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NEWS: India, Algeria sign MoU on bilateral defence cooperation

WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?

India and Algeria signed an MoU to strengthen defence cooperation, with General Anil Chauhan representing India. The visit coincided with Algeria's 70th revolution anniversary, featuring commemorative events and military engagements. India reestablished its defence wing in Algeria, aiming for deeper strategic ties and knowledge-sharing in defence production.



MoU on Defence Cooperation

• **Agreement Signed**: India and Algeria signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to boost bilateral defence cooperation.

• **Signatories**: General Anil Chauhan (India's Chief of Defence Staff) and Said Chanegriha (Chief of Staff, Algerian People's National Army) signed the MoU.

General Chauhan's Official Visit

- Visit Dates: General Chauhan was in Algeria from October 31 to November 3.
- **Purpose of MoU**: The agreement aims to foster mutual understanding and strengthen strategic interests, establishing a foundation for long-term defence collaboration.

70th Anniversary of Algeria's Revolution

• Coinciding Events: General Chauhan's visit aligned with the 70th anniversary of Algeria's revolution on November 1, which included a military parade and commemorative events.

Engagements with Algerian Officials

• Military College Interaction: General Chauhan met the Director of the Higher War College and addressed senior officers of Algeria's People's National Army.

Reestablishment of Defence Wings

• India-Algeria Defence Wings: India reestablished its defence wing in Algeria and welcomed Algeria's plan to reopen its defence wing in India.

India's Role as a Global Partner

• "Vishwa Bandhu" (Global Partner): General Chauhan underscored India's position as a reliable global partner amid complex geopolitical challenges.

Defence Production and Cooperation

- Experience Sharing: General Chauhan emphasized India's transformation in defence and readiness to share knowledge with Algeria.
- Make in India Initiatives: Highlighted India's defence production initiatives, such as 'Make in India' and 'Make for the World.'

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