

# Exercise Vinbax 2022

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**In news-** 3rd edition of VINBAX was concluded at Chandimandir in Haryana with an impressive display of Multi Agency Humanitarian Assistance in Disaster Relief (HADR) demonstration.

## **About the Exercise-**

- It is a **Vietnam-India Bilateral Army Exercise**.
- The exercise commenced on 01 August and was focused on deployment of Army Engineer and Medical teams in UN Peacekeeping operations.
- What made the exercise unique was the fact that **it was the first time ever that the Vietnam People's Army (VPA) was undertaking a Field Training Exercise with any foreign Army**. Vietnam chose India for this honour.
- The **final validation exercise nicknamed 'Men in Blue'** was built around the setting up of a base in a remote African location faced with myriad challenges.
- The next edition of VINBAX will be hosted in Vietnam in 2023.

## **Ex UDARASHAKTI-**

- The bilateral exercise, Ex UDARASHAKTI between the Indian Air Force (IAF) and the Royal Malaysian Air Force (RMAF) culminated at the RMAF Air Base Kuantam.
- Ex UDARASHAKTI provided both the Air Forces, an opportunity to share each others' best practices.
- The culmination of the exercise was marked by a traditional closing ceremony and a seven aircraft formation flypast of Su-30MKI & Su-30 MKM aircraft over the air base.
- The IAF team will now fly to Darwin, Australia to participate in Ex PITCH BLACK-22.

