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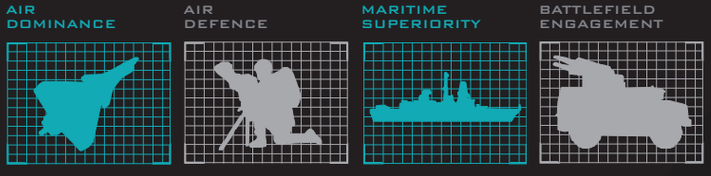
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Happy New Year 2021 to all our esteemed readers,

We are delighted to present the seventh edition of Indonesian Defense Magazine.

Indonesia, like many other nations, has enlisted the intelligence and energy of its military to deal with Covid-19. Control of movement, isolation, medical support and other facets have been delegated to the Ministry of Defense here, and it has in turn maintained a steady line of communication with defense counterparts in partner countries – notably the People's Republic of China and the United States of America, which have both generously shared medical expertise and urgently-needed supplies with the Republic of Indonesia, working through military channels.

We open with a Special Report on a short course for warfare and strategy, in a rapidly-evolving social environment. The Short Course was hosted by the Defense University (UNHAN).

Defense Minister Prabowo Subianto's address on *Hari Bela Negara* during the 72nd Commemoration of State Defense Day is also covered in this 7th edition.

An "Opinion" piece authored by Deputy Defense Minister Sakti Wahyu Trenggono discusses the ramifications of state defense in the midst of a pandemic era, shares his last thoughts as he embarks on another assignment. Wahyu Trenggono has recently been appointed as the Minister of Fisheries for the Republic of Indonesia.

An interview with Lt. General Ida Bagus Purwalaksana, SIP, MM points the way to a deep commitment by the Ministry of Defense (Kemhan) towards good governance and clean government; practical moves in this direction take the form of activities such as overseeing the implementation of work programs and the 2020 budget.

Air power has been certified as an essential arm of military projection and defense, Indonesia has acquired Apache attack helicopters from the USA. We are able to share the capabilities of these adroit and advanced aircraft, Apache AH-64E, based on a first-hand glimpse at Skadron-11/Serbu stationed in Ahmad Yani Airforce Base, Central Java.

We also touch upon the long-going, positive military relationship between Indonesia and Australia, with a mention of shared assistance, in a friendly conversation with the Australian Defense Attaché Brigadier Justin Roocke at the Australian Embassy in Jakarta.

Indonesia's Marine Corps recently celebrated its 75th Anniversary, and we feature a report on the attendant ceremonies.

Lt. General TNI Muhammad Herindra, a former TNI Chief of General Staff, has been appointed by President Jokowi as Deputy Defense Minister, replacing Sakti Wahyu Trenggono. This issue features a profile of this highly-decorated soldier, known for his broad range of commitments, particularly his willingness to work with local communities in security, development and natural disaster scenarios.

Happy reading and Stay safe …

Irawan Ronodipuro



Editor-in-Chief

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Upaya untuk meningkatkan kualitas sumber daya manusia (SDM) Tentara Nasional Indonesia (TNI) menjadi hal yang perlu dilakukan secara berkesinambungan. Hal ini tidak terlepas dari tuntutan kondisi global dan dinamika gepolitik saat ini yang mendesak TNI untuk mampu beradaptasi dan bersiap dengan berbagai bentuk ancaman yang dapat mengancam kedaulatan dan keselamatan rakyat Indonesia. SDM TNI yang berkualitas sejatinya akan menjadi bagian dari kolaborasi yang apik dalam rangka meningkatkan pertahanan negara.


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Rektor UNHAN Laksamana Madya TNI Dr. A. Octavian, S.T., M.Sc., DESD., CIQnR., CIQaR. menjelaskan kegiatan ini digelar sebagai bagian untuk meningkatkan kualitas ilmu pengetahuan perwira TNI. "UNHAN juga memiliki tugas untuk meningkatkan kualitas pendidikan para perwira TNI, bukan hanya para mahasiswanya," terang pria lulusan Lemhannas RI tahun 2016 ini. Selanjutnya, kegiatan ini juga bertujuan untuk memperluas pemahaman mengenai ilmu pertahanan dan kemiliteran di Indonesia. "Kami juga mengundang para peninjau dari berbagai kementerian dan lembaga. Kegiatan ini juga diinformasikan ke sejumlah universitas di Indonesia seperti Institut Teknologi Bandung (ITB), Institut Pertanian Bogor (IPB), dan Bina Nusantara (BINUS) agar para dosen juga memiliki pengetahuan mengenai ilmu pertahanan dan ilmu kemiliteran," tutupnya.

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