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1. NTPC to Supply Renewable Power to Army's Western command for next 27 years (Sept. 9, 2022)

India's largest power company **NTPC** has signed a long term agreement with the Army's Western Command to supply 25 MW/year of solar power from the national solar grid of the country for the next 27 years.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

- This is the first agreement by the Indian Armed Forces for sourcing power from renewable energy sources," said NTPC in a Twitter post.
- The Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) was signed at Western command headquarters, Chandimandir, Haryana on 8 September 2022.
- According to a statement issued by the Western Command, the new move will decarbonize upto 38 percent of the energy portfolio of Western Command, apart from accruing a substantial savings to the exchequer.
- The solar energy will be sourced from **Sholapur in Maharashtra**.

NTPC Renewable energy capacity :

- Presently, NTPC has 2.3 GW of commissioned renewable capacity.
- The NTPC Group plans to achieve 60 Giga Watt of renewable energy by 2032.
- NTPC recently commissioned India's **largest floating solar plant at Ramagundam, Telangana**. It is a 100 MW plant.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION -

Command structure of the Indian Army :

- The Headquarter of the Indian Army is at New Delhi with the President being the Commander in Chief of the Army.
- Headquarters of the Indian Army: **New Delhi**
- Chief of Army Staff: **General Manoj Pande**
- The Indian Army has **6 operational commands** and one Training command. Each command is headed by a General Officer Commanding in Chief with the rank of Lieutenant General.

Command	Headquarters
Western Command	Chandimandir (Haryana)

Eastern Command	Kolkata (West Bengal)
Southern Command	Pune(Maharashtra)
Northern Command	Udhampur(Jammu)
Central Command	Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh)
South -Western Command	Jaipur (Rajasthan)
Army Training Command	Shimla(Himachal Pradesh)

Army Day is observed on 15 January every year.