International Cooperation

(1) A delegation led by Raksha Mantri visited Cambodia and Vietnam from 11th – 15th June, 2018 for holding bilateral meetings with the Defence Ministers of the respective countries to enhance bilateral defence cooperation.

(2) 6th Defence Policy Dialogue (DPD) with Japan, co-chaired by the Defence Secretary, was held in New Delhi on 18th June, 2018. India - Japan 2+2 Dialogue was also held on 19th June, 2018 co-chaired by the Defence Secretary and Foreign Secretary.

(3) A delegation led by the Cabinet Secretary Defence of Kenya (counterpart of Raksha Mantri) visited India from 17th – 22nd June, 2018 to discuss bilateral defence cooperation issues.

(4) A delegation led by Head of International Armaments Cooperation, Department of the Defence Procurement Branch, French Ministry of Defence visited India and met the Defence Secretary on 21st June, 2018.

(5) The Hon’ble President of Seychelles visited India from 22nd – 27th June, 2018. A Dornier aircraft was gifted to the Government of Seychelles.

(6) 4th India - China Working Group (WG) meeting, co-chaired by Joint Secretary (Planning and International Cooperation), was held in New Delhi on 8th June, 2018.

(7) A delegation led by Joint Secretary (Planning and International Cooperation) visited Ukraine for attending Joint Working Group (JWG) meeting from 3rd – 5th June, 2018.
Interceptor Boat C-439 built by M/s L&T was commissioned on 17th June, 2018 at Mumbai.

Interceptor Boat C-440 built by M/s L&T was commissioned on 14th June, 2018 at Chennai.

Inshore Patrol Vessel ICGS Rani Rashmoni built by M/s L&T was commissioned on 18th June, 2018 at Visakhapatnam.

**Swachh Bharat**

The “World Environment Day” was celebrated in all Military Stations & Cantonments on the theme “Beat Plastic Pollution”. In Delhi, on World Environment Day, a lecture on Ecofeminism was delivered by the founder & CEO of “Geetanjali Environtech” at NCC auditorium which was attended by 800 ladies and children.

Latest initiative for “Swachh Bharat” is installation of “Kill Waste Machine” at Udhampur Military Station. It is a 100 kg capacity machine with reduction rate of 100 kg of solid waste to 3.5 kg of neutral ash.

**International Day of Yoga**

The fourth International Day of Yoga was celebrated by the Ministry of Defence and its subordinate formations in a grand manner. The three Armed Forces, the Indian Coast Guard, the NCC, defence PSUs, Cantonment Boards as well as civilian employees and their family members participated with great enthusiasm. Apart from performing yoga, seminars, workshops and cultural programmes based on yoga were organized. Notable events including performance of yoga at locations ranging from high altitudes to on-board Naval ships were held. As in previous years, there was an overwhelming response from NCC. Over 7 lakh cadets participated in the event at 6811 venues Pan-India.
**Raksha Mantri’s press conference**

(13) Raksha Mantri held a press conference on the four year achievements of Ministry of Defence on 5th June, 2018 in New Delhi.

**Workshop on Cyber Security Framework-2018**

(14) A workshop on Cyber Security Framework for Department of Defence was organized. The workshop was inaugurated by Raksha Mantri. During her address, she stressed upon the fact that Defence sector is more prone to the cyber threats and hence it becomes important to safeguard our cyberspace with anticipation of possible attacks.

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