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LAND AND SEA

INS *Sunayna*, an offshore patrol vessel from the Southern Naval Command, arrived at Port Victoria, Seychelles, on June 15, 2024, with the Seychelles Coast Guard Ship Zoroaster. The visit aims to strengthen the camaraderie and mutual cooperation between the Indian Navy and the Seychelles Coast Guard, in line with the vision of SAGAR (Security and Growth for All in the Region).

Source: [Press Information Bureau](#)

Indian defense sector firms from both the public and private sectors participated in the EUROSATORY 2024 defense show in France. Indian Ambassador to France Jawed Ashraf inaugurated the India pavilion at the show on June 17, 2024.

Source: [DRDO Twitter](#)

India surpasses Pakistan in number of nuclear warheads according to the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute report titled "World Nuclear Forces 2023."

Source: [SIPRI](#)

SOFTWARE, SYSTEMS, AND CYBER

On June 21, 2024 commerce secretary Gina Raimondo announces that the *Kaspersky* antivirus software poses a "significant risk" to U.S. infrastructure and services.

Source: [U.S. Department of State](#)

On June 20, 2024 during the Valiant Shield exercise in Hawaii, Lockheed Martin successfully integrates digital command and control capabilities into the Pentagon's Joint Fires Network.

Source: [Lockheed Martin](#)

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SPACE AND AEROSPACE

On June 20, 2024 National Aeronautics and Space Administration and over 20 federal agencies release their updated Climate Adaptation Plan. The initiative enhances the Biden-Harris Administration's efforts to increase the resilience of federal operations to the impacts of climate change.

Source: [NASA](#)

On June 18, 2024, associate administrator for the exploration systems development mission directorate, Cathy Koerner visits Tokyo to meet with partners at the Japanese Aerospace Exploration Agency. In addition to these bi-lateral meetings, updates on the Artemis mission, Orion spacecraft, SLS rocket, Gateway, human landing systems, and advanced spacesuits were given.

Source: [NASA](#)

BUSINESS UPDATES

On June 17, the U.S. Air Force and Lockheed Martin conduct scheduled flight tests of the unarmed, developmental *Mk21A* reentry vehicle in the Pacific Ocean. The *Mk21A* serves as the U.S. Air Force's integrated reentry vehicle and is the essential front-end component of the service's future intercontinental ballistic missile weapon system.

Source: [Lockheed Martin](#)

On June 18, 2024 Northrop Grumman Corporation and the U.S. military collaborates on nine separate experiments to enhance operational readiness in the Indo-Pacific region. They conducted these experiments during the biennial military exercises led by U.S. Indo-Pacific Command, focusing on joint training in a multi-domain environment.

Source: [Northrop Grumman](#)

GOVERNMENT UPDATES

On June 17, 2024 Jake Sullivan, U.S. national security advisor and Ajit Doval, Indian national security advisor, chair the second meeting of the U.S.-India initiative on Critical and Emerging Technology in New Delhi. While previous editions made considerable progress on defense and semiconductors, space, biological sciences, quantum, 6G were thoroughly mentioned. Also, critical minerals including possible joint investments in South America and rare earth efforts in Africa.

Source: [White House](#)

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On June 17, 2024 U.S. national security advisor (NSA), Jake Sullivan, meets Prime Minister Narendra Modi. NSA Sullivan briefs the Prime Minister on the progress in various areas of bilateral cooperation, particularly under the initiative on critical and emerging technologies (iCET), including semiconductors, artificial intelligence, telecom, defense, critical minerals, and space.

Source: [Press Information Bureau](#)

U.S. lawmakers pass a bill Resolution to the Tibet-China Conflict Act aimed at countering China's claim that it has controlled Tibet since "ancient times" and promoting dialogue between Beijing and the exiled Tibetan spiritual leader, the Dalai Lama.

Source: [Congress](#)

On June 18, 2024, a high-level bipartisan U.S. congressional delegation, led by House Foreign Affairs Committee Chairman Michael McCaul, visits the Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile and also meet His Holiness the Dalai Lama.

Source: [Central Tibetan Administration](#)

In March 2024, the United States and China resumed semi-official nuclear arms talks for the first time in five years. During these discussions, Beijing assured U.S. counterparts that it would not resort to nuclear threats over Taiwan.

Source: [DD News](#)

Assistant secretary of defense for nuclear, chemical, and biological defense programs Dr. Brandi Vann visits critical allies and partners in the Republic of Korea (ROK) and Japan between June 5 and June 12, 2024. She and other senior U.S. and Korean leaders were briefed on the findings from the adaptive shield exercise.

Source: [U.S. Department of Defense](#)

On June 19, 2024 India hosts the second meeting of the India-Cambodia joint working group on trade & investment in New Delhi.

Source: [Press Information Bureau](#)

On June 20, 2024 the third India-France-Australia trilateral focal points meeting evaluates the progress made in the three primary pillars of trilateral cooperation: maritime safety and security, marine and environmental cooperation, and multilateral engagement.

Source: [MEA India Twitter](#)

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An Indian Air Force (IAF) contingent participates in Exercise Red Flag 2024 at Eielson air force base in Alaska from June 4 to June 14. The United States Air Force conducts this advanced aerial combat training exercise four times a year.

Source: [Press Information Bureau](#)

On June 16, 2024, Dr. Jitendra Singh, union minister of state (independent charge) for science and technology, Earth sciences, and other portfolios, announces in New Delhi that India is set to become the sixth country to launch its own deep sea mission.

Source: [Press Information Bureau](#)

On June 19, 2024 Russian President Vladimir Putin and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un sign a new partnership agreement, pledging mutual aid if either country is attacked. The agreement comes as both nations face escalating standoffs with the West.

Source: [MFA Russia Twitter](#)

TENDERS AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Data Link Solutions LLC gets a contract with a maximum potential value of \$998.8 million for the production, retrofits, development, and sustainment of the multifunctional information distribution system (MIDS) joint tactical radio systems (JTRS) terminals.

Source: [U.S. Department of Defense](#)

Istari Federal LLC gets a \$9.1 million contract for Air Force Battle Network support.

Source: [U.S. Department of Defense](#)

The Pentagon's Defense Security Cooperation Agency announces that the U.S. State Department has approved the potential sale of drones and missiles to Taiwan, estimated at \$360 million.

Source: [The Business Standard](#)

The Indian Navy awards the Kerala State Electronics Development Corporation Limited (Keltron), a public sector undertaking, an order worth \$11.59 million to manufacture various defense electronics equipment required for underwater operations.

Source: [The Hindu](#)

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