

Ex Khaan Quest 2022

Why in News?

A Multinational Peacekeeping exercise **"Ex Khaan Quest 2022"** featuring participation from military contingents from 16 countries **has commenced in Mongolia.**

- Indian Army is represented by a contingent from the Ladakh Scouts.
- Nomadic Elephants is the other Military Exercise which is Conducted between the two Countries.



What is the Ex Khaan Quest?

- Khaan Quest 2022 is a multinational peacekeeping operations exercise conducted in Mongolia.
 - It consists of a <u>United Nations Peacekeeping Mission</u> command post exercise, a UN PKO (PeaceKeeping Operation) Mission field training exercise, at the Mongolian Armed Forces' Five Hills Training Area.
- The exercise is designed to improve peacekeeping capabilities, strengthen military-to-military relationships and enhance the core UN doctrine PKO competencies of all participants.
 - The 2008 doctrine re-confirms and provides a contemporary understanding of how practitioners might apply the UN's three basic peacekeeping principles, namely: consent, impartiality and non-use of force, except in self-defence and defence of the mandate.
- The exercise will also **enable sharing of best practices between the Armed Forces of participating nations** and will include field training exercises, combat discussions, lectures and demonstration.
- The military exercise will enhance the level of defence co-operation between Indian Army and participating countries especially with the Mongolian Armed Forces which will enhance bilateral relations between the two countries.

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