

THE DAILY GK DOSE

Joheirry Mola Dominguez is Miss World 2026



- Joheirry Mola Dominguez of the Dominican Republic was crowned Miss World 2026 at the 73rd Miss World pageant held in Nha Trang, Vietnam.
- She defeated contestants from 110 countries, while Elisabeth Reynés Alabern of Spain was the first runner-up and Taanusiya Chetty of Malaysia was the second runner-up.
- Her victory gave the Dominican Republic its second Miss World crown, after Mariasela Álvarez won in 1982.

Lucknow Tops Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan 2026



- Lucknow topped the Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan 2026 among cities with a population of more than 10 lakh.
- Indore secured second place and Jabalpur stood third in the million-plus category.
- The survey evaluates cities on their efforts to reduce air pollution and improve air quality under the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP).

Amit Shah Presents President's Colour to Goa Police



- Union Home Minister Amit Shah presented the prestigious President's Colour to Goa Police in Panaji, Goa.
- The honour recognises Goa Police's eight decades of dedicated service, valour, discipline and professional excellence.
- Goa Police has also contributed to coastal security, tourist safety and national security.

NITI Aayog Launches PACT for Zero-Emission Freight



- NITI Aayog's e-FAST India launched the Platform for Aggregating Clean Transport (PACT) to accelerate the deployment of zero-emission trucks.
- PACT will aggregate freight demand and connect stakeholders to strengthen the commercial case for clean freight transportation.
- The ZET Marketplace was also introduced to facilitate business, financing and charging partnerships.

Japan's F-2A Fighters Arrive for Veer Guardian 2026

- Japanese F-2A fighter aircraft have arrived in India for Exercise Veer Guardian 2026 with the Indian Air Force at Jodhpur, Rajasthan.
- This is the first time Japanese fighter aircraft are operating from an Indian air base for a bilateral exercise.

India Joins Global Initiative on 6G Technology



- India has joined the United States and 24 other countries in an international initiative to shape the development of next-generation 6G networks.
- The initiative focuses on shared security interests, competitiveness and technological innovation.
- India is simultaneously advancing its domestic Bharat 6G Mission and Bharat 6G Alliance to strengthen its role in global 6G technology and standards.

Agnikul Cosmos Opens New Testing Units in Chennai



- Chennai-based space-tech startup Agnikul Cosmos inaugurated two new facilities: Stage Testing & Inspection Facility (STIF) and Pressurant Tank Realisation, Over-wrapping and Outfitting Facility (PROOF).
- STIF can test complete rocket stages with integrated propulsion and avionics, supporting thrust levels from 1 kN to 200 kN.

- PROOF will support the in-house manufacturing of high-pressure composite overwrapped pressure vessels.

Astrogate Labs to Launch India's First Optical Inter-Satellite Link



- Indian deep-tech company Astrogate Labs is developing India's first indigenous Optical Inter-Satellite Link (OISL) terminal.
- Its AstroLink Micro laser communication terminal offers a data rate of 10 Gbps, with flight readiness targeted for 2027.
- The company has already supplied an indigenous satellite-to-ground laser communication terminal to ISRO, strengthening India's space-communication capabilities.

RAILWAY ZONES & HEADQUARTERS

Northern Railway (NR) — New Delhi

Central Railway (CR) — Mumbai

Eastern Railway (ER) — Kolkata

Western Railway (WR) — Mumbai

Southern Railway (SR) — Chennai

North Central Railway (NCR) — Prayagraj

South Central Railway (SCR) — Secunderabad

WHAT HAPPENED TODAY?

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International Literacy Day – 8 September 2026: Marks the 60th Anniversary of the global observance, with the theme "Literacy for people, the planet and prosperity."