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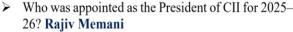


Important Personalities

- ➤ Who assumed office as President of Romania ➤ recently? Nicusor Dan.
- ➤ Who has been appointed as the League > Commissioner of The Legenz T10 tennis ball cricket league? Pragyan Ojha
- Who has been appointed as the Senior Air Staff Officer (SASO) of the Western Air Command in June 2025? Air Marshal Jasvir Singh Mann
- Which command of the Indian Air Force will Air Marshal Jasvir Singh Mann serve as SASO? Western Air Command
- Who won the 2025 Poland Presidential Election with 50.89% of the votes? Karol Nawrocki

- Who was elected as the new President of South Korea in June 2025? Lee Jae-myung
- Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of the Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister (EAC-PM)? S Mahendra Dev
- Who is the first Indian Air Force officer selected to visit the ISS? Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla
- Who has been appointed interim MD & CEO of LIC in June 2025? Sat Pal Bhanoo
- Who has been appointed as a part-time member of the 16th Finance Commission in 2025? T. Rabi Sankar
- Who has been appointed as the Honorary Consul of Finland in Gujarat? Kulin Lalbhai
- Who was recently sworn in as a judge of the Gujarat High Court? Justice N.S. Sanjay Gowda
- From which High Court was Justice Sanjay Gowda transferred? Karnataka High Court
- Who has been appointed as the new MD & CEO of Axis Max Life Insurance from October 1, 2025? **Sumit Madan**
- Who is the outgoing CEO of Axis Max Life **Insurance? Prashant Tripathy**
- Who has been appointed as the Global Brand Ambassador for Maldives tourism? Katrina Kaif
- What is the name of the Maldives' tourism campaign Katrina Kaif will represent? Sunny Side of Life
- Who has been appointed as the new CEO of Hyundai-backed autonomous vehicle JV Motional? Laura Major
- ➤ Who has received a six-month extension as MD & CEO of Yes Bank? Prashant Kumar
- Who has been appointed as the new Managing Director of Sun Pharma? Kirti Ganorkar
- Who has been appointed as the new Director General of the International Hockey Federation (FIH)? Mike
- Who has been appointed as the Managing Director and Head of Meta India in 2025? Arun Srinivas
- Who became the first woman officer from the Indian Navy to be appointed as Aide-de-Camp (ADC) to the President of India? Lieutenant Commander Yashasvi Solanki
- Who was elected as the President of the International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA)? Bhupendra Yadav
- Who has been appointed as India's Ambassador to North Korea? liawati Longkumer





- Who has been elected as the next president of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)? Annalena Baerbock.
- When will Annalena Baerbock begin her term as UNGA president? September.









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- ➤ Who is the Founder and Managing Trustee of The ➤ Infravision Foundation? Vinayak Chatterjee
- Who has been appointed as the Chairperson of > PFRDA in 2025? Sivasubramanian Ramann
- ➤ Who did Sivasubramanian Ramann succeed as ➤ PFRDA Chairperson? Deepak Mohanty
- ➤ Who has been appointed as the new Director of IIT ➤ Kharagpur in June 2025? Professor Suman Chakraborty
- Whom did Suman Chakraborty succeed as Director of IIT Kharagpur? Professor Amit Patra (acting director)
- > Who has been appointed as the new Foreign Secretary of Bangladesh? Asad Alam Siam
- > Who has been appointed as the new Managing Director of Nippon Koei India? G. Sampath Kumar
- Which company is G. Sampath Kumar the first Indian to lead as Managing Director? Nippon Koei India (NKI)
- Who has become the new President of the International Olympic Committee (IOC)? Kirsty Coventry
- ➤ Who did Kirsty Coventry succeed as IOC President? **Thomas Bach**
- Which veteran Tamil actor passed away at the age of 75, who gained popularity with his first lead role in the 1979 film 'Kanni Paruvathile'? Rajesh
- > Name the Former New Zealand cricket coach and Canterbury pace bowler, who passed away recently? **David Trist**
- Who was Sukhdev Singh Dhindsa, who passed away recently? Veteran Akali leader and former Union Minister from Punjab.
- Who was Valmik Thapar, who passed away recently? Eminent Indian wildlife conservationist and author
- Vikram Sugumaran, who passed away recently at the age of 48, was associated with which regional cinema? Tamil

- Who was the former Gujarat Chief Minister who died in an air crash near Ahmedabad? Vijay Rupani.
- Who was Nellai Su. Muthu, who passed away recently? ISRO scientist and Tamil science writer.
- Which former AIFF Vice President recently passed away? Atuo Mezhür
- Which former Indian cricketer and left-arm spinner, known for his five-wicket haul on Test debut, passed away in London at the age of 77? Dilip Doshi





"Setting goals is the first step in turning the invisible into the visible."

Tony Robbins





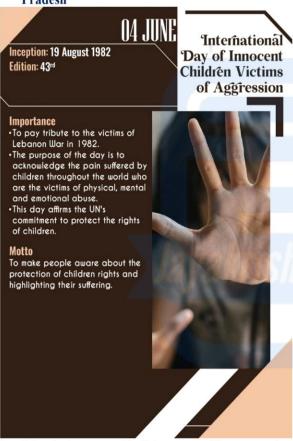


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National & International News

- Who developed the PAI framework? The Ministry of Panchayati Raj.
- ➤ Under which policy were the 'Know Your DIGIPIN' and 'Know Your PIN Code' platforms launched? **National Geospatial Policy 2022**
- ➤ Which Indian state is seeking UNESCO World Heritage recognition for its Living Root Bridges? > Meghalaya
- ➤ Which state cabinet approved the Financial Powers Manual 2025 to decentralise powers? Madhya Pradesh



- What is the name of India's recent military operation that targeted terror camps in Pakistan and PoK? **Operation Sindoor**
- What does the acronym ANKUR stand for in the Odisha government's urban development initiative? Atal Network for Knowledge, Urbanisation & Reform
- Who inaugurated the new unified headquarters of the Quality Council of India (QCI) at the World Trade > Centre, New Delhi? Jitin Prasada

- What is the name of the military operation after which an Indore Metro station is named? Operation Sindoor
- Which government body is providing financial support for the indigenous thrombectomy device? **Technology Development Board (TDB)**
- Where is the world's highest railway bridge, the Chenab Bridge, located, which is set to be inaugurated by PM Narendra Modi? Jammu and Kashmir
- Who launched the C CARES Version 2.0 portal of CMPFO to enhance digital disbursement of PF and pension for coal sector workers? Shri G. Kishan Reddy
- What gender-neutral term has JNU adopted for its Vice-Chancellor? Kulguru
- ➤ Which term did JNU replace with "Kulguru" for the Vice-Chancellor's designation? Kulpati
- How many Ramsar sites are there in India as of June 2025? 91
- Which two wetlands in Rajasthan were recently added to the Ramsar list in 2025? Khichan and Menar
- For which term was India elected to the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)? 2026-2028 term.
- > Over which river is the world's highest railway arch bridge, inaugurated by PM Modi, built? Chenab
- ➤ Who launched the UMEED Central Portal in New Delhi? Union Minority Affairs Minister Shri Kiren Rijiju.
- What is the full form of UMEED in the context of the new portal? Unified Waqf Management, **Empowerment, Efficiency and Development.**
- ➤ Which ministry developed the UMEED Central Portal? Ministry of Minority Affairs.
- Who launched the Bharatiya Bhasha Anubhag? **Union Home Minister Amit Shah**
- What is the primary aim of Bharatiya Bhasha Anubhag? To promote Indian languages and reduce foreign language influence administration
- Where is India's first E-Waste Recycling Eco Park being established? Holambi Kalan, North Delhi
- What is the name of the ordinance passed to regulate private school fees in Delhi? Delhi School





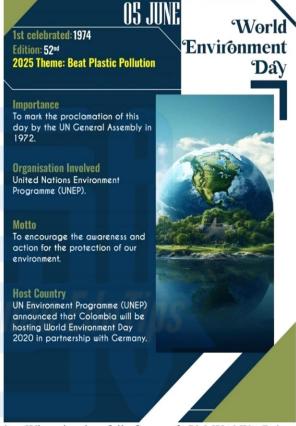
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Education (Transparency in Fixation and > Regulation of Fees) Ordinance, 2025.

- Which Delhi minister announced the approval of the school fees ordinance? Education Minister Ashish Sood.
- From which date will the Delhi school fees ordinance be effective? April 1, 2025.
- What is the minimum fine for a private school found guilty of its first fee violation under Delhi School Education (Transparency in Fixation and Regulation of Fees) Ordinance, 2025? Rs 1 lakh.
- What is the maximum fine for the first offence of overcharging by private schools in Delhi under Delhi School Education (Transparency in Fixation and Regulation of Fees) Ordinance, 2025? Rs 5 lakh.
- What is the penalty range for repeat offences under the Delhi school fee ordinance? Between Rs 2 lakh and Rs 10 lakh.
- How many working days are private schools given to refund excess fees under Delhi School Education (Transparency in Fixation and Regulation of Fees) Ordinance, 2025? 20 working days.
- After how many days will the fine double if excess fees are not refunded by the school under Delhi School Education (Transparency in Fixation and Regulation of Fees) Ordinance, 2025? After 20 days.
- When does the fine triple under the new Delhi school ordinance if refund is delayed? After 40 days.
- Who recently addressed Swiss industry leaders at the Swissmem Industry Day, inviting them to invest in India's growth journey? Piyush Goyal, Union Minister of Commerce and Industry
- What is the amount being disbursed under the 'Talliki Vandanam' scheme in Andhra Pradesh? ₹8,745 crore
- Which three states are covered under recently approved multitracking railway projects worth ₹6,405 crore? Jharkhand, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh
- What is the name of the new India Post service launched to deliver educational books at affordable rates? Gvan Post
- Where is the Reko Diq project located? Chagai district, Balochistan, Pakistan
- What change does the West Bengal Minorities' Commission (Amendment) Bill 2025 introduce? It increases the number of vice-chairpersons in the Commission from one to two.
- What is the tenure of members in the West Bengal Minorities' Commission? Three years.

- How many total members are there in the Commission currently? Eleven - including 1 chairperson, 1 vice-chairperson, 1 member secretary, and 9 members.
- Who is the current chairman of the West Bengal Minorities' Commission? Janab Ahmad Hasan.
- Who is the current vice-chairman of the Commission? Michael Sen Culvert.
- Where will the WEF-Andhra Pradesh Centre for Energy and Cyber Resilience be established? Amaravati, Andhra Pradesh



- What is the full form of PM-WANI? Prime Minister's Wi-Fi Access Network Interface
- Under TRAI's new order, broadband plans up to what speed are covered? 200 Mbps
- Where has RBI relocated its Andhra Pradesh Regional Office? Vijavawada
- What is the name of the campaign launched by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs for tribal empowerment in June 2025? Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Abhiyan
- Which Union Minister inaugurated the Gati Shakti Cargo Terminal at Manesar? Ashwini Vaishnaw
- Which scheme supports the special schools to be recognized under this inclusive education initiative? **Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme**







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- Which state revised its third language notification in June 2025, removing the compulsory status of Hindi? Maharashtra
- As per Maharashtra's revised policy, what is the default third language in schools from Class I to V?
- ➤ How many minimum students are required in a class ➤ to opt for a third language other than Hindi in Maharashtra? 20
- Where has Google launched its first Safety Engineering Centre in Asia-Pacific? Hyderabad, Telangana
- ➤ What is the name of Google's new cybersecurity facility in India? Google Safety Engineering > Centre India (GSEC India)

- Where is the railway factory located that built the locomotive for export to Guinea? Marhowrah, Bihar
- Which ministry has launched a competition for drug development for sickle cell disease? Ministry of Tribal Affairs (MoTA)
- Which two ministries have jointly launched the NAVYA scheme? Ministry of Women and Child Development and Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.
- What does NAVYA stand for? Nurturing Aspirations through Vocational Training for Young Adolescent Girls.
- Which is the third Indian state to achieve full functional literacy? Tripura
- Under which central scheme did Tripura achieve full functional literacy? ULLAS - Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram
- Which state became the first to operationalise the Amended BharatNet Program under the state-led model? Gujarat
- What is the name of India's largest-ever tribal empowerment campaign launched in June 2025? Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Abhiyan (DAJA)
- When was the Kuala Lumpur Declaration on ASEAN 2045 unveiled? The declaration was unveiled at the 46th ASEAN Summit in 2025.
- ➤ What theme will Malaysia chair the ASEAN Summit under in 2025? "Inclusivity and Sustainability."
- Which three countries are strengthening their trilateral ties in an anti-India context? Pakistan, Turkey, and Azerbaijan
- Which country will lead the EU's new initiative on quantum defence technology? Finland
- Which country is hosting the Indian National Defence College (NDC) delegation led by Major General Ajay Kumar Singh? Morocco
- ➤ Which country will gift a Guardian-class patrol boat to the Maldives to strengthen regional maritime security? Australia
- What is the range of the Guardian-class patrol boat being gifted to the Maldives by Australia? 3,000 nautical miles
- Which country won the presidency of the International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS) in 2025? India
- How many members does ECOSOC have? 54 members.
- Which countries were elected alongside India from the Asia-Pacific region in the recent ECOSOC elections? China, Lebanon, and Turkmenistan

Sunday of June Inception: 19 June 1910 **Father's** Edition: 116th **D**al **Importance** · In 1910, a US woman, Sonora Smart Dodd was inspired by the American Mother's Day celebrations to plan a day to honor fathers. · Since then in USA, the Father's Day has been celebrated in June since 1910.

- What is the name of the evacuation operation launched by India from Iran in June 2025? **Operation Sindhu**
- What is the name of the new web portal launched by the Centre for gender budgeting? Gender > **Budgeting Knowledge Hub**
- Which ministry launched the Gender Budgeting > Knowledge Hub in June 2025? Ministry of Women and Child Development

To recognize the contribution that

fathers and father figures make to the lives of their children.

 President Lyndon Johnson issued the first presidential proclamation

honouring fathers in 1966, making

the third Sunday in June Father's

· Six years later President Richard

holiday - though in the UK it does

Nixon signed it into law, establishing the day as a national

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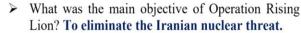




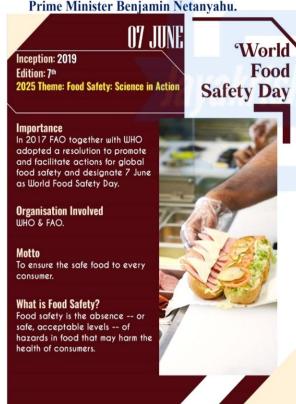


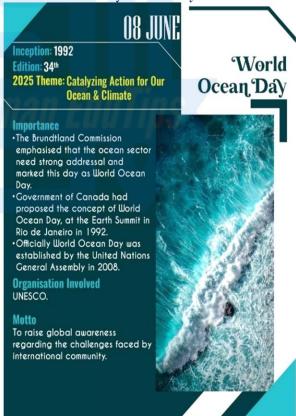


- ➤ How many countries were elected to the UN Security ➤ Council for the 2026-27 term? five countries
- What is the name of the space mission Shukla is part of? Axiom Mission 4 (Ax-4)
- Who is the commander of the Ax-4 mission? **Peggy** Whitson (USA)
- ➤ Where did Finland open its new Honorary Consulate in India in 2024? Ahmedabad, Gujarat
- Who inaugurated Finland's Honorary Consulate in Gujarat? Ambassador Kimmo Lahdevirta
- ➤ Which two countries launched the Blue NDC ➤ Challenge at the UN Ocean Conference 2025? France and Brazil
- Which UN conference served as the platform for > launching the Blue NDC Challenge? Third UN Ocean Conference (UNOC3)
- What is the name of the new visa launched by New Zealand for parents of skilled migrants? Parent **Boost Visa**
- How many Coastal Research Vessels will GRSE build for the Geological Survey of India? Two vessels
- Which UN agencies announced the first World Restoration Flagships of 2025? UNEP and FAO.
- Who launched Operation Rising Lion? Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.



- Which country recently joined BRICS as the 10th Partner Country in 2025? Vietnam
- Who is the Prime Minister of Croatia with whom PM Modi held delegation-level talks in 2025? Andrej Plenković
- Which European country did PM Modi visit for the first time in 2025, receiving a Sanskrit grammar reprint as a cultural gift? Croatia
- Who authored the first printed Sanskrit grammar in Latin, reprinted and gifted to PM Modi? Filip Vezdin
- What was the title of the book gifted to PM Modi that focuses on Indo-Croatian diplomatic and business ties? Croatia & India, Bilateral Navigator for **Diplomats and Business**
- Which African country will receive locomotives from India under a major export deal? Republic of Guinea
- Which country is set to become the first Gulf nation to impose personal income tax from 2028? Oman
- Who is the first civilian Defence Minister of South Korea in over 60 years? Ahn Gyu-back











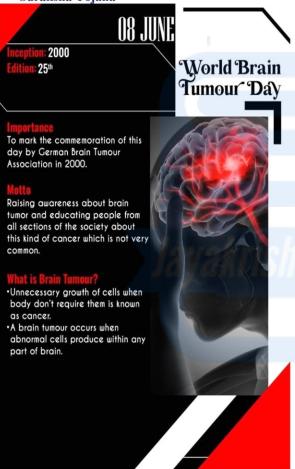


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Important Projects & Schemes

- When was the RoDTEP scheme launched? The RoDTEP scheme was launched on January 1, 2021.
- What is the primary objective of the RoDTEP scheme? To reimburse exporters for embedded duties, taxes, and levies not refunded under other schemes.
- What is the name of the health scheme launched by the Gujarat government for officers, employees, and pensioners? Gujarat Karmayogi Swasthya Suraksha Yojana



Under the Gujarat Karmayogi Swasthya Suraksha Yojana, what is the maximum amount of cashless

- health coverage provided per family per year? ₹10
- Which category of PMJAY card must eligible beneficiaries possess to avail benefits under the Gujarat health scheme? "G" category card
- Which Indian state approved a new arms licence scheme for indigenous people near the Bangladesh border? Assam
- What is the name of the scheme launched by Assam to provide arms licences to indigenous communities? Gujarat Karmayogi Swasthya Suraksha Yojana
- Which Assam districts are covered under the new arms licence scheme near the Bangladesh border? Dhubri, Nagaon, Morigaon, Barpeta, Goalpara, South Salmara-Mankachar
- Which state recently launched ₹750 crore education infrastructure projects? Arunachal Pradesh
- Under which scheme are 39 government higher secondary schools being upgraded in Arunachal Pradesh? Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment (SASCI) scheme
- Which tribal welfare scheme is funding highcapacity hostels in Arunachal Pradesh? Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhivan (DAJGUA)
- What is the name of the new EU quantum defence project led by Finland? QUEST (Quantum **Enablers for Strategic Advantage)**
- What is the monthly financial assistance amount under the Mahila Samriddhi Yojana? ₹2500
- What is the eligible age range for women under the Mahila Samriddhi Yojana? 21 to 60 years
- What is the primary goal of the Aravali Green Wall Project? Reforesting the Aravalli range and combating desertification.
- ➤ Which states are covered by the Aravalli Green Wall Project? Gujarat, Rajasthan, Haryana, and Delhi.
- On which occasion was the Aravali Green Wall Project launched? World Environment Day.
- How many ships are planned under the ASW-SWC class project? A total of 16 ships.









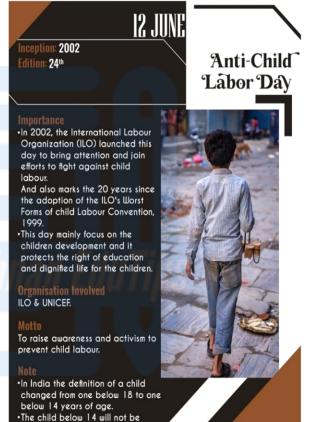
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Banking & Economy

- What is the name of South Korea's largest trust fund within the World Bank? Korea-World Bank Group Partnership Facility (KWPF)
- ➤ What GDP growth rate has Crisil projected for India ➤ in fiscal 2026? 6.5%
- Name the three defence PSUs granted Miniratna Category-I status in 2024? **Munitions India** Limited (MIL), Armoured Vehicles Nigam Limited (AVNL), India Optel Limited (IOL)
- ➤ Where was the first edition of the 'Niveshak Shivir' launched by IEPFA and SEBI held? **Pune**
- Which two organisations jointly launched the 'Niveshak Shivir' to assist investors? IEPFA and **SEBI**
- According to OECD, what is India's projected GDP growth rate for FY26 (2025-26)? 6.3%
- What is India's projected GDP growth rate for FY27 (2026-27) as per OECD? **6.4%**
- Which international financial institution has announced a \$10 billion investment to transform urban infrastructure in India over the next five years? Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- From which financial year is Rafale fuselage production in India expected to begin? Financial Year 2028.
- What was the value of the 2016 Rafale deal with France? Approximately €7.87 billion.
- What is the total value of the Rafale-M deal for the Indian Navy? ₹63,000 crore.
- What recent approval has Flipkart received from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)? Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC) licence
- What key decisions were made by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) in its latest Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) meeting held on June 6, 2025? Reduced the repo rate by 50 basis points to 5.5%
- What is the term used for large-scale interest rate changes in the recenlty released SBI report on RBI's recent rate cut strategy? Jumbo rate action
- ➤ Which PSU recently received the Tier-II Authorised Economic Operator (AEO) accreditation? Steel **Authority of India Limited (SAIL)**
- What is the World Bank's GDP growth forecast for India in FY26? 6.3%

- Despite a global slowdown, which country is expected to be the fastest-growing major economy in FY26? India
- Which international institutions approved a \$700 million concessional loan for Pakistan's Reko Diq project? World Bank and International Finance **Corporation (IFC)**
- Which platform will TCS deploy for CEB's reconciliation automation? TCS BaNCS for reconciliations



- What is ICRA's GDP growth forecast for India in FY26? **6.2%**
- What was India's estimated GDP growth in FY25 according to ICRA? 6.5%
- Which company recently acquired the full stake in Jio Payments Bank from SBI? Jio Financial Services Limited (JFSL)
- As per S&P Global Ratings, what is India's revised GDP growth forecast for FY26? 6.5%





allowed to work in any industry

except a 'Family Enterprise'.





- ➤ How much disbursement has the IMF approved for ➤ Bangladesh in June 2025 under its loan programme? \$1.3 billion
- What is the total in-principle approval amount granted to Gujarat for the Amended BharatNet Program? ₹5631 crore
- What is the new auto-claim settlement limit set by EPFO for advance PF withdrawals? ₹5 lakh
- India has partnered with whom to bring AYUSH to the global mainstream through the Agreement on Traditional Medicine Interventions? WHO
- Which country is strengthening cooperation with the World Bank to support agriculture in developing nations? South Korea



- Which organisation developed the DIGIPIN system in collaboration with IIT Hyderabad and NRSC, **ISRO? Department of Posts**
- Which Indian cloud infrastructure provider has partnered with Microsoft to boost AI innovation in **India? Yotta Data Services**
- What is the name of Yotta Data Services' AI cloud platform where Microsoft's Azure AI services will be integrated? Shakti Cloud

- Which Indian institute partnered with Singapore's A*STAR to promote semiconductor innovation? IIT Kharagpur
- Which Indian airline signed a partnership deal with Delta, Air France-KLM, and Virgin Atlantic in June 2025? **IndiGo**
- Which employment opportunity for Indians was explored with Japan during the Maritime cooperation agreement between India & Japan? Employment of Indian seafarers in Japan.
- When did India and Japan establish their Special Strategic and Global Partnership? In 2014.
- Which sectors are the focus for India-Paraguay cooperation? Clean energy, green hydrogen, biofuels, digital technology, agriculture, defence, railways, and space.
- Which Indian IT company signed a 7-year digital transformation deal with Virgin Atlantic in 2025? **Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)**
- Which UK-based airline has partnered with TCS to modernise its systems with AI solutions? Virgin Atlantic
- Who has signed an MoU with Norway's Kongsberg to build India's first indigenous Polar Research Vehicle (PRV)? Garden Reach Shipbuilders and **Engineers Ltd. (GRSE)**
- Which two countries recently held talks to strengthen maritime security and cooperation in the Indian Ocean region? Sri Lanka and Australia
- Which three countries have emerged as the most balanced GCC ecosystems as per the BCG report? India, the United States, and Mexico.
- Which two institutes signed an MoU to establish a Centre of Excellence for AI in Healthcare? IIT Delhi and AIIMS Delhi
- What key agreement was signed between India and Australia during the recent defence talks? Joint Research Project in Defence
- Which country has announced plans to support Syria's electricity sector? Algeria.
- Which sectors, besides electricity, are Algeria and Syria planning to cooperate in? Hydrocarbons, mining, and renewable energy.
- How much total investment is expected from Syria's new power deals? 7 billion US dollars.
- Which Czech company signed a nuclear reactor deal with South Korea's KHNP? EDU II.
- What is the value of the Czech Republic's nuclear deal with KHNP? \$18 billion.
- Which two companies signed agreements to manufacture Rafale fuselages in India? Dassault





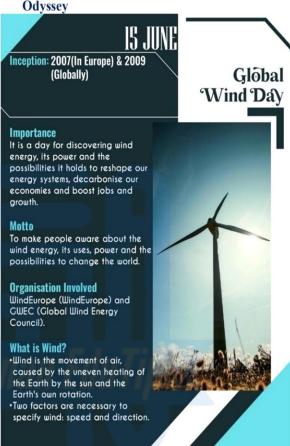
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Aviation and Tata Advanced Systems Limited > (TASL).

- What recent decision did TCL India make regarding its brand ambassador? Renewed its partnership with Rohit Sharma for a second consecutive year.
- What recent development has taken place between India and Vietnam in the field of media and entertainment? They decided to cooperate in digital media, broadcasting, and film production.
- What recent developments have occurred in the bilateral relations between India and Kyrgyzstan? They elevated their relationship to a "strategic partnership" and implemented a Bilateral Investment Treaty (BIT).
- Which satellite internet company recently received a GMPCS license from India's Department of Telecommunications? Starlink
- Which two countries recently agreed to boost green transition in the maritime sector? India and Denmark
- Which state government signed an MoU with Nvidia to establish an AI University? Andhra Pradesh
- With which tech company did Andhra Pradesh sign an MoU to promote AI education and innovation? **Nvidia**
- ➤ Which Navratna PSU signed an MoU with Tata Electronics for indigenous semiconductor solutions? **Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL)**
- Which company designed and constructed INS Arnala? Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (GRSE), in partnership with L&T Shipbuilders.
- Which organization partnered with MeitY to host the 5th stakeholder consultation on AI RAM in India? UNESCO Regional Office for South Asia.
- Which telecom company signed a multi-year strategic pact with Ericsson for pan-India network management? Bharti Airtel
- Which two organizations signed an MoU to deploy multilingual AI solutions in railway platforms? Digital India Bhashini Division (DIBD) and Centre for Railway Information Systems (CRIS)
- ➤ What is the main objective of the IWEL-IWL merger? To create a simpler and stronger business structure in clean energy.
- What is the estimated liability reduction from the IWEL-IWL merger? Around ₹2,050 crore.
- ➤ IWEL is part of which larger group? INOXGFL Group.
- Which body signed an MoU with CSIR-CRRI and SPA to reduce dust pollution in NCR? Commission for Air Quality Management (CAQM)

- Which defence PSU signed a contract with GSI to build Coastal Research Vessels? Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE)
- Which two parties signed the Trilateral Cooperation Agreement to support pilot projects in third countries? India and the European Union (EU)
- Which organization partnered with UNESCO to restore 50 World Heritage marine sites? Plastic Odyssey



- Which two organisations have partnered to enhance cybersecurity in India's digital payments ecosystem? **NPCI and IDRBT**
- Which company signed an MoU with Maharashtra for setting government up a helicopter manufacturing unit? Max Aerospace & Aviation Pvt. Ltd.
- Which state signed an MoU with France to promote cultural and tourism ties? Madhya Pradesh
- Which agreement is India and Cyprus planning to finalize for skilled workforce mobility? Mobility Agreement
- Which international bank has partnered with TCS to modernise its reconciliation systems? Council of **Europe Development Bank (CEB)**





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- Which state signed a Memorandum Understanding (MoU) with the Digital India Bhashini Division (DIBD) for multilingual governance? Mizoram
- Which country did India sign 4 MoUs with in June 2025, including one for a Hindi Chair at Zagreb University? Croatia
- ➤ Which three institutions signed a tripartite MoU to ➤ promote inclusive education for persons with disabilities? DEPwD, NIOS, and NCERT
- ➤ Which ministry signed an MoU with Bhashini to ➤ bridge language barriers in rural governance? Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR)
- Which medical institution is collaborating with MoTA for the sickle cell drug competition? AIIMS
- ➤ Which Indian company recently secured a ₹137 crore defence contract for UAVs? ideaForge **Technology**
- How much is the defence contract awarded to ideaForge by the Indian Army worth? Approximately ₹137 crore
- Which company received an Indian Army order for 450 loitering munitions? Solar Defence and

Which South Korean company signed an MoU with Northrop Grumman to enhance air defence systems? Hanwha Systems.

- What is the main goal of the MoU between Hanwha Systems and Northrop Grumman? To jointly advance integrated air defence systems and explore new business opportunities in Korea.
- Which organization recently signed a 5-year MoU with the Maharashtra government to enhance datadriven governance in the social sector? **CEGIS**
- Which Indian university recently signed 8 new MoUs with Japanese universities to promote academic collaboration? O.P. Jindal Global University
- Which financial institution recently signed an MoU with IIM Mumbai for collaboration in data analytics and research? Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL)
- IIM Mumbai signed an MoU with which organization to work jointly on financial market research and live projects? CDSL
- Which AI company under the Ola Group recently acquired BharatSah'AI'yak? Krutrim



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International Day Against Drug **Abuse and Illicit** Trafficking

 To mark the proclamation by General Assembly on 7 December 1987 for this day to strengthen action and cooperation to achieve the goal of an international society free of drug

·This date was chosen to commemorate Lin Zexu's dismantling of the opium trade in Humen, Guangdong, ending in June 25 1839, just before the First Opium War in China.

To raise awareness to fight against substance abuse as well as the unlawful trade of drugs.

UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC).

·The term "illicit trafficking" can be defined as illegal "trading, selling or dealing" in specified goods. ·This day also known as "World Drug Day



The word music derived from the

"art of the Muses".

Greek word "Mousike" which means





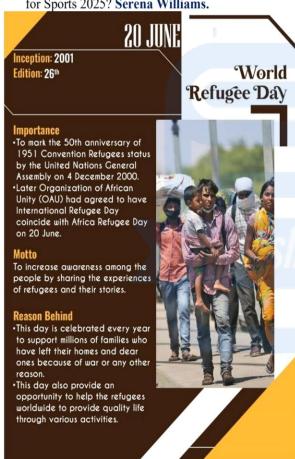


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Awards & Recognitions

- To which initiative did Sadhguru dedicate his prize money for Global Indian Award 2025 from the Canada India Foundation? Cauvery Calling.
- Who has reached the summit of Mount Everest 31 times, setting a new world record? Kami Rita Sherpa
- Nepalese? Sagarmatha
- Who won the Artist of the Year award at the American Music Awards 2025? Billie Eilish
- ➤ Who was awarded the Princess of Asturias Award for Sports 2025? Serena Williams.



- What is the cash prize awarded under the National Florence Nightingale Award? ₹1,00,000
- > Which nurse from NIMHANS was honored for leadership during COVID-19 and work in neuro rehabilitation? Dr. Banu M R
- How many Param Vishisht Seva Medals were awarded during the Defence Investiture Ceremony 2025 (Phase-II)? 30

- Who is set to receive a knighthood in the King's Birthday Honours list? David Beckham.
- Which British monarch is expected to knight David Beckham? King Charles III.
- Who is the latest Indian cricketer inducted into the ICC Hall of Fame? MS Dhoni
- ➤ What is the local name of Mount Everest in ➤ Which country's highest civilian honour was recently conferred on Prime Minister Narendra Modi? Cyprus
 - What is the name of the highest civilian award of Cyprus received by PM Modi? Grand Cross of the Order of Makarios III
 - Which company won the Food Planet Prize 2024 for green fertilizer innovation? NitroCapt
 - What is the name of the world's biggest environmental award given to NitroCapt? Food **Planet Prize**
 - Which university conferred its fifth honorary doctorate upon Dr. Thumbay Moideen? University of Lublin, Poland
 - ➤ Which organization announced the Yuva Puraskar and Bal Sahitya Puraskar for 2025? Sahitya Akademi
 - ➤ Who won the 2025 Yuva Puraskar for English? **Advait Kottary**
 - What is the title of the book by Advait Kottary that won the Yuva Puraskar? Siddhartha: The Boy Who Became the Buddha
 - ➤ Who won the 2025 Yuva Puraskar for Hindi poetry? Parvati Tirkey
 - Which language had no Yuva Puraskar recipient in 2025? Dogri
 - ➤ Who launched the Infra Pandit Awards? The **Infravision Foundation**
 - Which bank won the 'Digital Payments Award 2024–25'? India Post Payments Bank (IPPB)
 - Which company has been awarded the Transfer of Technology for SSLV by ISRO? Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)
 - Which Indian animated film won the Jury Award at Annecy International Animation Festival 2025? Desi Oon
 - Who is the Indian-origin professor awarded the 2025 Gödel Prize? Eshan Chattopadhyay









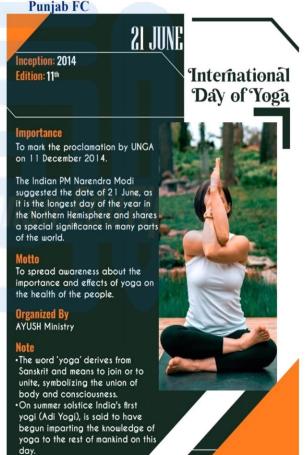
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Sports

- Who won the 2025 Monaco Grand Prix? Lando Norris.
- ➤ Which driver finished second in the 2025 Monaco Grand Prix? Charles Leclerc.
- > Who is currently leading the championship after the Monaco Grand Prix? Oscar Piastri.
- ➤ Who were the Chinese gold medal-winning pair in ➤ the 10m air rifle mixed team event in ISSF Junior World Cup in Suhl, Germany? Huang Yuting and Huang Liwanlin.
- Who won the bronze medal for India in the 10m air rifle mixed team event in ISSF Junior World Cup in Suhl, Germany? Himanshu and Shambhavi Kshirsagar.
- Who won the German Cup final in 2025? VfB Stuttgart.
- ➤ Who is the most successful club in the German Cup? Bayern Munich (20 titles).
- ➤ Who won the 2024/25 UEFA Women's Champions League? Arsenal Women.
- Who did Arsenal defeat in the 2024/25 Women's Champions League final? Barcelona.
- Who was the top scorer in the 2024/25 Women's Champions League? Clàudia Pina (Barcelona) with 10 goals.
- Who won his 100th ATP singles title at the 2025 Geneva Open? Novak Djokovic.
- Who did Novak Djokovic defeat to win his 100th ATP title? Hubert Hurkacz.
- Which players have won 100 or more ATP titles in the Open Era? Jimmy Connors, Roger Federer, and Novak Djokovic.
- ➤ Who became the first Indian to win a Formula 2 race at the Monaco Grand Prix? Kush Maini.
- Which team does Kush Maini drive for in Formula 2? Dams Lucas Oil.
- ➤ Who received the Global Indian Award 2025 from the Canada India Foundation? Sadhguru.
- Who has won the gold medal in women's 25m pistol at the ISSF Junior World Cup? Tejaswini
- Which player has recently retired from all forms of cricket? Priyank Panchal
- Who set a new world record in the Men's F42 Javelin Throw at the Nottwil World Para Athletics Grand Prix 2025? Mahendra Gurjar

- What was the distance of Mahendra Gurjar's recordbreaking javelin throw in the F42 category? 61.17 meters
- Who won the gold medal for India in the men's 10.000-metre race at the Asian Championships 2025? Gulveer Singh
- Which country won the gold medal in the 4x400m mixed relay at the Asian Athletics Championships 2025 held in Gumi, South Korea? India
- Which team won the 2025 UEFA Conference League by defeating Real Betis? Chelsea
- Which team won the AIFF U-15 Junior League 2024-25 title by defeating Minerva Academy FC?



➤ Who became the first Indian man in 36 years to win gold in 3000m steeplechase at the Asian Athletics Championships 2023? Avinash Sable







- Which Indian female athlete won gold in the 100m hurdles at the Asian Athletics Championships 2023? Jyothi Yarraji
- What was Jyothi Yarraji's timing in the 100m hurdles at the Asian Athletics Championships 2023? 12.96 seconds
- Which Indian men's doubles pair entered the quarterfinals of the Singapore Open 2024? Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty
- Which country hosted the 4th Thailand Open International Boxing Tournament 2025? Thailand
- Who won the gold medal in the 75 kg category at the Thailand Open 2025? Deepak
- Which Indian boxer won gold in the 90 kg category at the Thailand Open 2025? Naman Tanwar
- ➤ Who won the Miss World 2025 title? Opal Suchata ➤ Chuangsri (Thailand)
- Which Australian cricketer announced his retirement from ODI cricket in 2025? Glenn Maxwell
- Who was named UEFA Champions League Player of the Season 2024-25? Ousmane Dembele
- ➤ Who is the most successful player in PKL history? Pardeep Narwal.
- How many raid points did Pardeep Narwal score in his career? 1801 raid points.
- Which team did Pardeep Narwal help win three consecutive PKL titles? Patna Pirates.
- Who won the IPL 2025 championship? Royal > Challengers Bengaluru (RCB)
- Which team was the runner-up in IPL 2025? Punjab Kings (PBKS)
- ➤ Who was the Orange Cap winner in IPL 2025? B Sai ➤ Sudharsan
- Who received the Purple Cap in IPL 2025? Prasidh Krishna
- Which player was named Most Valuable Player (MVP) of IPL 2025? Suryakumar Yadav
- Who was awarded the Fair Play Award in IPL 2025? Chennai Super Kings
- ➤ Which player won the Emerging Player of the ➤ Season in IPL 2025? B Sai Sudharsan
- ➤ Who became the first champion of the Mini Max ➤ category in the 2025 Meco Meritus Cup karting competition? Yatharth Gaur
- What is the new name for the Test series between India and England? Tendulkar-Anderson Trophy
- ➤ Which Indian cricketer recently announced ➤ retirement from all forms of cricket in 2024? Piyush
- Who won the Norway Chess 2025 title? Magnus > Carlsen

- How many times has Magnus Carlsen won the Norway Chess tournament? 6 times.
- Who won the women's section at Norway Chess 2025? Ukraine's Anna Muzychuk
- What is the name of the organization that launched India's first pro basketball league? The Basketball Federation of India (BFI) and ACG Sports Private Limited.
- Who will establish India's first fully residential basketball academy? ACG Sports Private Limited.
- Who won the Women's Singles title at the French Open 2025? Coco Gauff (USA)
- Which world number did Coco Gauff defeat in the French Open 2025 final? Aryna Sabalenka (World No. 1)
- How many gold medals did India win on Day 1 of the Taiwan Athletics Open 2025? 6 gold medals.
- Who won the women's 100m hurdles at the Taiwan Athletics Open 2025? Jyothi Yarraji.
- Who won the 6th Stepan Avagyan Memorial chess tournament? Indian Grandmaster Aravindh Chithambaram.
- Who won the men's singles title at the Indonesia Open 2025? Anders Antonsen (Denmark)
- Which player did Anders Antonsen defeat in the Indonesia Open 2025 final? Chou Tien-chen (Taiwan)
- Which country won the UEFA Nations League 2025? Portugal
- Who did Portugal defeat in the final of the UEFA Nations League 2025? Spain
- Which country did Nicholas Pooran represent in international cricket, who recenlty announced his retirement? West Indies
- Who won gold in the women's 10km race at the 2024 Austrian Racewalking Championships? Priyanka Goswami
- Who won the bronze medal for India in 50m rifle 3 positions at ISSF WC 2025? Sift Kaur Samra
- Who won the ICC World Test Championship Final 2025? South Africa
- Who becomes first female Physique Sports athlete from Arunachal Pradesh to win international gold? Yajik Hillang
- Which team won the Vidarbha Pro T20 League 2025 title? NECO Master Blaster
- Who was declared Player of the Match in the final of the Vidarbha Pro T20 League 2025? Shanmesh Deshmukh
- Which team won the women's Vidarbha Pro T20 League 2025 title? Orange Tiggresses







- ➤ Who won the 2025 Formula 1 Canadian Grand Prix? ➤ George Russell
- ➤ Which team does George Russell represent in ➤ Formula 1? Mercedes
- > Which team won the Ultimate Table Tennis Season 6 title? U Mumba
- ➤ Who were the runners-up in UTT Season 6? Jaipur **Patriots**
- Who were named Indian and Foreign Player of the Final in UTT Season 6? Akash Pal and Bernadette
- ➤ Who reclaimed the No.1 spot in the ICC Women's ➤ ODI Batting Rankings in June 2025? Smriti Mandhana
- Which two federations merged to form a unified > global body for pickleball? International Pickleball **Federation** (IPF) and World **Pickleball** Federation (WPF)
- What is the name of the newly formed unified governing body for pickleball? World Pickleball Federation (WPF)
- ➤ Where is the global headquarters of the new World ➤ Pickleball Federation located? Lausanne, Switzerland
- Which country hosted the ISSF World Cup 2025 where Indian shooters won 4 medals? Germany (Munich)
- ➤ How many total medals did India win at the ISSF ➤ World Cup 2025 in Munich? Four (2 Gold, 2 Bronze)
- What is the name of the first-ever international tennis ball cricket league? Global Tennis Cricket League (GTCL60)
- Who won the doubles title at the \$40,000 ITF Women's Tennis Tournament in Guimaraes in June 2025? Ankita Raina and Alice Robbe
- ➤ Which country hosted the ITF Women's Tennis Tournament won by Ankita Raina in 2025? **Portugal**
- > FIFA has lifted the transfer ban on which team. allowing the club to register new players ahead of the upcoming season? Mohun Bagan Super Giant
- Which Indian state will co-host the FIH Men's Junior World Cup 2025? Tamil Nadu
- > How many teams will participate in the FIH Men's Junior World Cup 2025? 24 teams
- > Which cities will host the FIH Men's Junior World Cup 2025 matches? Chennai and Madurai
- Who won gold in men's javelin at the Paris Diamond League 2025? Neeraj Chopra

- What was Neeraj Chopra's winning throw distance at the Paris Diamond League 2025? 88.16 meters
- Who won the gold medal in the 63 Kg Greco-Roman category in the U-23 Senior Asian Wrestling Championship 2025? Sumit
- Where will the 12th World Games 2025 be held? Chengdu, China
- What are the dates for the 2025 World Games? August 7 to 17, 2025
- What is the name of the 2025 World Games medal? Zhuguang
- India won how many medals at the Asian Para-Badminton Championship 2025 held in Thailand? 27 medals
- Who won the women's singles title at the ITF J200 Gladbeck tournament in Germany? Maaya Rajeshwaran
- Which country hosted the ITF J200 Gladbeck tournament won by Maaya Rajeshwaran? Germany
- Which team won the NBA Finals 2025? Oklahoma City Thunder
- Which team did the Oklahoma City Thunder defeat in the NBA Finals 2025? Indiana Pacers
- Who won the men's singles title at the Queen's Club ATP 500 tournament in June 2025? Carlos Alcaraz
- Which country is hosting the 2025 World Para Athletics Championships for the first time? India
- Which Indian para powerlifter won gold in the Masters category at the 2025 Para Powerlifting World Cup? Joby Mathew
- Who won the Javelin Throw title at the Ostrava Golden Spike 2025 event? Neeraj Chopra









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Science & Technology

- What is the name of India's newly launched indigenous weather forecasting system? Bharat Forecast System (BFS).
- Who developed the Bharat Forecast System? Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune.
- What supercomputer powers the Bharat Forecast System? Arka.
- ➤ Which organisation will lead the AMCA programme? ➤ The Aeronautical Development Agency (ADA) of DRDO.
- What is Russia's operational fifth-generation stealth fighter? Sukhoi Su-57.
- What is the Panchayat Advancement Index (PAI) 2.0 > portal aimed at? It is aimed at enabling panchayats to assess and improve governance and service > delivery across nine LSDG-aligned themes.
- Where has DRDO inaugurated the Quantum Technology Research Centre (QTRC)? Metcalfe House, Delhi
- Who inaugurated the DRDO's Quantum Technology Research Centre in Delhi? Dr. Samir V. Kamat
- ➤ Which DRDO group is spearheading quantum key distribution research at QTRC? Scientific Analysis Group (SAG)
- Which DRDO lab is leading foundational quantum technology research at QTRC? Solid State Physics Laboratory (SSPL)
- What are the names of the two digital platforms launched by the Centre to modernise India's addressing system? Know Your DIGIPIN and Know Your PIN Code
- Which Turkish-made drone was reportedly used by Pakistan against India? Asisguard Songar drone
- Which organization is developing India's indigenous electric trainer aircraft, E-HANSA? CSIR-National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL), Bengaluru.
- Which company successfully launched the Starship Super Heavy rocket on its ninth test flight from South Texas in 2025? SpaceX.
- What is the name of China's first-ever asteroid sample retrieval mission? Tianwen-2.
- ➤ Which rocket launched China's Tianwen-2 mission? Long March 3B.
- Which two countries have previously conducted successful asteroid sample return missions? Japan and the United States.
- Which company handed over the first centre fuselage assembly for Tejas Mk-1A to HAL? VEM > **Technologies**

- Which IIT has launched India's first academic Accelerated Pavement Testing Facility (APTF)? IIT Kharagpur
- What is the name of India's first academic Accelerated Pavement Testing Facility launched by IIT Kharagpur? Kharagpur Accelerated Pavement Testing Facility (K-APTF)
- Which South Korean company will build nuclear reactors in the Czech Republic? Korea Hydro & Nuclear Power (KHNP).
- Where will the new nuclear reactors be built in the Czech Republic? Dukovany nuclear power plant.
- How many reactors will be built under the Czech-KHNP deal? Two.
- What is the capacity of each new nuclear reactor planned by KHNP? 1,000 megawatts.
- Where will the Rafale fuselage manufacturing facility be set up in India? Hyderabad.
- Which aircraft will be produced for the Indian Navy as part of a new deal? Rafale-Marine (Rafale-M) jets.
- How many Rafale-M jets will India procure for its Navy? 26 jets.
- By when are Rafale-M jet deliveries expected to be completed? By 2030.
- What is INS Arnala? INS Arnala is the Indian Navy's first Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft (ASW-SWC).
- How many defence technologies were transferred by DRDO to Indian firms in 2025? Nine
- Who developed the Rudrastra UAV? Solar Defence and Aerospace Limited.
- What type of UAV is Rudrastra? A hybrid Vertical Takeoff and Landing (VTOL) UAV.
- What is Rudrastra's operational range? Over 170 km.
- Who developed Rustam UAV? Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).
- What is the type of Rustam UAV? MALE (Medium Altitude Long Endurance) UAV.
- What is the range of Rustam UAV (Rustam-II)? Up to 1,000 km.
- Which city in Maharashtra will host the helicopter manufacturing plant? Nagpur
- What is the name of the first indigenous Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft (ASW-SWC) to be commissioned by the Indian Navy? Arnala
- Which Japanese company recently conducted a successful test of a reusable rocket? Honda
- What is the length of Honda's experimental reusable rocket? 6.3 metres









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Miscellaneous

- ➤ What is Sadhguru known for? Being an Indian yogi, ➤ mystic, and founder of the Isha Foundation.
- ➤ What is the local name of Mount Everest in Tibetan? ➤ Chomolungma
- > Who was the interim President of Romania before Nicusor Dan took over? Ilie Bolojan.
- ➤ What are the four strategic pillars of the ACV 2045? Political-security, economic, socio-cultural, and connectivity.
- What does DIGIPIN stand for? Digital Postal Index Number
- ➤ What are the Living Root Bridges in Meghalaya made from? Intertwined roots of trees guided by local communities
- Who recently stepped down as the Chief of the U.S. Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE)? **Elon Musk**
- Who stepped down as chairman and director of Tata Chemicals on May 29, 2025? N Chandrasekaran
- At what age did Padakanti Vishwanath Karthikey complete the Seven Summits? 16.
- Where will the 16th edition of the India-Mongolia joint military exercise 'Nomadic Elephant' be held? Umroi, Meghalaya
- > How many thematic areas are being discussed in the India-Chile CEPA negotiations? 17 thematic areas. >
- What does the NAKSHA initiative aim to modernize? Urban land records using geospatial technology
- What naval exercise is held between India and Japan? JIMEX (Japan-India Maritime Exercise).
- ➤ What common threats do India and Paraguay jointly aim to combat? Terrorism, cybercrime, drug trafficking, and organized crime.
- > When were diplomatic relations between India and Paraguay established? In 1961.
- ➤ Who is the current president of the UNGA before Baerbock? Philemon Yang.
- ➤ What is the duration of the UNGA president's term? ➤ One year.
- ➤ What historical site is INS Arnala named after? It is named after Arnala Fort off Vasai, Maharashtra. >
- What was the Quiet Skies program? A TSA surveillance program using undercover air marshals to monitor suspicious passengers on flights.

- When was Quiet Skies launched? It was launched
- Why was the Quiet Skies program shut down? It was shut down for costing \$200 million annually without preventing any terrorist attacks.
- Which two countries are participating in the 'Nomadic Elephant 2025' military exercise? India and Mongolia
- Where is the Nomadic Elephant 2025 exercise being held? Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia
- When will Sumit Madan's five-year term as MD & CEO of Axis Max Life end? September 30, 2030
- Where is Exercise KHAAN QUEST 2025 being held? Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia.
- Which Indian Army regiment primarily represents India in KHAAN QUEST 2025? Kumaon Regiment.
- Under which UN Charter chapter is peace support training conducted in KHAAN QUEST? Chapter
- In which year did KHAAN QUEST become a multinational exercise? 2006.
- What is the name of the joint naval exercise conducted by India and the UK in June 2025? PASSEX 2025
- Where was PASSEX 2025 joint naval exercise conducted by India and the UK? North Arabian Sea
- Which Indian Navy ship participated in PASSEX **2025? INS Tabar**
- What is the name of the joint military exercise between India and France to be held in 2025? Exercise Shakti-2025
- Which document is now required for authentication while booking Tatkal tickets online? Aadhaar
- Which decommissioned naval ship is being transformed into India's first underwater museum? **INS Guldar**
- What is the total prize fund announced for Wimbledon 2025? \$73 million (53.5 million pounds)
- What does the term "Reko Diq" mean in Balochi? Sandy peak
- Who opposed the international loan approval for Reko Diq? India
- Which entity currently owns 50% of the Reko Diq project as of 2025? Barrick Gold Corporation











- What is India's rank in the Global Gender Gap Index 2025? 131st out of 148 countries.
- Where does India rank in South Asia in terms of gender parity in 2025? 5th, behind Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal, and Sri Lanka.
- ➤ Which country tops the Global Gender Gap Index ➤ 2025? Iceland.
- What is the global average gender parity score in 2025? 68.8%.
- Which airline and aircraft model was involved in the crash that killed Vijay Rupani? Air India Boeing 787-8 Dreamliner.
- Who was the first Gujarat CM to die in an air accident before Rupani? Balwantrai Mehta in > 1965.
- What is the name of the flood relief exercise conducted by the Indian Army in Assam? Jal Rahat >
- Which river island was the location for the 'Jal Rahat' exercise? Majuli
- Which Meta-owned platform was banned from sharing user data with other Meta apps by the CCI? WhatsApp
- Who recently resigned as India's G20 Sherpa in 2025? Amitabh Kant
- Who was India's G20 Sherpa before Amitabh Kant? Piyush Goyal
- ➤ What is the name of India's new cyber defence ➤ exercise launched in June 2025? Cyber Suraksha
- Which agency is conducting the Cyber Suraksha exercise? Defence Cyber Agency under HQ IDS
- Where is the newly inaugurated Gati Shakti Multi-Modal Cargo Terminal located? Maruti Suzuki's Manesar facility, Haryana
- Which countries facilitated India's initial evacuation from Iran? Iran and Armenia
- What position did IPPB secure among Payments Banks in the Performance Index for FY 2024-25? 1st Position
- What is the tenure of the PFRDA Chairperson as per the latest appointment? Five years or until the age of 65, whichever is earlier
- ➤ Where is the 8th edition of Exercise SHAKTI being ➤ held? Camp Larzac, La Cavalerie, France
- Which two countries are participating in Exercise SHAKTI-VIII? India and France

- Which regiment represents the Indian Army in Exercise SHAKTI-VIII? Jammu and Kashmir Rifles
- What does 'Zhuguang' literally translate to in English? Bamboo light
- What title was Maruti Chitampalli affectionately known by? Aranya Rishi
- Name the encyclopedia authored by Padma Shri Awardee Environmentalist Maruti Chitampalli on birds? Pakshikosha - Encyclopedia of Birds.
- Which encyclopedia did Padma Shri Awardee Environmentalist Maruti Chitampalli write on animals? Pashukosha - Encyclopedia of Animals.
- What is the name of his encyclopedia by Padma Shri Awardee Environmentalist Maruti Chitampalli on fish? Matsyakosha - Encyclopedia of Fish.
- Which Indian institute is ranked highest in the QS World University Rankings 2026? IIT Delhi
- What is the global rank of IIT Delhi in the QS Rankings 2026? 123
- Which Indian institute is ranked 129th in the QS World University Rankings 2026? IIT Bombay
- Which country's army is currently deploying the IBCS system? The United States Army.
- How wide is the Strait of Hormuz at its narrowest point? Just 34 kilometers wide.
- What economic impact could result from the Strait's closure? Sharp spikes in oil prices, global inflation, and energy supply disruptions.
- Which countries are most dependent on oil passing through the Strait of Hormuz? India, China, Japan, Europe, and other major oil-importing nations.
- Why is the Strait of Hormuz considered a global chokepoint? It is the only maritime route from Persian Gulf oil producers to the open ocean.
- How long is Kirsty Coventry's term as IOC President? Eight years
- Which country does Kirsty Coventry belong to? **Zimbabwe**
- What is India's rank in the 2025 Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Index? 99th
- Which organization publishes the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Index? UN Sustainable **Development Solutions Network (SDSN)**
- Which country topped the 2025 SDG Index? **Finland**







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Important Days of the Month

Day	Observed/Celebrated As	Motto/Importance
July 1	Doctor's Day	To mark the Birth Anniversary of Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy, the legendary physician and the second Chief Minister of West Bengal.
July 2	World UFO Day	It commemorates the date on which the famous Roswell incident was exposed to the public.
July 6	World Zoonoses Day	To commemorate the discovery of 1st vaccination against a zoonotic disease that can be spread between humans and animals.
July 11	World Population Day	To focus attention on the urgency and importance of population issues.
July 12	National Simplicity Day	To mark the birth anniversary of Henry David Thoreau in 1817.
July 17	World Day for International Justice	To mark the adoption of the Rome Statute in 1998. With the help of this treaty, International Criminal Court (ICC) was established.
July 18	International Nelson Mandela Day	To recognise the former South African President, Nelson Mandela's contribution to the culture of peace and freedom.
July 26	Kargil Vijay Diwas	To commemorate India's victory over Pakistan in the conflict that took place in the mountains above Kargil
July 28	World Hepatitis Day	Hepatitis: Let's Break It Down
July 29	International Tiger Day	This day was established in 2010 at Saint Petersburg Tiger Summit in Russia to raise awareness about the decline of wild tiger numbers.







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Lets Recap

- How many awards did Akashvani win at the India Audio Summit and Awards 2025? Six awards Nai Soch Nai Kahani - A Radio Journey with Smriti Irani
- ➤ What is the role of the USTR Office in U.S. ➤ international trade policy? To develop and coordinate international trade policy
- Which state in India has declared Similipal as its largest national park? Odisha
- ➤ Who is the new Vice Chairman of CII Odisha? ➤ Suresha G
- Under which scheme was Sarvam AI selected for developing the indigenous AI model? ECMS scheme
- Which institute inaugurated a pilot plant for fortified > rice kernels (FRK) production? CSIR-National Institute for Interdisciplinary Science and Technology (CSIR-NIIST)
- Which country won the highest number of gold > medals at the 2nd Asian Yogasana Championship 2024? India
- India is set to procure 26 Rafale-M fighter jets from which country under a Rs 63,000-crore deal? France
- At which ISRO facility was the short duration hot test of the semicryogenic engine conducted in April 2025? ISRO Propulsion Complex (IPRC), Mahendragiri, Tamil Nadu
- Who was recently awarded Fiji's highest honour, the 'Companion of the Order of Fiji'? Madhusudan Sai
- Which organization recently signed eight MoUs to strengthen the Digital India Mission? NIELIT
- How much total health cover is provided under the Ayushman Vay Vandana scheme? Rs 10 lakh
- Barcelona defeated which team to win their 32nd Copa del Rey title in 2025? Real Madrid
- ➤ Which country hosted the WTT Contender Tunis **2025? Tunisia**
- Where was the Civil Investiture Ceremony for Padma Awards 2025 held? Durbar Hall, Rashtrapati Bhawan
- ➤ Where was the 6th India-Bhutan Joint Group of ➤ Customs (JGC) meeting held? Thimphu, Bhutan
- Who led the Egyptian delegation in the recent India-Egypt skill development meeting? Prof Ayman > Bahaa El Din
- Which two languages from Meghalaya are being integrated into the BHASHINI platform? Garo and Khasi.

- BHASHINI is a digital initiative under which central government programme? Digital India programme.
- Which category of states does Goa belong to in the CareEdge State Ranking 2025? Group B (northeast, hilly, and small states)
- Which state topped the governance pillar in the CareEdge report? Andhra Pradesh
- Which three financial institutions were recently penalised by RBI with a total fine of ₹2.96 crore for non-compliance with regulatory directions? Indian Bank, Indian Overseas Bank (IOB), and Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services Ltd.
- Which company has signed an MoU with the Labour & Employment Ministry to create over 50 lakh logistics job opportunities through the NCS portal? Rapido
- Who became the youngest centurion in IPL history at the age of 14 years and 32 days? Vaibhav Suryavanshi
- Who launched the Green Hydrogen Certification Scheme of India? Pralhad Joshi
- Which department has partnered with SBI Mutual Fund to simplify KYC for mutual fund investors? **India Post**
- Which former national shooting coach and Dronacharya awardee, who mentored shooters like Abhinav Bindra and Gagan Narang, passed away recently at the age of 83? Prof. Sunny Thomas
- Who has been appointed as the new Commander-in-Chief of the Northern Army Command? Lt Gen **Pratik Sharma**
- Which international project, partnered by India, has completed the world's largest superconducting magnet system? ITER
- Who has been appointed as the new Police Commissioner of Mumbai in 2024? Deven Bharti
- How many Indian families featured in Bloomberg's Top 20 richest families in Asia 2025? Six
- Who is the 91-year-old Italian woman who broke the 200m sprint world record in her age category? Emma Maria Mazzenga
- Who recently resigned from the post of Chief of Integrated Defense Staff (CISC) after retirement? Lieutenant General Johnson P Matthew
- What is the tenure of a UPSC member? 6 years or till 65 years of age











- ➤ Under which scheme have waste pickers been added ➤ as a key focus group in 2024? NAMASTE Scheme
- Who has been nominated as the next US Ambassador to the United Nations by President Donald Trump? Mike Waltz
- India and the European Union aim to conclude their Free Trade Agreement (FTA) negotiations by which
- Who was appointed as the Revenue Secretary in the Finance Ministry? Arvind Shrivastava
- What is India's rank among the world's largest economies by GDP in 2025, as per IMF? 4th
- Who received the Women's Player of the Year award at the AIFF Awards 2025? Soumya Guguloth
- Which two countries recently renewed an MoU to accelerate clean energy transitions? India and **Denmark**
- Where will India's first Quantum Valley be located? Amaravati
- Who has recently assumed charge as the Deputy Governor of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)? Dr. > **Poonam Gupta**
- Which two organizations signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to enhance AI capabilities and skilling across India? Intel India and the IndiaAI Mission.
- Which country did India recently offer a \$200 > million Defence Line of Credit to? Angola
- In which areas did India and Angola sign agreements during President Lourenço's visit? Agriculture, traditional medicine, and culture
- DRDO recently conducted the maiden flight-trials of which high-altitude surveillance system from > Sheopur, Madhya Pradesh? Stratospheric Airship **Platform**
- Which Indian duo won the U-19 boys doubles title at the WTT Youth Star Contender 2025 in Bangkok? Abhinandh > Ankur Bhattacharjee and Pradhavadhi
- Who was appointed as Yemen's new Prime Minister after Ahmed Awad bin Mubarak's resignation? Salem Saleh Bin Braik
- Which country won the Sudirman Cup 2024, > clinching the title for a record-extending 14th time? China
- ➤ How much total weight did Parv Chaudhary lift to ➤ set a national record? 315 Kg.
- Where is India's first Quantum Valley Tech Park being developed? Amaravati, Andhra Pradesh.

- Which Indian state recently launched the Health Advancement Policy to provide financial support to non-profit hospitals? Meghalaya
- Which publication won four Pulitzer Prizes in 2025, including one for Breaking News Photography by Doug Mills for capturing the Trump assassination attempt? The New York Times (NYT)
- Who has been appointed as the vice-president of the Gabonese government? Alexandre Barro Chambrier.
- Which company is leading the South Korean consortium for the Czech nuclear project? Korea Hydro & Nuclear Power Co. (KHNP).
- Where is the Barakah Nuclear Power Plant located? Barakah, in the Al Dhafra region of Abu Dhabi, UAE.
- Who has been appointed as the chair of the IOC's Coordination Commission for Brisbane 2032? Mikaela Cojuangco Jaworski
- Who won the CCI Billiards Classic 2025? Pankaj Advani
- How many World Championship titles does Pankaj Advani have across cue sports? 28 World Championship titles across cue sports.
- What position does Sumit Jain hold in the Differently-Abled Cricket Committee of BCCI (DCCI)? Vice President
- In which report did Moody's release its revised GDP projections? Global Macro Outlook 2025-26 (May update).
- Which Madras High Court judge recently passed away due at the age of 56? Justice J Sathya Narayana Prasad
- Who has recently been appointed as the Managing Director of the National Film Development Corporation (NFDC)? Prakash Magdum
- What was the required majority for Friedrich Merz to become the German Chancellor? 316 votes.
- Which National Waterways will Rhenus initially operate on? Rhenus will initially operate on National Waterways (Ganga), (Brahmaputra), and 16 (Barak), as well as the Indo-Bangladesh Protocol route.
- Which launch vehicle is being used for the Gaganyaan human spaceflight mission? The human-rated LVM3 launch vehicle.
- What is India's HDI score in 2023? 0.685
- Which country shares the same HDI score as India in 2023? Bangladesh
- What is the primary purpose of the Dam Safety Act, 2021? It aims to provide for the surveillance, inspection, operation, and maintenance of









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specified dams to prevent dam failure-related disasters.

- Who led 'Operation Sindoor'? Wing Commander Vyomika Singh.
- Which state cabinet approved the Mukhyamantri Sadak Yojana – Disaster Resilient Roads and a 50% ➤ bus fare rebate for vulnerable groups in 2025? Odisha
- Who is the CBI Director whose tenure was extended by one year beyond April 2025 by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet? Praveen Sood
- Which two organizations signed an MoU to quantum collaborate on and classical communication technologies in India? C-DOT and CSIR-NPL
- Who will oversee Tesla's India operations after > Menon's exit? Tesla's China-based teams will temporarily manage India operations.
- What role does Trai play in Starlink's Indian operations? Trai will release recommendations on satellite spectrum allocation, including pricing.
- When was the SHAKTI policy launched? 2018.
- Which Indian scheme was highlighted at the World Bank Land Conference 2025 for its transformative impact on rural land governance? SVAMITVA Scheme
- Which Indian company signed an MoU with Bhutan's Druk Green Power Corporation to jointly develop 5,000 MW of hydropower projects? Adani Group
- What is the name of the first indigenously built Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft (ASW SWC) delivered to the Indian Navy? Arnala
- Who has been elected as the first American Pope and will be known as Pope Leo XIV? Robert Francis
- What is the generic version of Copaxone used to treat? Relapsing forms of Multiple Sclerosis (MS). >
- What was the purpose of the recent Quad Tabletop Exercise? To simulate the launch of the Quad Indo-Pacific Logistics Network (IPLN) for better > disaster response.
- What MoU has been signed between DPIIT and Häfele India Pvt. Ltd. to strengthen India's manufacturing ecosystem? To empower product startups, MSMEs, and entrepreneurs in India.
- With whom Sunil Mittal is partnering with to acquire the stake in Haier India? Warburg Pincus.
- Which country became the third-largest producer of electricity from wind and solar energy in 2024? India.

- Recently, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) withdrew which requirements for Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) investing in corporate debt securities through the general route? Compliance with short-term investment and concentration limits
- Who has been appointed as the new head coach of the Iraq national football team ahead of the FIFA World Cup 2026 qualifiers? Graham Arnold
- Who won the Premier League Player of the Month award for April 2025? Alexis Mac Allister
- Where is the new BrahMos missile manufacturing unit located? Lucknow
- How much total funding has been disbursed to Pakistan under the IMF's EFF programme? \$2.1 billion
- Which organisation is developing a humanoid robot to reduce troop risk in high-risk missions? **DRDO**
- Which country is building two nuclear reactors at the Dukovany nuclear power plant in the Czech Republic? South Korea (through Korea Hydro & Nuclear Power Co. - KHNP).
- What is the name of the nationwide investor assistance program by IEPFA and SEBI to help investors reclaim unclaimed dividends and shares? Niveshak Shivir
- How many national strategic technologies does South Korea now have? 19.
- What is the Resilience and Sustainability Facility (RSF)? It is an IMF program providing longterm, affordable financing to low- and middleincome countries for structural challenges like climate change and debt sustainability.
- Who is acquiring a 20% stake in YES Bank? Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (SMBC).
- Which country did Brazil defeat to defend its title at the 2025 FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup held in Seychelles? Belarus
- Which Indian cricketer recently announced his retirement from Test cricket, marking the end of an iconic era in Indian cricket? Virat Kohli
- Who has been removed by the Center from the post of Chairman and Managing Director of Solar Energy Corporation? Rameshwar Prasad Gupta
- Who will become the 52nd Chief Justice of India? Justice B.R. Gavai
- Who is the current Prime Minister of Australia? **Anthony Albanese**
- Which country topped the medals table at the Fazza Para-Badminton International 2025? South Korea











- Who broke three youth national records in the 81kg weightlifting category at KIYG 2025? Sairaj Pardeshi
- Who has been appointed as the new head coach of the Brazil national football team by the Brazilian Football Confederation (CBF)? Carlo Ancelotti
- Who is the current Director-General of the WTO? Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala.
- By how much did the U.S. reduce its tariff on > Chinese goods? From 145% to 30%.
- What is the focus of the C-DOT and Synergy Quantum partnership? Developing drone-based > Quantum Key Distribution (QKD) systems.
- What has Pakistan accused India of in the context of Operation Sindoor? Violating the UN Charter and international law.
- What does Article 2(4) of the UN Charter prohibit? The use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of another state.
- What is the significance of Article 51 in this context? It permits self-defense in response to an armed attack, emphasizing necessity and proportionality.
- Which indigenous air defence system of India successfully neutralized all Pakistani drones and missiles during recent tensions? Akashteer
- What makes Akashteer unique among India's air defence systems? It is AI-powered and developed without foreign components or dependency.
- Who was honoured with the honorary Palme d'Or at the Cannes Film Festival 2025? Robert De Niro
- Which Indian filmmaker is serving as a jury member at Cannes Film Festival 2025? Payal Kapadia
- Which veteran Indian actor is making his directorial debut with the film 'Tanvi: The Great'? Anupam Kher
- What was the value of the arms deal signed between the US and Saudi Arabia? \$142 billion
- What initiative did President Trump reaffirm his commitment to during his Middle East tour? The **Abraham Accords**
- Who was the former President of Uruguay who passed away at the age of 89 in 2025? José 'Pepe' Mujica
- HUMAIN is a subsidiary of which Saudi organization that has partnered with NVIDIA to > build AI factories in the Kingdom? Public **Investment Fund (PIF)**
- Who won the ICC Men's Player of the Month award for April 2025? Mehidy Hasan Miraz

- Where will the inaugural Tennis Cricket Ball World Cup and Asia Cup be hosted? India
- Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)? Dr. Ajay Kumar
- When is India's first manned deep ocean mission, 'Samudrayaan', expected to be launched? By the end of 2026.
- Which Indian university suspended its MoU with Turkey's Inonu University citing national security concerns? Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU)
- What is the total estimated value of Qatar's aircraft purchase agreement with Boeing? \$96 billion
- What is the value of Samsung's acquisition of FläktGroup? \$1.68 billion
- Which former President of Uruguay, known for his humble lifestyle, radical democratic ideals, and famously nicknamed "Pepe," passed away recently? José Mujica
- What is the full name of the 1267 Committee? UN Security Council Committee pursuant to Resolutions 1267, 1989, and 2253.
- Which country recently approved the sale of AIM-120C-8 AMRAAM missiles to Turkiye? The United States.
- How many AIM-120C-8 missiles is Turkiye purchasing from the US? 53 missiles.
- Who developed the 'Bhargavastra' counter-drone system? Solar Defence and Aerospace Limited (SDAL).
- Which club won the 2025 Italian Cup after a 51-year wait? Bologna
- When was the last time Bologna won a major trophy before the 2025 Italian Cup? 1974
- What is the name of the large-scale integrated field exercise conducted by the Indian Army in West Bengal? Teesta Prahar
- Which club awarded Moeen Ali and Meg Lanning Honorary Life Membership? Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC)
- Which country hosted a UN panel discussion on Lord Buddha's teachings to mark the International Day of Vesak in 2024? India
- Which two countries announced a joint development of a 2,000 km-range strike weapon? United **Kingdom and Germany**
- Under which agreement are the UK and Germany cooperating for defence and security? Trinity House Agreement
- Who has been appointed as the new Ambassador of India to Sweden? Anurag Bhushan.









- Which Urdu poet and lyricist was awarded the 58th Jnanpith Award for 2023? Gulzar (Sampooran Singh Kalra)
- Who won the Superbet Chess Classic 2024 held in > Bucharest, Romania? R Praggnanandhaa
- What was Neeraj Chopra's record-breaking throw at the 2025 Doha Diamond League? 90.23 meters
- Which city will host the fourth International Symposium on Marine Ecosystems (MECOS-4) in 2025? Kochi
- What is the full form of MECOS-4? **International** Symposium on Marine Ecosystems: Challenges > and Opportunities
- Which Indian cricketer was recently honoured with a stand named after him at Mumbai's Wankhede Stadium? Rohit Sharma
- Which upcoming joint lunar mission between ISRO and JAXA, aimed at studying water in the Moon's south pole, recently entered its design phase? Chandrayaan-5/LUPEX
- Which ISRO mission failed to place the EOS-09 satellite into orbit in May 2025? PSLV-C61
- What type of malfunction caused the failure of ISRO's PSLV-C61 mission? Flex nozzle control system failure in third stage
- Which Indian company has partnered with Sparton to develop anti-submarine warfare systems in India? > Adani Defence & Aerospace
- What type of warfare technology will be developed under the Adani-Sparton collaboration? Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW) systems
- What was the amount of the penalty imposed by RBI on Union Bank of India in 2024? ₹1.66 Lakh
- Which ministry is launching the National Soil Spectral Library to advance digital agriculture in India? Ministry of Agriculture
- Which organization's 8th Foundation Day coincided with the announcement of the digital platform for trade remedies? Directorate General of Trade > Remedies (DGTR).
- Which two organizations partnered to boost climate tech startups in India? DPIIT and GEAPP.
- Who was the captain of the India U19 team in the SAFF Championship final? Singamayum Shami
- Who defeated Pornpawee Chochuwong to win the women's singles final in the 2025 Thailand Open? Chen Yufei
- Who won the women's singles title at the 2025 > Italian Open? Jasmine Paolini (Italy).

- Which players won the women's doubles title at the 2025 Italian Open? Sara Errani (Italy) and Jasmine Paolini (Italy).
- Which prestigious research centre did Dr. Narlikar establish? The Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics (IUCAA), Pune.
- Who was Dr. M.R. Srinivasan? An eminent Indian nuclear scientist and former Chairman of the **Atomic Energy Commission.**
- Who won the WBA Asia Middle-East Super Lightweight title? Danylo Honcharu of Ukraine.
- Which program is the UK aiming to rejoin under the UK-EU agreement? The Erasmus+ academic exchange program.
- What is the duration of the new fisheries agreement in the UK-EU deal? The fisheries framework is set for 12 years.
- What is the SAFE program in which the UK will now participate? An EU defense initiative for joint military procurement and strategic cooperation.
- Where will the 1st Khelo India Beach Games 2025 be held? Ghoghla Beach, Diu
- When is the 'Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan' scheduled to commence in Tripura? May 29, 2025
- Who became the first Kannada author to win the International Booker Prize? Banu Mushtaq
- Who resigned as Japan's Agriculture Minister in May 2025 after a controversial remark about rice? Taku Eto
- What is Morgan Stanley's revised GDP growth forecast for India for FY26? 6.2%
- Which global body facilitated the adoption of the pandemic agreement? World Health Organization (WHO)
- Which country did not join the pandemic agreement, withdrawing from WHO negotiations? United States
- What is the GDP growth estimate for Q4 FY25 according to SBI? 6.4%-6.5%
- Which veteran Spanish goalkeeper, part of Spain's 2010 World Cup-winning squad, announced retirement at the age of 42 in 2025? Pepe Reina
- Which Indian Olympian javelin thrower tested positive for a banned substance for the second time in 2025, risking an 8-year ban? Shivpal Singh
- Which country assumed the Chairmanship of the Asian Productivity Organization (APO) for the 2025-26 term? India
- Which tool has the Department Telecommunications (DoT) launched to flag risky mobile numbers in cyber frauds? Financial Fraud Risk Indicator (FRI)







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- > India Finish Second with 24 Medals at Asian Athletics Championships'25
- Thailand's Opal Suchata Wins 72nd Miss World Title
- Indian-American Faizan Zaki wins 2025 Scripps National Spelling Bee
- Air Marshal Jasvir Singh Mann Appointed SASO of Western Air Command
- Tamil Director Vikram Sugumaran Passes Away at
- Karol Nawrocki, a right-wing nationalist candidate, won the Poland Presidential Election 2025.
- Glenn Maxwell retires from ODIs to focus on 2026 T20 World Cup
- > PKL legend Pardeep Narwal retires at 28
- ➤ Karol Nawrocki wins Poland's Presidential Election ➤
- Telangana Notifies Kumram Bheem Conservation Reserve to Boost Tiger Corridor
- Annalena Baerbock Elected President of 80th UN General Assembly Session
- Germany Becomes the World's Top Creditor, Overtaking Japan After 34 Years
- RBI Grants In-Principle Approval to PayPal and Worldline for Cross-Border Payment Aggregation
- Canara Bank Removes Minimum Balance Rule for All SB Accounts
- ➤ Deutsche Bank Appoints Stefan Schaffer as CEO of India GCC
- > Heinrich Klaasen Announces Retirement from International Cricket
- Étienne-Émile Baulieu, Pioneer of the Abortion Pill, Passes Away at 98
- Tamil Director Vikram Sugumaran Passes Away at 47
- India Unveils 'BharatGen' AI Model for Multilingual Innovation
- Royal Challengers Bengaluru Won Maiden IPL 2025 Title, Defeated Punjab
- ➤ Elon Musk Launches XChat to Rival WhatsApp and Telegram
- > Bangladesh Removes Sheikh Mujibur Rahman from New Currency Notes
- Germany Overtakes Japan as World's Largest Creditor Nation

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- Uttar Pradesh Approves 20% Police Reservation for Ex-Agniveers
- Lee Jae-myung Elected President of South Korea Amid Political Upheaval
- Karol Nawrocki Elected President of Poland After Tight Race
- Kumar Mangalam Birla Honoured with USISPF Global Leadership Award 2025
- Shailendra Nath Gupta Appointed as New Director General of Defence Estates
- Oscar Piastri Claims Dominant Victory at Spanish Grand Prix 2025
- India to Build First-Ever Polar Research Vessel (PRV) in Collaboration with Norway
- India, Kyrgyzstan's Bilateral Investment Treaty comes into force
- India, Vietnam decide to cooperate in media & entertainment sector
- India elected to UN ECOSOC for 2 years beginning 2026
- PM Modi Inaugurates World's Highest Railway Arch Bridge in Jammu & Kashmir
- Bangladesh Drops 'Father of the Nation' Title for Sheikh Mujibur Rahman
- S Mahendra Dev Appointed as Chairman of PM's **Economic Advisory Council**
- Microsoft Expands LinkedIn CEO Roslansky's Role to Oversee Office Suite
- TCL India Renews Rohit Sharma as Brand Ambassador for Second Year
- MS Dhoni Becomes Face of Dettol's New 'Icy Cool' Personal Care Range
- India-England Test Series Renamed Anderson-Tendulkar Trophy
- Khichan and Menar Wetlands Get Ramsar Tag Ahead of World Environment Day
- Nicaragua Becomes 101st WTO Member to Accept Fisheries Subsidies Agreement
- India Secures Presidency of IIAS for 2025-2028 Term
- Ashwani Lohani Appointed Director of Prime Ministers Museum and Library
- India Finishes Second at Asian Championships 2025 with 24 Medals
- Starlink Gets Green Light to Launch Satellite Internet in India







- ➤ David Beckham to Be Knighted in King Charles III's ➤ Birthday Honours
- Muhammad Waseem and Chloe Tryon Named ICC > Players of the Month for May 2025
- French aerospace major Dassault Aviation and India's Tata Advanced Systems Limited have signed four agreements to jointly manufacture the fuselage of Rafale fighter aircraft in India that will mark production of the critical component for the first time outside France.
- Russia Patents Technology for Launching UAVs From Space Station
- Piyush Chawla announces retirement from all forms of Cricket
- Eminent scholar and author Daji Panshika passes
- S Mahendra Dev Appointed New Chief of EAC-PM
- Acharya Prashant receives 'Most Impactful Environmentalist' Award
- Anna Muzychuk & Magnus Carlsen Clinches Norway Chess Title 2025
- India-Mongolia Conduct 17th Edition of 'Nomadic > Elephant' Joint Military Exercise
- India top the podium at Taiwan Athletics Open with 12 gold medals
- ➤ Indian Grandmaster Aravindh Chithambaram Wins 6th Stepan Avagyan Memorial Chess Tournament
- Coco Gauff Clinches First French Open Title, Defeats Sabalenka
- French Open'25: Carlos Alcaraz defends his crown, beats Jannik Sinner
- Sarah Joseph conferred with Mathrubhumi Literary Award
- India's Extreme Poverty Rate Falls to 5.3% in 2022-23: World Bank Report
- Anders Antonsen, An Se-young Clinch Singles Titles at 2025 Indonesia Open
- Tamil Nadu Declares Dhanushkodi as Greater Flamingo Sanctuary
- Eminent Scholar Daji Panshikar Passes Away at 92
- Priyanka Goswami Wins Gold at Austrian Racewalking Championships
- Nicholas Pooran retires from international cricket
- Bengaluru Becomes India's 'Leopard Capital', Surpassing Mumbai
- Alexander Payne to receive Honorary Leopard Award
- Talen Energy and Amazon sign nuclear power deal to fuel data centers
- India slips to 131st position in Global Gender Gap Index 2025

- Katrina Kaif appointed global brand ambassador for Maldives
- Renowned Kashmiri singer Ustad Ghulam Nabi Shah passes away
- SBI General Insurance Appoints Mohd. Arif Khan as Deputy CEO
- FSIB Picks R Doraiswamy as MD & CEO of LIC
- Bill Atkinson, Apple Pioneer Behind Graphical Interfaces, Dies at 74
- Scapia & Federal Bank Launch Dual-Network RuPay-Visa Credit Card
- Vijay Rupani, former Gujarat Chief Minister, dies in plane crash
- India-US Air Force Special Forces Conclude First Joint Exercise 'Tiger Claw'
- Wimbledon 2025 Sets New Prize Money Record at \$73 Million
- Kashmiri Music Legend Ustad Ghulam Nabi Shah, 'Hamle Bulbul', Passes Away
- Yoga Connect 2025: Global Summit on 'Yoga for One Earth, One Health'
- Indian Army contingent arrives in Mongolia for Exercise Khaan Quest
- Maratha Royals clinch T20 Mumbai League title
- RVNL in talks with Russia's Rosatom to build nuclear reactors
- Israel named strikes against Iran 'Operation Rising Lion'
- DFCC Bank Becomes First Foreign Entity to List Bond on NSE IX at GIFT City
- Sun Pharma Appoints Kirti Ganorkar as MD
- Indian Army Successfully Tests Rudrastra VTOL Drone for Precision Strikes
- Cristiano Ronaldo Named Global Ambassador for Esports World Cup 2025
- South Africa Clinches Maiden ICC World Test Championship 2025 Title at Lord's
- Yajik Hillang bags Gold medal at South Asian Bodybuilding and Physique
- U Mumba crowned Ultimate Table champions 2025
- PM Modi Conferred with Cyprus' Highest Civilian Honour — Order of Makarios III
- Blaise Metreweli Becomes MI6's First Female Chief in Historic Appointment
- Meta Appoints Arun Srinivas as India Head to Lead **Business Expansion**
- Amitabh Kant Steps Down as G20 Sherpa After 45 Years of Public Service
- Lt Commander Yashasvi Solankee Becomes First Woman ADC to President of India









- The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) and Eurobank of Cyprus have signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) to introduce Unified Payments Interface (UPI) services in Cyprus for cross-border transactions that will benefit tourists and businesses.
- Vietnam officially Joins BRICS As 'Partner Country'
- Ankita Raina Clinches 32nd Doubles Title with Alice Robbe at Guimaraes ITF
- Russell Claims Victory in Canada as McLaren Duo Norris & Piastri Collide
- Renowned ISRO Scientist and Tamil Author Nellai Su. Muthu Passes Away at 74
- PM Modi Flags Off India's First Locomotive Export to Guinea from Bihar
- ➤ Pakistan Secures \$1 Billion Syndicated Financing Backed by ADB Guarantee
- Sampath Kumar Becomes First Indian MD of > Nippon Koei India
- India-Cyprus Sign MoU to Enable UPI Services for Cross-Border Payments
- The Hindu Named Champion of Digital Media Awards South Asia 2025
- India to Induct 300-km Range Pinaka Missile System
- ICRA Predicts 6.2% GDP Growth for India in FY26
- Starlink Gets Licence Nod in India as Airtel and Jio Join Hands with SpaceX
- Reliance Infra & Dassault Aviation to Build Falcon 2000 Jets in India
- Padma Bhushan Conferred on Veteran Journalist Ram Bahadur Rai at IGNCA
- UPSC Launches †Pratibha Setu' to Connect Top Candidates with Private Employers
- RBI Imposes â, 29.6 Lakh Penalty on Fino Payments Bank for Regulatory Lapses
- Professor Suman Chakraborty Appointed Director of IIT Kharagpur
- Indian Animated Film Desi Oon Wins Jury Award at Annecy 2025
- Neeraj Chopra Wins Paris Diamond League 2025 with Massive 88.16m Throw
- US FDA Approves Breakthrough HIV Prevention Shot Taken Twice a Year
- ➤ HAL Wins â,¹511 Crore Deal to Manufacture and Commercialize SSLV Launches
- Padma Shri Awardee †Aranya Rishi†Maruti Chitampalli Passes Away at 93
- K Paul Thomas elected chairman of Sa-Dhan

- India Slips to Rank 71 on WEF Energy Transition Index 2025
- Chennai to host Hockey India Masters Cup 2025
- Sivasubramanian Ramann Takes Charge as New PFRDA Chairperson for Five-Year Term
- India Post Payments Bank Wins Digital Payments Award 2024-25
- India Launches Logo and Mascot 'Viraaj' for 2025 World Para Athletics Championships
- Jasprit Bumrah Becomes First Asian to Claim 150 Test Wickets in SENA Countries
- Bharti Space to Invest ₹313 Cr in Eutelsat's Satellite Expansion
- Novak Djokovic Clinches 100th ATP Title with Geneva Open Win
- India Launches World's Highest Resolution Weather Forecast System — Bharat Forecasting System (BFS).
- Delhi defends men's National U20 football title
- RBI Fines Union Bank ₹63.6 Lakh, Lendbox ₹40 Lakh
- Nicusor Dan assumes office as President of Romania
- Kami Rita Sherpa Scales Mount Everest for Unprecedented 31st Time
- Anil Kumble Appointed Karnataka Department Ambassador
- Lando Norris Clinches Thrilling Victory at 2025 Monaco Grand Prix
- Miao Lijie Named Ambassador for FIBA Women's Asia Cup 2025
- Kush Maini Creates History with First Indian Win in Formula 2
- Arsenal Triumphs Over Barcelona to Win Women's Champions League 2025
- India's first gene-edited sheep developed by Kashmir university
- Nagshankar Temple of Assam Becomes Modern Temple for Turtle Conservation
- Hitachi India Appoints N Venu as Its Managing Director
- DRDO Chief, Dr. Samir Kamat's Tenure Extended Again by 1 Year
- Bollywood Actress, Shraddha Kapoor Appointed as Brand Ambassador for Eureka Forbes
- Shubman Gill, an Indian Cricketer, Appointed as Brand Ambassador for Oakley
- Vogue Eyewear Welcomes Shahid Kapoor as a New Brand Ambassador in India
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Air India Flight Crash: The Boeing 787 Dreamliner's History and **Safety Concerns**



A Milestone Aircraft with a Controversial Record

The Boeing 787 Dreamliner was launched as a revolutionary aircraft, promising exceptional fuel efficiency, longer range, and improved passenger comfort. Since its first commercial flight in 2011, it has become Boeing's best-selling wide-body aircraft, flying millions of passengers worldwide. It introduced composite materials. advanced aerodynamics, and new electrical systems to reduce operating costs and environmental impact.

However, the Dreamliner's early years were plagued with technical setbacks. In 2013, a series of incidents involving lithium-ion battery fires led to a global grounding of the entire 787 fleet. Boeing later redesigned the battery systems, incorporating firecontainment boxes and enhanced insulation. Though operations resumed, the incident planted seeds of doubt in the aviation world about the long-term reliability of the aircraft.

Ongoing Production and Maintenance Issues

Even after its return to service, the 787 faced multiple issues related to production quality. Over the years, there were instances of improperly drilled fastener holes, foreign object debris in fuselage sections, and misaligned parts that led to delivery halts. Regulatory bodies have scrutinized the Dreamliner program several times, especially in light of whistleblower complaints that accused the manufacturer of

prioritizing speed over safety in the production process.

In recent months, maintenance teams have reported cockpit seat sensor issues that could disable autopilot systems mid-flight, prompting safety advisories. Additionally, some airlines have temporarily grounded certain aircraft for unscheduled inspections.

The Air India Flight 171 Tragedy

The first fatal accident involving a Boeing 787 occurred on June 12, 2025, when Air India Flight 171 crashed shortly after takeoff from Ahmedabad. The flight, bound for London Gatwick, carried 242 passengers and crew. It lost altitude moments after becoming airborne and crashed into a medical college hostel near the airport.

Only one passenger survived the crash, making it one of the deadliest aviation disasters in India's history. Dozens of people on the ground were also killed, and the aircraft was completely destroyed. Witnesses reported hearing a distress call just seconds after takeoff. Footage from the crash area indicated that the landing gear and flaps may not have functioned correctly, and the aircraft struggled to gain altitude.

Post-Crash Investigations and Industry Reaction

Following the incident, aviation authorities in India ordered a thorough inspection of all Boeing 787s operated by Indian airlines. These inspections focus









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on control surfaces, thrust systems, and electronic engine management systems. In parallel, another Air India Dreamliner experienced technical problems and was diverted during an overseas flight, raising further concerns.



Boeing's global reputation has taken another hit, especially as this crash comes amid ongoing scrutiny over other aircraft programs. Regulators and airlines worldwide are watching developments closely, with some calling for intensified oversight of Boeing's production facilities.

Understanding the Importance of Black Boxes

What Are Black Boxes?

In aviation, "black boxes" refer to two critical flight recorders: the Flight Data Recorder (FDR) and the Cockpit Voice Recorder (CVR). These are not black but bright orange, built to withstand extreme heat, impact, and underwater submersion.

The FDR logs hundreds of flight parameters—such as engine settings, speed, altitude, and control positions—for up to 25 hours. The CVR records the last two hours of cockpit audio, including pilot conversations, alarm sounds, and ambient cockpit noise. Together, these devices offer the most accurate reconstruction of what transpired before and during a crash.

Why Black Boxes Matter

Black boxes are central to understanding aviation accidents. They provide direct evidence that helps investigators determine whether a crash was caused by mechanical failure, human error, or external factors such as weather or bird strikes. This data is critical not just for explaining past events but also for preventing future tragedies.

Black boxes also play a crucial role in determining liability. By examining crew behavior and system performance, investigators can assess whether fault lies with the airline, manufacturer, maintenance teams, or pilots. In turn, this drives policy changes, equipment upgrades, improved training and standards.

Black Box Recovery from the Air India Crash

Investigators successfully recovered the black boxes from the wreckage of Flight 171, despite the fire damage at the crash site. These devices were sent for analysis by India's Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau, with support from international experts. The United States, United Kingdom, Boeing, and the engine manufacturer have all offered technical assistance.

The CVR will reveal the pilots' final discussions and whether they noticed technical anomalies. The FDR will show exact timings, flap positions, engine behavior, and flight trajectory. Together, this data will offer a clear timeline of events from engine startup to the moment of impact.

The preliminary report is expected within three months, with a comprehensive investigation report to follow.

Wider Implications for the Aviation Industry

Fastest Airliners of the World Concorde 1,338 mph Boeing 747-8 706 mph 787 Dreamliner 690 mph Airbus A380 683 mph Boeing 777 682 mph Cessna 208 Caravan 680 mph UretskyAviation









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Public Confidence at Risk

The Dreamliner had maintained a flawless fatality record for over a decade. This crash, however, has damaged its reputation as one of the safest long-haul aircraft. Coupled with Boeing's recent troubles in its 737 Max program, this tragedy may lead to reduced public trust in Boeing products.

Stricter Oversight on Aircraft Manufacturing

Aviation authorities may now tighten certification processes and quality checks on Boeing's production lines. Issues that were once viewed as isolated are now being reevaluated as systemic, prompting deeper audits and potential enforcement actions.

Operational Reviews Across Airlines

Airlines operating 787s globally are reviewing their own fleets for hidden issues. Technical checklists are being revised, and new maintenance protocols may emerge as a result of lessons from this crash. Any finding in the black box analysis could trigger global airworthiness directives.

The company is facing fresh criticism regarding its internal culture, where speed and cost-cutting may have overshadowed safety. Accusations from former employees about lapses in quality control now carry greater weight and may lead to legal or regulatory consequences.

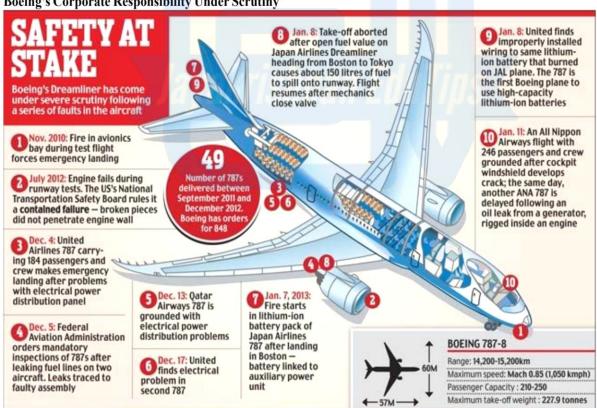
Conclusion

The Air India Flight 171 disaster has cast a long shadow over the legacy of the Boeing 787 Dreamliner. As the aircraft's first fatal crash, it represents not just a moment of national mourning but a wake-up call for the global aviation industry.

The black boxes recovered from the wreckage are the most vital tools in uncovering the truth behind the crash. They hold answers that will guide reforms, whether in pilot training, maintenance standards, or aircraft manufacturing.

Ultimately, while aircraft are technological marvels, their safety relies on a chain of human and technical decisions. This incident underscores the need for constant vigilance, transparency, and accountability at every stage of air travel.

Boeing's Corporate Responsibility Under Scrutiny











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Infographics

The World's Largest Oil Producers

Production of petroleum and other liquids in 2024 (in million barrels per day)*



The World's Best Restaurants in 2025

Highest ranked restaurants featured on William Reed's Best 50 annual list





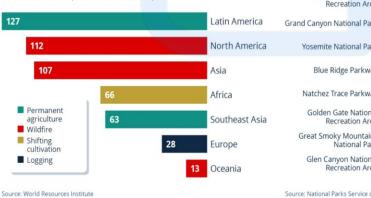
Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration



Source: William Reed The World's 50 Best Restaurants 2025

Where the World Is Losing Tree Cover Fastest

Estimated tree cover loss per region and primary causes in 2001-2024 (in million hectares)



The Deadliest U.S. National Parks

Deaths recorded in U.S. National Park Service locations (2007 - 2024)



Source: National Parks Service data via Panish Law









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The Countries With the Most Airline Passenger

The Age of Airline Fleets

Age of the fleet of selected, major airlines (in years)



National Airlines Often Enjoy Home Advantage

Most used airlines per country based on the share of respondents who booked a flight with them in the past year



India's Biggest Hotel Chains

Share of branded hotel rooms in India FY2023/24, by chain



* Fortune Hotels, Luxury Collection, WelcomeHeritage Source: Hotelivate



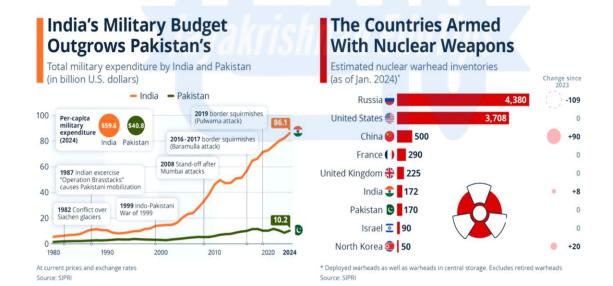




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What is PCOS? Where America's International Students Come From Key figures of polycystic ovary syndrome International enrollment in U.S. higher education in the 2023/24 academic year Up to 70% of affected PCOS is a common hormonal condition which affects an estimated 6-13% women remain Change from 2022/23 undiagnosed worldwide of reproductive-aged women India 3 331.602 +23.3% China @ 277,398 -4.2% South Korea 👀 43,149 -1.6% Canada (+) 28,998 +4.0% Normal Polycystic Taiwan 4 23,157 +6.1% Vietnam 🚷 22,066 +0.8% Nigeria () 20,029 +13.5% Around 50% of women PCOS is the most common cause of anovulation affected by PCOS Bangladesh 17,099 +26.1% have fertility issues and a leading cause of infertility



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