



## National News

### Government and Politics

**RSS Lecture Series:** Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) chief Mohan Bhagwat is scheduled to begin a three-day lecture series in New Delhi to outline the organization's 100-year journey and its vision for India. The event, part of its centenary year outreach program, is expected to be attended by around 1,300 people from various fields.

**Submarine Deal:** The central government has given clearance for the Ministry of Defence and Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL) to begin negotiations for a significant submarine deal worth around ₹70,000 crore. The deal involves building six submarines in India with German support under 'Project 75 India'.

**Pension Scheme:** The Union Finance Ministry has introduced a one-time, one-way switch facility, allowing individuals to move from the newly launched Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) to the National Pension System (NPS).

**Online Gaming Bill:** President Droupadi Murmu has given her assent to the Promotion and Regulation of Online Gaming Bill, 2025. The bill aims to encourage e-sports and online social games while prohibiting online money gaming.

### Defence and Security

**Sudarshan Chakra Air Defence System:** India has successfully conducted the first firing tests of a new Integrated Air Defence Weapon System (IADWS) named "Sudarshan Chakra." The multi-layered system is designed to neutralize a range of aerial threats, from aircraft and

missiles to drones, using missiles and high-powered lasers.

**Naval Ships:** Two new naval ships, INS Udaygiri and INS Himgiri, are scheduled to be inducted into the Indian Navy's fleet.

### Other National News

**Weather:** The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued rain alerts for several regions across the country, including Jharkhand, Gujarat, Rajasthan, and parts of the Northeast due to widespread monsoon activity. Warnings have been issued for potential flooding, waterlogging, and travel disruptions.

**Ganesh Chaturthi:** August 26 marks the beginning of the Ganesh Chaturthi festival, with the Chaturthi Tithi starting in the afternoon. The festival will culminate with Ganesh Visarjan on September 6.

**Trade Tensions:** The US has officially notified India of additional tariffs on Indian goods, set to take effect on August 27, citing India's purchase of Russian crude oil. In response, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has stated that India will withstand the economic pressure and continue to strengthen its resilience, emphasizing support for small entrepreneurs and farmers.

**All India Speakers' Conference:** A special commemorative stamp was released by Union Minister Amit Shah to mark the 100th anniversary of Vitthalbhai Patel becoming the first elected Indian Speaker of the Central Legislative Assembly.





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## MCQS

**Question 1: What is the value and foreign country collaboration for the new submarine deal under 'Project 75 India'?**

- A) ₹50,000 crore with French support
- B) ₹70,000 crore with German support
- C) ₹90,000 crore with Russian support
- D) ₹60,000 crore with British support

**Answer:** B) ₹70,000 crore with German support  
The news states, "The central government has given clearance for...a significant submarine deal worth around ₹70,000 crore. The deal involves building six submarines in India with German support under 'Project 75 India'."

**Question 2: President Droupadi Murmu has given her assent to the Promotion and Regulation of Online Gaming Bill, 2025. What is the bill's primary purpose?**

- A) To prohibit all forms of online gaming
- B) To encourage online money gaming
- C) To encourage e-sports and online social games while prohibiting online money gaming
- D) To only regulate online gambling

**Answer:** C) To encourage e-sports and online social games while prohibiting online money gaming  
The news states, "The bill aims to encourage e-sports and online social games while prohibiting online money gaming."

**Question 3: What new facility has the Union Finance Ministry introduced for individuals under the Unified Pension Scheme (UPS)?**

- A) A permanent switch to a new pension scheme
- B) A one-time, one-way switch to the National Pension System (NPS)
- C) A two-way switch between UPS and all other pension systems







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D) An option to transfer funds to a private pension plan

**Answer:** B) A one-time, one-way switch to the National Pension System (NPS)

The news states, "The Union Finance Ministry has introduced a one-time, one-way switch facility, allowing individuals to move from the newly launched Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) to the National Pension System (NPS)."

**Question 4: What is the name of the new Integrated Air Defence Weapon System that India successfully conducted the first firing tests of?**

- A) Sudarshan Chakra
- B) Vajra
- C) Agniveer
- D) Tejas

**Answer:** A) Sudarshan Chakra

The news states, "India has successfully conducted the first firing tests of a new Integrated Air Defence Weapon System (IADWS) named 'Sudarshan Chakra'."

**Question 5: What are the names of the two new naval ships scheduled to be inducted into the Indian Navy's fleet?**

- A) INS Vikramaditya and INS Vikrant
- B) INS Delhi and INS Mysore
- C) INS Udaygiri and INS Himgiri
- D) INS Shivalik and INS Satpura

**Answer:** C) INS Udaygiri and INS Himgiri

The news states, "Two new naval ships, INS Udaygiri and INS Himgiri, are scheduled to be inducted into the Indian Navy's fleet."

**Question 6: What is the primary reason for the rain alerts issued by the India Meteorological Department (IMD) for several regions?**

- A) A cyclonic storm in the Bay of Bengal

B) Widespread monsoon activity

C) A western disturbance

D) A low-pressure area in the Arabian Sea

**Answer:** B) Widespread monsoon activity

The news states, "The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued rain alerts...due to widespread monsoon activity."

**Question 7: On what date is the Ganesh Visarjan festival scheduled to take place, according to the news?**

- A) August 26
- B) September 1
- C) September 6
- D) September 10

**Answer:** C) September 6

The news states, "The festival will culminate with Ganesh Visarjan on September 6."

**Question 8: A special commemorative stamp was released to mark the 100th anniversary of which individual becoming the first elected Indian Speaker of the Central Legislative Assembly?**

- A) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel
- B) Vitthalbhai Patel
- C) Jawaharlal Nehru
- D) B.R. Ambedkar

**Answer:** B) Vitthalbhai Patel

The news states, "...A special commemorative stamp was released...to mark the 100th anniversary of Vitthalbhai Patel becoming the first elected Indian Speaker of the Central Legislative Assembly."





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