

## **Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh holds telephonic conversation with U.S. Secretary of Defence, Dr. Mark T. Esper**

Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh had a telephonic conversation with U.S. Secretary of Defence, Dr. Mark T. Esper today. Raksha Mantri congratulated Dr. Esper on his appointment as the U.S. Secretary of Defense.

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## **DRDO hands over design of Mobile Metallic Ramp to Indian Army**

Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) handed over the design of Mobile Metallic Ramp (MMR) to the Indian Army at a ceremony held at DRDO Bhawan here today. Secretary Department of Defence R&D and Chairman DRDO, Dr G Satheesh Reddy handed over the design of MMR to Vice Chief of Army Staff, Lt Gen Devraj Anbu.

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## **Coast Guards of India and Sri Lanka agree to strengthen co-operation in addressing maritime issues**

The Indian Coast Guard held a High-Level Meeting (HLM) with the Sri Lanka Coast Guard at Coast Guard Headquarters here today. The Indian side was led by Director General, Coast Guard K Natarajan, while the Sri Lankan delegation was headed by Rear Admiral Samantha Wimalathunge.

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## **President of India Launches tree plantation drive at Rashtrapati Bhavan**

The President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind planted a sapling of Maulsari in the Rashtrapati Bhavan Estate today (August 20, 2019) and launched a plantation drive as part of 'Van Mahotsav' celebrations.

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## **India has a rightful claim to UNSC membership: Vice President;**

The Vice President today said that India, which represents one sixth of the global population, has a rightful claim to the permanent membership of the United Nation's Security Council and thanked the Lithuanian Prime Minister for extending support to India in various multilateral fora.

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