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# Indo-Pacific Regional Dialogue

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**Why is in news?** INDO-PACIFIC REGIONAL DIALOGUE 2022 (IPRD): 23 TO 25 Nov 22

The IPRD is an **apex level international annual conference of Indian Navy**, and is principal manifestation of Navy's engagement at the strategic-level.

The **National Maritime Foundation (NMF)** is Navy's **knowledge partner** and chief organizer of each edition of the event.

The IPRD seeks to foster **exchange of ideas and promote deliberations** on regionally relevant maritime issues.

Being a Track 1.5 event that aims to **encourage discussions on public policy**, the IPRD endeavors for a balanced representation from government and non-government agencies and institutions.

The **first two editions** of IPRD were held in **2018 and 2019 respectively** at New Delhi. **IPRD 2020** was **cancelled** due to Covid-19 outbreak.

The **third edition** of IPRD was held in 2021 in **online** mode. The aim of each successive edition of the IPRD is to review both opportunities and challenges that arise within the Indo-Pacific.

Through this annual dialogue, the Indian Navy and the NMF, continue to provide a platform for incisive discussions pertaining to the geopolitical developments affecting the maritime domain of the Indo-Pacific.

The **fourth edition** of IPRD is scheduled to be held from 23 to 25 Nov 22.

The theme of IPRD-2022 is '**Operationalising the Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative (IPOI)**'.

The IPOI Is a comprehensive and inclusive construct for regional cooperation that is focused on **seven interconnected spokes or pillars**: Maritime Security, Maritime Ecology, Maritime Resources, Disaster Risk-reduction and Management, Trade-Connectivity and Maritime Transport, Capacity-building and Resource sharing, and Science, Technology and Academic Cooperation.

**Indian Navy** being the **lead maritime security agency** of the Government, is deeply invested in the actualization of each of the seven spokes or pillars of the IPOI.

The 2022 edition of the Indo-Pacific Regional Dialogue (IPRD-2022) is appropriately **centered upon the IPOI and its operationalization**, with particular but not exclusive focus upon the pillars of 'Maritime Security'

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