



National News

Bihar Voter Roll Revision: The Supreme Court has allowed the Election Commission to proceed with the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in Bihar, but urged them to consider accepting Aadhaar, ration cards, and EPIC cards as valid identity documents for verification.

Maharashtra Public Security Bill: The Maharashtra Assembly has passed the Maharashtra Special Public Security Bill, 2024, aimed at preventing "unlawful activities of Left Wing Extremist organisations or similar groups."

Uttar Pradesh Religious Melas: The UP government has announced it will fully finance religious melas with over 5 lakh devotees, issuing a new Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for their organized execution.

Congress on Emergency: Senior Congress MP Shashi Tharoor has stirred controversy by criticizing the Emergency and the Gandhis for suspending fundamental rights in an article, leading to internal party discussions.

India's Stance on BRICS and Dollar: India has clarified its stance on BRICS amid US President Trump's criticism, reaffirming its support for the US dollar's global role and focusing on strengthening trade ties with Washington.

PM Modi's Tour: Prime Minister Narendra Modi has concluded his five-nation tour, which included visits to Brazil, Ghana, Argentina, Namibia, and Trinidad and Tobago, and attended the 17th BRICS Summit. Namibia is set

to adopt UPI and launch an Entrepreneurship Centre after talks between PM Modi and President Ndaitwah.

Stock Market Decline: Indian equity benchmark indices, Nifty50 and BSE Sensex, saw declines today. This was influenced by lower-than-anticipated Q1 results from TCS, heightened trade conflicts following new US tariffs on Canada, and concerns over potential Russian sanctions.

Economic Outlook (Dun & Bradstreet): Dun & Bradstreet's July 2025 Economy Observer report indicates a resurgence in India's industrial landscape driven by domestic demand. It forecasts CPI inflation to ease further to 1.6% in June 2025 due to declining food prices, and expects the Indian rupee to average around ₹86.0/USD in July 2025, suggesting relative stability despite global challenges.

Solar Power Growth: Union Minister Piyush Goyal announced that India's solar power capacity has grown by 4,000% over the past years.

HUL CEO Appointment: Hindustan Unilever Limited (HUL) has announced Priya Nair will become its new CEO and Managing Director.

Vadodara Bridge Collapse: The death toll in the collapse of a bridge over the Mahisagar river in Gujarat's Vadodara district has risen to 18. Search operations are ongoing for two missing persons, and activists allege that authorities ignored repeated warnings about the bridge's dangerous condition.





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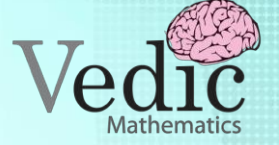
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Earthquake in Delhi-NCR: A magnitude 4.4 earthquake struck near Jhajjar in Haryana, causing tremors to be felt across the Delhi-NCR region. No immediate reports of casualties or property damage.

Migrant Workers Allegations: Migrant workers from West Bengal have alleged ill-treatment by the Odisha police, who are conducting identity verifications of Bengali-speaking individuals suspected to be foreign nationals.

TOI Social Impact Summit: The Times of India is hosting the 'TOI Social Impact Summit – Leading Change through CSR & ESG' in Mumbai on July 11 and 12, focusing on corporate social responsibility and environmental, social, and governance priorities.

NESTS, UNICEF, and Tata Motors Partnership: The National Education Society for Tribal Students (NESTS) has signed agreements with UNICEF India, Tata Motors, and others to launch new student programs.

Telangana Award: Telangana has won the India Energy Storage Alliance (IESA) Industry Excellence Award 2025 in the State Leadership category for battery manufacturing.

Uttarakhand's 'Operation Kalanemi': Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami has announced 'Operation Kalanemi,' a police operation to address fake saints.

Prajakta Koli on TIME100 Creators List: Indian YouTuber and content creator Prajakta Koli (MostlySane) has been named in the 2025 TIME100 Creators List.

Indian Football Ranking: The Indian men's football team has dropped to 133rd place in the FIFA world rankings, their worst since 2016.

Shooting World Cup Hosting: India will host the Shooting World Cup in 2027 and the Junior World Championship in 2028.

Astronaut Mission Extended: Indian astronaut Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla, part of the Axiom-4 (Ax-04) mission to the International Space Station (ISS), is now expected to undock on July 14, 2025.

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1.The Supreme Court has allowed the Election Commission to proceed with the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in Bihar, but urged them to consider accepting which of the following as valid identity documents for verification?

- A) Only Aadhaar
- B) Aadhaar and PAN cards
- C) Aadhaar, ration cards, and EPIC cards
- D) Driving licenses and passports

Answer : C) Aadhaar, ration cards, and EPIC cards

The text explicitly states that the Supreme Court urged the Election Commission to consider accepting "Aadhaar, ration cards, and EPIC cards" as valid identity documents.

2.The Maharashtra Special Public Security Bill, 2024, was passed to prevent "unlawful activities" of which type of organizations?

- A) Religious extremist organizations





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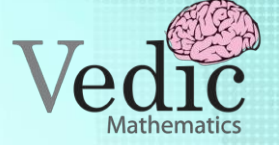
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B) Left Wing Extremist organisations or similar groups

C) Nationalist militant groups

D) International terrorist networks

Answer : B) Left Wing Extremist organisations or similar groups

The bill is aimed at preventing "unlawful activities of Left Wing Extremist organisations or similar groups."

3.What is the UP government's new policy regarding religious melas with over 5 lakh devotees?

A) It will provide partial financial assistance.

B) It will fully finance them and issue a new SOP for their execution.

C) It will only provide logistical support.

D) It will ban them due to security concerns.

Answer : B) It will fully finance them and issue a new SOP for their execution.

The UP government has announced it will "fully finance religious melas with over 5 lakh devotees, issuing a new Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for their organized execution."

4.Which senior Congress MP stirred controversy by criticizing the Emergency and the Gandhis for suspending fundamental rights?

A) Rahul Gandhi

B) Mallikarjun Kharge

C) Shashi Tharoor

D) P. Chidambaram

Answer : C) Shashi Tharoor

The text states, "Senior Congress MP Shashi Tharoor has stirred controversy by criticizing the Emergency and the Gandhis."

5.Amid US President Trump's criticism, India clarified its stance on BRICS and reaffirmed its support for:

A) A new global currency.

B) The US dollar's global role.

C) The Chinese Yuan as a reserve currency.

D) Decentralized digital currencies.

Answer : B) The US dollar's global role.

India reaffirmed "its support for the US dollar's global role and focusing on strengthening trade ties with Washington."

6.Which of the following countries was not part of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's recently concluded five-nation tour?

A) Brazil

B) Ghana

C) South Africa

D) Argentina

Answer : C) South Africa

PM Modi's tour included Brazil, Ghana, Argentina, Namibia, and Trinidad and Tobago. South Africa is not mentioned as part of this specific tour.

7.Which of the following was cited as a reason for the decline in Indian equity benchmark indices today?

A) Higher-than-anticipated Q1 results from TCS.

B) Easing trade conflicts.

C) Concerns over potential Russian sanctions.

D) A significant increase in foreign institutional investment.

Answer : C) Concerns over potential Russian sanctions.

The decline was influenced by "lower-than-anticipated Q1 results from TCS, heightened





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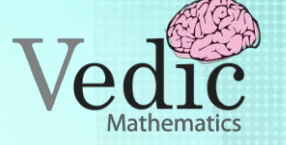
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trade conflicts following new US tariffs on Canada, and concerns over potential Russian sanctions."

8. According to Dun & Bradstreet's July 2025 Economy Observer report, what is the forecast for CPI inflation in June 2025?

- A) To increase to 5.0%
- B) To remain stable at 3.5%
- C) To ease further to 1.6%
- D) To rise due to increasing food prices

Answer : C) To ease further to 1.6%

The report "forecasts CPI inflation to ease further to 1.6% in June 2025 due to declining food prices."

9. Union Minister Piyush Goyal announced that India's solar power capacity has grown by how much over the past years?

- A) 100%
- B) 500%
- C) 2,000%
- D) 4,000%

Answer : D) 4,000%

Piyush Goyal announced that India's solar power capacity has grown by "4,000% over the past years."

10. Who has been announced as the new CEO and Managing Director of Hindustan Unilever Limited (HUL)?

- A) Sundar Pichai
- B) Priya Nair
- C) Indra Nooyi
- D) Leena Nair

Answer : B) Priya Nair

Hindustan Unilever Limited (HUL) has announced "Priya Nair will become its new CEO and Managing Director."

11. What is the reported death toll in the Vadodara bridge collapse as of the text?

- A) 8
- B) 12
- C) 18
- D) 25

Answer : C) 18

The death toll in the collapse of a bridge over the Mahisagar river in Gujarat's Vadodara district has risen to "18."

12. What was the magnitude of the earthquake that struck near Jhajjar in Haryana, causing tremors across the Delhi-NCR region?

- A) 3.2
- B) 4.4
- C) 5.0
- D) 6.1

Answer : B) 4.4

A "magnitude 4.4 earthquake struck near Jhajjar in Haryana."

13. Migrant workers from which Indian state have alleged ill-treatment by the Odisha police during identity verifications?

- A) Bihar
- B) Uttar Pradesh
- C) West Bengal
- D) Jharkhand

Answer : C) West Bengal





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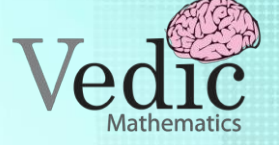
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"Migrant workers from West Bengal have alleged ill-treatment by the Odisha police."

14.Telangana has won the India Energy Storage Alliance (IESA) Industry Excellence Award 2025 in which category?

- A) Solar Energy Development
- B) Electric Vehicle Manufacturing
- C) State Leadership for battery manufacturing
- D) Renewable Energy Integration

Answer : C) State Leadership for battery manufacturing

Telangana has won the "India Energy Storage Alliance (IESA) Industry Excellence Award 2025 in the State Leadership category for battery manufacturing."

15.What is the purpose of 'Operation Kalanemi,' announced by Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami?

- A) To combat illegal mining
- B) To address fake saints
- C) To promote tourism
- D) To improve public infrastructure

Answer : B) To address fake saints
'Operation Kalanemi' is a "police operation to address fake saints."

16.Indian YouTuber and content creator Prajakta Koli is also known by what online name?

- A) BB Ki Vines
- B) MostlySane
- C) CarryMinati
- D) Ashish Chanchlani

Answer : B) MostlySane

Prajakta Koli is identified as "(MostlySane)" in the text.

17.To what position has the Indian men's football team dropped in the FIFA world rankings, marking their worst since 2016?

- A) 100th
- B) 115th
- C) 133rd
- D) 150th

Answer : C) 133rd

The Indian men's football team has dropped to "133rd place in the FIFA world rankings."

18.India is set to host the Junior World Championship in which year?

- A) 2026
- B) 2027
- C) 2028
- D) 2029

Answer : C) 2028

India will host the "Junior World Championship in 2028."

19.Indian astronaut Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla, part of the Axiom-4 (Ax-04) mission, is now expected to undock from the ISS on which date?

- A) July 10, 2025
- B) July 12, 2025
- C) July 14, 2025
- D) July 16, 2025

Answer : C) July 14, 2025

Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla "is now expected to undock on July 14, 2025."

