

Exercises and visits

Indo-Uzbekistan “Ex Dustlik”

The 3rd edition of Indo-Uzbekistan Joint Field Training Exercise “Ex Dustlik” concluded at Yangiariq, Uzbekistan on 29 March 2022. The joint exercise provided an opportunity for both the contingents to train in counter terrorism operations in a semi-urban environment. The last two days of the exercise was dedicated to a validation exercise where both contingents jointly conducted simulated operations over ‘extremist groups’ under a United Nations Mandate.

The conduct of this exercise, which covered a vast spectrum from cross training and combat conditioning in field conditions, to sports and cultural exchanges was a grand success. The exercise will “enhance the level of defence cooperation between both the Armies and will act as a catalyst for many such joint programmes in future to further consolidate the traditional bond of friendship between India and Uzbekistan”.

Seychelles and Lamitiye 2022

The 9th Joint Military Exercise Lamitiye-2022 between the Indian Army and Seychelles Defence Forces (SDF) was conducted at Seychelles Defence Academy (SDA), Seychelles from 22-31 March 2022. An Infantry Platoon strength each from both the Indian Army and Seychelles Defence Forces (SDF) along with Company Headquarters participated in this exercise



which was aimed at sharing experiences gained during various operations against hostile forces in semi-urban environment and enhance capability to undertake joint operations.

The Indian Army contingent comprising troops from the 2/3 Gorkha Rifles group (Pirkanthi Battalion) arrived at Seychelles on 21 March 2022.

Exercise Lamitiye-2022 is a biennial training event which has been conducted in Seychelles since 2001. Notably, in the series of military training exercises undertaken by India with various countries, Exercise Lamitiye with Seychelles is crucial and significant in terms of security challenges faced by both the Nations in the backdrop of current global situation and growing security concerns in the Indian Ocean Region.

The 10 days long joint exercise included field training exercises, combat discussions, lectures, demonstrations and culminated with a two days validation exercise. The objective of the joint training exercise was to build and promote bilateral military relations in addition to exchanging skills,