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Defence Space Research Agency (DSRA)

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The Cabinet Committee on Security chaired by the Prime Minister has cleared the setting up of the Defence Space Research Agency (DSRA) which has been entrusted with the task of **creating space warfare weapon systems and technologies.**

- The agency would be provided with a team of scientists and **would be working in close coordination with the tri-services integrated Defence staff officers.**
- It would provide **the research and development support to the Defence Space Agency (DSA)** which comprises members of the three services (Army, Naval and Air Force).
 - **The DSA has been created to help the country fight wars in outer space.**
 - The DSA has been **set up in Bengaluru** under an Air Vice Marshal-rank officer and will gradually take over the space-related capabilities of the three forces.

Integrated Defence Staff (IDS)

- The Integrated Defence Staff was set up in **October 2001** under the Ministry of Defence in the aftermath of **'Operation Vijay' (Kargil Operations).**
- The main objective was **to promote synergy among the three Services** and to integrate these with the Ministry of Defence.
- The organisation has representation from all three services, Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and Department of Defence and Department of Finance.
- **The overarching aim of IDS is to achieve 'Victory through Jointness'.**