



1. Shri S Krishnan appointed as Part-Time Chairman of J&K Bank

- **Appointment Approval**: The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved S Krishnan's appointment as part-time chairman of J&K Bank, effective November 13, 2025, until March 26, 2028.
- **Previous Roles**: Krishnan is a veteran banker with over four decades of experience, having served as MD & CEO of Punjab & Sind Bank and Tamilnad Mercantile Bank.



- **Expertise**: He brings expertise in corporate credit, risk management, digital transformation, and business process re-engineering.
- **Tenure**: Krishnan's tenure as part-time chairman will be for approximately 2 years and 4 months.
- **Bank's Performance**: J&K Bank has reported a 10.2% growth in deposits and 9.4% growth in net advances as of September 2025.

Foot notes:

About J&K Bank-

• MD & CEO: Amitava Chatterjee

• **Headquarters**: Srinagar

• **Founded**: 1938

2. Belgium and Netherlands to Jointly Host 2026 FIH Hockey World Cup

• **First-Ever Joint Hosting for FIH World Cup**: This marks the first time in the history of the FIH Hockey World Cup that the



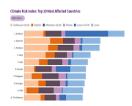


event will be officially co-hosted by two nations (Belgium and the Netherlands).

- **Dual Men's and Women's Tournament**: The competition will simultaneously host both the Men's and Women's FIH World Cups, featuring 16 male and 16 female national teams. This is only the third time in history that both tournaments will be staged together.
- Inclusion of ParaHockey World Cup: In a significant move for diversity and inclusion, the first-ever FIH ParaHockey World Cup for athletes with intellectual disabilities will be held concurrently with the main event, sharing the same venues for the finals.
- **Finals Split Between Hosts**: The women's final will be held at the Wagener Stadium in Amstelveen on Saturday, August 29, and the men's final will take place at the Belfius Hockey Arena in Wavre on Sunday, August 30.

3. India ranked 9th in the Climate Risk Index 2026

- **Rank**: India is ranked 9th globally among countries most affected by extreme weather events between 1995 and 2024.
- Extreme Weather Events: India faced around 430 extreme weather events, including floods, heatwaves, cyclones, and droughts, resulting in over 80,000 deaths and economic losses of \$170 billion.



- **Vulnerability**: India is categorized as facing "continuous threats" due to recurring disasters that hinder recovery, with its vast population and high exposure to monsoon variability making it particularly vulnerable.
- **Progress**: India improved its annual rank from 10th in 2023 to 15th in 2024, reflecting gradual progress in disaster preparedness, early warning systems, and climate adaptation policies.
- Global Context: The Climate Risk Index 2026, released by Germanwatch at COP30 in Belem, Brazil, highlights that the top 10 most affected countries are from the Global South, with Dominica, Myanmar, and Honduras being the most affected.

4. Haryana ranked as 'Top Achiever' state in Ease of Doing Business

- **Reform Areas**: Haryana excelled in three key reform areas: Business Entry, Land Administration, and Sector-Specific Healthcare.
- **Reforms Implemented**: The state has implemented 9 key reforms and is fast-tracking 13 more under its deregulation initiative, aiming to complete all 23 identified reforms by year-end.





- **Simplified Processes**: Haryana has simplified the Change of Land Use (CLU) process, reducing documentation from 19 to just 3 essentials, with an average approval time of 36 days.
- **Investor-Friendly Initiories**: The state has integrated all services with the National Single Window System (NSWS) and implemented its own Jan Vishwas framework, decriminalizing minor offenses and introducing civil penalties.
- **Recognition**: Haryana received this recognition at Udyog Samagam 2025, chaired by Union Minister Piyush Goyal, showcasing its commitment to improving the business environment and job creation potential.

5. India clinches three gold and two silver medals at 24th Asian Archery Championships 2025

- Gold in Compound Mixed Team: Abhishek Verma and Deepshikha secured India's first gold medal, defeating Bangladesh 153-151.
- Women's Compound Team Gold: The Indian women's team, comprising Deepshikha, Jyothi Surekha Vennam, and Prithika Pradeep, defeated Korea 236-234, successfully defending their Asian crown.
- **Jyothi Surekha Vennam's Individual Gold**: Jyothi Surekha Vennam edged out Prithika Pradeep 147-145 in an all-Indian final, claiming her eighth Asian Championship title.
- Compound Men's Team Silver: Abhishek Verma, Sahil Jadhav, and Prathamesh Fuge secured silver, narrowly losing to Kazakhstan.
- **Dominance in Compound Archery**: India's strong performance reaffirms its position as a top contender in Asian archery, showcasing the country's growing prowess in the sport.

6. Groww's parent, Billionbrains Garage Ventures, became India's most valued listed broker

- Market Capitalization: Billionbrains Garage Ventures boasts a market capitalization of ₹85,251 crore, solidifying its position as India's most valued listed broker.
- Groww
- **User Base**: Groww has an impressive 1.29 crore NSE active clients, surpassing its closest competitor, Angel One, which has 75.8 lakh active clients.



- **Revenue Growth**: The company's revenue from operations has grown significantly, reaching ₹3,902 crore, with a profit of ₹1,824 crore and a profit margin of 44.92%.
- **Digital Presence**: Groww's strong digital presence is evident in its 98.36% coverage of Indian pin codes, making it a leading fintech player.
- **IPO Success**: The company's IPO, which closed on November 7, 2025, was oversubscribed 17.6 times, reflecting investors' confidence in its growth potential.

Foot notes:

About Groww-

• **CEO**: Lalit Keshre

• **Headquarters**: Vancouver, Canada

• **Founded**: 2014

7. C-DOT, NAM InfoCom Join Hands for MCX System

- **Joint Development**: C-DOT and NAM InfoCom will collaborate to develop an MCX solution, with NAM InfoCom focusing on the MC Video component, enhancing C-DOT's existing MCX system.
- Indigenous Technology: The partnership aims to promote indigenous technology development, aligning with the Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative, and reducing reliance on foreign mission-critical communication technologies.
- **3GPP Standards**: The MCX system is being developed in line with 3GPP standards, supporting Mission Critical Push-to-Talk (MCPTT), Mission Critical Data (MCData), and Mission Critical Video (MCVideo) services.
- **Secure Communication**: The solution will provide secure, reliable, high-quality, low-latency audio/video communication, tailored for public safety and emergency response scenarios, including disaster management and law enforcement.
- **Funding and Support**: The project is fully funded under C-DOT's Collaborative Research Programme (CCRP), with C-DOT providing technical expertise.

8. NLC India Limited Receives Prestigious "Nishta ki Pratishta" Award

• Award Recognition: The award recognizes Motupalli's outstanding contributions to Odisha's growth, particularly in





- enhancing power generation capacity and steering NLCIL's sustainable development initiatives.
- **Leadership**: Motupalli's visionary leadership and dedication to fostering growth and sustainability in Odisha were highlighted during the ceremony.
- **NLCIL's Projects**: NLCIL's impactful projects in Odisha, including the Talabira II & III coal mines and the proposed Thermal Power Plant, were showcased.
- Sustainable Growth: NLCIL is exploring repurposing mined-out lands for Solar and Pumped Storage projects, promoting sustainable growth.
- Social Responsibility: NLCIL's social responsibility initiatives and socioeconomic upliftment efforts aim to benefit Odisha.

9. P. M. Murugesan received the Jamnalal Bajaj Award 2025 for Science & Technology

• **Award Category**: He was awarded in the 'Application of Science & Technology for Rural Development' category, recognizing his contributions to transforming agricultural waste into sustainable livelihoods.



- Innovative Work: Murugesan developed machines to extract and process banana fiber from waste stems, promoting eco-friendly products and empowering thousands of women.
- **Impact**: His innovations have helped reduce harmful burning practices, created employment opportunities for rural women, and promoted sustainable waste-to-wealth models.
- **Recognition**: He received the award, which includes a Citation, Trophy, and a cash prize of ₹20 lakh, at the 47th Jamnalal Bajaj Awards ceremony.
- **Gandhian Values**: The award honors individuals who embody Gandhian principles, and Murugesan's work reflects a commitment to self-reliance, peace, and sustainable development.

10. Children's Day observed on 14th November

• Children's Day is celebrated in India every year on 14th November to honour the birth anniversary of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.



- Nehru, India's first Prime Minister, was fondly known as 'Chacha Nehru' for his deep love and affection for children.
- The day highlights the importance of children's rights, education, and overall well-being.



- Schools and institutions across the country organize special events, cultural programs, and activities to celebrate the day.
- Children's Day serves as a reminder to protect, nurture, and empower children, who are the future of the nation.

