



## **SIOS NEWS BRIEF (12-18 May)**

### **Army kicks off LANPAC, Reaffirms Indo-Pacific Resolve (May 13)**

On May 13, USARPAC (U.S. Army Pacific) kicked off the 2025 LANPAC Symposium with a message of innovation, unity, and resolve increasing global challenges. Speakers at the ceremony reinforced the theme- Prevailing through land power by focusing on U.S. Army Pacific's efforts to build readiness, strengthen alliances, and lead in the Indo-Pacific. LANPAC continues to bring together partners, allies , and defense leaders to exchange ideas, build trust, and reaffirm the Army's commitment to an open and free Indo-Pacific.

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### **India's first manned deep-ocean mission to dive 6,000 metres by 2026 (May 15)**

The Director of the NIOT (National Inst of Ocean Technology), during training programme on the blue economy at the ICAR-CMFRI (Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute) said, India is making a great leap in deep-sea exploration by planning its manned ocean mission by end of 2026. He further added, "This mission is expected to be a game-changer for India's deep-sea research, opening avenues for the assessment of both living and non-living resources in the deep ocean".

[URL: https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/etimes/trending/indias-first-manned-deep-ocean-mission-to-dive-6000-metres-by-2026/amp\\_etphotostory/121169321.cms](https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/etimes/trending/indias-first-manned-deep-ocean-mission-to-dive-6000-metres-by-2026/amp_etphotostory/121169321.cms)

### **US deploys F-15 fighter jets to Diego Garcia amid rising tensions (May 18)**

A US official confirmed to a news magazine that F-15s were sent to the island to provide force protection for the assets located on the island. Diego Garcia, a key base, serves as an essential location for both UK and US forces. *The War Zone* , a military news outlet reported that the defence measures were prompted by growing threats from Iran and its regional proxies.

[URL:https://caliber.az/en/post/us-deploys-f-15-fighter-jets-to-diego-garcia-amid-rising-tensions](https://caliber.az/en/post/us-deploys-f-15-fighter-jets-to-diego-garcia-amid-rising-tensions)