

KAZIND-21

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The 5th edition of India-Kazakhstan Joint Training Exercise, "KAZIND-21" will be conducted in Kazakhstan.



Key Points

- About KAZIND-21:
 - The exercise is a joint training between both the Armies.
 - The **scope** of Joint Exercise includes professional exchange, sharing experiences in Counter Insurgency/ Counter Terrorism operations, etc.
- Joint Military Exercise: Prabal dostyk.
- Importance of Kazakhstan:
 - First, its geo-strategic location; second, its economic potential, especially in terms of energy resources; and third, its multi-ethnic and secular structure.
 - Kazakhstan is the most resource-rich country in Central Asia and is also India's largest trade and investment partner.
 - India and Kazakhstan actively cooperate under the aegis of various multilateral fora including <u>Confidence-Building Measures in Asia (CICA)</u>, <u>Shanghai Cooperation</u> <u>Operation (SCO)</u> and the <u>United Nations (UN)</u> organisations.

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