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Exercise Harimau Shakti

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Why is in news? India-Malaysia joint military Exercise Harimau Shakti 2022 begins in Malaysia

India-Malaysia joint military Exercise Harimau Shakti-2022 conducted at Pulai Klang in Malaysia from Nov 28 – Dec 12.

HARIMAU SHAKTI is an **annual training** event between Indian and Malaysian armies which has been conducted **since 2012**.

HARIMAU SHAKTI will enhance the defence cooperation between Indian Army and the Malaysian Army.

The combat troops of the Garhwal Rifles Regiment of the Indian Army and the Royal Malay Regiment of the Malaysian Army are participating in the exercise.

The military exercise will **enhance interoperability** in planning and execution of various operations **in jungle terrain**.

During the exercise, emphasis will be made on developing tactical skills and enhancing interoperability between the two forces.

Other relations:

Both countries agreed to upgrade capability for **Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) operations**.

India and Malaysia have signed **Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA)**. It is a **kind of Free Trade Agreement (FTA)**.

India has also signed the **Free Trade Agreement (FTA) in services and investments** with the 10-member Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).

Malaysia is the **third largest trading partner** in ASEAN.

Bilateral trade between India and Malaysia is significantly biased in favour of Malaysia.

India and Malaysia have signed a MoU on cooperation in the **field of Traditional Medicine** in October 2010.

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