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Exercise KAZIND

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Why is in news? KAZIND- 22: Sixth Indo-Kazakhstan joint military training exercise to begin in Meghalaya today

The **6th Indo - Kazakhstan joint military training exercise** KAZIND-22 will begin at Umroi in Meghalaya on December 15, 2022.

The exercise is scheduled till 28th of this month with an aim to build positive military relations, imbibe each other's best practices and promote the ability to operate together while undertaking counter-terrorist operations in semi-urban or jungle scenarios, under a UN peace enforcement mandate.

This joint exercise will enable the two armies to train, plan and execute a series of combined tactical drills for neutralising of likely threats that may be encountered in UN peace keeping operations.

During the exercise, participants will engage in a variety of missions ranging from joint planning, joint tactical drills, basics of special arms skills, high availability disaster recovery, and raiding a hostile target.

Exercise Kazind is also expected to enhance the level of defence cooperation between Indian Army and Kazakhstan Army and foster the bilateral relations between the two nations further.

Kazakhstan Army soldiers comprising troops from the Regional Command, South and Indian Army soldiers from the 11 Gorkha Rifles will be participating in the exercise.

Other exercise include the **Joint Military Exercise: Prabal dostyk**.

Importance of Kazakhstan:

First, its geo-strategic location; second, its economic potential, especially in terms of energy resources; and third, its multi-ethnic and secular structure.

Kazakhstan is the most resource-rich country in Central Asia and is also India's largest trade and investment partner.

India and Kazakhstan actively cooperate under the aegis of various multilateral fora including Confidence-Building Measures in Asia (CICA), Shanghai Cooperation Operation (SCO) and the United Nations (UN) organisations.

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