

Brigade Commander-Level Flag Meeting in J&K

Why in News?

To ease <u>Line of Control (LoC)</u> tensions, Indian and Pakistani brigadiers held a flag meeting at **Chakan-Da-Bagh in Poonch**, discussing ceasefire breaches, infiltration, and border management.

Key Points

- Commitment to Ceasefire Agreement:
 - During the meeting the Indian Army strongly urged Pakistani counterparts to honour the <u>renewed ceasefire agreement</u> signed on 25th February 2021.
 - The message came in response to recent cross-border firing and an attempted intrusion by Pakistani troops in the Krishna Ghati sector on 1st April 2025.
 - Indian soldiers successfully foiled the infiltration attempt, which triggered intense
 and intermittent ceasefire violations over the next two days.
 - The Indian delegation raised serious concerns about the use of <u>Improvised Explosive</u>
 <u>Device (IED)</u> and recent terrorist infiltration bids.
- Concerns Over Border Stability:
 - Despite the 2021 ceasefire pact significantly reducing cross-border violations, recent developments have raised concerns about deteriorating border stability.
 - Both armies, however, reiterated the importance of dialogue and adherence to the ceasefire to avoid further escalation.

Line of Control



The Line of Control (LoC) emerged from the 1948 ceasefire line negotiated by the <u>United</u>
 <u>Nations (UN)</u> after the Kashmir War.

- It was designated as the LoC in 1972, **following the Shimla Agreement** between the two countries.
- LoC is **demarcated up to the** Siachen Glacier (Point NJ9842)- the world's highest battlefield.
- LoC is delineated on a map signed by the Director General of Military Operations (DGMO) of both armies and has the international sanctity of a legal agreement.

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