

## **ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting-Plus**

## Why in News

The 6<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting-Plus (ADMM-Plus) is to be held in Bangkok on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

- The ADMM-Plus is a platform for <u>ASEAN (The Association of Southeast Asian Nations)</u> and it's eight Dialogue Partners to strengthen security and defence cooperation for peace, stability, and development in the region.
  - The ADMM-Plus countries include ten ASEAN Member State and eight Plus countries, namely Australia, China, India, Japan, New Zealand, ROK, Russian Federation, and the United States.
- It aims to promote mutual trust and confidence between defence establishments through greater dialogue and transparency.
- The first ADMM-Plus was convened at Ha Noi, Vietnam in 2010.
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting (ADMM) in 2007 at Singapore adopted a resolution to establish the ADMM-Plus
- The chairmanship of the ADMM-Plus follows the chairmanship of the ADMM.
  - Currently, the ADMM and ADMM Plus is chaired by Thailand
- It has five areas of practical cooperation, namely maritime security, counter-terrorism, humanitarian assistance and disaster relief, peacekeeping operations and military medicine.

## ADMM / ADMM-Plus





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