

THE DAILY GK DOSE

Jharkhand's Traditional Musical Instrument 'Mandar' Gets GI Tag



- Mandar, a traditional folk percussion instrument of Jharkhand, has received the Geographical Indication (GI) tag.
- Jharkhand received GI registration for Jharkhand Dokra Craft, Tribal Jewellery, Bamboo Crafts, and Tussar Silk Sarees & Fabrics.
- Darjeeling Tea of West Bengal was the first product to receive GI registration in India.

Environment Ministry Issues India's First 'PRAMAAN' Certificates



- India's first PRAMAAN certificates under the Indian Forest and Wood Certification Scheme (IFWCS).
- The first certificates were given to Andhra Pradesh Forest Development Corporation (APFDC) and a bamboo farmer from Odisha.
- Certification bodies are accredited by the National Accreditation Board for Certification Bodies (NABCB) under the Quality Council of India (QCI).

Kolkata to Host India Energy Week 2027

- IEW 2027 will be held from 28–31 January 2027.
- The venue will be the New Town Convention Centre, Kolkata.
- The theme of IEW 2027 is “Unlocking Innovation. Securing Energy. Shaping Tomorrow.”

UIDAI Launches 5 New Aadhaar Initiatives at Samvaad Kolkata



- The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) unveiled five new initiatives at Aadhaar Samvaad Kolkata.
- The five initiatives include Face Authentication for e-PDS, SWIK Portal 2.0, Sub-AUA/Sub-KUA (LITE) framework, Token Management System, and a revamped UIDAI website with BHASHINI integration.
- UIDAI functions under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY).

11th BIMSTEC Counter-Terrorism Meeting Held in New Delhi

- The 11th BIMSTEC Joint Working Group Meeting on Counter-Terrorism and Transnational Crime (JWG-CTTC) was held in New Delhi.
- The participating countries were Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka and Thailand.
- BIMSTEC (Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation) was established on 6 June 1997, and its Secretariat is located in Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Fatima Zahra El Mansouri Becomes Morocco's 1st Woman P.M.



- She succeeded Aziz Akhannouch as the Head of Government (Prime Minister) of Morocco.
- Mansouri became the second woman to serve as Prime Minister in the Arab world, after Tunisia's Najla Bouden.
- She was appointed by King Mohammed VI of Morocco.

TakeMe2Space to Launch India's First Orbital Data Centre Mission



- TakeMe2Space, a Hyderabad-based space-tech startup, plans to launch India's first networked orbital data centre mission in late 2028.
- The mission will use two 100-kg MOI satellites, each equipped with NVIDIA Thor GPUs and 100 TB of storage.
- The satellites are planned to launch aboard SpaceX's Falcon 9 under the Waymaker-2 rideshare mission.

Neeru Dhanda Wins Asian Games Gold in Women's Trap



- Neeru Dhanda, a 26-year-old shooter from Haryana, won the gold medal in the women's individual trap event at the 2026 Asian Games in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan.
- She became the first Indian woman to win an individual Asian Games gold medal in trap shooting.
- China's Sun Yunong won silver with 26, while Kuwait's Abdulmalik Hajar won bronze with 21.

REGULATORY AUTHORITIES

RBI-Registered NBFCs — **RBI**

Housing Finance Companies — **RBI**

Capital Market Regulation — **SEBI**

Nidhi & Mutual Benefit Companies — **MCA**

Chit Funds — **State Governments**

Insurance — **IRDAI**

WHAT HAPPENED TODAY?

30-09-2026 / WEDNESDAY

30 September is observed as International Translation Day, with the 2026 theme "Linguistic Diversity and Language Rights" and the subtitle "The Power of Being Understood."