



Exercise KHAAN QUEST

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An Indian Army contingent (Kumaon Regiment) reached **Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia**, to participate in the **Multinational Military Exercise KHAAN QUEST**.

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- **Origin:** Initiated in **2003** as a bilateral exercise between the **USA and Mongolia**, became a **multinational peacekeeping exercise** from **2006 onwards**.
 - The 2025 edition is the 22nd iteration.
- **Hosted by:** Mongolian Armed Forces.
- **Objective:** Enhance **peacekeeping capabilities, interoperability, and military readiness** under **Chapter VII** of the **UN Charter**.
 - **Chapter VII** empowers the [UN Security Council](#) to act on **threats to international peace, breaches of peace, and acts of aggression**. It authorizes both **non-military** (e.g., sanctions) and **military measures** to maintain or restore global peace and security.
- **Focus Areas:** Exercise includes **joint planning, tactical drills, physical fitness, and coordination**, with drills like **checkpoints, cordon and search, civilian evacuation, counter-Improvised Explosive Device (IED) and casualty management**.
- **Significance:** Promotes exchange of **Tactics, Techniques, and Procedures (TTPs)** and strengthens military cooperation and camaraderie among participating nations.

Joint Military Exercises of India with Other Countries	
Name of Exercise	Country
Garuda Shakti	Indonesia
Ekuverin	Maldives
Hand-in-Hand	China
Bold Kurukshetra	Singapore
Mitra Shakti	Sri Lanka
Nomadic Elephant	Mongolia
Shakti	France
Surya Kiran	Nepal
Yudh Abhyas	USA

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