



Weekly **Current Affairs**

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NATIONAL NEWS



Government Launches DILRMP 3.0



- The Department of Land Resources (DoLR) under the Ministry of Rural Development launched the operational guidelines for Digital India Land Records Modernization Programme (DILRMP) 3.0.
- DILRMP 3.0 will be implemented during 2026–2031 with a total financial outlay of ₹565.50 crore.
- The programme will operate as a Central Sector Scheme.

18th BRICS Summit to Begin in New Delhi



- The theme is “Building for Resilience, Innovation, Cooperation and Sustainability”.
- The term “BRIC” was coined by Jim O’Neill, an economist at Goldman Sachs, in 2001.
- The BRICS New Development Bank (NDB) was established in 2014.

Chhattisgarh Approves ₹500 Crore NIPUN Mission



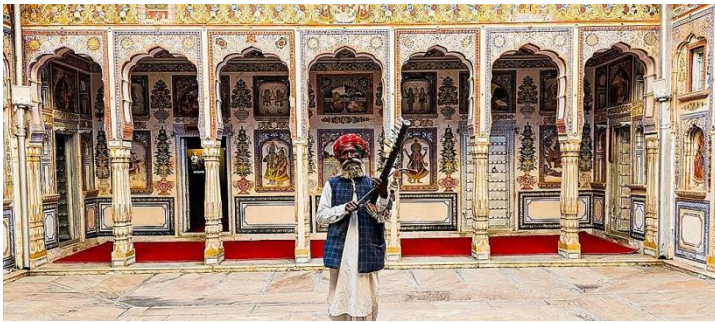
- NIPUN in this Chhattisgarh mission stands for New-age Industry Preparedness through Upskilling of New Generation Youth.
- The mission focuses on employment, skill development, entrepreneurship and innovation among the youth.
- The government has approved the establishment of 100 Emerging Technology Labs.

UIDAI Launches Aadhaar Face Authentication SDK and Sandbox



- UIDAI (Unique Identification Authority of India) launched a new Aadhaar Face Authentication Software Development Kit (SDK) in September 2026 to facilitate secure digital on boarding.
- The SDK is particularly aimed at banks, fintech companies and other BFSI (Banking, Financial Services and Insurance) entities.
- UIDAI introduced a Sandbox environment to help organisations test Aadhaar authentication services before deployment.

Rajasthan's Shekhawati Havelis Added to UNESCO Tentative List



- UNESCO has added the "Painted Haveli Towns of Shekhawati" of Rajasthan to India's Tentative List of World Heritage Sites.
- The nomination falls under the Cultural category of UNESCO World Heritage nominations.
- Inclusion in the Tentative List does not mean that Shekhawati has already received final UNESCO World Heritage Site status.

ADB Signs First TAS Mandate in India with Madhya Pradesh



- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has signed its first Transaction Advisory Services (TAS) mandate in India with the Government of Madhya Pradesh.
- ADB Country Director for India Mio Oka signed the agreement in the presence of Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav.
- ADB will provide transaction-advisory support for three renewable-energy projects.

Lucknow Tops Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan 2026

- Lucknow topped the Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan 2026 among cities with a population of more than 10 lakh.



- Indore secured second place and Jabalpur stood third in the million-plus category.
- The survey evaluates cities on their efforts to reduce air pollution and improve air quality under the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP).

Amit Shah Presents President's Colour to Goa Police



- Union Home Minister Amit Shah presented the prestigious President's Colour to Goa Police in Panaji, Goa.
- The honour recognises Goa Police's eight decades of dedicated service, valour, discipline and professional excellence.
- Goa Police has also contributed to coastal security, tourist safety and national security.

NITI Aayog Launches PACT for Zero-Emission Freight



- NITI Aayog's e-FAST India launched the Platform for Aggregating Clean Transport (PACT) to accelerate the deployment of zero-emission trucks.
- PACT will aggregate freight demand and connect stakeholders to strengthen the commercial case for clean freight transportation.
- The ZET Marketplace was also introduced to facilitate business, financing and charging partnerships.

Vice President Launches India Valve Registry in Chennai



- Vice President C. P. Radhakrishnan launched the India Valve Registry in Chennai, Tamil Nadu.
- The registry will collect systematic data on transcatheter valve interventions across India.
- It aims to generate India-specific evidence on valvular and structural heart diseases.

Chhattisgarh Tops Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari 3.0



- Chhattisgarh ranked first in India under Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari 3.0.
- The campaign focuses on rainwater harvesting and water conservation through community participation.
- Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari 3.0 is an initiative of the Ministry of Jal Shakti.

9th Rashtriya Poshan Maah to be Launched in Varanasi



- The 9th Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2026 will be launched on 9 September 2026 at Rudraksh International Cooperation and Convention Centre, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh.

- The theme of Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2026 is “Hamari Anganwadi Hamari Jimmedari” (Our Anganwadi, Our Responsibility).
- The campaign will be launched by Union Minister for Women and Child Development Annpurna Devi and is organised by the Ministry of Women and Child Development under the Poshan Abhiyaan.

Piyush Goyal Inaugurates 2nd Skill Development Centre in Kandivali



- Union Commerce & Industry Minister Piyush Goyal inaugurated the second Skill Development Centre in Thakur Village, Kandivali East, North Mumbai.
- The initiative involves collaboration between Brihan mumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) and the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC).
- The first Skill Development Centre was inaugurated in Borivali, North Mumbai.

Dahi Handi Festival celebrated in Maharashtra



- Dahi Handi is a popular and exuberant festival celebrated primarily in Maharashtra as part of Janmashtami, the birthday of Lord Krishna.
- The festival is particularly famous in Mumbai, Thane and Pune in Maharashtra.
- Dahi Handi is also known as “Gopalakala” in Maharashtra.

PM Modi Inaugurates Global Fintech Fest 2026



- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Global Fintech Fest (GFF) 2026 in Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- The festival brings together stakeholders from fintech, banking, financial services, technology, regulation and investment.
- He particularly highlighted the success of India's Unified Payments Interface (UPI).

India Joins Global Initiative on 6G Technology



- India has joined the United States and 24 other countries in an international initiative to shape the development of next-generation 6G networks.
- The initiative focuses on shared security interests, competitiveness and technological innovation.
- India is simultaneously advancing its domestic Bharat 6G Mission and Bharat 6G Alliance to strengthen its role in global 6G technology and standards.

India to host iBRICS Global Sovereign Capital Summit



- The summit will be held at The Oberoi, New Delhi.
- It is being hosted by the Sovereign Wealth Fund Institute (SWFI).
- The iBRICS Summit is designed to bring together sovereign, institutional and private capital from BRICS member and partner nations. (iBRICS : i means Investment)

India's 7th Postal Training Centre to Come Up in Shivpuri



- Union Minister for Communications and DoNER, Jyotiraditya M. Scindia, laid the foundation stone of India's 7th Postal Training Centre.
- The centre will be established at Kakarvaya in Shivpuri, Madhya Pradesh.
- The six existing Postal Training Centres are located at Saharanpur, Vadodara, Mysuru, Guwahati, Madurai and Darbhanga.

Government launches BIO-NIVESH for Biotechnology Start-ups



- BIO-NIVESH was launched by Dr Jitendra Singh, Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Science & Technology and Earth Sciences.
- It aims to create a stronger bridge between biotechnology innovators, start-ups and investors.
- The major objective is to attract private capital into promising biotechnology innovations.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS



Indian and French Space Firms Sign Paris Summit Agreements



- The agreements cover satellite launches, space surveillance and microsatellite technology.
- Safran Space (France) and Dhruva Space (India) signed contracts worth more than €5 million.
- French space company U-Space and Indian company AXISCADES signed a commercial cooperation agreement concerning India's microsatellite market.

UK Recognises India's Carbon Credit Scheme



- The UK has recognised India's Carbon Credit Trading Scheme (CCTS) as a qualifying carbon pricing scheme under its Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM).
- The Carbon Credit Trading Scheme (CCTS) was established under the Energy Conservation Act, 2001, as amended in 2022.
- The Ministry of Power is the nodal ministry for India's Carbon Credit Trading Scheme.

Sikkim Film 'Numahangma' Selected for Nepal Film Festival

- The 2nd Nepal Indigenous Film Festival 2026 is scheduled to be held in London, United Kingdom.
- Numahangma, directed by Niyara Subba, produced by H.M. Subba, has a runtime of 90 minutes.
- The film represents Sikkim's indigenous culture and cinematic traditions.

27th World Knowledge Forum Begins in Seoul



- The 27th World Knowledge Forum (WKF) began in Seoul, South Korea, bringing together global leaders and experts to discuss key global challenges and opportunities.
- The World Knowledge Forum was founded in 2000 by Chang Dae-Whan, chairman of Maekyung Media Group.
- It is being held under theme "The Promethean Moment: Architecting Co-Intelligence Order."

Macron Urges EU Ban on Social Media for Under-15s

- French President Emmanuel Macron has urged the European Union to introduce a bloc-wide ban on social media for children under 15 years..
- France had previously attempted to introduce national restrictions on social-media access for children under 15.
- His proposal has been influenced by the approach adopted by Australia toward social-media access for minors.

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS



Rani Mukerji Gets Maharashtra's Raj Kapoor Award



- Rani Mukerji was honoured with the Raj Kapoor Special Contribution Award at the 62nd Maharashtra State Film Awards.
- The award ceremony was held at Ravindra Natya Mandir, Mumbai.
- Chabila won the Best Feature Film Award, while Sthal emerged as the biggest winner with six awards.

Kishor Makwana to Receive Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Jan Seva Puraskar

- Kishor Makwana, Chairman of the National Commission for Scheduled Castes (NCSC), has been selected for the Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Jan Seva Puraskar 2026.
- The award recognises his contributions to public service, social welfare and the upliftment of Scheduled Castes.
- The NCSC is a constitutional body established under Article 338 of the Constitution of India.

72nd National Film Awards 2026 to Be Held in Gujarat



- Mammooty and Kartik Aaryan were selected as joint winners of the Best Actor award for Bramayugam and Chandu Champion, respectively.
- Yami Gautam received the Best Actress award for her performance in Article 370.
- Randeep Hooda received the award for Best Debut Director for Swatantrya Veer Savarkar.

Justice Dipak Misra Conferred Kalinga Ratna Award

- Former 45th Chief Justice of India (CJI), Justice Dipak Misra, has been conferred with the prestigious Kalinga Ratna Award 2026.
- The award was presented in Cuttack, Odisha.
- The honour was conferred by Sarala Sahitya Sansad, a prominent literary organisation of Odisha.

Joheirry Mola Dominguez is Miss World 2026



- Joheirry Mola Dominguez of the Dominican Republic was crowned Miss World 2026 at the 73rd Miss World pageant held in Nha Trang, Vietnam.
- She defeated contestants from 110 countries, while Elisabeth Reynés Alabern of Spain was the first runner-up and Taanusiya Chetty of Malaysia was the second runner-up.
- Her victory gave the Dominican Republic its second Miss World crown, after Mariasela Álvarez won in 1982.

NEW APPOINTMENTS



Dinesh Appointed Andaman & Nicobar Lieutenant Governor



- Dinesh Sharma has been appointed as the Lieutenant Governor of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands by President Droupadi Murmu.
- He will succeed Admiral D. K. Joshi (Retd.), who served as the LG since 2017.
- Dinesh Sharma previously served as the Deputy Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh and Mayor of Lucknow.

Shakti Sharma becomes 1st Woman Non-Medical Air Vice Marshal



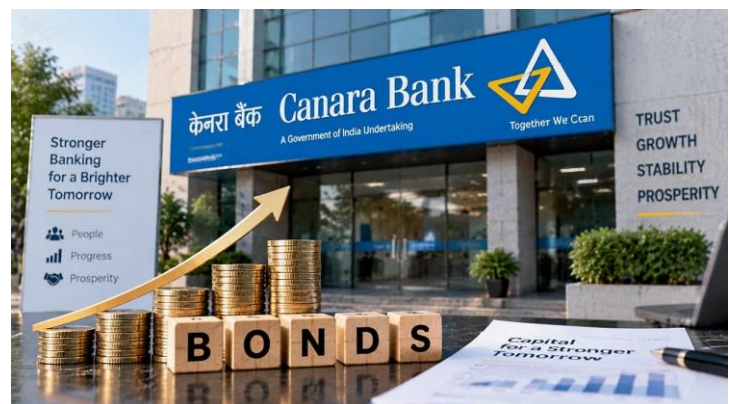
- Air Vice Marshal (AVM) Shakti Sharma became the first woman non-medical officer in the Indian Defence Forces to attain the rank of Air Vice Marshal or equivalent.
- These IAF Chairs of Excellence were established at IIT Kanpur and Pune University.
- She served as the Principal of Sainik School, Kapurthala.

BANKING NEWS



Canara Bank Invests Over ₹50 Cr. in DPDPA Compliance Initiative

- The reported contract is for a period of 3 years.
- Canara Bank has reportedly committed more than ₹50 crore towards strengthening compliance with India's Digital Personal Data Protection Act (DPDPA), 2023.
- A ₹52.19 crore contract was awarded for the supply, installation, integration, implementation and management of a Digital Personal Data Protection solution for Canara Bank.



Phone Pe Launches Visa Tokenisation and Tap to Pay



- PhonePe and Visa announced a strategic partnership at the Global Fintech Fest (GFF) 2026 in Mumbai.
- PhonePe became the first app in India to offer a unified suite of Visa capabilities comprising Online Device Tokenisation, Tap to Pay and Cross Border Scan to Pay.
- Tap to Pay enables eligible Android users to tokenise their Visa cards and make contactless payments at POS terminals using their smart phones.

RBI Grants Scheduled Bank Status to Coastal Local Area Bank

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has granted Scheduled Bank status to Coastal Local Area Bank Limited.
- RBI included the bank in the Second Schedule of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934.
- The bank is headquartered in Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh.

LIC Gets RBI Approval to Acquire Up to 9.99% Stake in ICICI Bank

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved the Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) to acquire up to 9.99% stake in ICICI Bank.
- The approval allows LIC to acquire up to 9.99% of ICICI Bank's paid-up share capital or voting rights.
- The approval is valid for one year from the date of the RBI's approval.

SPORTS



East Zone Wins Duleep Trophy After 13 Years



- East Zone defeated South Zone in the final played in Bengaluru.
- Ishan Kishan scored a brilliant 189 runs for East Zone.
- East Zone posted 521 runs in its first innings.

Sheetal Devi Wins Gold at World Archery Para Series



- Sheetal Devi won the gold medal in the women's individual compound event at the World Archery Para Series Stage III in Ahmedabad, Gujarat.
- She defeated Aizada Seidan of Kazakhstan in the final.
- The Ahmedabad event was the first World Archery Para Series stage hosted by India.

Spain Footballer Marcos Llorente Retires From International Football



- Llorente was part of Spain's squad that won the 2026 FIFA World Cup.
- Spain defeated Argentina 1–0 in the 2026 FIFA World Cup final.
- Llorente was part of Spain's squad at the 2022 FIFA World Cup in Qatar.

Satwik–Chirag Win Maiden China Masters Title



- Indian men's doubles pair Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty won their maiden China Masters title.
- They defeated China's He Ji Ting and Ren Xiang Yu in the final.
- Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty are Indian badminton players; Satwik belongs to Andhra Pradesh, while Chirag belongs to Maharashtra.

India to Host World Archery Para Series 2026



- India is hosting the 2026 Hyundai World Archery Para Series for the first time.
- The event is being held in Ahmedabad, Gujarat, at the Sabarmati Riverfront.
- The 2026 Hyundai World Archery Para Series consists of four stages held across Bangkok, Thailand; Czechia; Ahmedabad, India; and Santiago, Chile.

India Wins 9 Medals at International Earth Science Olympiad



- India achieved its best-ever performance at the 19th International Earth Science Olympiad (IESO) 2026.
- India won a total of 9 medals at the international competition. India's medal tally consisted of 4 Gold, 3 Silver and 2 Bronze medals.
- The 19th IESO was held in Turin, Italy.

DEFENCE & TECHNOLOGY



NPCI Launches Two New Agentic AI Platforms



- NPCI (National Payments Corporation of India) launched two new agentic AI platforms at the Global Fintech Fest (GFF) 2026 in Mumbai.
- The two platforms launched by NPCI are AiNxt and Agentic Orchestration & Messaging (AtOM).
- AiNxt enables AI-powered enterprise workflows and automation, while AtOM is an agentic AI orchestration and messaging platform that facilitates communication and coordination between AI agents.

INS Mysore Joins Samudra Laksamana 4/26 in Malaysia



- INS Mysore arrived at Lumut, Malaysia, to participate in the 4th edition of Exercise Samudra Laksamana 4/26.
- Exercise Samudra Laksamana is a bilateral maritime exercise between the Indian Navy and Royal Malaysian Navy (RMN).
- INS Mysore is a Delhi-class guided-missile destroyer of the Indian Navy.

Japan's F-2A Fighters Arrive for Veer Guardian 2026



- Japanese F-2A fighter aircraft have arrived in India for Exercise Veer Guardian 2026 with the Indian Air Force at Jodhpur, Rajasthan.
- This is the first time Japanese fighter aircraft are operating from an Indian air base for a bilateral exercise.

Agnikul Cosmos Opens New Testing Units in Chennai



- Chennai-based space-tech startup Agnikul Cosmos inaugurated two new facilities: Stage Testing & Inspection Facility (STIF) and Pressurant Tank Realisation, Over-wrapping and Outfitting Facility (PROOF).
- STIF can test complete rocket stages with integrated propulsion and avionics, supporting thrust levels from 1 kN to 200 kN.
- PROOF will support the in-house manufacturing of high-pressure composite overwrapped pressure vessels.

Astrogate Labs to Launch India's First Optical Inter-Satellite Link



- Indian deep-tech company Astrogate Labs is developing India's first indigenous Optical Inter-Satellite Link (OISL) terminal.
- Its AstroLink Micro laser communication terminal offers a data rate of 10 Gbps, with flight readiness targeted for 2027.
- The company has already supplied an indigenous satellite-to-ground laser communication terminal to ISRO, strengthening India's space-communication capabilities.

HAL, Samtel Open India's First Defence Avionics Facility



- Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) and Samtel Avionics inaugurated a defence avionics facility in Gurugram, Haryana.
- The facility operates under their joint venture Samtel HAL Display Systems Limited (SHDS).
- SHDS was established in 2006 and focuses on indigenous airborne display systems and avionics.

Defence Minister Releases 'RAKSHA' Document



- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh released the 'RAKSHA' document on Defence Diplomacy.
- The document was released in New Delhi.
- RAKSHA provides a strategic framework for India's defence diplomacy for the next 10 years.

Indian Air Force to host Dronathon-2026 to boost indigenous drone and counter-drone technology.



- The event focuses on Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) and Counter-Unmanned Aerial Systems (CUAS).
- It will feature static displays and live demonstrations to assess the operational and combat effectiveness of emerging technologies.
- Key focus areas include surveillance & reconnaissance, autonomous operations, swarm technologies and electronic warfare.
- The initiative supports Atmanirbhar Bharat by bringing together domestic manufacturers, start-ups and defence innovators.