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Nuclear Command Authority

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- The Nuclear Command Authority (NCA) of India is the authority responsible for command, control and operational decisions regarding India's nuclear weapons programme.

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- Organisational structure of NCA includes Political Council and Executive Council.

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- Executive Council is headed by National Security Advisor and Political Council is headed by Prime Minister.

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- The Executive Council gives its opinion to the Political Council, which authorises a nuclear attack when deemed necessary.

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- This kind of organisational structure is created to prevent the accidental or unauthorised use of nuclear weapons.

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Strategic Forces Command

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- SFC is a part of Nuclear Command Authority, responsible to operationalize the directives of NCA and for the management and administration of the country's tactical and strategic nuclear weapons stockpile.

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- SFC is headed by Commander-in-chief of the rank of Air Marshal.

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- It will have the sole responsibility of initiating the process of delivering nuclear weapons and warheads, after acquiring explicit approval from the NCA.

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International Vision Zero Conference

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- The conference is being organized by Ministry of Labour and Employment.

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- The conference aims to focus on the Occupational Safety and Health issues and challenges in the Manufacturing, Construction and Mining sector.

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- It is computer generated digital life certificate for pensioner using their Biometric Credentials.

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- Digital Life Certificate is a valid certificate and recognized under the IT Act.

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- The system benefits the pensioner from having to go before the Pension disbursing Authority to prove that he/she is alive.

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- Pensioners of Central Government, State Government or any other Government organization can take benefit of this facility.

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