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Q17

The terms 'Hot Pursuit' and 'Surgical Strikes' are often used in connection with armed action against terrorist attacks. Discuss the strategic impact of such actions.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2016 · GS III · 12 marks · Internal Security and Extremism

Linkages between development and spread of extremism.

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Hot pursuit

Rapid chase of attackers into another jurisdiction before they regroup; a land use of a term with older maritime-law roots.

Surgical strike

A short, targeted military action against a specific terror launch pad, intended to stay below a general war.

Myanmar operation 2015

Indian operation against militants after the Manipur ambush, widely discussed as hot pursuit on another State's soil.

Uri and LoC 2016

Army camp attack at Uri in September 2016, followed by announced strikes on terror launch pads across the Line of Control.

UN Charter Article 51

Inherent right of self-defence if an armed attack occurs; the legal frame States invoke for limited cross-border action.

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