

INS GOMATI

Why in News?

Recently, the Indian Navy Ship (INS) Gomati was **decommissioned from the naval dockyard in Mumbai.**

What are the Key Highlights about INS Gomati?

- About:
 - INS Gomati derives her name from the vibrant river Gomti.
 - Gomati River, also called Gumti, tributary of the Ganga River.
 - When decommissioned, INS Gomati was also the oldest of the guided-missile frigates in the Western Fleet.
 - It was commissioned in 1988 at Mazagon Dock Ltd, Bombay.
- Participated in:
 - **Operations Cactus, Parakram and Rainbow**, and several bilateral and multinational naval exercises.
 - **1988:** Under Operation Cactus the Indian Armed Forces have helped the government of Maldives in the neutralization of the coup attempt.
 - 2001: Operation Parakram launched in the wake of terrorist attack on Parliament, was the first full-scale mobilisation since the 1971 Indo-Pak war.
 - 2004: The Rainbow initiative was launched to assist those affected by the
 - Tsunami, in partnership with the Sri Lankan government.
- Awards Given:
 - Awarded twice the **coveted Unit Citation,** once in 2007-08 and again in 2019-20.

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