



SIOS NEWS BRIEF (28April-4 May)

S. Korea, US agree to further cooperate to achieve shared goals for Korean Peninsula, Indo-Pacific (May 3)

The first KIDD meeting (Korea-U.S. Integrated Defense Dialogue) took place since Donald Trump took office. The Defense Ministry of South Korea said, The United States and South Korea agreed to cooperate to achieve shared security goals on the Korean Peninsula and in the Indo-Pacific. The KIDD meeting was launched in 2011 as a comprehensive senior-level defense meeting.

URL: <https://www.koreatimes.co.kr/southkorea/defense/20250503/south-korea-us-agree-to-further-cooperate-to-achieve-shared-security-goals-for-korean-peninsula-indo-pacific>

US approves HawkEye 360 sale to boost India's surveillance (May 4)

The US state department has approved sale of HawkEye 360 technology to India, in a move to boost New Delhi's surveillance power amid heightened military tension, which will help India gain maritime domain awareness in the Indo-Pacific. The US statement said, "The proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the US by helping to strengthen the US-India strategic relationship and to improve the security of a major defence partner, which continues to be an important force for political stability, peace and economic progress in the Indo-Pacific and South Asia regions".

URL: <https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/us-approves-hawkeye-360-sale-to-boost-indias-surveillance/articleshow/120859058.cms>

Australia, Philippines, and U.S. Conduct Multilateral Maritime Cooperative Activity (April 29)

The armed and defense forces of Australia, the Philippines, and the US, conducted a MCA (Multilateral Cooperative Activity), demonstrating a commitment to strengthen regional and international cooperation in support of a free and open Indo-Pacific within the Philippines' EEZ. These multilateral engagements reaffirm the U.S. commitment to maintaining maritime security, fostering international cooperation, and safeguarding sovereignty for all.

URL: <https://www.pacom.mil/Media/NEWS/News-Article-View/Article/4169721/australia-philippines-and-us-conduct-multilateral-maritime-cooperative-activity/>

IOS SAGAR In Port Victoria, Seychelles (May 2)

On May 1 2025, the IOS SAGAR, arrived at Port Victoria, Seychelles, marking a milestone in ongoing operational deployment across the South-West IOR. These engagements aim to reinforce mutual trust and longstanding defence ties between India and Seychelles while deepening the spirit among maritime partners.

URL: <https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=2126198>