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International News

Global Conflicts and Diplomacy

Russia-Ukraine Conflict: Russia has reportedly launched a large-scale drone and missile attack on Ukraine. In other news, Russian President Putin has offered to meet with Ukrainian President Zelenskyy in Moscow, an offer Ukraine has rejected.

Israel-Palestine Conflict: Israeli military operations in Gaza have continued, with reports of civilian casualties, including people seeking aid. Israel has reportedly mobilized 60,000 reservists for a new offensive in Gaza City.

Pakistan: A suicide bomber has targeted a political rally in Pakistan, killing at least 13 people and injuring 18.

U.S. and India Relations: Amidst ongoing tariff tensions, India and the U.S. have boosted defense ties by conducting joint military exercises in Alaska.

China: China has unveiled new weapons during a large military parade. The parade was attended by Russian President Vladimir Putin and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un.

Bhutan-India Relations: The Prime Minister of Bhutan, Dasho Tshering Tobgay, has begun an official visit to India.

Afghanistan: India has sent 21 tonnes of relief aid to earthquake-hit Afghanistan.

International Sports

World Boxing Championships: The World Boxing Championships 2025 have begun in Liverpool, England. India has a 20-member

squad competing, including two-time world champion Nikhat Zareen and Olympic bronze medalist Lovlina Borgohain.

Asia Cup Hockey: India, China, Malaysia, and South Korea have qualified for the Super 4 round of the Asia Cup Hockey tournament.

US Open: Naomi Osaka has stunned Coco Gauff at the US Open. Novak Djokovic and Félix Auger-Aliassime have also advanced to the quarterfinals.

T20 Cricket: Australian fast bowler Mitchell Starc has announced his retirement from T20 International cricket.

Health and Global Issues

Global Health: The World Health Organization (WHO) has issued a warning about rising global suicide rates, urging countries to improve access to mental health therapy and early diagnosis for depression. The WHO also launched a new portal that consolidates all its data related to non-communicable diseases for 194 countries.

Global Weather: A global weather hazards summary indicates continued flooding in several regions, including tropical Africa, western Yemen, and parts of Central and Northern South America. Additionally, above-average monsoon rain is expected across most of India in September.

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MCQS

1.What was the reported nature of the recent attack by Russia on Ukraine?

- a) A large-scale naval assault
- b) A large-scale drone and missile attack
- c) A cyberattack on critical infrastructure
- d) A ground invasion of a major city

Answer: b) A large-scale drone and missile attack

The news report explicitly states that Russia has launched a "large-scale drone and missile attack" on Ukraine.

2.What offer did Russian President Putin make to Ukrainian President Zelenskyy?

- a) A ceasefire agreement in Moscow
- b) A peace treaty to end the conflict
- c) A meeting in Moscow
- d) An exchange of prisoners of war

Answer: c) A meeting in Moscow

The provided text mentions that Russian President Putin "has offered to meet with Ukrainian President Zelenskyy in Moscow," an offer which Ukraine rejected.

3.What has the Israeli military reportedly done in Gaza amid ongoing operations?

- a) Signed a peace deal with Palestinian leaders
- b) Mobilized 60,000 reservists for a new offensive
- c) Withdrawn all troops from the region
- d) Opened a humanitarian aid corridor

Answer: b) Mobilized 60,000 reservists for a new offensive

The news indicates that Israel has "mobilized 60,000 reservists for a new offensive in Gaza City."

4.What type of attack occurred at a political rally in Pakistan?

- a) A targeted shooting
- b) A car bombing
- c) A suicide bombing
- d) A riot

Answer: c) A suicide bombing

The text clearly states that a "suicide bomber has targeted a political rally in Pakistan."





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5.What have India and the U.S. done to boost defense ties despite ongoing tariff tensions?

- a) Signed a new trade agreement
- b) Conducted joint military exercises
- c) Exchanged high-level diplomatic visits
- d) Removed all trade tariffs

Answer: b) Conducted joint military exercises

The report notes that "India and the U.S. have boosted defense ties by conducting joint military exercises in Alaska."

6.Which leaders attended the military parade in China where new weapons were unveiled?

- a) The U.S. President and the French President
- b) The Russian President and the North Korean leader
- c) The British Prime Minister and the Japanese Prime Minister
- d) The Indian Prime Minister and the Bhutanese Prime Minister

Answer: b) The Russian President and the North Korean leader

The text specifies that the parade was "attended by Russian President Vladimir Putin and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un."

7.What kind of aid did India send to Afghanistan?

- a) Military aid
- b) Financial aid
- c) Relief aid for earthquake victims
- d) Medical equipment

Answer: c) Relief aid for earthquake victims

The news states that "India has sent 21 tonnes of relief aid to earthquake-hit Afghanistan."

8.Where are the World Boxing Championships 2025 being held?

- a) Tokyo, Japan
- b) Liverpool, England

- c) New Delhi, India
- d) Las Vegas, USA

Answer: b) Liverpool, England

The text mentions that the "World Boxing Championships 2025 have begun in Liverpool England."

9.Which four countries have qualified for the Super 4 round of the Asia Cup Hockey tournament?

- a) India, Japan, Pakistan, and China
- b) India, Malaysia, South Korea, and Japan
- c) India, China, Malaysia, and South Korea
- d) India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, and Sri Lanka

Answer: c) India, China, Malaysia, and South Korea

The news states, "India, China, Malaysia, and South Korea have qualified for the Super 4 round of the Asia Cup Hockey tournament."

10.Who did Naomi Osaka defeat at the US Open?

- a) Serena Williams
- b) Coco Gauff
- c) Emma Raducanu
- d) Ashleigh Barty

Answer: b) Coco Gauff

The provided text notes that "Naomi Osaka has stunned Coco Gauff at the US Open."

11.Which Australian fast bowler has announced his retirement from T20 International cricket?

- a) Mitchell Marsh
- b) Josh Hazlewood
- c) Mitchell Starc
- d) Pat Cummins

Answer: c) Mitchell Starc

The news report explicitly states, "Australian fast bowler Mitchell Starc has announced his retirement from T20 International cricket."





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12.What two things did the World Health Organization (WHO) urge countries to improve access to in order to combat rising suicide rates?

- a) Exercise and proper nutrition
- b) Early diagnosis for depression and mental health therapy
- c) Pharmaceutical research and development
- d) Education and job training

Answer: b) Early diagnosis for depression and mental health therapy

The WHO is urging countries to "improve access to mental health therapy and early diagnosis for depression" to combat rising suicide rates.

13.What new initiative did the WHO launch related to non-communicable diseases?

- a) A global awareness campaign
- b) A new portal with data for 194 countries
- c) A new medical research center
- d) A list of new medications

Answer: b) A new portal with data for 194 countries

The text reports that the WHO "launched a new portal that consolidates all its data related to non-communicable diseases for 194 countries."

14.According to the global weather hazards summary, what is expected across most of India in September?

- a) A severe drought
- b) Below-average monsoon rain
- c) Continued flooding
- d) Above-average monsoon rain

Answer: d) Above-average monsoon rain

The global weather summary indicates that "above-average monsoon rain is expected across most of India in September."

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