

## **Exercise BRIGHT STAR 2025**

## Why in News?

The **Ministry of Defence** announced that over 700 personnel from the **Armed Forces** and the **Headquarters Integrated Defence Staff** will participate in the Multilateral Exercise 'BRIGHT STAR 2025' from 28 August 2025 to 10 September 2025.

■ The exercise, **hosted by Egypt** in collaboration with the United States and involving multiple countries, including India, will last for 13 days.

## **Key Points**

- About: Exercise Bright Star is a biennial multilateral military exercise hosted by Egypt in collaboration with the United States since 1980.
  - It is one of the largest Tri-Service multilateral exercises in the region. The last edition of the exercise took place in 2023, with participation from several countries, including India.
- Activities and Features: The exercise will feature a comprehensive spectrum of military activities, including:
  - Live Firing Exercises: Demonstrating the operational capabilities of the Indian Army, Indian Navy, and Indian Air Force.
  - Command Post Exercise: Designed to enhance joint planning, decision-making, and operational coordination among participating forces.
  - **Short Training Exercises**: These exercises will focus on various aspects of **modern** warfare and will be conducted by all three services.
  - **Subject Matter Expert Interactions**: Discussions and collaborations with experts across multiple domains of **contemporary military operations**.
- Significance: India's participation in Exercise BRIGHT STAR 2025 highlights its commitment
  to regional peace, stability, and security. The exercise also aims to foster
  enhanced jointness, interoperability, and cooperation between the Indian Armed
  Forces and other friendly nations.

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