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LAND AND SEA

The U.S. Army's first multi-domain task force has deployed a select number of kraus hamdani aerospace K1000 ultra long-endurance solar-powered unmanned aircraft systems across the Pacific in Philippines and Guam.

Source: [Defense News](#)

SOFTWARE, SYSTEMS, AND CYBER

Defence minister Rajnath Singh unveiled the third edition of the *ADITI 3.0* challenge and the thirteenth defence India start-up challenge during the seminar, *Swavlamban*, held at New Delhi, on October 29, 2024.

Source: [Press Information Bureau](#)

SPACE AND AEROSPACE

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) coronal diagnostic experiment is ready to launch to the International space station to reveal new details about the solar wind including its origin and its evolution.

Source: [NASA](#)

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BUSINESS UPDATES

On October 28, 2024, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez of Spain jointly inaugurated the aircraft complex for C-295 manufacturing at the TATA advanced systems limited campus in Vadodara, Gujarat.

Source: [Press Information Bureau](#)

Raytheon, in collaboration with the office of the secretary of defense, U.S. air force research laboratory, and the U.S. Navy, successfully demonstrated its GhostEye MR sensor, a multi-mission advanced medium-range radar.

Source: [RTX](#)

Lockheed Martin has finalized its acquisition of Terran Orbital, a prominent manufacturer specializing in modular spacecraft for global aerospace and defense markets.

Source: [Lockheed Martin](#)

GOVERNMENT UPDATES

On November 01, 2024, an Indian Army contingent departed for the fifteenth edition of India- United States joint special forces exercise *VAJRA PRAHAR*.

Source: [Press Information Bureau](#)

Secretary Antony Blinken and secretary Lloyd Austin co-hosted South Korean foreign minister Cho Tae-yul and defense minister Kim Yong-hyun on October 31, 2024, in Washington, D.C. for the sixth U.S.-South Korea 2+2 ministerial meeting.

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

On October 25, 2024, senior officials from the United States, Japan, and the Philippines held trilateral talks in Manila on countering economic coercion and enhancing economic resilience.

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

On November 01, 2024, air marshal Ajay Kumar Arora assumed the appointment of air officer-in-charge maintenance, Indian Air Force.

Source: [Press Information Bureau](#)

Defence minister Rajnath Singh reviewed the performance of defence public sector undertakings (DPSUs) at South Block, New Delhi, on October 29, 2024. During the meeting, DPSUs presented dividend cheques totaling \$192.58 million.

Source: [Press Information Bureau](#)

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Rajesh Kumar Singh took over as India's defence secretary at South Block in New Delhi on November 01, 2024.

Source: [Press Information Bureau](#)

Chief of defence staff Gen Anil Chauhan will visit Algeria from October 31, 2024, to November 04, 2024, reinforcing India-Algeria defence cooperation.

Source: [Press Information Bureau](#)

An Indian Army team of twenty-five personnel has departed for Cijantung, Jakarta, Indonesia, to participate in the ninth edition of the India-Indonesia joint special forces exercise, *GARUD SHAKTI 2024*.

Source: [Press Information Bureau](#)

Union minister of commerce and industry Piyush Goyal participated in the plenary session of the eighth future investment initiative, engaging with global government and industry leaders.

Source: [Press Information Bureau](#)

TENDERS AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

BAE Systems secures a \$84.97 million contract for the procurement, manufacturing, testing, and delivery of network tactical common data link systems.

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

Arcfield receives a \$13.84 million contract for program support services of the navy's strategic weapons systems reentry subsystem.

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

L3Harris Technologies Inc. is awarded a \$14.99 million contract for the distributed space command and control system space mission platform deployment and integration.

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

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