

New Naval Base Commissioned at Gurugram

Why in News?

On **12th September 2025**, the <u>Indian Navy</u> commissioned its new naval base, **INS Aravali**, at **Gurugram**. The commissioning was presided over by Admiral Dinesh K. Tripathi, Chief of the Naval Staff (CNS).



Key Points

- Role and Capabilities: Named after the enduring <u>Aravali Range</u>, the new base will play a pivotal role in:
 - Supporting information and communication centres of the Indian Navy.
 - Strengthening India's Command, Control, Communications, and Maritime Domain Awareness (MDA) framework.
 - Enhancing seamless coordination between naval units, MDA centres, and allied stakeholders.
- Motto: The base is guided by its motto: '______ ___ \(\text{Maritime Security through Collaboration} \).
- **Symbolism of the Crest:** The crest of INS Aravali reflects its ethos and mission:
 - Central Mountain Imagery: Symbolises the steadfastness of the Aravali Range.
 - Rising Sun: Represents vigilance, resilience, and the dawn of technological capabilities.
 - Maritime Ethos: Embodies eternal vigilance in defending India's maritime interests.
 - Together, the crest conveys the base's commitment to resilience, technology, and collaborative security.
- Significance:

- Function as a **hub of technology and collaboration**, connecting platforms and partners across oceans.
- Embody the Prime Minister's vision of MAHASAGAR (Mutual and Holistic Advancement for Security and Growth Across Regions).
- Reinforce India's position as the Preferred Security Partner in the **Indian Ocean Region.**

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