



Naval Exercise Kakadu

Why in News?

INS Satpura and [P8I Maritime Patrol Aircraft](#) have arrived in **Darwin in Australia** to participate in a multinational naval **exercise, Kakadu**, being hosted by the **Royal Australian Navy**.



What do we Know about Exercise Kakadu?

▪ **About:**

- Exercise Kakadu is a joint-enabled, **biennial exercise** hosted by the Royal Australian Navy and supported by the Royal Australian Air Force.
- Kakadu is the Navy's premier maritime exercise, **developing interoperability between nations in the maritime and air domains**, and providing training opportunities for maritime security and surveillance.
- It started in 1993.

▪ **Exercise Kakadu -22:**

- It's a two-week-long exercise, both in harbour and sea, involving ships and maritime aircraft from 14 navies.
- **Participation:** Around 19 vessels, 34 aircraft and more than 3000 personnel from 25 countries are expected.
- **Theme:** Partnership, Leadership, Friendship.
- Significance: As Navy's most significant international engagement activity, Exercise Kakadu is vital for building relationships between participating countries.
 - The exercise provides an opportunity for regional partners to undertake **multinational maritime activities** ranging from constabulary operations to **high-end maritime warfare** in a combined environment.

What are other military exercises with Australia?

▪ **Multilateral exercise:**

- [Malabar](#)
- [Exercise Pitch Black 22](#)

▪ **Bilateral exercise:** [Ausindex](#).

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