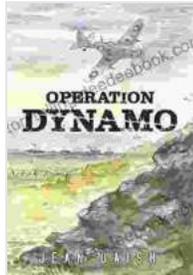


# Operation Dynamo Venkat Subramaniam: India's Unsung Heroes of the Dunkirk Evacuation



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Operation Dynamo was the code name for the British-led evacuation of Allied troops from the beaches and harbor of Dunkirk, France, between May 26 and June 4, 1940. The operation was a resounding success, with over 338,000 troops being evacuated.

Less well-known is the fact that Indian forces played a significant role in Operation Dynamo. The Indian Navy, Army, and Air Force all contributed to the evacuation effort. This article will take a closer look at the role of Indian forces in Operation Dynamo and highlight the bravery and sacrifice of these unsung heroes.

## The Role of the Indian Navy

The Indian Navy played a vital role in Operation Dynamo. Indian warships evacuated over 7,000 troops from Dunkirk. These ships included the cruisers INS Calcutta and INS Delhi, the destroyers INS Rajputana and INS Jumna, and the sloops INS Sutlej and INS Sutlej.

The Indian Navy also provided air cover for the evacuation fleet. Indian fighter aircraft from the aircraft carrier INS Vikrant flew sorties over Dunkirk to protect the ships from German air attack.

### **The Role of the Indian Army**

The Indian Army also played a significant role in Operation Dynamo. Indian troops were responsible for guarding the beaches and harbor of Dunkirk. These troops fought bravely to hold back the German advance and allow the evacuation to take place.

Indian troops also provided logistical support for the evacuation effort. They helped to load troops onto ships and provided food and water to the evacuees.

### **The Role of the Indian Air Force**

The Indian Air Force also played a role in Operation Dynamo. Indian fighter aircraft from the aircraft carrier INS Vikrant flew sorties over Dunkirk to protect the ships from German air attack.

Indian fighter aircraft also attacked German positions on the ground. This helped to slow the German advance and allowed the evacuation to take place.

### **The Legacy of Operation Dynamo**

Operation Dynamo was a major success for the Allies. The evacuation of over 338,000 troops from Dunkirk allowed the Allies to continue the fight against Nazi Germany.

The role of Indian forces in Operation Dynamo was significant. The Indian Navy, Army, and Air Force all played vital roles in the success of the operation.

The bravery and sacrifice of Indian forces in Operation Dynamo should never be forgotten. These unsung heroes played a key role in the Allied victory in World War II.

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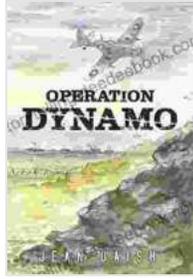
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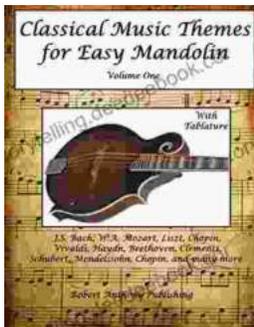
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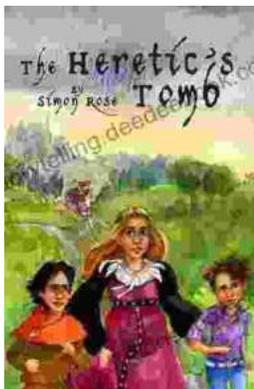
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