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French Navy Kicks off La Perouse 2025 Exercise in East Indian Ocean (16 Jan)

The La Perouse exercise brings together nine countries including Canada, United States, United Kingdom, India, Indonesia, Australia, and Singapore and is led by France. The main objective of the exercise are to “provide maritime safety with regional partners and multinational coalition assets in the 3 main straits detrimental to commercial shipping”, and to secure strategic sea lines of communication in the Indo-Pacific.

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Pakistan’s upcoming joint naval exercise with China sparks Indian concerns (17 Jan)

The multinational naval exercise AMAN-25, hosted by Pakistan Navy was scheduled from Feb 7 to 11 in Karachi. This holds strategic implications for India, considering the deepening Sino-Pak military collaboration and its impact on maritime security in the IOR. The exercise witnessed the participation of more than 50 countries, emphasising Pakistan’s desire to foster multilateral cooperation and showcase its strategic partnerships.

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India emerges as responsible partner globally, first responder in IOR, says PM Modi (15 Jan)

The Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi said that India has emerged as the first responder across IOR and is recognised as a responsible and reliable partner globally. He dedicated three frontline naval combatants INS Vaghsheer, INS Surat, and INS Nilgiri to the nation after their commissioning at the Naval Dockyard and said, “Today’s India is emerging as a major maritime power in the world. India works in the spirit of development and not expansionism. It is one of the priorities of the country that the military capability of 21st century should be more capable and modern”.

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