

Yudh Abhyas 2025

Why in News?

An Indian Army contingent has departed for **Fort Wainwright**, **Alaska**, **USA**, to participate in the **21st edition of the India-U.S. Joint Military Exercise**, **Yudh Abhyas 2025**, scheduled from **1st-14th September 2025**.

Key Points

- Participating Forces: The Indian contingent comprises personnel from a battalion of the Madras Regiment, one of the oldest regiments in the Indian Army.
 - The U.S. Army will be represented by soldiers from the 1st Battalion, 5th Infantry Regiment "Bobcats" of the Arctic Wolves Brigade Combat Team, part of the 11th Airborne Division.
- Activities: The troops will rehearse a range of tactical drills, including heliborne operations, the employment of surveillance resources and unmanned aerial systems, rockcraft, mountain warfare, casualty evacuation, combat medical aid, and the integrated use of Artillery, Aviation, and Electronic Warfare systems.
- **Culmination of Exercise:** The exercise will culminate in jointly planned and executed tactical manoeuvres, ranging from live-fire exercises to high-altitude warfare scenarios.
- Objectives:
 - A significant aim of Yudh Abhyas 2025 is to improve operational readiness for United Nations peacekeeping operations, focusing on capacity-building for managing peacekeeping missions effectively.
 - The exercise will also prepare the forces to handle multi-domain challenges, emphasizing the importance of integrated warfare and joint operational strategies.

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