

1. International News

- **India-East African Community (EAC) Free Trade Agreement:** India officially announced the conclusion of a comprehensive Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with the East African Community (EAC). The deal significantly reduces tariffs and non-tariff barriers, expanding Indian exports in pharmaceutical, manufacturing, and IT services while boosting trade cooperation across East Africa.
- **OPEC+ Adjusts Oil Production Cap:** Seven member countries of OPEC+ agreed to raise their combined oil production output by 188,000 barrels per day (bpd) starting September 2026. The decision follows virtual consultations aimed at balancing international energy markets amid shifting global demand.

2. National News

- **'Nasha Mukta Yuva for Viksit Bharat Sankalp Abhiyan' Launched:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the nationwide initiative via video conferencing. Marking the start of a 100-week Jan Bhagidari (public participation) campaign against substance abuse, the program engages educational institutions, youth organizations, and civil society.
- **Presidential Assent to Anti-Paper Leak Legislation:** President Droupadi Murmu granted assent to the Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Amendment Bill, 2026. The legislation mandates the setup of state-level fast-track courts and strict punitive measures for leaks in public recruitment exams.
- **Green India Urban Forestry Mission 2.0:** The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change unveiled Urban Forestry Mission 2.0

to expand urban green canopy and mitigate the "urban heat island" effect across metropolitan areas.

3. Economics & Banking

- **RBI Guidelines for Digital Rupee (e-INR) Platforms:** The Reserve Bank of India issued fresh regulatory mandates for entities facilitating e-INR transactions. The guidelines prioritize liquidity management, reduction of price volatility, and enhanced cyber-resilience for institutional and retail users.
- **National Digital Health ID (Amendment) Bill, 2026 Passed:** Parliament passed the bill to reinforce the legal framework around the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission, establishing stricter data privacy rules and standardized interoperability across public and private hospitals.
- **Commercial Coal Mining Surge:** Coal India and the Ministry of Coal reported a 7.51% year-on-year growth in domestic coal production for July 2026, driven by private sector participation in commercial coal blocks.

4. Defence News

- **Induction of Xtreme Weather Grade (XWG) Diesel:** Chief of the Army Staff General Dhiraj Seth launched indigenously developed XWG Diesel for military operations in high-altitude, freezing environments like Ladakh and Sikkim. Developed jointly by the Indian Army and OMC research units, the fuel remains fluid at sub-zero temperatures.
- **Tri-Service Future Warfare Course 4.0:** The fourth edition of the Tri-Service Future Warfare Course commenced in New Delhi to train senior commanders from the Army, Navy, and Air Force in multi-domain



operations, cyber warfare, and AI integration.

- **Diving Support Craft 'DSC A24' Launched:** The Ministry of Defence launched DSC A24 (Yard-329), the fifth vessel of the indigenously built Diving Support Craft project aimed at supporting underwater operations and harbour security.

5. Appointments & Resignations

- **DG-Armed Forces Medical Services (DGAFMS):** Air Marshal Sandeep Thareja was appointed as the new Director General of Armed Forces Medical Services, succeeding Surgeon Vice Admiral Arti Sarin.
- **Deputy Chief of Naval Staff:** Vice Admiral A.N. Pramod assumed charge as Deputy Chief of Naval Staff, taking over from Vice Admiral Tarun Sobti.
- **Controller General of Defence Accounts (CGDA):** Smt. Alka Nangia Arora assumed office as the Controller General of Defence Accounts under the Ministry of Defence.
- **Vice Chief of Air Staff:** Air Marshal Tejpal Singh officially took charge as the Vice Chief of the Air Staff (VCAS).

6. Sports News

- **Commonwealth Games 2026 (Glasgow):**
 - **Boxing:** India recorded a historic 7 Gold medals in boxing through Preeti Pawar (54kg), Jaismine Lamboria (57kg), Sakshi Chaudhary (51kg), Priya Ghanghas (60kg), Arundhati Choudhary (70kg), Sachin Siwach (60kg), and Ankush Panghal (80kg).
 - **Athletics:** Gulveer Singh won a historic Bronze in the Men's 5000m. Praveen Chithravel secured Silver and Selva Prabhu Thirumaran won Bronze in the Men's Triple Jump.

- **Para-Sports & Judo:** Soman Rana won Gold in Men's Shot Put F57, while Unnati Sharma bagged Bronze in Women's 63kg Judo.

7. Govt Schemes, MoUs & Culture

- **PM-AJAY Scheme Expansion:** The Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment selected 47,328 villages nationwide under the Adarsh Gram component of PM-AJAY (Pradhan Mantri Anusuchit Jaati Abhyuday Yojana) to upgrade rural infrastructure.
- **Handloom Hackathon 2.0:** IIT Delhi hosted the valedictory event of Handloom Hackathon 2.0, showcasing AI and IoT innovations for traditional weavers and textile optimization.
- **Inauguration of Viveka Smarak:** PM Modi inaugurated the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Youth Centre (Viveka Smarak) in Mysuru, Karnataka.

8. Important Days & Anniversaries

- **World Breastfeeding Week (August 1-7):** Global observance promoting early initiation and exclusive breastfeeding.
- **National Mountain Climbing Day (August 1):** Celebrated annually to honor mountaineering achievements and outdoors safety.
- **Tribute to Gen V.N. Sharma:** The Indian Army paid military honors during the final send-off of former Chief of the Army Staff General V.N. Sharma.

Q1. What is the total duration of the nationwide 'Jan Bhagidari' campaign launched under the 'Nasha Mukh Yuva for Viksit Bharat Sankalp Abhiyan'?

A) 25 Weeks

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B) 50 Weeks

- C) 75 Weeks
D) 100 Weeks

Answer: D

Explanation: Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the abhiyan on 2nd August 2026, marking the beginning of a 100-week nationwide campaign against substance abuse.

Q2. With which regional economic bloc did India officially conclude a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) in August 2026?

- A) Southern African Development Community (SADC)

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- B) East African Community (EAC)
C) Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS)
D) Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC)

Answer: B

Explanation: India announced the conclusion of a comprehensive FTA with the East African Community (EAC) to boost bilateral trade and investment.

Q3. Which military leader was appointed as the Director General Armed Forces Medical Services (DGAFMS) in August 2026?

- A) Air Marshal Sandeep Thareja
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B) Vice Admiral Tarun Sobti
C) Surgeon Vice Admiral Arti Sarin
D) Lt Gen Daljit Singh

Answer: A

Explanation: Air Marshal Sandeep Thareja assumed charge as DGAFMS following the retirement of Surgeon Vice Admiral Arti Sarin.

Q4. What is the primary objective of 'Green India Urban Forestry Mission 2.0' launched by the MoEFCC?

- A) Increasing agricultural crop yields
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B) Combating the Urban Heat Island effect
C) Expanding mangrove ecosystems along coasts
D) Promoting commercial timber plantations

Answer: B

Explanation: Urban Forestry Mission 2.0 focuses on growing urban forest cover to mitigate the rising urban heat island effect in metropolitan cities.

Q5. The indigenously developed 'Xtreme Weather Grade (XWG) Diesel' launched for the Indian Armed Forces operates primarily to solve what challenge?

- A) Fuel evaporation in desert terrain
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B) Sub-zero fuel freezing in high-altitude zones
C) High sulfur emission in naval vessels
D) High cost of imported aviation fuel

Answer: B

Explanation: COAS Gen Dhiraj Seth launched XWG Diesel, formulated to prevent fuel freezing and operational delays in severe winter and high-altitude regions.

Q6. Who assumed charge as the Deputy Chief of Naval Staff on August 1, 2026?

- A) Vice Admiral Tarun Sobti
B) Vice Admiral A.N. Pramod
C) Vice Admiral Dinesh K Tripathi
D) Vice Admiral Sanjay Jasiit Singh

Answer: B



Explanation: Vice Admiral A.N. Pramod took charge as Deputy Chief of Naval Staff, succeeding Vice Admiral Tarun Sobti.

Q7. Which legislation recently received Presidential assent to establish fast-track courts and strict penalties against recruitment exam paper leaks?

A) National Testing Agency Governance Bill, 2026

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B) Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Amendment Bill, 2026

C) Bharatiya Shiksha Protection Act, 2026

D) Central Educational Services Reform Bill, 2026

Answer: B

Explanation: President Droupadi Murmu gave assent to the Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Amendment Bill, 2026.

Q8. Who took charge as the Controller General of Defence Accounts (CGDA) on August 1, 2026?

A) Smt. Alka Nangia Arora

B) Smt. Madhulika P. Vikram

C) Shri Rasika Chaube

D) Smt. Soma Roy Burman

Answer: A

Explanation: Smt. Alka Nangia Arora assumed the charge of Controller General of Defence Accounts.

Q9. Soman Rana won the Gold medal for India at the 2026 Commonwealth Games in which sport event?

A) Men's Javelin Throw

B) Men's Shot Put F57

C) Men's Triple Jump

D) Men's 5000m Race

Answer: B

Explanation: Soman Rana won Gold in the Men's Shot Put F57 with a throw of 13.40m.

Q10. Gulveer Singh created history at the 2026 Commonwealth Games by becoming the first Indian to win a medal in which track event?

A) Men's 10,000m

B) Men's 3000m Steeplechase

C) Men's 5000m

D) Men's 1500m

Answer: C

Explanation: Gulveer Singh scripted history by becoming the first Indian athlete to win a medal (Bronze) in the men's 5000m event at the CWG.

Q11. Which organization successfully demonstrated an indigenous quantum-resistant encryption protocol to secure critical cybersecurity networks in August 2026?

A) ISRO

B) C-DAC

C) DRDO

D) IISc Bangalore

Answer: B

Explanation: Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC) demonstrated a quantum-resistant encryption protocol designed to withstand quantum decryption.

Q12. What was the production increase percentage recorded in India's commercial coal sector in July 2026 on a year-on-year basis?

A) 4.25%

B) 5.80%

C) 7.51%

D) 10.20%

Answer: C

Explanation: India's coal production recorded a 7.51% YoY growth in July 2026.

Q13. In which city was Handloom Hackathon 2.0 organized to promote technology-driven innovations in handlooms?

- A) IIT Bombay
- B) IIT Delhi
- C) IIT Madras
- D) NIFT Bengaluru

Answer: B

Explanation: The Handloom Hackathon 2.0 concluded successfully at IIT Delhi.

Q14. How many villages have been selected across India under the Adarsh Gram component of the PM-AJAY scheme?

- A) 25,000
- B) 36,400
- C) 47,328
- D) 52,100

Answer: C

Explanation: A total of 47,328 villages were selected nationwide under the Adarsh Gram component of PM-AJAY.

Q15. Where did Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurate the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Youth Centre (Viveka Smarak)?

- A) Belur Math, West Bengal
- B) Kanyakumari, Tamil Nadu
- C) Mysuru, Karnataka
- D) Raipur, Chhattisgarh

Answer: C

Explanation: PM Modi inaugurated the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Youth Centre - Viveka Smarak in Mysuru, Karnataka.

Q16. Which Indian boxer won the Gold medal in the Women's 70kg category at the Commonwealth Games 2026?

- A) Jaismine Lamboria
- B) Preeti Pawar
- C) Arundhati Choudhary
- D) Sakshi Chaudhary

Answer: C

Explanation: Arundhati Choudhary won Gold in the Women's 70kg boxing category after defeating England's Chantelle Reid.

Q17. DSC A24 (Yard-329), launched recently in August 2026, belongs to which category of naval vessels?

- A) Missile Corvette
- B) Diving Support Craft
- C) Anti-Submarine Warfare Frigate
- D) Offshore Patrol Vessel

Answer: B

Explanation: DSC A24 is the 5th vessel under the Diving Support Craft project built for the Indian Navy.

Q18. What is the oil production cap increase decided by OPEC+ for September 2026?

- A) 100,000 bpd
- B) 188,000 bpd
- C) 250,000 bpd
- D) 500,000 bpd

Answer: B

Explanation: Seven OPEC+ countries agreed to increase production by 188,000 barrels per day from August levels.

Q19. Which Indian judicial/regulatory update was passed to enhance patient privacy and data interoperability across healthcare providers?



- A) Digital Personal Data Protection Regulations, 2026
B) National Digital Health ID (Amendment) Bill, 2026
C) National Medical Commission Governance Bill
D) Tele-Mental Health Safety Framework

Answer: B

Explanation: Parliament passed the National Digital Health ID (Amendment) Bill, 2026 to strengthen data privacy and interoperability.

Q20. Unnati Sharma clinched a Bronze medal for India at CWG 2026 in which sport discipline?

- A) Weightlifting
B) Judo (Women's 63kg)
C) Wrestling (Women's 68kg)
D) Taekwondo

Answer: B

Explanation: Unnati Sharma won the Bronze medal in the Women's 63kg Judo category.

Q21. The 4th edition of the Tri-Service Future Warfare Course was launched in which city?

- A) Pune
B) Bengaluru
C) New Delhi
D) Hyderabad

Answer: C

Explanation: The Ministry of Defence launched the 4th edition of the Tri-Service Future Warfare Course in New Delhi.

Q22. World Breastfeeding Week is observed annually during which dates?

- A) July 1 – July 7
B) August 1 – August 7

- C) August 15 – August 21
D) September 1 – September 7

Answer: B

Explanation: World Breastfeeding Week is observed globally from August 1 to August 7 every year.

Q23. Who assumed charge as the Vice Chief of the Air Staff (VCAS) on August 1, 2026?

- A) Air Marshal AK Bharti
B) Air Marshal Tejpal Singh
C) Air Marshal Nagesh Kapoor
D) Air Marshal AP Singh

Answer: B

Explanation: Air Marshal Tejpal Singh took charge as the Vice Chief of Air Staff.

Q24. Praveen Chithravel won which medal for India in the Men's Triple Jump at CWG 2026?

- A) Gold
B) Silver
C) Bronze
D) 4th Place Certificate

Answer: B

Explanation: Praveen Chithravel secured the Silver medal with a jump of 16.58m.

Q25. Which Indian Air Force officer, who served as Director General Air Operations during Operation Sindoor, retired on July 31 / August 1, 2026?

- A) Air Marshal AK Bharti
B) Air Marshal Sandeep Thareja
C) Air Marshal R.K.S. Bhadauria
D) Air Marshal V.R. Chaudhari

Answer: A

Explanation: Air Marshal AK Bharti retired from service after a distinguished career including leading media briefings during Operation Sindoor.

Q26. What was the central focus of the new Reserve Bank of India (RBI) guidelines issued on August 1, 2026?

A) Regulating Commercial Housing Loan Interest Rates

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B) Framework for Digital Rupee (e-INR) Trading Platforms

C) Microfinance Institution Asset Ceiling

D) Sovereign Gold Bond Subscription Rules

Answer: B

Explanation: RBI released comprehensive guidelines for Digital Rupee (e-INR) trading and exchange platforms to reduce volatility and enhance investor protection.

Q27. The Alluri Sitarama Raju International Airport, recently highlighted in prime ministerial inaugurations, is located near which city?

A) Tirupati

B) Bhogapuram (Visakhapatnam)

C) Vijayawada

D) Rajahmundry

Answer: B

Explanation: The airport was inaugurated at Bhogapuram near Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.

Q28. National Mountain Climbing Day is celebrated every year on which date?

A) August 1

B) August 2

C) August 5

D) August 10

Answer: A

Explanation: National Mountain Climbing Day is observed on August 1.

Q29. How many gold medals did the Indian boxing contingent win on August 1 at the 2026 Commonwealth Games?

A) 4

B) 5

C) 7

D) 9

Answer: C

Explanation: Indian boxers secured 7 Gold medals in a single day at Glasgow 2026.

Q30. Who won the Gold medal in the Men's 60kg Boxing final at the Commonwealth Games 2026?

A) Sachin Siwach

B) Ankush Panghal

C) Shiva Thapa

D) Amit Panghal

Answer: A

Explanation: Sachin Siwach defeated Scotland's Alex Arthur to claim Gold in the Men's 60kg Boxing category.