

Joint Logistics node in Mumbai

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In news : Recently, Chief of Defence Staff operationalised Joint Logistics Node in Mumbai

Background

The Joint Operations Division (JOD) under the aegis of Headquarters Integrated Defence Staff (Hq IDS) actively pursued and enabled establishment of the JLN as the first concrete step towards logistics integration of the Tri-Service. Government Sanction Letter for establishment of JLN in Mumbai, Guwahati and Port Blair was signed on October 12, 2020. The JLN in Guwahati and Tri-Services, Andaman and Nicobar Command, Port Blair were operationalised on January 01, 2021.

Need for Joint Logistics Node

- It was operationalized to for better integration between the Army, the Navy and the Air Force
- Because, all future wars will be conducted by Tri-Service in an integrated manner.
- To enable the Armed Forces to conduct successful operations, it is essential that they be provided with sound logistics support during all stages of the war.
- Keeping these in mind, Chief of Defence Staff General Bipin Rawat operationalised and dedicated to the Services 3rd Joint Logistics Node (JLN) in Mumbai

Joint Logistics Node and its significance

- These JLN will provide integrated logistics cover to the Armed Forces for their small arms ammunition, rations, fuel, general stores, civil hired transport,

aviation clothing, spares and also engineering support in an effort to synergise their operational efforts

- Establishment and operationalisation of JLN is a very important first step in the direction of logistics integration of our three Services.
- Acceptance of each other's limitations and learning from each other's strengths and best practices is essential to help improve the functioning and efficacy of these nodes
- This initiative would accrue advantages in terms of saving of manpower, economise utilisation of resources, besides financial savings.
- Successful functioning of these three JLN would prove to be important stepping stones for opening of more JLN in different parts of the country.
- The JLN would enhance joint interoperability between the Services and go a long way in improving the logistics processes of the Armed Forces