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Exercise ‘Suryakiran XX’2026

- The 20th edition of the India–Nepal Joint Military Exercise SURYAKIRAN commenced at the Nepal Army Battle School, Saljhandi, Nepal. The exercise is scheduled to be conducted from 25 November to 08 December 2026.
- The Opening Ceremony was graced by Major General Purna Bahadur Khatri, General Officer Commanding, Mid Western Division, Nepal Army. The Indian Army contingent, comprising 334 personnel, is being represented by troops from the KUMAON Regiment.
- The Nepal Army contingent, comprising an equal number of personnel, is being represented by troops from Shri Jawla Dal Battalion.
- The aim of the exercise is to enhance interoperability, operational coordination and mutual understanding between the two Armies through joint training in counter-insurgency and counter-terrorism operations in challenging terrain.
- The scope of the exercise includes joint tactical operations, heliborne operations, disaster response and medical training. Troops from both Armies will exchange operational experiences and best practices while refining tactics, techniques and procedures to enhance joint operational effectiveness.
- Exercise SURYAKIRAN is an annual bilateral military exercise conducted alternately in India and Nepal. The exercise will further strengthen bilateral defence cooperation, foster mutual trust and camaraderie between the two Armies and reaffirm the shared commitment of both nations towards regional peace, stability and security.



Aero India 2027: Record Exhibitor Demand

- In response to the significant rise in global and domestic exhibitor demand, the Department of Defence Production (DDP), Ministry of Defence, has initiated major infrastructure expansions for Aero India 2027.
- Scheduled to be held at **Air Force Station Yelahanka, Bengaluru** from February 8 to 12, 2027, the **16th edition of Asia's largest air show** and one of the world's premier aerospace & defence exhibitions has witnessed exhibition space requests exceed initial capacity by approximately 12,000 sq. metres - a testament to India's rapidly maturing aerospace and defence ecosystem.
- Operating within the strict aviation safety and operational parameters of an active Indian Air Force training base limits horizontal expansion at the Yelahanka venue.
- To overcome these spatial constraints and accommodate the maximum possible number of exhibitors, DDP has rolled out two key solutions:
- **Construction of Two Additional Hangars**: Two brand-new exhibition hangars are being built to significantly expand overall floor capacity.
- **First-ever Permission for Mezzanine Floors**: To optimise vertical space without increasing the ground footprint, exhibitors will, for the first time in Aero India's history, be permitted to construct mezzanine floors within their allotted stalls, wherever hangar height permits.

- The DDP aims to ensure that global aerospace leaders, domestic manufacturers, and innovators have ample opportunity to showcase their cutting-edge capabilities and technologies at Aero India 2027.



Operation Drishti

- A total of 412 sight-restoring surgeries have been conducted free of cost by an expert team of doctors of Armed Forces Medical Services (AFMS) during a surgical eye camp at Military Hospital, Meerut under Operation Drishti.
- The five-day camp, which concluded on November 25, 2026, brought a new lease of light to people across the region, including 197 underprivileged civilians, who underwent surgeries for cataract, glaucoma, vitreo-retinal and pterygium.
- The special highlight was the successful surgeries of approximately 60 mature cataract patients who were completely blind.
- Over the past two months, more than 12,000 patients were screened by ophthalmologists and medical officers of AFMS for cataract and other eye ailments at Bagpat, Bulandshahar, Hapur, Shamli and Moradabad, ensuring that even residents of distant towns and villages were reached.



ICGS Sujay Concludes Visit to Trincomalee

- Indian Coast Guard Ship (ICGS) Sujay, a Samarth-class Offshore Patrol Vessel, concluded its three-day visit to Trincomalee, Sri Lanka, from 23 to 25 November 2026. The visit aimed at strengthening bilateral maritime cooperation, particularly in the field of **Marine Pollution Response (MPR).**
- During the visit, the specialist Pollution Response team embarked onboard ICGS Sujay conducted hands-on training for Sri Lanka Coast Guard (SLCG) personnel on the operation and deployment of MPR equipment.
- The training enhanced professional exchanges and strengthened joint operational preparedness towards ensuring cleaner and safer seas.
- The visit also featured a series of engagements to promote camaraderie and people-to-people connect, including a joint yoga session themed 'Yoga for Healthy Ageing', a friendly volleyball match and an open-ship visit for local citizens.



Assam Gets Northeast's First Defence Manufacturing Facility

- Assam CM Himanta Biswa Sarma performed the Bhumi Pujan and laid the foundation stone for a defence equipment manufacturing facility being set up by **Speed4 Defence Systems Private Limited** at the Assam Industrial Development Corporation (AIDC) Industrial Estate in Tulsibari, Rangia.
- The Mumbai-based defence manufacturing company will initially invest around Rs 50 crore to establish the facility on approximately 14 acres of land. Production is targeted to commence by January 2028.
- Once fully operational, the facility will have the capacity to manufacture around 5,000 prefabricated rapidly deployable structures, 300 underground bunkers and protective structures, 100 counter-drone systems and 1,500 drones annually.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. The 20th edition of the India-Nepal joint military exercise SURYAKIRAN XX is being conducted at which location?

A) Kathmandu, Nepal
B) Saljhandi, Nepal
C) Pokhara, Nepal
D) Dehradun, India

Answer: B) Saljhandi, Nepal

2. Which Indian Army regiment is participating in Exercise SURYAKIRAN XX?

A) GORKHA Regiment
B) GARHWAL Rifles
C) KUMAON Regiment
D) RAJPUT Regiment

Answer: C) KUMAON Regiment

3. Aero India 2027, the 16th edition of Asia's largest air show, will be organised at which location?

A) Hindon Air Force Station, Ghaziabad
B) Air Force Station Yelahanka, Bengaluru
C) Jodhpur Air Force Station, Rajasthan
D) Sulur Air Force Station, Tamil Nadu

Answer: B) Air Force Station Yelahanka, Bengaluru

4. How many additional exhibition hangars are being constructed for Aero India 2027?

A) One
B) Two
C) Three
D) Four

Answer: B) Two

5. Under Operation DRISHTI, how many free sight-restoring surgeries were conducted by the Armed Forces Medical Services at Military Hospital, Meerut?

A) 312
B) 412
C) 512
D) 612

Answer: B) 412

6. ICGS SUJAY, which recently concluded its visit to Trincomalee, Sri Lanka, belongs to which class of vessels?

A) Vikram-class
B) Sankalp-class
C) Samarth-class
D) Vishwast-class

Answer: C) Samarth-class

7. Which company is establishing the new defence manufacturing facility at Tulsibari, Rangia, Assam?

A) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited
B) Bharat Electronics Limited
C) Speed4 Defence Systems Private Limited
D) Larsen & Toubro

Answer: C) Speed4 Defence Systems Private Limited

8. **Ex 'IBSMAR' Conducted b/w India &**

A. Brazil
B. South Africa
C. UAE

D. Both A&B
ANSWER: D

9. "High Altitude Warfare School“ Comes Under Which Command?
A. Eastern Command
B. Northern Command
C. Western Command
D. Army Training Command
ANSWER: B

10. PATRIOT Guidance Missile System Developed By B/W
A. USA
B. China
C. Germany
D. Russia
ANSWER: A

11.‘Konkan - Shakti’ conducted b/w India &
A. Singapore
B. Oman
C. Indonesia
D. United Kingdom
ANSWER: D

12. The Karakorams Range covers parts of
A. Afghanistan, China, Indonesia
B. Afghanistan, China, India
C. Afghanistan, China, India, Pakistan, and Tajikistan
D. None of the above
ANSWER: C

13. Sarvatra Vijay Is The Motto Of
A. RAJPUT REGIMENT
B. DOGRA REGIMENT
C. SIKH REGIMENT
D. None of the above
ANSWER: A

14.“Kartavyam Anvatma” (Duty before death) Is The Motto Of

A. RAJPUT REGIMENT
B. DOGRA REGIMENT
C. SIKH REGIMENT
D. None of the above

ANSWER: B

15. Which of the following is NOT a landlocked country?

A. Laos
B. Serbia
C. Ethiopia
D. Cambodia

ANSWER: D

16. QRFV Stands For

A. Quick Reaction Fighting Vehicle
B. Query Reaction Fighting Vehicle
C. Quick Reaction Fighter Vehicle
D. Quick Reactive Fighting Vehicle

ANSWER: A

17. Which Is The 3rd Highest Rank of The Indian Army?

A. Major General
B. Lt Colonel
C. Major
D. Captain

ANSWER: A

18. Which Countries Are Divided By The Nine Dash Line?

A. People's Republic of China and PRC Taiwan
B. Afghanistan and Pakistan
C. Afghanistan and Iran
D. India and Myanmar

ANSWER: A

19. Kakrapar Atomic Power Station is located in____.

A. Tamil Nadu

B. Gujarat
C. Madhya Pradesh
D. Uttarakhand
ANSWER: B

20. Mil Mi-35 Is A
A. Attack Helicopter
B. Fighter Jet
C. Tank
D. UAV
ANSWER: A