



ZAPAD Exercise 2025

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The Indian Armed Forces contingent has departed for Russia to take part in the **Joint multilateral military exercise ZAPAD 2025**, which will be held in **Nizhniy, Russia**.

- The Indian Army contingent is led by a battalion of the **Kumaon Regiment**, along with troops from other arms and services, comprising personnel from the **Indian Army, Air Force, and Navy**.

ZAPAD Exercise

- **About:** The Zapad exercise series, which began during the Soviet era, has been conducted by Russia since 2009.
- **Objective:**
 - The main focus is **to enhance military cooperation, improve interoperability**.
 - **To** provide a platform for participating nations **to exchange tactics and techniques** in conventional warfare and counter-terrorism operations.
 - The exercise will focus on joint company-level operations in open and plain terrains.
 - To **integrate emerging technologies** and **improve joint operational capabilities in a multinational combat environment**.



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