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News: Exercise Shakti

- The 7th edition of the joint military exercise ‘Shakti’ between India and France commenced in Umroi, Meghalaya, marking a significant collaboration in enhancing tactical capabilities.

Exercise Shakti

- Exercise “Shakti” is a **biennial training event conducted alternatively in India and France**. The last edition took place in France in November 2021.
- **Focus Areas:** Exercise Shakti aims to **enhance joint military capability of both sides to undertake multi-domain operations in a sub-conventional scenario under Chapter VII of the United Nations Mandate**.
- The joint exercise will focus on operations in the semi-urban and mountainous terrain.
- **Tactical Objectives:** Tactical drills will include **responses to terrorist actions, the establishment of joint command posts, and intelligence and surveillance centres, emphasising readiness and coordination**.
- Other Joint Exercises between France and India: **Exercise Varuna, Exercise Garuda, and Exercise Desert Knight**.