

THE DAILY GK DOSE

Ahmedabad to Host 2029 World Weightlifting Championships



- The IWF also awarded the 2028 World Youth Championships to Prishtina, Kosovo, and the 2028 World Junior Championships to Caracas, Venezuela.
- Moscow, Russia, will host the 2030 Senior World Weightlifting Championships.
- The hosting rights were awarded by the International Weightlifting Federation (IWF).

Maharashtra Launches Mission Murghas to Tackle Fodder Shortage



- The campaign is being implemented by the Maharashtra Animal Husbandry Department.
- Under the “Magel Tyala Murghas” scheme, eligible livestock owners in 19 districts of Vidarbha and Marathwada can receive a subsidy of ₹3 per kg of silage, based on up to 5 kg per animal per day for 90 days.

- The subsidy will be transferred directly to beneficiaries’ bank accounts through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) after proof of purchase is submitted.

Usha Mangeshkar to Receive 1st Dr. Bhupen Hazarika National Award

- The Assam government has instituted the Bharat Ratna Dr Bhupen Hazarika National Award, with singer Usha Mangeshkar selected as its inaugural recipient.
- Renowned Indian playback singer Usha Mangeshkar, recognised for her contribution to Indian music and association with Bhupen Hazarika’s musical works.
- The award carries a cash prize of ₹10 lakh and a citation.

Ukraine joins NATO's NSPA partnership



- Ukraine joined the Security Cooperation Support Partnership (SCSP) of NATO’s Support and Procurement Agency (NSPA), gaining access to NATO defence procurement contracts.
- Ukraine became the first and only country for which a separate SCSP partnership was created, despite not being a NATO member.
- NATO Headquarter located in Brussels Belgium.

Ashoke Sen Wins Oskar Klein Medal 2026

- Indian theoretical physicist Ashoke Sen won the 2026 Oskar Klein Medal, becoming the first Indian physicist to receive this honour.
- The award announced by International Centre for Theoretical Sciences (ICTS), Bengaluru.
- Ashoke Sen is an ICTS–Infosys Madhava Chair Professor at ICTS–TIFR, Bengaluru.

Nihal Sarin and Koneru Humpy Win Gold at European Chess Club



- Indian Grandmasters Nihal Sarin and Koneru Humpy won individual gold medals at the European Chess Club Cup 2026, held in Budva, Montenegro.
- Nihal Sarin represented Novy Bor Chess Club in the Open section and won gold on Board 2, scoring 5 points from 6 games, with four wins and two draws.
- Koneru Humpy represented Cercle d'Echecs de Monte-Carlo in Women's section and won gold on Board 2, scoring 4.5 points from 6 games.

India Finishes Fourth at the Asian Para Games 2026



- India finished fourth at 5th Asian Para Games, held in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan, with a record haul of 114 medals: 30 gold, 35 silver and 49 bronze.
- China topped medal table 435 medals, followed by Japan with 186 and Uzbekistan with 145.

- The 6th Asian Para Games are scheduled to be held in Doha, Qatar, in 2030.

PV Sindhu Finishes Runner-up at French Open



- India's PV Sindhu finished runner-up at French Open 2026 badminton tournament, a BWF World Tour Super 750 event, held in France.
- South Korea's An Se-young defeated India's PV Sindhu 16–21, 21–11, 21–12 in the women's singles final of the French Open Badminton Championships 2026.
- Sindhu missed the opportunity to become the first Indian woman since Aparna Popat in 1998 to win the French Open title.

BANKING COMMITTEES

Narasimham I (1991): Banking reforms

Narasimham II (1998): Banking reforms and NPAs

Rangarajan (2008): Financial inclusion

Nachiket Mor (2014): Payments Banks

Malegam (2011): Microfinance

WHAT HAPPENED TODAY?

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Vigilance Awareness Week 2026 is observed from 26 October to 1 November with the theme "Probity for Prosperity," organised by the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) to promote integrity, transparency and accountability.