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HIM- DRONE-A-THON-2 & HIMTECH-2024

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Why in news?

The **Indian Army**, in collaboration with the **Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI)**, successfully hosted the **second edition** of the **HIM-DRONE-A-THON** at **Wari La Pass, Ladakh**, on September 17-18, 2024.

- This event marked a **significant step** in the *Indian Army's initiative to integrate cutting-edge indigenous drone technology for high-altitude military operations.*

About HIM-DRONE-A-THON 2

- Aim-to catalyse and provide focused opportunities to the **Indian drone ecosystem to develop path-breaking drone capabilities** for meeting requirements of frontline troops.
- It is based on the principle that 'good available indigenously' is better than the 'best available globally'.

This event serves as a platform for the **Indian Drone Industry** to demonstrate drone solutions **tailored for high-altitude areas**, where the Indian Army frequently operates.

The event was conducted under actual terrain and environmental conditions at altitudes ranging from **4,000 to 5,000 meters** to test the drones' performance in realistic scenarios.

Indigenous drone manufacturers are invited to participate, demonstrating various drone types, including:

- Surveillance drones
- Loitering munitions
- Logistics drones
- Swarm drones
- Drones with specialized roles and payloads, such as Electronic Warfare, Synthetic Aperture Radar, Communication Intelligence, and Electronic Intelligence.

HIMTECH-2024: Advancing High-Altitude Technologies

HIMTECH-2024 follows HIM-DRONE-A-THON 2.

It is conceptualized **to discuss, demonstrate, and explore new opportunities** for the development and integration of technologies for high-altitude military operations.

It has been organized in collaboration with **FICCI (Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry)**.

It highlights the **latest technologies and systems** developed to meet the operational requirements along India's **Northern Borders**.

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