

Exercise Bright Star 2025

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Indian Armed Forces personnel are participating in the **19th edition** of **Exercise Bright Star 2025**, which is being held in **Egypt**.

- About: It is a biennial multilateral military exercise, recognized as one of the largest and longest-running tri-service drills in the Middle East-North Africa (MENA) region.
 - Hosted by **Egypt** in partnership with the **US** since **1980**, it has evolved from a **bilateral US-Egypt initiative** into a **full-scale multilateral military exercise**.
- Objective: It aims to enhance jointness and interoperability among participating nations, promote regional peace, security, and stability, and strengthen multi-domain warfare preparedness through joint training.

Other Key Multilateral Military Exercises Involving India:

Exercise Name	Hosting/Lead Countries (Along with India)
Malabar (Naval)	US, Japan, Au <mark>st</mark> ralia
MILAN (Naval)	Indonesia, Sin <mark>gapo</mark> re, Sri Lanka, Thailand and
	several others
RIMPAC (Naval)	US, Australia, Canada, Japan, India and several
	others
IBSAMAR (Naval)	Brazil & South Africa
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