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Operation Southern Readiness

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Why is in news? INS Sunayna was at Seychelles from 10-12 Jul 23 to participate in Op Southern Readiness 2023

INS Sunayna was at Seychelles from 10-12 July 23 to participate in Op Southern Readiness 2023 conducted by **Combined Maritime Forces (CMF)**.

The visit was aimed at **strengthening multilateral ties and enhancing cooperation** through CMF exercise which is a multinational initiative **aimed at enhancing maritime security, countering piracy to ensure safety and freedom of navigation in the region**.

CMF has **38 member nations**: Australia, Bahrain, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Denmark, Djibouti, Egypt, France, Germany, Greece, **India**, Iraq, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Republic of Korea, Kuwait, Malaysia, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, the Philippines, Portugal, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Seychelles, Singapore, Spain, Thailand, Trkiye, UAE, United Kingdom, United States, and Yemen.

CMF is commanded by a U.S. Navy Vice Admiral, who also serves as Commander US Naval Forces Central Command (NAVCENT) and US Navy Fifth Fleet. All four commands are co-located at US Naval Support Activity Bahrain.

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