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NATIONAL NEWS

- Who inaugurated KAUMARACON-2026 at AIIA, New Delhi? **Vice-President C. P. Radhakrishnan**
- What was the theme of KAUMARACON-2026?
"Shaping the Future of Child Health: Global Perspectives, Research Innovations, and Clinical Frontiers in Kaumarabhritya"
- Which two wetlands were added to India's Ramsar List? **Sukhna Wetland and Sauj Jheel**
- How many Ramsar sites did India have after these additions? **103**
- Where was India's largest integrated phenol and acetone plant inaugurated? **Haldia, West Bengal**
- Which company's subsidiary inaugurated the Haldia plant?
Adperma Private Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Haldia Petrochemicals Limited
- How many days of wages does the approved railway employee bonus cover? **78 days**
- What is the maximum bonus payable to an eligible railway employee? **₹17,951**
- Which Union Territory became India's first fully literate UT under ULLAS? **Lakshadweep**
- What is the full form of ULLAS?
Understanding of Lifelong Learning for All in Society
- Who inaugurated the Boeing Sukanya Programme STEM Lab in Odisha?
Odisha Governor Hari Babu Kambhampati
- Where was the Boeing Sukanya Programme STEM Lab established?
The Kosala School, Bargarh district, Odisha
- Which state launched India's first Red List of Ecosystems assessment project? **Kerala**
- Which organisation launched the ecosystem assessment project in Kollam?
Kerala State Biodiversity Board
- Which temple received the 'Ati Vishisht' rating under FSSAI's Eat Right Place of Worship initiative?
Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Temple, Ayodhya
- What does BHOG stand for in FSSAI's initiative?
Blissful Hygienic Offering to God
- Which state will host CyberTech Asia 2027?
Maharashtra
- Where will CyberTech Asia 2027 be held?
Jio Convention Centre, Mumbai
- Which state received projects worth over ₹13,000 crore launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi?
Tamil Nadu
- Which five railway stations in Tamil Nadu were redeveloped under the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme?
Palani, Vellore Cantonment, Ambasamudram, Paramakkudi and Namakkal
- Which Gujarati sweet received a Geographical Indication tag? **Ambaji Mohanthali**
- Name two other GI-tagged products from Gujarat mentioned in the document?
Gir Kesar Mango and Patan Patola
- What new name was approved for Noida International Airport at Jewar?
Narendra Modi International Airport, Noida-Jewar
- In which district of Uttar Pradesh is Noida International Airport located?
Gautam Buddha Nagar
- Where was the Shinzo Abe Memorial Corridor inaugurated in India?
Rudraksh International Convention Centre, Varanasi
- Which Indian civilian honour was awarded to Shinzo Abe in 2021? **Padma Vibhushan**
- Where did the BRICS Theatre Festival 2026 commence?
National School of Drama, New Delhi
- What was the theme of the BRICS Theatre Festival 2026?
"Shared Stories, Shared Futures"

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- Where is the green ammonia plant supported by ADB and Japan being developed?
Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh
- What is the planned annual production capacity of the Kakinada green ammonia plant?
Approximately 1.09 million tonnes
- Which US state declared a disaster emergency in response to rising measles cases?
New York
- Which three diseases does the MMR vaccine protect against?
Measles, mumps and rubella

AWARDS & RECOGNITION NEWS

- Which Indian steel company won the 2026 Steelie Award in the Excellence in People category?
Jindal Steel Limited
- What was the name of Jindal Steel's award-winning initiative?
"Dakshata – Engineering Safety, One Duty Position at a Time"
- Which organisation presents the Steelie Awards?
World Steel Association (worldsteel)
- Who was named Young Wildlife Photographer of the Year 2026?
Oscar Whitfield
- What was the title of Oscar Whitfield's winning photograph?
Labour of Love
- Which Indian business leader was named a recipient of France's Légion d'honneur?
Sunil Bharti Mittal
- What rank in the French National Order of the Legion of Honour will Sunil Bharti Mittal receive?
Chevalier (Knight)
- Who won the 2026 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences, according to the document?
Robert E. Hall and Michael Woodford
- What research work was recognised by the 2026 Economics Nobel Prize?
Work on the microeconomic foundations of macroeconomic stabilization
- Who received the 2026 Nobel Peace Prize, according to the document?
Navanethem "Navi" Pillay

- Which documentary was named India's national winner at the Asian Academy Creative Awards 2026?
Pandharpur Wari – In the Footsteps of the Saints
- In which category did the Pandharpur Wari documentary win?
Best Branded Programme
- What was Navi Pillay recognised for?
Her efforts to promote peace and international law
- Which two international judicial institutions did Navi Pillay serve as a judge for?
International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and International Criminal Court

APPOINTMENTS NEWS

- Who was appointed UNICEF India's Celebrity Advocate?
Smriti Mandhana
- On which occasion was Smriti Mandhana appointed UNICEF India's Celebrity Advocate?
International Day of the Girl Child
- Who was appointed Deputy Election Commissioner, succeeding Sanjay Kumar?
Prakash Rajpurohit
- Until what date is Prakash Rajpurohit's tenure scheduled to continue?
8 April 2030
- Who is scheduled to become HDFC Bank's MD and CEO on 27 October 2026?
Anup Bagchi
- Which organisation did Anup Bagchi lead before his planned appointment at HDFC Bank?
ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Company

BANKING NEWS

- Which entity was approved as the strategic buyer for IDBI Bank?
A group entity of Fairfax Financial Holdings
- What was the approved consideration for the IDBI Bank stake sale?
Approximately ₹52,878.08 crore
- What total stake in IDBI Bank is covered by the approved sale?
60.72%
- What percentage of IDBI Bank's stake will the Government of India sell?
30.48%

- What merchant discount rate on selected UPI transactions above ₹2,000 did NPCI defer? **0.4%**
- Until when was the proposed MDR implementation deferred? **Until after Diwali 2026**
- What does MDR stand for in digital payments?

Merchant Discount Rate

- Which World Bank report discussed India's AI readiness?

India Development Update: India and Artificial Intelligence—Seizing the Development Opportunity

- How much did private AI investment in India reach in 2025, according to the report? **US\$4.1 billion**
- How many professionals were employed by India's Global Capability Centres in 2025? **2.36 million**
- Which organisation subscribed to NSDC's ZCZP issue on the Social Stock Exchange? **NABARD**
- What was the value of NABARD's subscription to the NSDC ZCZP issue? **₹4 crore**
- How many rural OBC youths in Madhya Pradesh is the NSDC initiative expected to support? **600**
- What is the main feature of a Zero Coupon Zero Principal instrument?

It pays no interest and does not return the principal to the subscriber

SPORTS NEWS

- Who won silver in the men's 55 kg Greco-Roman category at the U23 World Wrestling Championships? **Vishvajit Ramchandra More**
- Which Georgian wrestler defeated Vishvajit More in the final? **Koba Karumidze**
- Which state will host the Hero Men's Asian Champions Trophy 2026? **Punjab**
- Which two cities will jointly host the Men's Asian Champions Trophy 2026? **Mohali and Jalandhar**
- Which Nepali golfer is set to become the first golfer from Nepal to compete in a DP World Tour event? **Subhash Tamang**
- Where is the DP World India Championship scheduled to take place?

Delhi Golf Club, New Delhi

- Who were named the ICC Women's and Men's Players of the Month for September 2026?

Shafali Verma and Shubman Gill

- Which Indian cricketer equalled the record for the most ICC Men's Player of the Month awards, with five?
- Who won her maiden professional women's singles title at the ITF W35 Lagos tournament?

Shubman Gill

Maaya Rajeshwaran Revathi

- Which Spanish player did Maaya Rajeshwaran Revathi defeat in the final?
- Who won gold in the men's 10-metre air pistol event at the ISSF World Cup in Cairo?

Celia Cervino Ruiz

- How many points did Udhayveer Sidhu score in the final?
- Which Indian lawn bowls player from Assam was reported to have won India's first World Bowls medal?
- Where was the World Bowls tournament mentioned in the document held?

Udhayveer Sidhu

240.6 points

Putul Sonowal

Barham, New South Wales, Australia

- Which driver won the 2026 Formula 1 Singapore Grand Prix?
- Which team did Max Verstappen represent at the Singapore Grand Prix?
- By what margin did Verstappen win the Singapore Grand Prix ahead of Charles Leclerc?

Max Verstappen

Red Bull Racing

7.335 seconds

- Which team's Grassroots Football Festival increased participation to around 420 children in its third edition?
- Which age groups are covered by Nagaland's Grassroots Football Festival?

Nagaland's Baby League

Children aged 5–12 years, divided into four groups

- Which state department received the SKOCH Silver Award for its Grassroots Football Festival?

Youth Resources and Sports Department, Government of Nagaland

- What is another name for Nagaland's award-winning Grassroots Football Festival?

Baby League

DEFENCE & TECHNOLOGY NEWS

- Which state inaugurated its first battery-storage-integrated solar power project at Rongtong?
Himachal Pradesh
- What are the solar power and battery storage capacities of the Rongtong project?
2 MW and 1 MWh, respectively
- How much electricity is the Rongtong solar project expected to generate annually ?
Around 36 lakh units
- Which Indian Army regiment won a gold medal at Exercise Cambrian Patrol 2026? **Assam Regiment**
- Where was Exercise Cambrian Patrol 2026 held?
Wales, United Kingdom
- Which indigenous multipurpose vessel is scheduled to be commissioned as the Indian Navy's first of four Multi-Purpose Vessels?
INS Samarthak
- At which naval base is INS Samarthak scheduled to be commissioned? **Karwar, Karnataka**
- Which food item did the Indian Army launch for defence personnel in New Delhi? **Bharat Rice**
- Which organisation signed an MoU with the Indian Army to support Bharat Rice through its infrastructure? **Food Corporation of India**
- Which Indian Navy frigate participated in IBSAMAR IX 2026 in South Africa? **INS Tarkash**
- Which Indian Navy warship arrived in Vladivostok for Exercise INDRA-2026? **INS Sahyadri**
- What was the theme of IBSAMAR IX 2026?
"Stronger Together Towards a Shared Future in the Maritime Domain"
- Which indigenous Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft is scheduled to be commissioned in Mumbai? **Mangrol**
- Which shipyard built Mangrol?
Cochin Shipyard Limited, Kochi
- Which two ASW-SWC vessels were built before Mangrol, according to the document?
INS Mahe and INS Malvan
- Exercise INDRA-2026 is a bilateral naval exercise between India and which country? **Russia**
- Which multipurpose vessel was built by L&T under the Make in India initiative and launched on 13 January 2025? **Utkarsh**
- Which institute in Mohali developed a nanofibre filter for treating dye-contaminated industrial wastewater?
Institute of Nano Science and Technology (INST)
- Which two materials are combined in INST Mohali's wastewater-treatment filter?
Zinc oxide nanoparticles and biodegradable polylactic acid nanofibres
- Under which Union Government department does INST operate?
Department of Science and Technology