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## Sports

### 1. Cricket:

**India Women vs England ODI Series:** India defeated England by 13 runs in the third and final Women's One Day International at Chester-le-Street last night, clinching the series 2-1. India had set a target of 319 runs.

### India vs England Men's Test Series (4th Test):

The 4th Test between India and England is underway at Old Trafford.

**Rishabh Pant Injury:** India's wicketkeeper-batter Rishabh Pant was forced to retire hurt after a blow to his right foot while attempting a reverse sweep. His participation in the rest of the game and potentially the series is in doubt.

**Ayush Mhatre's Century (U19 Test):** In the 2nd Youth Test against England at Wormsley, Ayush Mhatre scored a stunning 126 off 80 balls for India U19 while chasing 355. However, rain and bad light forced a draw, denying India a historic win. India U19 won the overall series 3-2 in the one-dayers.

**Sai Sudharsan's Half-Century:** Sai Sudharsan also contributed with a gritty 61 for India in the 4th Test.

### World Championship of Legends (WCL) 2025:

AB de Villiers led South Africa Champions to an 88-run (DLS) win over India Champions. De Villiers scored 63 off 30 balls.

The highly anticipated India vs Pakistan match in the WCL 2025 was officially cancelled due to Indian players refusing to participate, citing the Pahalgam terror attack in April.

**Asia Cup 2025:** The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) is attending the Asian Cricket Council's (ACC) Annual General Meeting in Dhaka today (July 24, 2025) and tomorrow. The fate of the Asia Cup 2025, which is set to be played in T20 format, is a key agenda item, especially given ongoing geopolitical tensions and India's reluctance to play Pakistan in certain venues. India has the hosting rights, but matches are likely to be played in the UAE due to these tensions.

**ICC World Test Championship Finals:** England will host the next three World Test Championship finals in 2027, 2029, and 2031.

### 2. Football:

#### Transfers:

**Liverpool Signs Hugo Ekitike:** Premier League champions Liverpool have completed the signing of striker Hugo Ekitike from Eintracht Frankfurt for an initial fee of 79 million pounds.

**Marcus Rashford Joins Barcelona:** Marcus Rashford has joined Barcelona on a season-long loan from Manchester United.

**Oriental Cup 2025:** The third edition of the Oriental Cup, a youth football tournament, is set to kick off at Dr. Ambedkar Stadium in Delhi, with 36 teams competing.

**MAC Football Media Day:** The Mid-American Conference is hosting its 2025 Football Media Day today at Ford Field in Detroit, kicking off the 2025 season.





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### 3. Badminton:

China Open Super 1000:

P.V. Sindhu won her first-round match against Japan's Tomoka Miyazaki.

Fellow Indians Unnati Hooda and the men's doubles pair of Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty also advanced.

**FISU World University Games:** India secured its first-ever medal in badminton at the FISU World University Games in Berlin, Germany, clinching a historic Bronze.

**Asia Junior Individual Championships:** Vennala Kalagotla and Tanvi Sharma led a strong start for India on Day 1.

### 4. Chess:

**FIDE Women's World Cup 2025:** Koneru Humpy created history by becoming the first-ever Indian woman to reach the semifinals in Batumi, Georgia.

**FIDE Chess World Cup 2025 (Men's):** India will host the Chess World Cup 2025, scheduled from October 30 to November 27.

**Gukesh's Appearance:** World Chess Champion Gukesh made a rare appearance in Titled Tuesday but finished 18th.

### 5. Squash:

**World Junior Squash Championships:** Four Indian players – Anahat Singh, Aradhya Porwal, Anika Dubey, Navya Sundararajan, and Rudra Singh – have advanced to the Women's singles Round of 64 in Cairo.

### 6. Wrestling:

**UWW Ranking Series:** India's Greco-Roman wrestlers had a good outing at the Polyak Imre & Varga Janos Memorial 2025 wrestling tournament in Budapest, Hungary. Sumit won a silver medal in the 60kg category, and Anil Mor secured a bronze.

### 7. Other Sports:

**2025 MRF National Racing Championship:** The first round of India's premier motorsport event kicked off at Kari Motor Speedway, Coimbatore on July 21st.

Junior National Rugby 7s Championship 2025: Bihar won the U18 Boys' title.

#### Government Initiatives:

The Government of India has introduced the National Sports Governance Bill 2025 in Lok Sabha, aiming to bring bodies like the BCCI under regulation.

Delhi has raised cash rewards to ₹7 crore for Olympic gold medallists under its Mukhyaministry Khel Protsahan Yojana.

**Durand Cup:** The 134th Durand Cup kicked off across five states on July 23, featuring 24 teams in a month-long football festival.

**Transgender Athlete Policy (USOPC):** The United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee (USOPC) has officially barred transgender women from competing in women's events at the Olympics and Paralympics, effective July 21, 2025, aligning with a federal directive. This decision has sparked debate and impacts several athletes.







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## MCQS

1. What was the result of the India Women vs England ODI Series, which concluded last night?

- a) England won the series 2-1
- b) India won the series 2-1
- c) The series was drawn 1-1
- d) England won the series 3-0

**Answer:** b) India won the series 2-1

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2. Which Indian cricketer scored a century for India U19 in the 2nd Youth Test against England at Wormsley?

- a) Sai Sudharsan
- b) Rishabh Pant
- c) Ayush Mhatre
- d) Unnati Hooda

**Answer:** c) Ayush Mhatre

The text mentions, "In the 2nd Youth Test against England at Wormsley, Ayush Mhatre scored a stunning 126 off 80 balls for India U19."

3. What was the reason for the official cancellation of the India vs Pakistan match in the World Championship of Legends (WCL) 2025?

- a) Unavailability of venue
- b) Scheduling conflicts
- c) Indian players refusing to participate due to a terror attack
- d) Pakistan players refusing to participate due to a terror attack

**Answer:** c) Indian players refusing to participate due to a terror attack

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**4. Which country will host the next three ICC World Test Championship finals in 2027, 2029, and 2031?**

- a) India
- b) Australia
- c) England
- d) South Africa

**Answer: c) England**

The text clearly says, "England will host the next three World Test Championship finals in 2027, 2029, and 2031."

**5. Which Premier League champion club has signed striker Hugo Ekitike from Eintracht Frankfurt for 79 million pounds?**

- a) Manchester United
- b) Chelsea
- c) Liverpool
- d) Arsenal

**Answer: c) Liverpool**

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**6. Which Indian female chess player became the first ever to reach the semifinals of the FIDE Women's World Cup 2025?**

- a) Harika Dronavalli
- b) Divya Deshmukh
- c) Koneru Humpy
- d) R Vaishali

**Answer: c) Koneru Humpy**

The text notes, "\*\*\*Koneru Humpy created history by becoming the first-ever Indian woman to reach the semifinals\*\* in Batumi, Georgia."

**7. Which Indian city is hosting the third edition of the Oriental Cup, a youth football tournament, with 36 teams competing?**

- a) Kolkata
- b) Mumbai
- c) Delhi
- d) Bengaluru

**Answer: c) Delhi**

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**8. What is the main aim of the National Sports Governance Bill 2025 introduced by the Government of India?**

- a) To increase funding for all sports federations
- b) To bring sports bodies like the BCCI under regulation
- c) To promote a specific sport in India
- d) To establish new sports academies

**Answer: b) To bring sports bodies like the BCCI under regulation**

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**9. How many teams are participating in the 134th Durand Cup, which kicked off on July 23, 2025?**

- a) 16
- b) 20
- c) 24
- d) 32







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**Answer: c) 24**

The text states, "The 134th Durand Cup kicked off across five states on July 23, featuring 24 teams in a month-long football festival."

**10. What is the new policy adopted by the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee (USOPC) effective July 21, 2025?**

- a) Encouraging more transgender athletes to participate
- b) Allowing transgender women to compete freely in all women's events
- c) Officially barring transgender women from competing in women's events
- d) Providing separate categories for transgender athletes

**Answer: c) Officially barring transgender women from competing in women's events\*\***

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