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Maldives President wants Indian troops out of Sri Lanka

The electoral victory of Mr Muizzu is seen as a setback for India as he wants to get the Indian troops out of Sri Lanka. The alliance backing Mr Muizzu favours closer relations with China, which has invested millions of dollars in the Maldives in the form of development projects and form of grants and loans for infrastructure.

<u>URL:https://www.outlookindia.com/international/mohamed-muizzu-the-maldives-new-president-wants-india-out-news-326124</u>

Global Maritime India Summit 2023

The chief of Western Naval Command Dinesh Tripathi said that the Indian Navy is keeping a sharp watch on the Chinese Navy's activities in IOR and is monitoring the developments in West Asia. At the event, the senior naval commander also highlighted that piracy is one of the biggest challenge and is mostly contained through international coordination and cooperation. https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/indian-navy-monitoring-west-asia-developments-keeping-sharp-watch-on-chinese-navy-in-ior-vice-admiral/articleshow/104534355.cms

Japan, U.S., Republic of Korea conducts Trilateral Aerial Exercise

The fighter aircrafts from Japan, U.S., and the Republic of Korea conducted a trilateral escort flight of a U.S. B-52H Stratofortress Bomber in the Indo-Pacific. The exercise projects the strength of the trilateral relationship and remains committed to prosperity and peace in the region to uphold an open and free Indo-Pacific.

<u>URL:https://www.pacom.mil/Media/News/News-Article-View/Article/3564925/us-japan-republic-of-korea-conduct-trilateral-aerial-exercise/</u>