

Exercise MAITREE

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Recently, the 14th edition of the Exercise MAITREE-XIV commenced with a grand opening ceremony at Joint Training Node (JTN), Umroi, Meghalaya.

About Exercise MAITREE

- It is the joint military **exercise between India and Thailand**.
- Exercise MAITREE, **instituted in 2006**, is one of the important joint training exercises between India and Thailand.
- The bilateral exercise is part of the ongoing **military-to-military exchange programme** between the two countries and aims to enhance **cooperation, interoperability** and mutual understanding between the Indian Army and Royal Thai Army.
- The current edition further reinforces the bilateral defence cooperation and reflects the shared commitment of both Armies towards peace, stability and security in the region.
- The **13th edition** of the exercise was held at Fort **Vachirapakan in Tak Province, Thailand**.

- The Indian Army contingent is being represented by a **Battalion of the Madras Regiment**.
- The joint exercise will focus on company level counter-terrorist operations in **semi-urban terrain under Chapter VII of the United Nations Charter**.
- The programme includes **tactical drills, joint planning, special arms skills**, physical fitness and raiding operations. The exercise will culminate with a 48-hour validation exercise, simulating realistic operational scenarios.

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