



## 1. India's Sheetal Devi clinched her first World Para Archery gold

• **Historic Victory**: Sheetal Devi, 18, became the compound women's world champion at the Gwangju 2025 World Archery Para Championships, defeating defending champion Oznur Cure Girdi of Türkiye 146-143.



- Breakthrough Performance: Devi's gold medal marks a significant milestone in her career, following her silver medal at the 2023 Pilsen World Championships and bronze at the 2024 Paris Paralympics.
- Unique Shooting Style: Born without arms, Sheetal uses her feet to shoot, showcasing exceptional technique and mental control. She loads the arrow, stabilizes the bow, and releases the string using a customized setup.
- Multiple Medals: In addition to her individual gold, Sheetal won silver in the women's compound team event with Sarita and bronze in the mixed team event with Toman Kumar.

### 2. Diljit Dosanjh Earns International Emmy Nod for Chamkila

- **Nomination Category**: Diljit Dosanjh has been nominated in the Best Performance by an Actor category for his portrayal of Amar Singh Chamkila in the Netflix biographical drama.
- **Film Background**: The film "Amar Singh Chamkila" is a biographical drama directed by Imtiaz Ali, co-starring Parineeti





Chopra, and explores the life of the legendary Punjabi folk singer known for his bold and raw songs.

- Competition: Diljit Dosanjh will compete against actors from the UK, Spain, and Colombia, including David Mitchell for "Ludwig", Oriol Pla for "Yo, adicto", and Diego Vasquez for "One Hundred Years of Solitude".
- **Awards Ceremony**: The winner will be announced at the 53rd International Emmy Awards ceremony scheduled to take place in New York City on November 24.

### 3. England All-Rounder Chris Woakes Retires from International Cricket

• **Immediate Retirement**: Chris Woakes, 36, has announced his immediate retirement from international cricket, citing the time is right for him to step back.



- Career Highlights: Woakes has represented England in 217 games since his debut in 2011/2013, winning two World Cups the 2019 ICC Men's World Cup and the 2022 ICC Men's T20 World Cup.
- **Statistical Achievements**: Woakes took 192 wickets in 62 Test matches at an average of 29.61, with five five-wicket hauls. He also scored a Test century against India at Lord's in 2018.
- **Limited-Overs Career:** Woakes made 122 ODI appearances, taking 173 wickets, and played 33 T20 Internationals, claiming 31 wickets.

### 4. IAS Officer Rajeev Verma to Become Delhi Chief Secretary

• **Appointment**: Rajeev Verma, a 1992-batch IAS officer of the AGMUT cadre, has been appointed as the Chief Secretary of Delhi, effective October 1, 2025, replacing incumbent Dharmendra.



- **Background**: Verma hails from Uttar Pradesh, born in 1966, and holds a graduate degree in Computer Science from the University of Roorkee and an MTech degree from IIT.
- **Experience**: Verma has extensive experience in key positions, including Deputy Commissioner in Delhi, Joint Secretary at the Ministry of Defence, Chairman and MD of Delhi Transport Corporation, and Chief Secretary of Chandigarh and Puducherry.
- **Transfer**: Verma is being transferred from Chandigarh, where he served as Chief Secretary, to take up the new role in Delhi, highlighting his versatility and expertise in governance.



### Foot notes: About Delhi-

• Chief Minister: Rekha Gupta

• Lieutenant Governor: Vinai Kumar Saxena

### 5. Indian Army Conducts 'Vayu Samanvay' Exercise

• Exercise Focus: The "Vayu Samanvay" exercise focuses on the coordinated use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) and counter-UAS measures, showcasing the Indian Army's preparedness in modern warfare.



- **Location**: The exercise was conducted in Ambala, highlighting the army's strategic presence in the region.
- **UAS Warfare**: The exercise demonstrates the army's capabilities in UAS warfare, including surveillance, reconnaissance, and combat operations.
- **Counter-UAS Measures**: The exercise also emphasizes the importance of counter-UAS measures to neutralize potential threats from enemy drones.

# 6. Rinku Hooda Wins Gold, Sundar Singh Gurjar Bags Silver in Men's Javelin F46

• **Record-Breaking Throw**: Rinku Hooda won the gold medal with a championship-record throw of 66.37 meters, breaking a 10-year-old record in the men's F46 javelin throw event at the World Para Athletics Championships 2025.



- **India's Dominance**: Sundar Singh Gurjar, the reigning world record holder, secured silver with a best throw of 64.76 meters, showcasing India's dominance in the event with a 1-2 finish.
- **Competition Results**: Cuba's Guillermo Varona Gonzalez earned bronze with 63.34 meters, while India's Ajeet Singh finished fourth with 61.77 meters in the men's F46 javelin throw.
- **Classification**: The F46 classification includes athletes with arm deficiency, impaired muscle power, or limited arm movement who compete in a standing position, highlighting the athletes' exceptional skill and adaptability.

# 7. Sudhanshu Vats appointed as the Chairman of Advertising Standards Council of India



• **Appointment**: Sudhanshu Vats, Managing Director of Pidilite Industries Ltd, has been appointed as the new Chairman of ASCI, effective at the 39th annual general meeting, as the council marks its 40th anniversary.



- Leadership Role: Vats emphasized the importance of selfregulation in advertising, ensuring ads are executed with integrity, respect for the community, and consideration for consumers, particularly with evolving technologies.
- **New Initiatives**: ASCI has launched several initiatives, including the AdWise program to train over one million school students in advertising literacy, and ethnographic research on Gen Alpha to develop responsible advertising frameworks.
- Expansion Plans: ASCI plans to expand its presence in Bengaluru and New Delhi, strengthening its reach across key markets and enhancing its role in promoting responsible advertising practices.

### 8. Reema Jain appointed as Deputy Secretary in the Department of Defence

• **Appointment Details**: Reema Jain, a 2013-batch Indian Economic Service (IES) officer, has been appointed as Deputy Secretary in the Department of Defence, Ministry of Defence, for a tenure of four years.



- Previous Role: Before her current appointment, Reema Jain served as Joint Director in the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT).
- **Central Staffing Scheme**: Jain's appointment is part of the Central Staffing Scheme, which aims to strengthen administrative leadership in strategic ministries and ensure seamless governance.
- **Departmental Experience**: As Deputy Secretary, Jain will contribute to the Department of Defence's policy-making and implementation processes, bringing her experience from the Department of Economic Affairs, which recommended her for central deputation.

### 9. International Translation Day observed on 30th September

• **Date Significance**: International Translation Day is celebrated on September 30, coinciding with the feast day of St. Jerome, the patron saint of translators, who translated the Bible from Hebrew into Latin.





- **United Nations Recognition**: The United Nations General Assembly adopted resolution 71/288 on May 24, 2017, declaring September 30 as International Translation Day to recognize the role of professional translation in connecting nations and fostering peace.
- **Theme**: The theme for International Translation Day 2025 is "Translation, Peace and Trust," highlighting the crucial role of translators, interpreters, and terminologists in ensuring trustworthy communication and building dialogue between parties.
- **Purpose**: The day aims to promote awareness about the importance of translation in facilitating international communication, peace, and development, while also recognizing the contributions of language professionals worldwide.

### 10. Axis Bank's MD & CEO Amitabh Chaudhry awarded Banker of the Year

- **Leadership Experience**: Amitabh Chaudhry has been the MD & CEO of Axis Bank since 2019, bringing over two decades of banking experience, including previous roles at HDFC Life and Bank of America.
- **Digital Transformation**: Under Chaudhry's leadership, Axis Bank has undergone significant digital transformation, introducing initiatives like the Axis Mobile App, Video KYC, and contactless payments.
- **Strategic Vision**: Chaudhry's strategic vision for Axis Bank includes strengthening digital banking, expanding rural and semi-urban reach, boosting corporate banking solutions, and focusing on Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) principles.
- Awards and Recognition: Although specific details about the "Banker of the Year" award are not available, Chaudhry's leadership and achievements have likely contributed to his recognition in the industry.

#### **Foot notes:**

#### **About Axis Bank-**

• MD & CEO: Amitabh Chaudhry

• **Headquarters**: Mumbai

• **Founded**: 1993



