeliye 177 engine is associated with which fighter aircraft?
- A. Su-35
- B. MiG-35
- C. Su-57
- D. Su-75

**ANSWER: C** 

- 4. Who was awarded Saudi Arabia's highest civilian honour, the King Abdulaziz Medal of Excellence?
- A. General Qamar Javed Bajwa

- B. Field Marshal Syed Asim Munir
- C. Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif
- D. Lieutenant General Faiz Hameed

**ANSWER: B** 

- 5. According to the draft Pentagon report, China is likely to have deployed over 100 ICBMs of which type?
- A. DF-21
- B. DF-26
- C. DF-31
- D. DF-41

**ANSWER: C** 

- 6. What is the highest commissioned rank awarded in the Navy?
- A. Commodore
- B. Captain
- C. Wing Commander
- D. Admiral

**ANSWER: D** 

- 7. 'Varuna' is a multilateral Defence Exercise b/w India &
- A. Japan
- B. Sri Lanka
- C. France
- D. Australia

**ANSWER: C** 

- 8. Super Hornet Is Made By
- A. Dassault
- B. Boeing
- C. Airbus
- D. HAL

**ANSWER: B** 

- 9. Heron Is A
- A. Tank
- B. Rifle
- C. UAV

D. Helicopter **ANSWER: C** 

#### 10.Exercises B/w India And Nepal Lanka Is Called:

- A. Vayu
- **B. SLINEX**
- C. Indra
- D. Surya Kiran ANSWER: D

#### 11.AEW&CS Stands For

- A. Airborne Early Warning and Center System
- B. Airborne East Warning and Control System
- C. Airborne Early Warning and Control System
- D. None of the above

**ANSWER: C** 

#### 12. Air Marshal Rank of IAF Is Equivalent to which rank of Indian Navy?

- A. Commodore
- B. Captain
- C. Commander
- D. Vice Admiral

**ANSWER: D** 

#### 13. 'CORPS' In Indian Army Headed By\_\_\_

- A. General Officer Commanding (GOC)
- B. General Officer Commanding-in-chief (GOC-in-C)
- C. Major General
- D. Brigadier

**ANSWER: A** 

#### 14. Which Is/Are The Combat Arms Of The Indian Army?

- A. Infantry
- B. The Armoured Corp
- C. The Mechanized Infantry
- D. All of the above

**ANSWER: D** 

#### 15. Bugatti Car Manufactured By

- A. Germany
- B. France
- C. Mexico
- D. USA

**ANSWER: B** 

## 16. India Purchased Dragunov SVD from

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

**ANSWER: D** 

#### 17. Oslo Is The Capital Of

- A. Norway
- B. Palau
- C. Philippines
- D. Maldives

**ANSWER:** A

#### 18. "Mind-Master" Book Is Written By

- A. Roopa Pai
- B. Neha J Hiranandani
- C. M Venkajah Najdu
- D. Viswanathan Anand and Susan Ninan

**ANSWER: D** 

#### 19. Heckler & Koch MP5 Is A

- A. Submachine gun
- B. Machine pistol
- C. Sniper rifle
- D. Anti-material rifle

**ANSWER: A** 

#### 20. Lt Gen. Rank Of Indian Army Is To Which Rank Of IAF?

- A. Vice Admiral
- B. Air Commodore

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C. Commodore

D. Air Marshal

**ANSWER: D** 

