

## Joint Doctrine of Amphibious Operations | Jammu & Kashmir | 10 Sep 2024

## Why in News?

Recently, <u>Chief of Defence Staff</u> released the **Joint Doctrine for Amphibious Operations** during the <u>Chiefs of Staff Committee (COSC)</u> meeting.

## **Key Points**

- The Doctrine serves as a key guide for Commanders in conducting Amphibious Operations in today's complex military landscape.
  - Amphibious operations are **military operations** that involve a **landing on a hostile shore** by naval and landing forces.
- The amphibious capability enables the Armed Forces to conduct a wide range of operations in the Indian Ocean Region, both in times of war and peace.
  - These operations are a vital element of multi-domain warfare, exemplifying the cohesion and integration among the <u>Armed Forces</u>.
- The Joint Doctrine for Amphibious Operations is the second Joint Doctrine released this year after the Joint Doctrine for Cyberspace operations.
  - Cyberspace encompasses the global network of entities, including Information and Communication Technology (ICT) systems, that process, store, and transmit digital information and code, whether connected or independent.

## What is Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)

- Background: Its creation was recommended in 2001 by a Group of Ministers (GoM) that was tasked with studying the Kargil Review Committee (1999) report.
  - After the GoM recommendations, in preparation for the post of CDS, the government created the <u>Integrated Defence Staff in 2002</u>, which was to eventually serve as the CDS's Secretariat.
  - In 2012, the <u>Naresh Chandra Committee</u> recommended the appointment of a Permanent Chairman of the Chiefs of Staff Committee as a midway to eliminate apprehensions over the CDS.
  - Finally, the post of <u>CDS</u> was created in 2019 on the recommendations of a committee of defence experts headed by Lt General DB Shekatkar.
    - General Bipin Rawat was the first CDS in the country and was appointed on December 31, 2019.

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