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Indian Navy Day

Every Year India celebrates Indian Navy Day on **December 04**. This day is observed in commemoration of Operation Trident. This day is celebrated to salute the bravery of the Indian Navy. The Indian Navy forced Pakistan to admit defeat during the Indo-Pak war of 1971.



The Indian Navy was established in 1612. The East India Company formed an army in the form of the East India Company's Marine to protect its ships.

The British trade was shifted to Bombay completely by 1686 and it was renamed as Bombay Marine.

The Bombay Marine took part in the Maratha, Sindhi War as well as the Burma War in 1824. But later, in 1892, it was renamed as Royal Indian Marine.

The Navy was re-formed in 1950, after independence, and renamed the Indian Navy.

Why Indian Navy Day on December 04?

The Pakistani army attacked our airspace and border area on December 03, 1971. India launched 'Operation Trident' in retaliation as the result 1971 war began.

India had targeted the Pakistani Navy headquarters located in Karachi. This attack was so tremendous that the port of Karachi was completely destroyed and the fire kept burning for seven days.

The attack carried out by the Indian Navy included 3 electric class missile boats, 2 anti-submarines, and a tanker.

It was for the first time when India used an anti-ship missile for an attack. Many Pakistani ships and oil tankers were destroyed in this attack.

The Indian Navy celebrates this achievement on December 04 as Indian Navy Day.