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National News

Politics & Governance

Vice Presidential Election: The election for the Vice President of India is taking place today at the Parliament House Complex. The counting of votes is scheduled for 6 PM. The NDA has nominated C.P. Radhakrishnan, while the INDIA bloc has named retired judge B. Sudershan Reddy as their candidate.

Prime Minister's Visits: Prime Minister Narendra Modi is scheduled to visit flood-affected areas in Himachal Pradesh and Punjab to assess the situation and review relief and rehabilitation measures. He will also participate in the NDA meeting in New Delhi and is set to inaugurate the Combined Commanders' Conference in Kolkata on September 15.

India-Bangladesh Joint River Commission: The India-Bangladesh Joint River Commission is meeting today in New Delhi. The Bangladeshi delegation is expected to raise concerns about water sharing of 14 cross-border rivers and seek a joint flood forecasting mechanism.

GST Reforms: The next-generation Goods and Services Tax (GST) reforms have kicked in, which are expected to make certain items like shampoo, hair oil, and shaving cream cheaper.

National Security & Law

NIA Searches: The National Investigation Agency (NIA) conducted searches at 22 locations across five states and Jammu and Kashmir in connection with a terror conspiracy case.

Supreme Court Ruling: The Supreme Court has allowed Aadhaar to be used as valid proof for the Bihar electoral roll revision, while clarifying that it is not proof of citizenship.

Weather & Environment

Heavy Rainfall Alert: The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has forecast heavy to very heavy rainfall over Northeast India, including Sub-Himalayan West Bengal and Sikkim. There is also a prediction of significant rainfall in Gujarat over the next three days.

Other News

India-EU Trade Talks: India and the European Union have started the next round of negotiations for a free trade agreement.

India Hockey: The Indian men's hockey team recently won the Asia Cup title after defeating South Korea, securing a spot in the 2026 World Cup.

Tribute: Prime Minister Modi paid tribute to legendary musician Bhupen Hazarika on his 99th birth anniversary.

Apatani Tradition: The Apatani tribe's tradition of facial tattoos and nose plugs, now banned by the government, is fading with only elderly women still bearing the marks.

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MCQS

1: Who are the two main candidates for the Vice Presidential election in India on September 9, 2025?

- A) Narendra Modi and B. Sudershan Reddy
- B) C.P. Radhakrishnan and Narendra Modi
- C) C.P. Radhakrishnan and B. Sudershan Reddy
- D) B. Sudershan Reddy and Amit Shah

Answer: C) C.P. Radhakrishnan and B. Sudershan Reddy

The news summary states, "The NDA has nominated C.P. Radhakrishnan, while the INDIA bloc has named retired judge B. Sudershan Reddy as their candidate" for the Vice Presidential election.

2: Which states will Prime Minister Narendra Modi visit to assess the flood situation?

- A) Punjab and Haryana
- B) Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand
- C) Himachal Pradesh and Punjab
- D) Gujarat and Rajasthan

Answer: C) Himachal Pradesh and Punjab

The summary mentions that Prime Minister Narendra Modi is "scheduled to visit flood-affected areas in Himachal Pradesh and Punjab to assess the situation and review relief and rehabilitation measures."

3: What is one of the key issues the Bangladeshi delegation is expected to raise at the India-Bangladesh Joint River Commission meeting?

- A) Trade tariffs on agricultural goods
- B) Water sharing of cross-border rivers
- C) Border security and patrols
- D) Railway connectivity projects

Answer: B) Water sharing of cross-border rivers
The news states, "The Bangladeshi delegation is expected to raise concerns about water sharing of 14 cross-border rivers and seek a joint flood forecasting mechanism."

4: What is the expected effect of the new GST reforms on certain items like shampoo and shaving cream?

- A) Their prices are expected to increase.
- B) Their prices are expected to decrease.
- C) Their prices are expected to remain the same.
- D) They will no longer be subject to GST.





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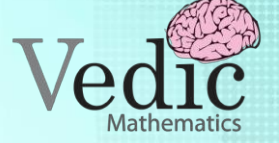
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Answer: B) Their prices are expected to decrease.

The summary indicates that the "next-generation Goods and Services Tax (GST) reforms... are expected to make certain items like shampoo, hair oil, and shaving cream cheaper."

5: What was the Supreme Court's ruling regarding the use of Aadhaar for the Bihar electoral roll revision?

- A) It ruled that Aadhaar is not a valid proof for electoral rolls.
- B) It allowed Aadhaar to be used as valid proof but not as proof of citizenship.
- C) It mandated that Aadhaar is the only acceptable proof for the electoral roll.
- D) It banned the use of Aadhaar in all electoral processes.

Answer: B) It allowed Aadhaar to be used as valid proof but not as proof of citizenship. The news clearly states, "The Supreme Court has allowed Aadhaar to be used as valid proof for the Bihar electoral roll revision, while clarifying that it is not proof of citizenship."

6: Which major trade negotiation has India started the next round of talks for?

- A) India-U.S. Free Trade Agreement
- B) India-EU Free Trade Agreement
- C) India-Russia Free Trade Agreement
- D) India-China Trade Cooperation Agreement

Answer: B) India-EU Free Trade Agreement
The summary mentions that "India and the European Union have started the next round of negotiations for a free trade agreement."

7: What notable achievement did the Indian men's hockey team recently accomplish?

- A) They won the Olympic gold medal.
- B) They won the Asia Cup title.

- C) They were runners-up in the World Cup.
- D) They were promoted to a higher division.

Answer: B) They won the Asia Cup title.

The news states, "The Indian men's hockey team recently won the Asia Cup title after defeating South Korea, securing a spot in the 2026 World Cup."

8: What is the Apatani tribe's tradition mentioned in the news that is now fading?

- A) A unique form of folk dance
- B) A traditional farming method
- C) The practice of facial tattoos and nose plugs
- D) A specific weaving technique

Answer: C) The practice of facial tattoos and nose plugs.

The summary notes, "The Apatani tribe's tradition of facial tattoos and nose plugs, now banned by the government, is fading with only elderly women still bearing the marks."

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