

# BHARAT SCHOOL OF BANKING FEB MONTH DEFENCE

## Defence

1. ▶ Advanced Air Defence (AAD) interceptor missile *Ashwin* successfully test-fired by Indian Army.
2. ▶ DRDO Successfully Test Fired Prithvi Defence Vehicle (PDV) Interceptor Missile.
3. ▶ Defence Ministry approved Phase II of coastal surveillance project to expand coastal radar surveillance network over 7,500-km coastline India. This Phase involves setting up 38 additional radars aimed to give gap less electronic surveillance of Indian coastline.
4. ▶ Defence Ministry will set up a Defence Procurement Organisation (DPO) to streamline and Simplify process of defence acquisitions.
5. ▶ Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) handed over 3 products to Indian Army - Weapon Locating Radar (SWATHI), NBC Recce vehicle and NBC Drugs.
6. ▶ Government approved deal with Israel to jointly develop 200 medium range (50 KM) surface-to-air missiles (MR-SAM) for Indian Army. Deal is approx 17000 Crores.
7. ▶ INHS Asvini (Mumbai) received Raksha Mantri's Trophy for best Service Hospital in Armed Forces Medical Services (AFMS) for 2016.
8. ▶ Indian Airforce (IAG) inducted first indigenously built Airborne Early Warning and Control System (AEW&C) dubbed as NETRA.
9. ▶ Indian Coast Guard Ship ICGS AYUSH commissioned.
10. ▶ Indian Navy launched Integrated Underwater Harbour Defence and Surveillance System (IUHDSS) in Mumbai, to enhance security of valuable naval assets against asymmetric threats. IUHDSS is developed by Israeli Aerospace Industries ELTA for harbour surveillance activities.
11. ▶ Indian Navy's INS Sarvekshak (based at Southern Naval Command in Kochi) became first naval ship to go green by installing a solar power system on board.
12. ▶ Indian Navy's second sailboat INSV Tarini inducted.
13. ▶ Indian and UAE Coast Guards will take part in Joint exercise in Dubai. Indian Coast Guard will be represented by ICGS Samudra Pavak.
14. ▶ Indian navy successfully test-fired an anti-ship missile for first time from indigenously built *Kalvari* class submarine. Kalvari is first of India's 6 Scorpene-class submarines being built under Project 75.
15. ▶ Indigenously developed Prithvi supersonic Advance Area Defence (AAD) interceptor missile successfully test-fired. It is capable of destroying any incoming enemy ballistic missile at low altitude.
16. ▶ Railway Minister Suresh Prabhu commissioned Indian Coast Guard Ship *Shaunak*, 4th in series of 6 offshore patrol vessels (OPV).
17. ▶ Reliance Aerostructure Limited incorporated joint venture (JV) with French Firm Dassault Aviation to manufacture Rafale fighter jets, named Dassault Reliance Aerospace Limited (DARL) with facility to be set up in Nagpur.
18. ▶ Reliance Defence and Engineering Limited (RDEL) became first Indian company (either public or private) to provide logistical support to the US military within Indian territory after it signed a Master Ship Repair Agreement (MSRA) with US Navy to provide repair and alteration services for ships of Seventh Fleet.
19. ▶ Russia will start deliveries of military helicopters to India in 2018.
  1. India and Russia signed an agreement in October 2016 to jointly manufacture 200 KA-226T helicopters for Indian Armed Forces.

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20. ▶ USA's defence technology firm Raytheon signed MoU with Tata Advanced Systems Limited to produce Stinger air defence missile components in India.

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