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# Exercise pitch black 2024

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An Indian Air Force (IAF) contingent participated in **Exercise Pitch Black 2024** which has commenced from **12 July 24 to 02 August 24 in Australia**.



It is **biennial multinational** exercise **hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force(RAAF)**.

It emphasizes nighttime flying over expansive, unpopulated areas.

Over 150 skilled Air Warriors including pilots, engineers, technicians, and controllers , who will be operating the formidable **Su-30 MKI** multirole fighters, with the **C -17 Globemaster** and the **IL-78 Air-to-Air Refuelling aircraft** in combat enabling roles.

IAF has previously participated in the 2018 and 2022 editions of Exercise Pitch Black, contributing to its ongoing commitment to international military exercises and cooperation.

This year marks the largest edition in its **43-year history**, involving **20 countries**, **140+ aircraft**, and **4400 military personnel**.

## Recent Air Exercises by Indian Air force:

Exercise **Gagan Shakthi**

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Exercise **Vayu Shakthi**

Exercise **Tarang Shakthi**

**Tejas** is a **4th generation fighter aircraft** **indigenously developed** in India.

**Light Combat Aircraft** (LCA) Tejas, has been indigenously designed and developed by Defence Research and Development Organisation (**DRDO**).

5G jets are possessed by **Russia (Sukhoi Su-57)**, **China (Chengdu J-20)**, and the **US (F-35)**.