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The Defence Secretary recently held a series of high-level bilateral engagements on the sidelines of the Shangri-La Dialogue 2026 in Singapore, focusing on strengthening defence partnerships, maritime security cooperation, and regional stability in the Indo-Pacific.

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- Also described as the **Asia Security Summit**, it is **Asia's premier defence and security summit** that brings together **defence ministers, military chiefs, policymakers, and strategic experts** across the globe.
- Since its **birth in 2002**, it has developed into the most influential multilateral security exchange platform in the Asia-Pacific region.
- It is **held every year** in **Singapore's Shangri-La Hotel**.
- It is **organized by the International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS) in London, UK**, and **co-organized by Singapore's Ministry of Defence**.

- The **agenda** of the Shangri-La Dialogue is **closely related to the security situation and development trend in the Asia-Pacific region**, covering traditional and non-traditional security and other fields.
- These include **traditional security issues such as territorial disputes and military cooperation**, as well as **non-traditional security issues** such as **terrorism, cybersecurity, and climate change**.
- Such agenda setting enables the dialogue to fully reflect the security challenges and cooperation needs of the Asia-Pacific region.
- The dialogue format comprises an **opening keynote address by a regional head of government/head of state**; **on-the-record plenary sessions involving defence ministers** as speakers; and **on-the-record breakout sessions** involving other senior officials and security practitioners.
- Opportunity is also provided for **bilateral and multilateral meetings**, enabling the participants to network and **advance their defence diplomacy privately**.
- **India regularly participates at a high level**, often represented by the Defence Minister, Chief of Defence Staff, or senior military officials.
- **Raisina Dialogue**, India's flagship conference on geopolitics and geo-economics, is **modeled on the lines of the Shangri-La Dialogue**.

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