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NATIONAL NEWS

Assam Becomes First State to Commercially Produce Matcha Tea

- Assam has become India's first state to commercially produce Matcha tea, a premium powdered green tea traditionally associated with Japan. The initiative is expected to diversify Assam's tea industry and enhance export opportunities.
- Matcha is produced by shade-growing tea plants before harvesting and finely grinding the leaves into powder. It is rich in antioxidants and enjoys strong demand in global health and wellness markets.
- Commercial production will help tea growers earn higher value from specialty tea products. It also supports the government's efforts to promote innovation and value addition in the tea sector.

Maharashtra Govt Bans Sale of High-Energy Drinks Near Schools

- The Maharashtra government has prohibited the sale of high-energy drinks in and around schools to protect children's health. The move targets beverages with high caffeine and sugar content.
- The decision seeks to reduce health risks such as obesity, sleep disorders, and excessive caffeine consumption among students. Schools have also been advised to promote healthier beverage choices.
- The ban aligns with broader public health initiatives encouraging nutritious food environments for children. Authorities will monitor compliance through local enforcement agencies.

NBA Notifies Assam's 'Borjuli Site' as Biodiversity Heritage Site

- The National Biodiversity Authority (NBA) has notified Assam's Borjuli Site as a Biodiversity Heritage Site (BHS). The recognition aims to conserve its unique ecological and biological diversity.
- Biodiversity Heritage Sites are declared under the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 to protect ecologically significant areas. Such sites are managed with the participation of local communities.
- The notification will promote conservation, scientific research, and sustainable use of biological resources. It also enhances awareness about preserving Assam's rich natural heritage.

PMKSY Completed Over 10 Years of Irrigation-led Agricultural Transformation

- The Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) has completed more than a decade of improving irrigation infrastructure across India. The scheme focuses on expanding irrigation coverage and efficient water use.

- PMKSY promotes the vision of "Har Khet Ko Pani" and "Per Drop More Crop" through micro-irrigation and water conservation. It has benefited millions of farmers by improving water availability.
- The programme has contributed to higher agricultural productivity, better crop diversification, and sustainable water management. It remains a key component of India's agricultural development strategy.

Union Cabinet Approved the Modified UDAN Scheme

- The Union Cabinet has approved the Modified UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik) Scheme to further improve regional air connectivity. The revised scheme focuses on expanding aviation access to underserved and remote areas.
- It aims to connect smaller cities, hilly regions, islands, and aspirational districts with affordable air services. The scheme is expected to boost tourism, trade, healthcare access, and employment.
- Since its launch, UDAN has significantly increased regional connectivity through operational airports and new flight routes. The modified version seeks to make regional aviation more sustainable and inclusive.

NITI Aayog Releases 'Strategic Roadmap for Making Ayurveda Global' Report

- NITI Aayog released the report titled 'Strategic Roadmap for Making Ayurveda Global' to support the Viksit Bharat@2047 vision. The roadmap outlines strategies for expanding Ayurveda's global acceptance and market reach.
- The report recommends strengthening scientific research, international collaborations, and quality standards for Ayurvedic products. It also emphasizes integrating digital technologies and innovation into the Ayurveda sector.
- The initiative aims to position India as the global leader in traditional medicine. It supports exports, investment, and international recognition of Ayurveda-based healthcare.

PM Modi Inaugurates CG Semi OSAT Facility in Sanand

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the CG Semi OSAT (Outsourced Semiconductor Assembly and Test) facility in Sanand, Gujarat. The project is a major milestone in India's semiconductor manufacturing mission.
- The facility will assemble, test, mark, and package semiconductor chips for domestic and global markets. It will strengthen India's electronics manufacturing ecosystem and reduce import dependence.
- The project is expected to generate skilled employment and attract further semiconductor investments. It supports the goals of the Semicon India Programme and the Make in India initiative.

Ministry of Cooperation Celebrates 5th Foundation Day

- The Ministry of Cooperation celebrated its 5th Foundation Day at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi. The ministry was established on 6 July 2021 to strengthen India's cooperative movement.
- The event highlighted achievements in digitization, transparency, and modernization of cooperative societies. Various initiatives for rural development and farmer welfare were showcased.
- The ministry continues to work towards the vision of "Sahkar Se Samridhhi" (Prosperity through Cooperation). It aims to improve governance and economic opportunities through the cooperative sector.

Sirsa Kinnow, Haryana's Fruit Receives Geographical Indication (GI) Tag

- Sirsa Kinnow has been granted the Geographical Indication (GI) Tag, recognizing its unique quality and origin from Haryana's Sirsa district. The tag provides legal protection and enhances the fruit's market value.
- Sirsa is one of India's largest kinnow-producing regions, known for its sweet, juicy, and high-quality citrus fruit. The GI tag is expected to boost exports and benefit local farmers.
- A GI tag prevents unauthorized use of the product's name by producers from other regions. It also promotes regional branding and preserves traditional agricultural practices.

India Ranks 125th in Global Passport Index 2026

- India ranks 125th in the Global Passport Index 2026, slipping one position from the previous year. The ranking reflects the global mobility offered by an Indian passport.
- The index compares passports based on visa-free, visa-on-arrival, and electronic travel authorization access. Higher rankings indicate greater international travel freedom.
- The passport index is widely used to assess a country's global connectivity and diplomatic strength. It also helps travelers understand international visa privileges.

Gujarat to Introduce State's First Air-Filled Rubber Dams

- Gujarat will construct its first air-filled rubber dams to improve water conservation and river management. These inflatable dams help regulate water flow efficiently.
- Rubber dams can be inflated during the rainy season to store water and deflated during floods to allow smooth river flow. They are cost-effective and environmentally friendly compared to conventional dams.
- The project aims to improve irrigation, groundwater recharge, and drinking water availability. It will also support sustainable water resource management in the state.

Delhi Government to Launch ₹ 8,300 Crore Air Pollution Project with World Bank

- The Delhi Government will implement an ₹ 8,300 crore air pollution control project with financial support from the World Bank. The initiative aims to significantly improve air quality in the National Capital.

- The project will focus on reducing emissions from transport, industries, construction activities, and waste burning. It also includes strengthening air quality monitoring systems.
- The programme promotes clean mobility, sustainable urban planning, and better environmental governance. It is one of Delhi's largest pollution-control initiatives.

MoSPI Releases Report on Index of Services Production (ISP) with Base Year 2024–25

- Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation released the Index of Services Production (ISP) with Base Year 2024–25. The index measures changes in the output of India's services sector.
- ISP provides high-frequency data to track the performance of major service industries. It helps policymakers and economists assess economic growth more accurately.
- Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) is the nodal ministry responsible for collecting, compiling, and publishing official statistical data in India. It conducts major surveys and releases key economic indicators such as GDP, CPI, IIP, and national accounts.

Kamarajar Port Becomes India's Second Major Port with 18-Metre Draft Capability

- Kamarajar Port has become India's second major port to achieve an 18-metre draft. The deeper draft allows the port to handle larger cargo vessels.
- Increased draft capacity enhances cargo handling efficiency and lowers shipping costs. It strengthens India's maritime trade and logistics infrastructure.
- Kamarajar Port, formerly Ennore Port, is India's first corporatized major port. It is located near Chennai in Tamil Nadu.

Uttarakhand Becomes India's Sixth Fully Literate State

- Uttarakhand has become India's sixth fully literate state under the ULLAS (Understanding Lifelong Learning for All in Society) programme. The state achieved a literacy rate of over 95%.
- The achievement reflects successful implementation of adult education and literacy initiatives. It promotes inclusive education and lifelong learning.
- Earlier, Mizoram, Goa, Tripura, Kerala, and Himachal Pradesh had attained full literacy. The milestone supports the goals of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

Union Minister Launches TribeX for Tribal Education

- Union Tribal Affairs Minister Jual Oram launched TribeX, a digital learning platform for tribal education and culture. The platform promotes tribal knowledge, languages, and heritage.
- TribeX provides online learning resources, skill development, and digital educational content for tribal students. It also helps preserve India's rich tribal traditions.

- The initiative supports the government's vision of Digital India and inclusive education. It aims to improve educational access in tribal areas.

Agriculture Minister Unveils PRAGATI Initiative to Support 20 Lakh Farmers

- Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan launched the PRAGATI Initiative to benefit around 20 lakh farmers across India. The programme focuses on improving farm productivity and income.
- PRAGATI promotes modern agricultural practices, digital technologies, and capacity building. It also encourages sustainable farming methods.
- The initiative supports the government's goal of enhancing farmers' welfare and agricultural growth. It complements ongoing efforts to modernize Indian agriculture.

Tamil Nadu's Aswath Becomes India's 98th Grandmaster

- H. Aswath from Tamil Nadu became India's 98th Chess Grandmaster after securing the required Grandmaster norms. He joins India's growing list of elite chess players.
- India continues to emerge as a global chess powerhouse with a rapidly increasing number of Grandmasters. Tamil Nadu remains the leading state for producing top chess talent.
- The Grandmaster (GM) title is awarded by FIDE (International Chess Federation). It is the highest title a chess player can achieve after fulfilling strict performance norms.

Telangana to Host 8th Khelo India Youth Games in November 2026

- Telangana will host the 8th Khelo India Youth Games in November 2026, marking the first time the state will organize the event. The Games aim to identify and nurture young sporting talent across India.
- Khelo India is the flagship sports development programme of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports. It focuses on strengthening grassroots sports infrastructure and athlete development.
- The event will feature athletes from across the country competing in multiple disciplines. Outstanding performers may receive support under the Khelo India Talent Development Programme.

UP Launches Chief Minister Teacher Cashless Medical Scheme

- The Uttar Pradesh Government launched the Chief Minister Teacher Cashless Medical Scheme for teachers. The scheme provides cashless medical treatment at empanelled hospitals.
- It aims to improve healthcare access and financial security for teachers and their families. Eligible beneficiaries can receive treatment without upfront medical expenses.
- The initiative is part of the state's efforts to strengthen employee welfare. Better healthcare benefits also contribute to improved productivity and service quality.

Novo Nordisk Launches Once-Weekly Basal Insulin Awiqli in India

- Novo Nordisk launched Awiqli, India's first once-weekly basal insulin for diabetes management. It reduces the need for daily basal insulin injections.
- Awiqli is designed for adults with diabetes requiring long-acting insulin therapy. Fewer injections may improve patient convenience and treatment adherence.
- Novo Nordisk is a Denmark-based global healthcare company specializing in diabetes care. The company is one of the world's leading insulin manufacturers.

CSIR-IICT Develops India's First Indigenous Green Refrigerant Technology

- CSIR–Indian Institute of Chemical Technology (CSIR-IICT) developed India's first indigenous green refrigerant technology. The innovation supports environmentally sustainable cooling solutions.
- Green refrigerants have low Global Warming Potential (GWP) and are more climate-friendly than conventional refrigerants. They help reduce greenhouse gas emissions from cooling systems.
- CSIR-IICT is a premier research institute under the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR). The development supports India's goal of self-reliance in clean technologies and sustainable industrial growth.

Delhi Ranks 120th in Global Liveability Index

- Delhi secured the 120th position in the Global Liveability Index 2026. The index evaluates cities based on stability, healthcare, culture, environment, education, and infrastructure.
- The Global Liveability Index is released annually by the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU). It compares the quality of life across major cities worldwide.
- In the latest Global Liveability Index, New Delhi ranked 120, followed by Mumbai (121), Chennai (123), and Bengaluru (127) while Copenhagen (Denmark) remains the world's most liveable city, edging out Vienna (Austria) and Melbourne (Australia), which are in second and third place.

India Jumps Two Ranks as Foreign Investment Inflows Rise by 44%

- India moved up two positions in the global ranking for foreign investment inflows after recording a 44% increase. The growth reflects rising investor confidence in the Indian economy.
- Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) brings long-term capital, technology, and employment opportunities. It plays a vital role in economic growth and industrial development.
- FDI in India: India rose from 13th (2024) to 11th (2025) globally in inward FDI and from 20th (2024) to 18th (2025) in outward FDI.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

International Booker Prize Renamed as Bukhman International Booker Prize

- The International Booker Prize has been renamed the Bukhman International Booker Prize after a philanthropic partnership with the Bukhman Foundation. The new sponsorship aims to strengthen support for translated literature and expand the global reach of the award.
- The prize continues to recognize the finest works of translated fiction published in the UK and Ireland. The award money remains equally shared between the author and the translator.
- The renaming does not alter the award's selection process, eligibility criteria, or literary standards. It reinforces the importance of translators in bringing world literature to international readers.

India to Host BRICS Women Working Group Meeting in Kochi

- India will host the BRICS Women Working Group (WWG) Meeting on 6-7 July 2026 in Kochi, Kerala, under its BRICS Chairship this year. Senior government officials from BRICS Member Countries will come together to deliberate on key issues relating to women's empowerment across all sectors and women-led development, while advancing cooperation across shared priorities.
- Guided by India's BRICS Chairship theme, "Building for Resilience, Innovation, Cooperation and Sustainability", reflecting a people-centric and humanity-first approach, the BRICS Women Track has focused on four priority areas: women in governance and leadership; women's digital and financial inclusion; women's entrepreneurship and skill development; and women's role in climate action, food security and nutrition.
- BRICS comprises 11 countries - Brazil, China, Egypt, Ethiopia, India, Indonesia, Iran, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, and the United Arab Emirates, which together account for around 40 per cent of global GDP.

Neymar Retires from International Football

- Brazilian football star Neymar announced his retirement from international football following Brazil's exit from the 2026 FIFA World Cup. He ends one of the most successful international careers in Brazilian football.
- Neymar finishes as Brazil's all-time leading men's international goal scorer with numerous records and achievements. He represented Brazil in multiple FIFA World Cups and major international tournaments.
- His retirement marks the end of an era for Brazilian football. Neymar's legacy includes exceptional skill, creativity, and a significant contribution to Brazil's global football success.

India Joins UN's First Global Dialogue on AI Governance in Geneva

- India participated in the United Nations' first Global Dialogue on Artificial Intelligence (AI) Governance held in Geneva, Switzerland. The meeting focused on creating responsible and inclusive global AI standards.
- Discussions covered AI ethics, transparency, safety, innovation, and international cooperation. Countries explored ways to balance technological advancement with human rights and security.
- India's participation highlights its growing role in shaping global digital governance. It also aligns with the country's vision of promoting safe, trusted, and inclusive AI.

PM Modi Becomes First Indian Prime Minister to Address Indonesian Parliament

- Narendra Modi became the first Indian Prime Minister to address the People's Representative Council of Indonesia. The address marked a new chapter in India–Indonesia parliamentary relations.
- Indonesia is the world's largest archipelagic country, comprising over 17,000 islands. Its capital is Jakarta, while Nusantara is being developed as the new capital.
- Indonesia is a founding member of ASEAN, and it has the largest Muslim population in the world. The country's official currency is the Indonesian Rupiah (IDR).

India Bags 20 Medals at Under-20 Asian Wrestling Championships

- Under-20 Asian Wrestling Championships saw India win 20 medals across different wrestling categories. The tally reflects India's growing strength in junior wrestling.
- Indian wrestlers secured medals in freestyle, women's wrestling, and Greco-Roman events. Several young athletes delivered impressive performances.
- The achievement showcases India's strong talent pipeline for future international competitions. It also strengthens preparations for upcoming world championships and the Olympics.

IIM-B First to Establish Its Overseas Campus in Indonesia

- Indian Institute of Management Bangalore became the first IIM to establish an overseas campus in Indonesia. The move marks a significant step in the global expansion of Indian management education.
- The campus aims to strengthen academic collaboration, executive education, and research between India and Southeast Asia. It will also support industry partnerships in the region.
- The initiative enhances India's educational diplomacy and global academic presence. It also aligns with India's Act East Policy.

DeepSeek Developing In-House AI Chip to Reduce Reliance on Nvidia, Huawei

- DeepSeek is developing its own AI chip to reduce dependence on external suppliers. The company aims to strengthen control over its AI infrastructure.
- DeepSeek is a Chinese AI startup founded in 2023 by Liang Wenfeng. It gained global attention for developing high-performance AI models at comparatively lower cost.

- OpenAI (USA) developed ChatGPT, launched in 2022. It is one of the world's most widely used generative AI chatbots.

Geneva to Host Global AI Summit in 2027

- Geneva, Switzerland, will host the Global AI Summit 2027, bringing together governments, researchers, and industry leaders. The summit will focus on responsible and inclusive AI development.
- Discussions will cover AI governance, ethics, innovation, cybersecurity, and global co-operation. The event aims to shape future international AI policies.
- Geneva is known as a hub for international diplomacy and hosts several UN organizations. The summit is expected to strengthen global collaboration on artificial intelligence.

PM Modi Visits UNESCO World Heritage Prambanan Temple in Indonesia

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited the Prambanan Temple during his Indonesia visit. It is the largest Hindu temple complex in Indonesia.
- Prambanan Temple is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and was built in the 9th century. It is dedicated to the Hindu Trinity—Brahma, Vishnu, and Shiva.
- The visit highlighted the shared cultural and civilizational ties between India and Indonesia. It also strengthened bilateral cultural diplomacy.

DEFENCE NEWS

IIT Delhi–DRDO Develop Indigenous Tactical Aerostat for Surveillance up to 20 km

- IIT Delhi and DRDO have jointly developed an indigenous tactical aerostat capable of surveillance up to 20 km. The system enhances India's defence surveillance capabilities.
- The aerostat can carry advanced sensors and communication equipment for continuous monitoring of strategic areas. It provides a cost-effective and persistent aerial surveillance platform.
- Indigenous development reduces dependence on imported surveillance systems and supports the Aatmanirbhar Bharat initiative. The technology will strengthen border security and defence preparedness.

BANKING NEWS

State Bank of India to Acquire NHB's 10% Stake in RDCL

- State Bank of India (SBI) will acquire the National Housing Bank's (NHB) 10% stake in Residential Development Corporation Limited (RDCL). The acquisition is aimed at strengthening SBI's position in housing finance-related infrastructure.
- The move is expected to streamline ownership and improve operational efficiency within RDCL. It also reflects SBI's long-term investment strategy in the housing sector.

- SBI is India's largest public sector bank, while NHB is the apex regulatory institution for housing finance. The transaction supports the government's housing development objectives.

AWARD NEWS

ONGC HSE Wins Platinum Global Safety Innovation Award 2026

- ONGC's Health, Safety & Environment (HSE) division received the Platinum Winner title at the Global Safety Innovation Award 2026. The award recognizes excellence in workplace safety and innovation.
- The recognition reflects ONGC's adoption of advanced safety technologies and strong risk management practices. It demonstrates the company's commitment to protecting employees and the environment.
- The achievement enhances ONGC's global reputation for maintaining high international safety standards. It also encourages continuous improvement in industrial safety practices.

Nita Ambani Receives AAPI Humanitarian Award and Key to City of Tampa

- Nita Ambani was honored with the AAPI Humanitarian Award for her contributions to healthcare, education, and social welfare. The award recognizes outstanding humanitarian service to society.
- She also received the Key to the City of Tampa, a prestigious civic honor presented by the city administration. The recognition acknowledges her philanthropic work and community impact.
- Through the Reliance Foundation, Nita Ambani has led several initiatives in education, sports, women's empowerment, and healthcare. Her contributions have benefited millions across India and beyond.

PM Modi Conferred with Indonesia's Highest Honour 'Bintang Adipurna'

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi was conferred with Indonesia's highest civilian honour, 'Bintang Adipurna', during his official visit. The award recognizes his contribution to strengthening India-Indonesia relations.
- The honour reflects the deep strategic partnership between the two countries in trade, defence, maritime security, and cultural cooperation. It also acknowledges India's role in promoting regional stability.
- Indonesia is an important partner in India's Act East Policy and the Indo-Pacific region. The award further strengthens bilateral diplomatic ties between the two nations.

Nepal's Jestha Varna Mahavihar Receives 2025 UNESCO Asia-Pacific Heritage Award

- Jestha Varna Mahavihar received the 2025 UNESCO Asia-Pacific Heritage Award. The award recognizes excellence in heritage conservation.

- United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization is a specialized agency of the United Nations established in 1945. Its headquarters is in Paris.
- India has 44 UNESCO World Heritage Sites (as of 2026), making it one of the countries with the highest number of World Heritage Sites globally.

Acharya Ranchhodlal Goswami Wins Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar

- Acharya Ranchhodlal Goswami has been selected for the Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar, presented by the Sangeet Natak Akademi. The award recognizes outstanding young artists.
- The Puraskar is given to artists below the age of 40 for excellence in music, dance, and theatre. It encourages emerging talent in performing arts.
- The award is named after legendary shehnai maestro Ustad Bismillah Khan. It is one of India's prestigious recognitions for young performing artists.

DoT's Samriddh Gram Wins WSIS Prize 2026

- The Department of Telecommunications' (DoT) Samriddh Gram initiative won the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) Prize 2026. The project promotes digital connectivity and inclusive rural development.
- WSIS stands for World Summit on the Information Society. The awards recognize innovative ICT projects that contribute to sustainable development goals.
- Samriddh Gram focuses on improving digital infrastructure and access to government services in villages. It supports India's vision of digital inclusion and rural empowerment.

MOU NEWS

Air India Signs MoU with SIA Engineering Company

- Air India signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with SIA Engineering Company (SIAEC) to strengthen India's Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul (MRO) ecosystem. The partnership aims to develop world-class aircraft maintenance capabilities.
- The collaboration will focus on technical expertise, workforce training, and advanced maintenance services. It is expected to reduce dependence on overseas MRO facilities.
- The initiative supports India's ambition to become a global aviation maintenance hub. It will improve operational efficiency and create skilled employment opportunities.

APPOINTMENT & PERSON IN NEWS

Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri Gets One-Year Extension Till July 2027

- Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri has received a one-year extension, allowing him to continue in office until July 2027. The extension ensures continuity in India's foreign policy and diplomatic engagements.

- A career diplomat from the 1989 Indian Foreign Service (IFS) batch, Misri has served in several key diplomatic assignments. He has played an important role in managing India's strategic international relations.
- The extension comes at a time when India is strengthening ties with major global partners and addressing key regional challenges. His continued tenure is expected to support long-term diplomatic initiatives.

BPR&D and NCRB Get New Chiefs

- The Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D) and the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) have been appointed new Directors-General. The appointments are intended to strengthen policing reforms and crime data management.
- BPR&D works on police modernization, research, training, and capacity building. NCRB maintains the national crime database and publishes the annual Crime in India report.
- Both organizations function under the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA). Their leadership plays a key role in improving internal security and evidence-based policing.

NPCI's Dilip Asbe Appointed to SWIFT Global Supervisory Board

- Dilip Asbe has been appointed to the Supervisory Board of SWIFT. He becomes one of the key representatives overseeing the governance of the global financial messaging system.
- SWIFT is a Belgium-based global financial messaging network connecting over 11,000 financial institutions worldwide. It enables secure and standardized cross-border financial transactions.
- NPCI develops and operates major payment platforms such as UPI, RuPay, IMPS, BHIM, FASTag, and NACH, enabling fast, secure, and interoperable digital payments across India.

RBI Appoints Muralidhar Pai as MD & CEO of South Indian Bank

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved the appointment of Muralidhar Pai as the Managing Director & CEO of South Indian Bank. He succeeds P.R. Seshadri.
- Muralidhar Pai has over 30 years of banking experience in retail, corporate, and digital banking. His appointment aims to strengthen the bank's growth and governance.
- South Indian Bank was established in 1929 and is headquartered in Thrissur, Kerala. It is one of India's leading private sector banks.

Nidhi Khare Elected Chairperson at UNCTAD Consumer Protection Meeting in Geneva

- Nidhi Khare was elected Chairperson of the UNCTAD Intergovernmental Group of Experts on Consumer Protection. The meeting was held in Geneva, Switzerland.

- UNCTAD stands for United Nations Conference on Trade and Development. It promotes inclusive trade, investment, and sustainable development worldwide.
- Her election highlights India's growing role in shaping global consumer protection policies. It also strengthens India's presence in international economic governance.