

THE DAILY GK DOSE

VICE ADMIRAL KRISHNA SWAMINATHAN APPOINTED AS CHIEF OF NAVAL STAFF

- **Extensive Operational Experience:** An expert in Communication and Electronic Warfare, he previously served as the Chief of Personnel and has commanded key platforms, including the aircraft carrier INS Vikramaditya.
- **Educational Credentials:** He is highly decorated and academically accomplished, holding a PhD from Mumbai University in International Studies and having attended the United States Naval War College.
- **Strategic Leadership:** As Vice Chief, his role focuses on the Navy's modernization, operational readiness, and overseeing the "Atmanirbhar Bharat" (self-reliance) initiatives in indigenous ship-building.

JGU BECOMES INDIA'S 1ST IOE TO RECEIVE DATA SCIENCE COUNCIL OF AMERICA ACCREDITATION

- **Global Benchmarking:** The accreditation aligns JGU's data science and business analytics programs with international industry standards, ensuring students receive a world-class curriculum that is recognized globally.
- **Career Readiness:** Students at JGU now have access to DASCA's professional certifications, significantly enhancing their

employability in high-demand fields like Big Data, AI, and Machine Learning.

- **Interdisciplinary Excellence:** This move highlights JGU's commitment to integrating advanced technology with social sciences and management, reinforcing its status as a leader in innovative higher education within India.

MAHARASHTRA APPROVES COMPRESSED BIOGAS POLICY 2026



- **Financial Incentives & Outlay:** The government has earmarked ₹500 crore for the 2026–27 fiscal year. It offers Viability Gap Funding (VGF) of up to ₹75 lakh per tonne of capacity (capped at ₹15 crore per project) and a 2.5% SGST reimbursement to ensure commercial sustainability.
- **Innovative Implementation Models:** For the first time, CBG projects will be executed using the PPP and HAM. This helps de-risk investments for private players and encourages the development of cluster-based projects in every district.
- **Operational & Land Support:** To fast-track development, the policy provides land on a concessional lease (0.7% of the Ready Reckoner rate) and grants CBG units "Priority Infrastructure" status.

IMPORTANT FACTS

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Trick - समानता

- स - साबरमती नदी
- मा - माही नदी
- न - नर्मदा नदी
- ता - ताप्ती नदी

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DRDO, IAF CONDUCT MAIDEN FLIGHT-TRIAL OF INDIGENOUS TARA GLIDE WEAPON

- **Service & Background:** A 1998-batch officer of the Indian Post & Telecommunication Accounts and Finance Service (IP&TA&FS), Mahto has been appointed at the Joint Secretary level. He succeeds Moly Chandan Chakraborty (IDAS: 1993).
- **Tenure & Jurisdiction:** His appointment is effective immediately and will continue until his superannuation on December 31, 2028. He will be based at the headquarters of the Office of the Jute Commissioner in Kolkata.
- **Key Responsibilities:** As Jute Commissioner, he will function under the Ministry of Textiles, overseeing the implementation of the Jute Packaging Materials Act, 1987, and managing the balance between the interests of jute farmers, mills, and the growing demand for sustainable, biodegradable packaging.

DIPANKAR MAHTO APPOINTED AS JUTE COMMISSIONER OF KOLKATA

- **Stand-off Precision Capability:** TARA is a modular "glide kit" that converts conventional unguided ("dumb") bombs into precision-guided, stand-off weapons. This allows pilots to release munitions from a safe distance (up to 150–180 km), keeping the aircraft outside the range of enemy air defenses.
- **Cost-Effective Indigenization:** Developed primarily by the Research Centre Imarat (RCI) in Hyderabad, it is the first indigenous system to utilize high-performance but low-cost subsystems. This reduces India's reliance on expensive imported kits like the American JDAM or Israeli Spice.
- **Successful Platform Validation:** The maiden trial was carried out using an IAF Jaguar fighter aircraft off the coast of Odisha. The test successfully validated the kit's aerodynamic glide performance, structural integrity, and high-precision terminal accuracy.

SUVENDU ADHIKARI TAKES OATH AS WEST BENGAL CM

- **Historic Electoral Win:** The BJP secured a decisive majority with 207 seats in the 294-member Assembly, ending 15 years of Trinamool Congress (TMC) rule. Notably, Suwendu Adhikari defeated former CM Mamata Banerjee in her traditional stronghold of Bhabanipur by a margin of over 15,000 votes.
- **The Swearing-In Ceremony:** The oath of office and secrecy was administered by Governor R.N. Ravi at the Brigade Parade

Ground in Kolkata. The event was attended by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Home Minister Amit Shah, and several other top NDA leaders.

- **Cabinet Formation:** Along with the Chief Minister, a five-member initial Council of Ministers took the oath, including prominent leaders like Dilip Ghosh, Agnimitra Paul, Ashok Kirtania, Nisith Pramanik, and Kshudiram Tudu, reflecting a strategy of regional and social balancing.

NEUROSURGEON V S MEHTA TO RECEIVE AIIMS LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



- **Recognition of a Storied Career:** The award will be presented during the 51st Annual Convocation of AIIMS at Bharat Mandapam on May 12, 2026. Vice President C.P. Radhakrishnan is slated to attend as the chief guest for the ceremony.
- **A Pillar of AIIMS History:** Dr. Mehta served as the former Head of the Department of Neurosurgery and Chief of the Neurosciences Centre at AIIMS.

His leadership was instrumental in establishing the institute's Gamma Knife Centre, transforming the department into a global center of excellence.

- **Pioneer in Neurosurgery:** Renowned as a "Legend in Neurosciences," he is a pioneer in treating low-grade gliomas and was among the first in India to introduce image-guided brain tumor navigation technology.

BPCL KOCHI REFINERY WINS IMC RBNQA AWARD 2026

- **Recognition of Quality Excellence:** The RBNQA award is considered one of India's most rigorous and prestigious quality awards, modeled after the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award of the USA. It recognizes organizations that demonstrate world-class standards in operational efficiency and business results.
- **Sustainability and Innovation:** The award highlights Kochi Refinery's successful integration of the Propylene Derivative Petrochemical Project (PDPP) and its commitment to "Net Zero" targets through green hydrogen initiatives and energy-efficient refining processes.
- **Operational Leadership:** Under the leadership of the current Executive Director, the refinery was lauded for its strategic focus on digital transformation and maintaining a record-breaking safety standard while achieving its highest-ever crude oil processing throughput during the previous fiscal year.

WHAT HAPPENED TODAY?

10.05.2026 / SUNDAY

- **Mother's Day: May 10**
- **Theme 2026: "The Great Unburdening"**
- **It encourages a shift away from "picture-perfect" expectations toward a more authentic and modern understanding of parenthood.**