



Exercise CYCLONE

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The 3rd edition of the **India-Egypt Joint Special Forces Exercise CYCLONE** commenced at Rajasthan.

About Exercise CYCLONE:

- **Annual Exercise:** Conducted alternatively in India and Egypt, with the last edition held in Egypt (January 2024).
- **Objectives:**
 - Strengthening **military-to-military relations** between India and Egypt.
 - Enhancing **interoperability, joint operational capabilities** and exchange of special warfare operations tactics.
 - **Counter-terrorism operations** in **desert/semi-desert terrain** aligning with [Chapter VII of the UN Charter](#).

India and Egypt:

- **India is one of Egypt's key trading partners** in Africa, with a Bilateral Trade Agreement (1978) based on the Most Favored Nation clause.
- **India and Egypt** established a **Strategic Partnership** in 2023 spanning **political, security, defence, energy, and economic cooperation**.

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Country	Exercise
Australia	Austra Hindbah
Bangladesh	Sampriti
China	Hand in Hand
France	Shakti
Indonesia	Garuda Shakti
Kazakhstan	Prabal Dostykk
Kyrgyzstan	Khanjar
Maldives	Ekuverin
Mongolia	Nomadic Elephant
Myanmar	Imbex
Nepal	Surya Kiran
Oman	Al Nagah
Russia	Indra
Seychelles	Lamitiye
Sri Lanka	Mitra Shakti
Thailand	Maitree
UK	Ajeya Warrior
USA	Yudhabhayas, Vajra Prahar

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