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Shri R. Ravindra appointed as the next Ambassador of India to Iceland

Shri R. Ravindra (IFS:1999), presently Deputy Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations at New York, has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to Iceland.

Before joining as India's Deputy Permanent Representative at the UN in New York in September 2020, R Ravindra was Joint Secretary (Central and West Africa) in the Ministry of External Affairs in New Delhi, according to India's Permanent Mission to the United Nations statement.

Previously, he served at the Indian Embassy in Cairo from 2001-2003 and Libya's Tripoli from 2003-2007. He served as Regional Passport Officer in Bengaluru from 2007-2010, according to India's Permanent Mission to the United Nations statement.

India-Oman Joint Military Exercise "Al Najah"

The Indian Army contingent has departed for Oman to participate in the 5th edition of India-Oman Joint

Military Exercise Al Najah. The exercise is scheduled to be conducted at Rabkoot Training Area in Oman's Salalah from September 13-26.

In a press release, the Ministry of Defence stated, "Exercise AL NAJAH has been held biennially since 2015, alternating between India and Oman. Last edition of the same exercise was conducted at Mahajan in Rajasthan."

The Indian Army contingent, comprising 60 personnel, is being represented by a Battalion of the Mechanised Infantry Regiment along with personnel from other arms and services. The Royal Army of Oman contingent, comprising 60 personnel, will be represented by the troops of Frontier Force.

The Indian Air Force contingent comprising MiG-29s, Jaguars, and C-17s will participate in Exercise Eastern Bridge in Oman. This is the seventh edition of the exercise and is scheduled to be conducted at Air Force base Masirah in Oman from September 11-22.

CPI (M) General Secretary Sitaram Yechury passes away

Veteran CPI(M) leader Sitaram Yechury passed away on Thursday at the age of 72 after a prolonged illness. The senior politician had remained in a critical condition for the past few days after being admitted to AIIMS New Delhi on August 19 for treatment of a pneumonia-like chest infection. Mr. Yechury was elected to the Rajya Sabha for two terms from 2005 to 2017 from West Bengal. He was elected as the General Secretary of the CPI (M) in 2015.

ICAR-CIFA launches mobile app 'Rangeen Machhli' to promote ornamental fishery

ICAR-Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture (ICAR-CIFA) has developed a mobile app 'Rangeen Machhli' for providing crucial information about

ornamental fisheries to fish farmers and aquarium shop owners.

Union Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying Rajiv Ranjan Singh launched the 'Rangeen Machhli' mobile app at ICAR-Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture (ICAR-CIFA), Bhubaneswar.

DRDO and Navy successfully test vertical launch short range surface- to-air missile

The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) along with the Indian Navy have successfully conducted a flight test of the vertical launch short range surface-to-air missile (VL-SRSAM) from the Integrated Test Range (ITR) in Chandipur, off the coast of Odisha.



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