

Defence Exercises of India with Different Countries

Indian Army Defence Exercises

2017				
Name	Participating Countries	Unit	Date	Location
Khanjar IV	Kyrgyzstan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Indian Special Forces	20 February - 5 March	Kok Jhangak, Kyrgyzstan
Surya Kiran XI	Nepal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ekta Shakti Battalion (Punjab Regiment)/ 28 PunjabDurga Baksh Battalion	7 - 20 March	PITHORAGARH, India
Al Nagah-li II	Oman		7 - 10 March	Bakloh, India
Bold Kurukshetra	Singapore	<ul style="list-style-type: none">31st Indian Armored Division3rd Singapore Division	4 - 21 March	Madhya Pradesh, India
Nomadic Elephant XII	Mongolia	<ul style="list-style-type: none">15 Jammu and Kashmir Light Infantry084 Special Forces Task Battalion	5 - 21 April	Vairengte, India
Thar Shakti	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none">X Corps	17 April - 17 May	Rajasthan, India
Maitree	Thailand	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Northern Command	3 - 17 July	Bakloh, Himachal Pradesh
Surya Kiran XII	Nepal		3 - 16 September	Saljhandi, Nepal
Yudh Abhyas XIII	United States	<ul style="list-style-type: none">2/11 Gorkha Rifles	14 - 27 September	Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5th Battalion, 20th Infantry Regiment, 1-2 Stryker Brigade Combat Team 		
Mitra Shakti	Sri Lanka	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Mahar Regiment Sinha Regiment 	13 - 25 October	Pune, India
Indra	Russia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5th Red Banner Army 	19 - 29 October	249th Combined Army Range Sergeevsky, Russia
Prabal Dostyk II	Kazakhstan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3/11 Gorkha Rifles 	2 - 15 November	Bakloh, India
Sampriti VII	Bangladesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Red Horns Division 	6 - 11 November	Shillong, India
Danx	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 50 Parachute Brigade 	20 - 24 November	Andaman & Nicobar islands, India
Imbax I	Myanmar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Red Horns Division 	20 - 25 November	Shillong, India
Ajeya Warrior	United Kingdom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 20 Rajputana Rifles 1 Royal Anglian Regiment 	1 - 14 December	Mahajan Firing Range, India
Ekuverin VIII	Maldives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8 Gorkha Rifles 	14 - 27 December	Belgaum, India
Hamesha Vijayee	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Southern Command 	16 - 22 December	Rajasthan
2018				
Vinbax I	Vietnam		30 January - 3 February	Jabalpur, India
Vajra Prahar	United States	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Special forces, Southern Command 	January	Joint Base Lewis-McChord, United States

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Shakti IV	France	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2/8 Gorkha Rifles • 2nd Marine Infantry Regiment 	31 January - 5 February	Mailly-le-Camp, France
Lamitye VIII	Seychelles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southern Command 	24 February - 4 March	Mahe, Seychelles
Surya Kiran XIII	Nepal			Pithoragarh, India
Khanjar V	Kyrgyzstan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indian Special Forces 	16 - 29 March	Vairengte, India

Indian Air Force Defence Exercises

2017				
Eastern Bridge IV	Oman	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sukhoi Su-30 MKI • Mikoyan Mig-29 • SEPECAT Jaguar • Mikoyan MiG-27 	16 - 20 January	Jamnagar AFS, India
Siam Bharat II	Thailand		22 - 26 May	Chiang Mai, Thailand
	Sri Lanka	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air warrior drill team 	9 - 14 July	Colombo, Sri Lanka
Pralay Shayam	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mil Mi-17 • HAL Dhruv • HAL Chetak 	23 September	Hyderabad, India
Indra	Russia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Ilyushin Il-76 	19 - 29 October	Sergeyvsky Training Ranges, Russia
Blue Flag	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Israel • United States • Greece • Poland • France • Germany 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Lockheed Martin C-130J Super Hercules • 45 Garud Commandos 	2 - 6 November	Uvda Air Force Base, Israel

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Italy			
Danx	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none">SEPECAT JaguarLockheed Martin C-130J Super Hercules	20 - 24 November	Andaman & Nicobar Islands, India

Indian Navy Defence Exercises

AUSINDEX: India and Australia conduct this bilateral naval exercise that focuses on anti-submarine warfare as the two countries look at deepening defence cooperation especially in the Indian Ocean Region.

KAKADU: Exercise KAKADU is a biennial exercise hosted by the Royal Australian Navy. It sees participation from 19 Asia Pacific and Indian Ocean navies and air forces.

IBSAMAR: IBSAMAR are a series of naval exercises between the navies of India, Brazil, South Africa. The name IBSAMAR is an abbreviation of India-Brazil-South Africa

ADMM+ Exercise (Multilateral): The ADMM-Plus (ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting Plus) Exercise on Maritime Security and Counter Terrorism (Ex MS & CT) that seeks to strengthen the strong bilateral ties and extensive maritime interactions with ASEAN countries.

VARUNA: The annually held Varuna naval exercise is an integral part of France-India strategic relationship in the Indian Ocean or the Mediterranean Sea with the aim of improving Indo-French coordination on capabilities like cross-deck operations, replenishment-at-sea, minesweeping, anti-submarine warfare and information sharing.

IND-INDO CORPAT (Bi-annual): The Indonesian Navy and the Indian Navy have been participating in coordinated patrol (CORPAT) twice a year since 2002 to

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keep this vital part of the Indian Ocean Region safe and secure for commercial shipping and international trade.

IND-INDO BILAT: India-Indonesia bilateral cooperation has increased significantly with the scheduling of the Second Bilateral Maritime Exercise along with the 28th edition of the CORPAT held in October last year.

KOMODO (HADR) (Multilateral): Exercise KOMODO is a multilateral Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) exercise, and was conducted for the first time by the Indonesian Navy in 2014 in Indonesia.

ARF DIREx: ASEAN Regional Forum Disaster Relief Exercise (ARF DiREx) is a collaboration of efforts among civilian authorities and the military in organizing a large-scale disaster relief exercise, and promotes exchange of expertise and practices in disaster management among ARF members, through operational / strategic (national governmental / regional organizations) focused on the Table Top Exercise (TTX) and a tactical level (affected-site) oriented Field Training Exercise (FTX).

IMCOR: Held between the navies of India and Myanmar, India-Myanmar Coordinated Patrol (IMCOR) facilitate smooth conduct of coordinated patrols between the two friendly neighbours that share a long maritime boundary in the strategically significant Andaman Sea and the Bay of Bengal.

Naseem-al-Bahr: The exercise between Indian Navy and Royal Omani Navy is aimed at deriving mutual benefit from the experiences of both the navies. A good measure of interoperability has been achieved over the years as result of such exercises.

INDRA NAVY: INDRA Navy is a joint, bi-annual military exercise conducted by India and Russia. The exercise is tasked with boosting cooperation and interoperability between the Russian and Indian navies.

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SIMBEX: Held between Singapore and India, SIMBEX has progressed both in scale and complexity over the years – from a serial-based exercise to today's mission-based exercise incorporating scenarios with threats from the surface, underwater and air.

SLINEX: Held between Sri Lanka and India, SLINEX aims to promote mutual understanding and provide exposure to both the Navies to each others' operating procedures, communication procedures and best practices. This allows the two navies to develop the greater confidence to operate together, if required, during complex maritime missions.

INDO-THAI CORPAT (Bi-annual): Under the broad ambit of this strong maritime relationship, the Indian and Royal Thai navies have been carrying out CORPATs along the International Maritime Boundary Line (IMBL) twice a year since 2005, with the aim of keeping this vital part of the Indian Ocean Region safe and secure for commercial shipping and international trade.

KONKAN: Exercise KONKAN is held between Indian Navy and Royal UK Navy which sees the participation of Indian MARCOs and Royal Marines. It provides a valuable opportunity for both navies to interact and cooperate in the field of Maritime Security Operations.

MALABAR: Exercise Malabar is a trilateral naval exercise involving the United States, Japan and India as permanent partners. Originally a bilateral exercise between India and the United States, Japan became a permanent partner in 2015.

RIMPAC (Multilateral): RIMPAC, the Rim of the Pacific Exercise, is the world's largest international maritime warfare exercise with 22 participant countries. RIMPAC is held biennially during June and July of even-numbered years from Honolulu, Hawaii. It is hosted and administered by the United States Navy's Pacific Fleet.