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1. Indian Navy conducts an offshore security exercise 'Prasthan' off Mumbai coast (Nov. 12, 2022)

The Indian Navy's **Western Command** conducted an exercise 'Prasthan' on 12 November 2022 to evaluate organizational effectiveness in protecting offshore assets off Mumbai on an Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) platform 150 km into the sea.

The Prasthan' is conducted twice a year under the Western Naval Command. It aims to assess various measures and protocols conceived to address security threats and other contingencies that may arise in offshore oil production platforms.

The Indian Navy is the lead agency and has been entrusted with the responsibility of protecting the oil production platforms off the coasts of India.

Mumbai High and Sagar Samrat

Mumbai High or earlier known as Bombay High is an offshore oilfield located in the Arabian Sea, approximately 160 km west of the Mumbai coast, Maharashtra.

It is one of the **largest** oil and gas fields in India. It was discovered in **1974**, by the Russian and Indian team from seismic exploration vessel Academic Arkhangel'sky while mapping the Gulf of Cambay between 1964 and 1967.

The oil field commenced production in 1976 and is operated by the Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC).

Sagar Samrat is India's first oil rig platform that drilled the first offshore oil well offshore in Mumbai High.

The new **One Rupee note** issued by the Government of India has the picture of Sagar Samrat on its reserve side.

Indian Navy

The Indian Navy was founded on 26 January 1950.

It comes under the Union Ministry of Defence

President is the supreme commander of the Indian Navy.

Current Chief of Naval Staff: **Admiral R. Hari Kumar**

Navy Day: **4 December**

The Headquarters of the Indian Navy is at **New Delhi**

2. 26th edition of the Malabar naval exercise begins off the Japanese island of Yokosuka (Nov. 9, 2022)

Indian warships in Japan's Yokosuka island for Malabar 2022

The **27th Malabar naval exercise 2022** featuring the navies of all four [Quad](#) countries India, the US, Australia and Japan began on 9 November 2022 off the **Yokosuka island** of Japan near the East China Sea.

Indian Naval ships **INS Shivalik** and **INS Kamorta** are participating in the 10-day exercise being hosted by the Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force (JMSDF). The Japanese Navy is called the Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force.

The Indian Naval chief R Hari Kumar witnessed the opening ceremony of the Malabar exercise.

The opening ceremony of the exercise was attended by Commander of Indian Navy's Eastern Fleet Rear Admiral Sanjay Bhalla, Commander in Chief of Self Defense Fleet of Japanese Navy Vice Admiral Yuasa Hideki, Commander of US Navy's Seventh Fleet Vice Admiral Karl Thomas and Commander of Australian Fleet Rear Admiral Jonathan Earley.

Background of the Malabar Naval Exercise

The first Malabar exercise was held between the Indian and the US Navy along the Malabar Coast in Arabian Sea in **1992**.

Japan became the permanent partner of the exercise from 2015 onwards.

Australia participated for the first time in 2007 and again in 2020 and 2021.

The 2021 exercise between the four navies was held in the Philippines Sea and also in the Bay of Bengal.

3. Indian Navy Chief Admiral Hari Kumar arrives in Japan to witness International Fleet review and Malabar exercise (Nov. 5, 2022)

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The Chief of Naval Staff (CNS), Admiral **R Hari Kumar** arrived in Japan on a 5 day visit.

During his visit from 5 -9 November 2022 he will attend the **International Fleet Review and witness the 26th Malabar Naval Exercise**. The visit of the CNS to [Japan](#) signifies a high level of bilateral defence engagements with Japan.

Official engagement of the CNS in Japan

- The CNS has a packed schedule in Japan. He will witness the **International Fleet Review (IFR) conducted by the Japan Maritime Self-Defence Force (JMSDF)** at Yokosuka on 06 Nov 22 to commemorate the **70th Anniversary of its formation**. Japan's Navy is called the Japan Maritime Self-Defence Force.
- He will attend the 18th **Western Pacific Naval Symposium (WPNS)**, to be held on 7th and 8th November 2022 at Yokohama, Japan. India is an observer at the Western Pacific Naval Symposium.
- He will witness the inauguration of the 26th edition of the Malabar naval exercise being held at Yokosuka with the **participation of Australia, Japan and the USA**. The Malabar Naval exercise started in 1992, is observing its 30th **anniversary**.

- Two Indian Naval Ships **INS Shivalik and INS Kamorta** have also arrived at Yokosuka, Japan to participate in the IFR and Exercise MALABAR - 2022. Both the naval ships have been built in India.