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Ladakh to Lead Independent India's First Caste Census



- Census 2027 will be conducted in two phases, namely Houselisting & Housing Census and Population Enumeration.
- Census 2027 will be India's first digital Census, with data collection being carried out through digital/mobile-based systems.
- Census mascots: Pragati – Female and Vikas – Male. Nodal Ministry: Ministry of Home Affairs.

Odisha's DALKHAI Initiative to Tackle Distress Migration



- The Government of Odisha has identified distress migration as an issue requiring intervention through livelihood and development measures.
- The DALKHAI initiative focuses on addressing the underlying/root causes of distress migration rather than dealing only with migration after it occurs.
- Odisha is also implementing livelihood-focused programmes for tribal communities and Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs).

2nd National Port Security Conference



- The 2nd National Port Security Conference 2026 was held in New Delhi.
- The conference focused on strengthening the security and resilience of India's ports.
- Maritime Domain Awareness is an important component of identifying and responding to activities that may threaten port and maritime security.

India Achieves 300 GW Non-Fossil Fuel Power Capacity



- Solar power was the largest component of India's non-fossil installed capacity, with 164.59 GW.
- India's installed wind power capacity stood at 58.14 GW. India's installed hydropower capacity stood at 57.24 GW.
- India's major medium-term target is to reach 500 GW of non-fossil fuel-based installed electricity capacity by 2030.

Captain Shivani Appointed 1st Woman Aide-de-Camp to Army Chief

- Captain Shivani Sehrawat became the first woman officer appointed as Aide-de-Camp (ADC) to the Indian Army Chief, according to reports on the appointment.
- ADC stands for Aide-de-Camp, an officer who assists a senior military or state dignitary in official and ceremonial responsibilities.
- The appointment is considered an important milestone in the increasing participation of women officers in the Indian Army.

e-Samudra – Digital Transformation of Maritime Governance



- e-Samudra is India's unified digital platform for providing maritime services through a single online system. The official e-Samudra portal describes it as India's Unified Maritime Services Portal.
- The initiative is associated with the Directorate General of Shipping (DGS).
- The DGS functions under the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways.

Amit Shah – 'Bank in a Box' and Security Operations Centre



- Amit Shah, Union Minister of Cooperation, launched initiatives aimed at strengthening the technology and cybersecurity capabilities of Urban Cooperative Banks.
- Bank in a Box is designed to help Urban Cooperative Banks (UCBs) adopt modern digital banking infrastructure.

- UCB stands for Urban Cooperative Bank, which is an important part of India's cooperative banking ecosystem.

Suraj Kumar Chand Wins FISU World University Squash Title



- Suraj Kumar Chand won the men's singles title at the 2026 FISU World University Squash Championship.
- The championship was held in Mumbai, India, making it an important event for Indian university sport.
- He defeated Hungary's Benedek Takacs in the final.

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Kutiyattam — Kerala

Ramlila — Uttar Pradesh

Ramman — Uttarakhand

Mudiyettu — Kerala

Buddhist Chanting of Ladakh — Ladakh

Sankirtana — Manipur

Thatheras Craft — Punjab

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World Lion Day 2026 is observed on August 10 *Project Lion (2020): A Government of India initiative to strengthen Asiatic lion conservation through habitat management, AI-based monitoring, radio-collaring, and conflict mitigation. Barda Wildlife Sanctuary: Being developed as the second wild habitat for Asiatic lions to reduce dependence on a single population.*