

Indian army contingent in Mongolia for 'Khaan Quest'

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Context

• The Indian Army contingent arrived in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, on Wednesday to participate in the **multinational military exercise** Khaan Quest, scheduled to be conducted from June 14 to 28.

• The annual exercise, initiated in 2003 between the U.S. and Mongolia, evolved into a multinational endeavour from 2006, brings together military forces from across the globe to collaborate and enhance their peacekeeping capabilities.

• "The Indian Army contingent comprising 40 personnel is being represented mainly by troops from a Battalion of the Kumaon Regiment.

• One woman officer and two women soldiers will also form part of the contingent," the Ministry stated.