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Exercise Tiger Triumph 2026

- The Opening Ceremony of the **5th edition** of the India–US Bilateral Tri-Service Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) Exercise, **Tiger Triumph** 2026, was held at Maritime Warfare Centre, Visakhapatnam on 02 Nov 2026.
- The exercise, which is being conducted as a Tabletop Exercise (TTX) aims to enhance coordination, joint planning and interoperability between the Armed Forces of both countries during large-scale HADR operations.
- The exercise reflects the deepening convergence of India–US strategic maritime interests and the growing defence partnership between the two nations.
- The present edition aims to further enhance interoperability and facilitate the conduct of Combined Joint All-Domain Operations, with a focus on planning and coordination for large-scale HADR operations.
- A team from the NDRF will also participate for the first time in the 5th edition of Tiger Triumph 2026.
- The US Joint Force comprises specialist representatives from various domains of the US Armed Forces, including the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps and Navy, as well as specialists in Space, Cyber, Medical and Explosive Ordnance Disposal.



INS Sahyadri Concludes India–Republic of Korea Navy Bilateral Exercise

- Indian Naval Ship Sahyadri successfully concluded her participation in the Indian Navy – Republic of Korea Navy (IN–RoKN) Bilateral Exercise at Busan, Republic of Korea, on 29 Oct 2026.
- The engagement strengthened maritime cooperation and enhanced interoperability and mutual understanding between the two navies.
- The harbour phase facilitated meaningful engagement between personnel of the Indian Navy and the Republic of Korea Navy through professional discussions, cross-deck visits, operational briefings and Subject Matter Expert Exchanges.
- The sea phase translated these professional interactions into practical operational engagements, with INS Sahyadri and ROKS Munmu the Great undertaking coordinated navigation, helo operations and joint maritime manoeuvres.



ICG and Sri Lanka CD hold 9th High-Level Meeting

- The 9th High-Level Meeting (HLM) between the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) and the Sri Lanka Coast Guard (SLCG) was held at Mirissa, Sri Lanka, on 03 November 2026.
- The Indian delegation was led by Director General Paramesh Sivamani, Director General, Indian Coast Guard, while the Sri Lankan delegation was headed by Rear Admiral Ruwan Rupasena, Director General, Sri Lanka Coast Guard.
- The meeting focused on strengthening bilateral cooperation in key areas of mutual interest, including Marine Pollution Response, Maritime Search and Rescue (SAR), and Maritime Law Enforcement.
- Discussions also explored avenues for enhancing capacity building and technical assistance initiatives to further strengthen operational cooperation between the two Coast Guards.



IPRD-2026 Commences At New Delhi

- The Indo-Pacific Regional Dialogue 2026 (IPRD-2026), the Indian Navy's annual apex-level international strategic dialogue, commenced on 03 Nov 2026 at New Delhi.
- Organised in association with the **National Maritime Foundation** (NMF), the Navy's knowledge partner, the three-day conference is examining '**Science, Technology and Academic Cooperation in the Indo-Pacific**', with particular emphasis on translating scientific advancement and institutional partnerships into practical regional cooperation.
- The opening day of IPRD-2026 established the central question of the dialogue: 'How the Indo-Pacific can turn scientific knowledge and technological innovation into enduring institutional cooperation, stronger maritime capabilities and shared regional resilience.'
- The first session of IPRD-2026 focused upon the theme, 'Academic Networks, Research, and Human Capital Development'. This session was moderated by VAdm Sanjay Mahindru (Retd), former Deputy Chief of the Naval Staff, and featured perspectives from France, Indonesia, Japan and Maldives.
- The second professional session of the day, '**Maritime Situational Awareness and Protection of Critical Maritime Infrastructure**', highlighted the breadth of the contemporary maritime-awareness challenges associated with the protection of seaborne trade and critical undersea infrastructure.



Bharat Conducts Trial of Indigenous Short-Range Tactical Missile System

- India has carried out a flight test of an indigenous short-range tactical missile system from a test facility off the Odisha coast on 3 November 2026, reinforcing the country's continuing efforts to advance its precision-strike and battlefield support capabilities.
- Developed by the DRDO the missile is designed to engage a variety of military targets and forms part of India's broader program to strengthen indigenous tactical weapon systems.
- The DRDO has not disclosed the nature of the missile test-fired today. It was earlier believed that the test involved the Pralay quasi-ballistic missile system, which was reportedly scheduled for a flight trial. Confirmation is still awaited on which missile was launched.
- A quasi-ballistic missile is a missile that follows a broadly ballistic flight path—rising after launch and then descending toward its target—but can also manoeuvre during flight rather than simply following a fixed, gravity-driven arc. This makes its trajectory less predictable and harder for missile-defence systems to intercept.
- Prior to the launch, a Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) was issued covering a large safety zone in the designated test area. As a precautionary measure, residents living within a 2 km radius of the range were temporarily relocated to ensure public safety during the trial.
- The launch was completed successfully, with tracking and telemetry systems monitoring the missile throughout its flight. A comprehensive analysis of the

data collected is now underway to validate performance parameters and support further development activities.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. The 5th edition of Exercise Tiger Triumph 2026 is a bilateral exercise between which two countries?

(A) India and France
(B) India and the USA
(C) India and Australia
(D) India and Japan

Answer: (B) India and the USA

2. Where was the opening ceremony of Exercise Tiger Triumph 2026 held?

(A) Kochi
(B) Mumbai
(C) Visakhapatnam
(D) Chennai

Answer: (C) Visakhapatnam

3. Which organisation participated for the first time in the 5th edition of Exercise Tiger Triumph 2026?

(A) NIA
(B) NDRF

(C) BSF
(D) CISF

Answer: (B) NDRF

4. Which Indian naval ship participated in the India–Republic of Korea Navy Bilateral Exercise at Busan?

(A) INS Kolkata
(B) INS Sahyadri
(C) INS Vikrant
(D) INS Chennai

Answer: (B) INS Sahyadri

5. The Indian Navy's INS Sahyadri conducted coordinated maritime activities with which South Korean naval vessel?

(A) ROKS Munmu the Great
(B) ROKS Sejong the Great
(C) ROKS Gwanggaeto
(D) ROKS Dokdo

Answer: (A) ROKS Munmu the Great

6. The 9th High-Level Meeting between the Indian Coast Guard and Sri Lanka Coast Guard was held at which location?

(A) Colombo
(B) Galle
(C) Mirissa
(D) Trincomalee

Answer: (C) Mirissa

7. What was the theme of the Indo-Pacific Regional Dialogue 2026 (IPRD-2026)?

(A) Maritime Security and Regional Stability
(B) Science, Technology and Academic Cooperation in the Indo-Pacific
(C) Indo-Pacific: Trade and Connectivity
(D) Blue Economy and Sustainable Development

Answer: (B) Science, Technology and Academic Cooperation in the Indo-Pacific

8. Which organisation developed the indigenous short-range tactical missile system tested off the Odisha coast on 3 November 2026?

(A) ISRO
(B) HAL
(C) DRDO
(D) BEL

Answer: (C) DRDO

9. Assistant Commandant of ICG Is Equivalent To Which Rank Of Indian Army?

A. Captain
B. Brigadier
C. Lieutenant
D. Major General

ANSWER: C

10. Parachute Regiment Training Centre Is At

A. Bangalore
B. New Delhi
C. Nagpur
D. Chennai

ANSWER: A

11. Thales Group Is A Company of Which Nation

A. Taiwan
B. China
C. USA
D. France

ANSWER: D

12. Which Country Hosted Multilateral Exercise MILAN 2022?

A. France
B. UK
C. India
D. Malaysia

ANSWER: C

13. Quito Is the Capital Of

A. Ecuador
B. Egypt
C. UAE
D. El Salvador

ANSWER: A

14. “Modi @20: Dreams Meeting Delivery" Book Is Written By

A. Shashi Tharoor
B. Rajesh Talwar
C. Venkaiah Naidu
D. Rasheed Kidwai

ANSWER: C

15. Russia's New Nuclear-capable Intercontinental Missile That Can Strike Any Target In The World Is___.

A. Nikita
B. Mashov
C. Spike
D. Sarmat

ANSWER: D

16. What Is The Name Of India's First Indigenously Developed Flying Trainer?

A. Horn-NG
B. HANS-NG
C. HANSA-NG
D. Hawk-NG

ANSWER: C

17. Sea Dragon Is A

A. Domestic Ex
B. Multilateral Ex
C. Bilateral Ex
D. None of these

ANSWER: B

18. World's Highest Motorable Road Is In

A. Sikkim
B. Ladakh
C. Himachal Pradesh
D. Assam

ANSWER: B

19. Exercises B/w The India and UK Is Called:

A. AJEYA WARRIOR
B. KONKAN
C. Indra
D. Both A&B

ANSWER: D

20. CTBT Treaty Is Related To

A. Nuclear Test Ban
B. Dual Use Goods Tech
C. Spreading Biological Weapons
D. Both A&B

ANSWER: A