

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

PHILIPPINES PRESIDENT MARCOS JR TO VISIT INDIA



President Marcos was accompanied by the First Lady, Mme. Louise Araneta Marcos and a high-level official delegation including several Cabinet Ministers of the Philippines and a high-level business delegation. The leaders witnessed the exchange of bilateral documents. President Marcos attended the luncheon hosted by Prime Minister Modi. (05/8/25)

WITH NEW AIRPORT TERMINAL, MALDIVES EYES MORE VISITORS



As the island nation tries stabilising its debt-burdened economy, it has pinned its hopes on increased tourist arrivals. (9/8/25)

LAST OF 16 AIRBUS C-295 AIRCRAFT DELIVERED TO INDIA BY SPAIN



India has received the final batch of 16 Airbus C-295 military transport aircraft, marking a significant upgrade to its defence capabilities. The handover took place today in Seville, Spain, with Indian Ambassador Dinesh K Patnaik and senior Indian Air Force officials in attendance.

KRASHENINNIKOV VOLCANO ERUPTS AFTER 600 YEARS, SENDS ASH 4 KM HIGH



The Krasheninnikov Volcano on Russia's Kamchatka Peninsula erupted for the first time in recorded history, its first in 600 years, today. Local authorities reported that the eruption began at 2:50 AM local time, sending ash clouds up to 4 km above sea level. (04/8/25)

REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA OFFICIALLY JOINES 107TH MEMBER OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOLAR ALLIANCE (ISA)



The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) of India has announced that Moldova has officially become the 107th member of the International Solar Alliance (ISA), further expanding the coalition's global footprint in the renewable energy sector. (09/8/25)

TRUMP ORDERS INDIA TARIFF HIKE TO 50% FOR BUYING RUSSIAN OIL



President Donald Trump implemented an additional 25% tariff on India, days after he already imposed a 25% levy on the major trading partner. The US leader has also ruled out any further trade negotiations with India until the current tensions are resolved. (07/8/25)

"RESULT OF NATO POLICIES": RUSSIA EXITS NUCLEAR TREATY WITH US AFTER TRUMP'S SUBMARINE MOVE



Amid US President Donald Trump's increasing pressure to end the war in Ukraine, Russia has announced that it no longer considered itself bound by the 1987 Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces (INF) Treaty with America-- a moratorium on the deployment of short- and medium-range nuclear missiles. (05/8/25)



NATIONAL NEWS

RAILWAY PASSENGERS WITH E-TICKET CAN AVAIL TRAVEL INSURANCE AT 45 PAISA ONLY, SAYS VAISHNAW

AIR INDIA AHMEDABAD PLANE CRASH: 65 FAMILIES WHO LOST KIN HIRE U.S.-BASED LAW FIRM BEASLEY ALLEN



The law firm's aviation attorney Mike Andrews visited the crash site in Meghaninagar area in Ahmedabad before coming to Vadodara city, where he met some of the victim families. (8/8/25)

TELANGANA AWARDED WITH MAXIMUM NUMBER OF ORGAN DONATIONS IN THE COUNTRY

Telangana state has held the maximum number of organ donations in the country. The Centre has awarded the state government for the same at an event observing the National Organ Donation Day in Delhi. Union Health Minister J.P. Nadda presented the award to representatives of the state's Jeevandan programme recently. (04/8/25)

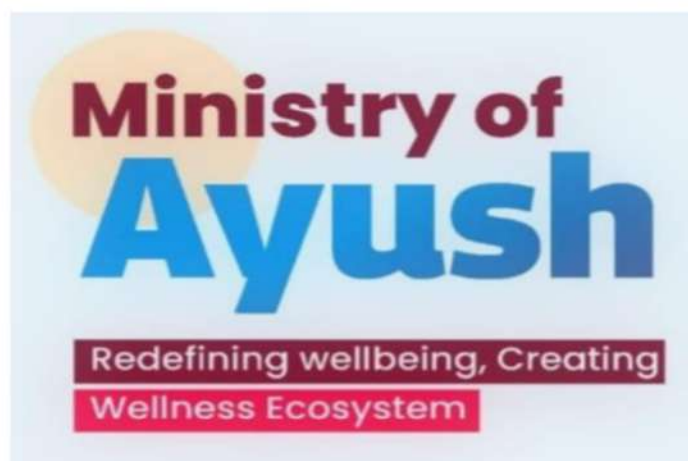


SRI LANKAS EXPORTS RISE 7% IN FIRST HALF OF 2025



Exports remain Sri Lanka's largest foreign exchange source, contributing over 60% of inflows, ahead of tourism and remittances. The EDB aims to raise exports to USD 36 billion by 2030, increasing their share of GDP to 25%. (08/8/25)

INDIA TO HOST WHO-IRCH WORKSHOP ON HERBAL MEDICINE REGULATION FROM AUGUST 6



Three-day event to focus on global cooperation, safety mechanisms, and regulatory convergence for traditional medicine. (5/8/25)

PRIMARY SITE FOR E-ROLL DOWNLOAD FOR ALL STATES WORKING WITHOUT ANY ISSUES: ECI



In an official statement, the ECI said, "The primary site/link for E-Roll download for all states is <https://voters.eci.gov.in/download-eroll?statecode=S25>. The above site has been working without any issues since it was launched and continues to be operational. (8/8/25)



Passengers can avail the Optional Travel Insurance Scheme while purchasing e-tickets by paying a premium of 45 paisa, inclusive of all taxes, Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said in a written reply in the Lok Sabha. (6/8/25)

GOVERNMENT LAUNCHES 'APNA GHAR' RESTING FACILITIES FOR TRUCK DRIVERS



The Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas launched the Apna Ghar initiative to provide safe and hygienic resting spaces for truck drivers on highways. The scheme aims to improve the driver welfare and support the better highway infrastructure as part of national logistics efforts. (05/8/25)



REGIONAL NEWS

METRO RAIL TO COMPLETE VIADUCT AND DOUBLE DECKER CONSTRUCTION BETWEEN PORUR AND POWER HOUSE BY SEPTEMBER END



Chennai Metro Rail will complete the construction of the viaduct and the massive double decker stretch along Arcot Road for the phase II project between Porur and Power House by September end. (09/8/25)

NO BOARD EXAMINATION FOR CLASS 11 STUDENTS IN TAMIL NADU FROM THIS YEAR



The Tamil Nadu government has decided to retain the board exams only for Classes 10 and 12, and not for Class 11. This decision is part of the State Education Policy (SEP)-School Education released by Chief Minister M.K. Stalin in Chennai on Friday. (08/8/25)

COCONUT OIL MILLS IN KANGAYAM STRUGGLE TO STEM SLIDE IN PRODUCTION



On the face of it, the tidings seem favourable for the nearly 120 coconut mills in Kangayam town of Tiruppur district where oil production capacity ranges from 1,000 tonnes to 1,400 tonnes a day. (8/8/25)

AWARENESS CAMPAIGN HELD AHEAD OF BOOK FAIR



Ahead of the book fair in Dindigul scheduled to be held from August 28 to September 7, an awareness campaign on the book fair was inaugurated by Dindigul Collector S. Saravanan on Monday at Anguvilas Higher Secondary School premises, the venue of the book fair. (5/8/25)

SLOTH BEAR SPOTTED IN OOTY TOWN CAPTURED AND RELOCATED, CONSERVATIONISTS CALL FOR ACTION AGAINST GARBAGE DUMPING TO DETER WILDLIFE



A sloth bear that had been seen over the last few days skirting around Udhagamandalam town in the Nilgiris was captured and relocated to the Mudumalai Tiger Reserve (MTR). (6/8/25)

STONES WITH ANCIENT TAMIL INSCRIPTIONS DISCOVERED AT PUDHUPPALAYAM VILLAGE NEAR AVINASHI IN TIRUPPUR DISTRICT



An archaeology research team has discovered ancient stones with Tamil inscriptions dating back to 18th and 19th centuries at Pudhuppalayam village near Avinashi in Tiruppur district. (3/8/25)

CHIEF MINISTER STALIN PRESENTS AWARDS TO TAMIL SCHOLARS AT KAMBAN VIZHA 2025



Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin on Friday said literary events such as Kamban Vizha should not only highlight the richness and glory of Tamil literature but also nurture that literary sensibility among the younger generation. (09/8/25)



SPORTS BUZZ

MAGNUS CARLSEN CLAIMS INAUGURAL CHESS ESPORTS WORLD CUP TITLE IN RIYADH

Magnus Carlsen representing Team Liquid took home gold in Riyadh after a dominant performance against Team Falcons' Alireza Firouzja in Chess at EWC 25.(06/8/25)



ANNU RANI WINS JAVELIN GOLD WITH SEASON-BEST 62.59M THROW IN POLAND

In Athletics, India's Annu Rani has won gold medal in the women's javelin throw at the International Wiesław Maniak Memorial in Poland with a season-best effort of 62.59 meter. (07/8/25)



ARJUN AND KEYMER GET OFF TO A WINNING START



The Indian proves too good for Awonder while the German gets the better of Nihal; Vidit rallies to hold Van Foreest; Pranav and Karthikeyan share the point as do Anish and Robson. (8/8/25)

ARCHERY ASSOCIATION OF INDIA ANNOUNCES FIRST EDITION OF ARCHERY LEAGUE



The Archery Association of India (AAI) has announced the debut edition of the Archery League, scheduled for October 2025 at the Yamuna Sports Complex, Delhi. Spanning 11 days, the event will feature elite recurve and compound archers from India and around the world.(08/8/25)

DURAND CUP NORTHEAST UNITED AND JFC IN QUARTERFINALS



Alaaeddine Ajaraie scored on either side of the halves to help NorthEast United FC prevail over local challenger Shillong Lajong FC 2-1 in a Group-E league encounter of the 134th Durand Cup at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in Shillong. (9/8/25)

ANIRUDH CHANDRASEKAR AND RAMKUMAR RAMANATHAN WIN LEXINGTON CHALLENGER



Anirudh Chandrasekar and Ramkumar Ramanathan clinched the doubles title in the \$100,000 Challenger in Lexington, USA, with a 6-4, 6-4 victory over Yu Hsiou Hsu and Tsung-Hao Huang in the final. (7/8/25)

MURUGAPPA GOLD CUP RAILWAYS TOO GOOD FOR INDIAN NAVY, COMPLETES A HAT-TRICK OF TITLES

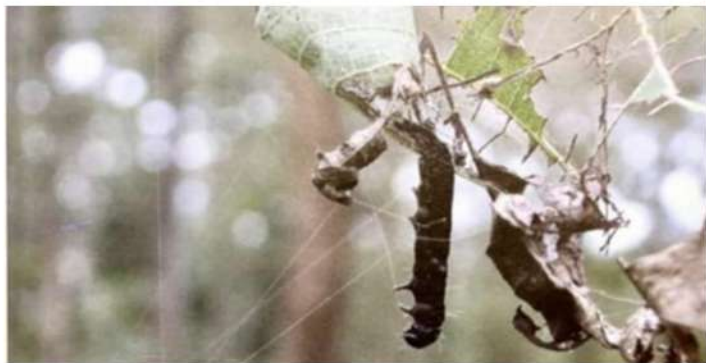


Defending champion Indian Railways subdued a youthful Indian Navy 3-1 in the final of the 96th MCC-Murugappa Gold Cup hockey tournament at the SDAT-Mayor Radhakrishnan Stadium here on Sunday and completed a hat-trick of titles. (6/6/25)



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

GAME-CHANGER VIRUS
DEVELOPED BY KERALA FOREST RESEARCH INSTITUTE CAN HELP SAVE TEAK PLANTATIONS



The institute has successfully identified, mass-produced and patented a naturally occurring virus, *Hyblaea puera Nucleopolyhedrosis Virus (HpNPV)*, which causes lethal infection in the pest larvae and prevents widespread defoliation of teak trees. (7/8/25)

SPACE X AGREES TO TAKE ITALIAN EXPERIMENTS TO MARS



Elon Musk's SpaceX has agreed to carry Italian experiments on its Starship megarocket during planned future missions to Mars, according to a new deal announced. (8/8/25)

BEATING LUNG CANCER WITH PRECISION: THE EVOLVING ROLE OF RADIATION THERAPY

Radiation therapy, once viewed mainly as a tool to relieve symptoms, has now emerged as a powerful curative option in the fight against lung cancer. (5/8/25)



STUDY ALLEGING WIDESPREAD ANTIBIOTIC CONTAMINATION IN INDIAN RIVERS BASED ON ASSUMPTIONS: GOVT



A recent study alleging widespread antibiotic contamination in Indian rivers is based on "simulations and assumptions" and therefore, no conclusion on the issue can be drawn from it, the government has said. (4/8/25)

HYDERABAD-BASED LOKESH MACHINES DEVELOPS INDIA'S 1 ST INDIGENOUS MEDIUM MACHINE GUN



The MMG, which can operate in both single-shot and automatic modes and is compatible with both Indian and NATO standard ammunition, can fire 800 rounds per minute and boasts of an effective range of 1800 meters. (08/08/25)

BIRD DEATHS RAISE RED FLAGS AS INDIA EXPANDS WIND ENERGY



Across seven multi-season surveys, Wildlife Institute of India researchers searched for bird carcasses within a 150-m radius of 90 randomly selected wind turbines and found 124. (3/8/25)

SOUTH KOREA DELAYS DECISION ON GOOGLE'S REQUEST FOR MAP DATA EXPORTS



The move comes as South Korea and the United States are preparing for a summit of their leaders, possibly this month, after reaching a trade deal in late July. (9/8/25)

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