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JNPA becomes world's fastest-growing container port



- Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority (JNPA) is located at Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, and is one of India's major container ports.
- JNPA recorded 13.6% growth in container throughput during H1 2026, making it the fastest-growing among the world's top 30 container ports.
- It improved its global position to 21st among the world's top container ports.

Meghalaya Launches Read & Rise Programme



- Meghalaya launched the CM-IMPACT Read & Rise Meghalaya programme.
- The programme was launched by Chief Minister Conrad K. Sangma in Shillong.
- Its primary objective is to strengthen foundational reading skills among schoolchildren. CM-IMPACT (Chief Minister's Initiative for Promoting Academic and Cognitive Transformation)

Banas Bio-CNG Plant Inaugurated in Banaskantha



- The Banas Suzuki Biogas Plant was inaugurated at Vinchhivadi, Banaskantha district, Gujarat.
- The project is a collaboration between Suzuki Motor Corporation, Banas Dairy and NDDB (National Dairy Development Board).
- It is Suzuki's third biogas plant in India, following plants at Agthala and Bhukhala.

Tribal Languages & Museums Conclave Begins in Mysuru

- The National Conclave on Tribal Languages & Museums began in Mysuru, Karnataka.
- The three-day conclave was organised by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.
- It brings together policymakers, linguists, researchers, technologists and tribal representatives.

SCO summit 2026 held in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan



- SCO (Shanghai Cooperation Organisation) was established on 15 June 2001 in Shanghai, China.
- The SCO currently has 10 member states: China, India, Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Pakistan, Russia, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan and Belarus.
- The SCO's headquarters/Secretariat is located in Beijing, China.

Bank of Baroda Launches UPI Global QR Payments for Visitors



- The facility allows international tourists, overseas Indians and eligible foreign payment-app users to make QR payments in India.
- Visitors can use their home-country banking or payment applications for payments.
- Payments can be made across Bank of Baroda's UPI QR merchant network in India.

DRDO Tests Indigenous Combat Parachute System in Ladakh



- The trial was conducted at the Nyoma-Mudh Drop Zone in Leh district, one of the world's highest-altitude drop zones.
- The test jump was carried out from 22,000 feet above mean sea level. The temperature during the trial was around -15°C.

- The MCPS was designed and developed by Aerial Delivery Research and Development Establishment (ADRDE), Agra, a DRDO laboratory.

India Open 2028 Super 750 to be held in Guwahati



- The India Open 2028 will be held in Guwahati, Assam, instead of its traditional venue in New Delhi.
- The event will be hosted at the National Centre of Excellence (NCE) for Badminton, Guwahati.
- The decision was confirmed by Badminton Association of India (BAI) Secretary General Sanjay Mishra. BAI is the national governing body for badminton in India.

HARAPPAN SITES – DISCOVERED ARCHAEOLOGISTS

Harappa → Daya Ram Sahni

Mohenjo-daro → R. D. Banerji

Lothal → S. R. Rao

Kalibangan → A. Ghosh

Dholavira → J. P. Joshi

Rakhigarhi → Suraj Bhan & Amarendra Nath

WHAT HAPPENED TODAY?

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World Lake Day 2026 is observed on August 27, 2026, highlighting the importance of lakes and their sustainable management. 2025 marked the first observance of World Lake Day, bringing global attention to the conservation and protection of lake ecosystems.