

JIMEX 22

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In news- The sixth edition of Japan India Maritime Exercise 2022 (JIMEX 22) hosted by the Indian Navy commenced in the Bay of Bengal recently.

About the exercise-

- JIMEX 22 seeks to consolidate the high degree of interoperability that exists between maritime forces of the two countries, through complex exercises in the surface, sub-surface and air domains.
- JIMEX 22 involves two Phases; exercises at sea and a harbour phase at Visakhapatnam.
- **This edition marks the 10th anniversary of JIMEX**, which began in Japan in 2012.
- It also coincides with the 70th anniversary of establishment of diplomatic relations between India and Japan.
- The Japanese warships in the exercise include JMSDF ships Izumo, a Helicopter Carrier and Takanami, a Guided Missile Destroyer.
- The Indian Navy is being represented by three indigenously designed and built warships INS Sahyadri, a multi-purpose stealth frigate, and Anti Submarine Warfare Corvettes INS Kadmat and INS Kavaratti.
- Additionally, Guided Missile Destroyer INS Ranvijay, Fleet Tanker INS Jyoti, Offshore Patrol Vessel INS Sukanya, submarines, MIG 29K fighter aircraft, Long Range Maritime Patrol Aircraft and a number of ship-borne helicopters are also participating in the exercise.

Note:

- Other exercises between India and Japan are-Joint military exercise EX DHARMA GUARDIAN, Malabar exercise,

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- Recently, both India and Japan unveiled plans for their first air force exercise as New Delhi backed Tokyo's efforts to reinforce its defence capabilities over the next five years.