

Indian Naval Ship Satpura at SIMBEX-25

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Indian Naval Ship <u>Satpura</u> has arrived at Singapore to participate in the **32nd edition** of the **Singapore-India Maritime Bilateral Exercise (SIMBEX-25).**

- Participation: The Exercise's Harbour Phase includes Subject Matter Expert Exchanges (SMEEs), professional interactions, and operational discussions, with deck familiarization visits aboard the participating ships- RSN Vigilant and RSN Supreme.
 - The Exercise's Sea Phase features advanced naval operations, including air defense exercises, cross-deck helicopter operations, precision targeting, complex maneuvering drills, and VBSS operations.
 - The Indian Navy's fleet, including the Destroyer Delhi, Frigate Satpura, Corvette Kiltan, and support ship Shakti will be visiting the Philippines and Vietnam before returning to Visakhapatnam.
- Background: SIMBEX (formerly Exercise Lion King), is an annual maritime exercise conducted by the <u>Indian Navy</u> and the Republic of Singapore Navy (RSN) and is one of <u>India's longest</u> (started in 1994) uninterrupted maritime drills.
 - The exercise aligns with India's <u>Vision MAHASAGAR</u> and the <u>Act East Policy</u>, emphasizing strategic engagements with neighboring countries.
- Significance: SIMBEX-25 highlights the robust partnership between <u>India and Singapore</u> as
 they mark 60 years of bilateral ties, further solidifying their dedication to maritime
 security and regional stability in the <u>Indo-Pacific</u>.



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