



## Surya Kiran Military Exercise

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The **18<sup>th</sup>** edition of **Indo-Nepal** joint training Exercise **“Surya Kiran”** between India and Nepal is being conducted at Saljhandi, Nepal in January 2025.

- The 17<sup>th</sup> edition of the exercise was held in December 2023 in Uttarakhand.



- **Exercise Surya Kiran:** It is a military exercise conducted **annually** between India and Nepal, **held alternately in both countries.**
- **Objective:**
  - Enhance interoperability between the two armies in **Counter-Terrorism (CT) Operations, jungle warfare, and mountain operations.**
  - Improve coordination in **Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR)** under the **United Nations (UN) Charter.**
  - Focus on **operational preparedness, aviation aspects, medical training, and environment conservation.**
- **India-Nepal Relation:** Nepal shares a **1,850 km** border with 5 Indian states: **Sikkim, West Bengal, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, and Uttarakhand.**
  - The **India-Nepal Treaty of Peace and Friendship**, signed in **1950**, forms the foundation of their special bilateral relations.
  - **Koshi Agreement** (1954, revised in 1966), **Mahakali Treaty** (1996) and **Gandak Agreement** (1959, revised in 1964) are the major water-sharing agreements between

India and Nepal.

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Garuda Shakti	Indonesia
Ekuverin	Maldives
Hand-in-Hand	China
Kurukshetra	Singapore
Mitra Shakti	Sri Lanka
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Shakti	France
Surya Kiran	Nepal
Yudh Abhyas	USA

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