



Shaheen-IX

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Why in News

China has recently asked India to “**objectively**” view the on-going **month-long military exercises** taking place between the **Chinese** and **Pakistani** air forces, amid **increasing tensions** with India.

Key Points

- “**Shaheen-IX**” or **Eagle-IX exercise**, is an exercise between the **Pakistan Air Force** and the **People’s Liberation Army Air Force**.
- Shaheen-IX is the **ninth in the series** which is conducted **each year in both countries on alternate basis**.
- The first such drill was held in **Pakistan in 2011**.
- **Other exercises between Pakistan and china:**
 - **Sea Guardians:** Bilateral Naval exercise
- **India China exercises:**
 - **Hand In Hand:** Bilateral Army exercise

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