



## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### LITHUANIAN PARLIAMENT APPROVES INGA RUGINIENE AS NEW PRIME MINISTER



The Lithuanian parliament today approved the appointment of Social Democrat Inga Ruginiene as Lithuania's new Prime Minister. She will officially take office after the president signs a decree appointing her as the prime minister. Ruginiene was elected to parliament for the first time in 2024. Before her political career, she served as chair of the Lithuanian Trade Union Confederation. (26/8/25)

### THAILAND: DEPUTY PM PHUMTHAM WECHAYACHAI APPOINTED AS ACTING PM



Thailand's cabinet has appointed Deputy Prime Minister Phumtham Wechayachai as acting prime minister following a Constitutional Court ruling that removed Paetongtarn Shinawatra from office. Parliament is set to reconvene from September 3 to 5 for a vote on the new Prime Minister. (30/8/25)

### INDIA AND JAPAN DEEPEN SPECIAL STRATEGIC AND GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP ACROSS KEY SECTORS



PM Modi attended the 15th Annual Summit with PM Shigeru Ishiba. Tokyo has pledged 10 trillion yen, or about \$68 billion, in private investments for India over the next decade. These investments span sectors from semiconductors and rare earths to digital technology and clean energy. (28/8/25)

### CHINA REJECTS US-RUSSIA NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT TALKS



China on Wednesday said it would not join trilateral denuclearisation talks with the United States and Russia, dismissing President Donald Trump's call to include Beijing in future negotiations. (27/8/25)

### FRANCE, GERMANY & UK TRIGGER 30-DAY PROCESS TO REIMPOSE UN SANCTIONS ON IRAN OVER ITS NUCLEAR PROGRAM



The move starts a countdown at the UN Security Council. If no resolution is passed granting Iran sanctions relief, a snapback of previous sanctions will be automatically enforced. (29/8/25)

### SRI LANKA: INFLATION RISES TO 1.2% AFTER 11-MONTH DEFICIT



In Sri Lanka, headline inflation has risen to positive after remaining in negative territory for 11 months. Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL) reported that inflation, measured by the Colombo Consumer Price Index (CCPI), rose to 1.2% in August 2025. In July, the index had recorded a deflation of 0.3%. (30/8/25)

### NEPAL OFFICIALLY JOINS INTERNATIONAL BIG CAT ALLIANCE (IBCA)



The IBCA is a multi-country, multi-agency coalition of over 90 big cat range countries and non-range countries with an interest in big cat conservation. Nepal has officially joined the International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA), an India-led global initiative to protect seven species of big cats. (25/8/25)





## REGIONAL NEWS

### E-LIBRARIES VITAL TO MEET CHALLENGES OF MODERN LEGAL PRACTICE: SC JUSTICE SURYA KANT



Justice Surya Kant of the Supreme Court on Saturday said e-libraries were a pioneering investment in the future of legal education and practice, bridging traditional scholarship with the digital future and ensuring equal access to resources for young lawyers, solo practitioners, and students. (24/8/25)

### WATER LEVEL IN PAPANASAM DAM STANDS AT 116.05 FEET



Water level in Papanasam dam on Monday stood at 116.05 feet (maximum level 143 feet). The dam had an inflow of 720.88 cusecs of water and 400 cusecs of water was discharged. The level in Manimuthar dam stood at 94.35 feet (maximum level 118 feet). (25/8/25)

### TAMIL NADU GOVERNMENT SHORTLISTS TWO SITES FOR RAMESWARAM AIRPORT



The Tamil Nadu government has shortlisted two sites for developing an airport in Ramanathapuram district. Recently, the Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation (TIDCO) identified five potential sites, and now the State government has narrowed it down to two: one near Uchipulli and another near Keelakarai. (30/8/25)

### POLICE PERMITS INSTALLATION OF 1519 VINAYAGA IDOLS IN CHENNAI



The Greater Chennai City Police has permitted the organisers of Vinayagar Chaturthi celebration to install 1,519 idols across the city from Wednesday. (27/8/25)

### WATER LEVEL IN MULLAPERIYAR DAM STANDS AT 134.65 FEET ON



Water level in Mullaperiyar dam stood at 134.65 feet (the maximum permissible level is 142 ft.) with an inflow of 619 cusecs and a discharge of 1,000 cusecs. In Vaigai dam, the level was 68.83 ft. (28/8/25)

### MADE OF CHENNAI BUS TAKES TO THE STREETS TO BRING THE CELEBRATION TO THE PEOPLE



Residents will get the chance to engage in a series of fun and interactive activities as the bus makes its way through the city. The bus will visit various hotspots across the city and Casagrand communities. (29/8/25)

### FREE BREAKFAST SCHEME EXTENDED TO GOVERNMENT-AIDED SCHOOLS IN URBAN AREAS



After the scheme was introduced in 22 government schools being managed by Tirunelveli Corporation in the first phase, it was extended to 18 more government schools in the city in the second phase. In the third phase, 348 schools in rural areas were covered and the fourth phase benefited 416 government-aided schools in rural areas. (26/8/25)





## NATIONAL NEWS

### GOA TO HOST 2025 CHESS WORLD CUP



FIDE has announced that the 2025 Chess World Cup will be held in Goa, India, between October 30 and November 27, 2025. The World Cup is a biennial knockout tournament that features most of the world's top players. This year's event features 206 participants and a prize fund of \$2 million. (26/8/25)

### UIDAI ASKS SCHOOLS ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO COMPLETE AADHAAR BIOMETRIC UPDATES



The Unique Identification Authority of India- UIDAI has asked schools across the country to ensure timely Aadhaar Mandatory Biometric Updates-MBU for Children in the age group of 5 to 15 years. (28/8/25)

### CJI B.R. GAVAI ADMINISTERS OATH OF OFFICE TO TWO NEWLY APPOINTED JUDGES OF SUPREME COURT



Chief Justice of India (CJI) B.R. Gavai today administered the oath of office to two newly appointed judges of the Supreme Court. Justice Alok Aradhe and Justice Vipul Manubhai Pancholi took oath as apex court judges, two days after the Government cleared their appointments. The SC regained its full sanctioned strength of 34 judges, including the CJI. (29/08/2025)

### NHAI LAUNCHES PROJECT AAROHAN TO SUPPORT EDUCATION OF TOLL PLAZA WORKERS' FAMILIES

The project aims to cover five hundred students from Class 11 to the final year of graduation. Each student will receive an annual scholarship of 12 thousand rupees during the financial year 2025-26. (30/8/25)



### INDIAN WARSHIP KADMATT TO PARTICIPATE IN ID GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA



The Ministry of Defence in a statement said that the visit symbolises India's commitment to strengthening its engagement with Pacific Island nations under the Act East Policy and promoting peace, stability, and inclusive growth in the Indo-Pacific region. (30/8/25)

### INDIA, SINGAPORE HOLD FIRST JOINT CONSULTATIVE MEET ON LEGAL AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION COOPERATION



Law and Justice Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal has said that India is steadily positioning itself as a global hub for arbitration, with a focus on establishing a network of credible arbitral institutions. (29/8/25)

### AYURVEDA, YOGA KEY TO PATIENT-CENTRIC HEALTHCARE: AYUSH MINISTER AT BRICS SUMMIT



The RSS chief Bhagwat addressed the 28<sup>th</sup> foundation day function of the Jyeshtha Pashuvaidya Pratishthan in Chhatrapati Sambhajnagar, where farmers, veterinary graduates, and experts were felicitated. (29/8/25)





## SPORTS BUZZ

### ASIA CUP 2025: RASHID TO CAPTAIN SPIN HEAVY AFGHANISTAN SQUAD



Afghanistan have been clubbed with Bangladesh, Hong Kong and Sri Lanka in Group B while India, Oman, Pakistan and UAE form Group A. (24/8/25)

### BCCI BEGINS HUNT FOR NEW SPONSOR AFTER DREAM11 WALKS OU



BCCI secretary Devajit Saikia confirmed that the deal with Dream11 has ended and BCCI is putting the process in motion to get new title sponsor for various national teams. (25/8/25)

### ASIAN SHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIP: SHOOTER SIFT KAUR SAMRA MAKES IT A GOLDEN DOUBLE FOR INDIA

This was Samra's fourth Asian Championships gold, and she was in a different zone altogether in the event as she qualified for the eight-shooter final placed No.1 with a score of 589. (26/8/25)



### ASHWIN ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT FROM IPL, 'MY TIME AS AN EXPLORER OF THE GAME AROUND VARIOUS LEAGUES BEGINS TODAY'

Ashwin retired from international cricket in December last year during the tour of Australia after a decorated career that saw him become India's second-highest wicket-taker (537) in Tests behind Anil Kumble (619). (27/8/25)



### THERE IS PRESSURE AS OUR FORMER GOALKEEPERS HAVE SET THE BAR HIGH: PATHAK



The shot-stopper dwells on the importance of the Asia Cup; embracing his new responsibility and the road ahead for the team. (28/8/25)

### LACK OF CLARITY AND SECURITY MADE ME LEAVE TAMIL NADU RANJI TEAM, SAYS VIJAY SHANKAR



Most recently, Vijay Shankar was dropped from the TNCA President's XI for the last two of the three group-stage matches in the ongoing Buchi Babu tournament. (29/8/25)

### RCB ANNOUNCES ₹25 LAKH FINANCIAL AID TO FAMILIES OF STAMPEDE VICTIMS



Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) announced a compensation of ₹25 lakh each to the eleven people who died in the franchise's IPL victory celebrations. (30/8/25)





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## SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

### ISRO COMPLETES FIRST INTEGRATED AIR DROP TEST FOR GAGANYAAN



The ascent, descent, and post-splashdown phases of the Gaganyaan mission are expected to be the most risky for astronauts. (25/8/25)

### FIVE ISRO TECHNOLOGIES TRANSFERRED TO PRIVATE COMPANIES



The recent set of transfers, facilitated by IN-SPACE takes the total number of Technology Transfer Agreements (TTAs) executed with industries to 98. (28/8/25)

### THE FIRST WOMAN TO FLY SOLO, NON-STOP ACROSS THE U.S.

Landing at Newark Airport on August 25, 1932, Amelia Earhart was received by about 150 people. Considering she had just become the first woman ever to fly on her own non-stop and complete the flight across the U.S., that crowd could have been a lot bigger. A.S.Ganesh takes a look at this historic flight, which was one of Earhart's many famous flight (24/8/25)



### IIT BOMBAY RESEARCHERS USE MICROBES TO UNLOCK NATURE'S HIDDEN RULES



In a breakthrough that sheds new light on one of biology's most puzzling questions, researchers at IIT-Bombay have shown that subtle differences in how nutrients are presented can push microbes along entirely different evolutionary paths. (26/8/25)

### RELIANCE ANNOUNCES AI POWERED SMART GLASSES JIOFRAMES



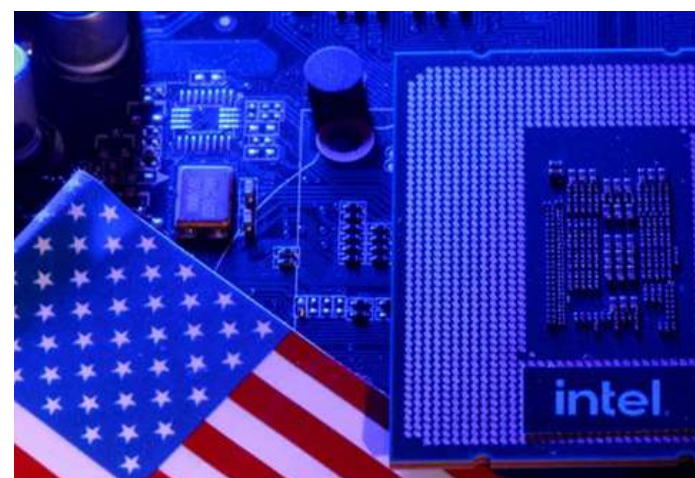
Reliance on Friday announced the introduction of JioFrames during its 48th Annual General Meeting, which is going to be an AI driven wearable platform and ecosystem similar on the lines of RayBan Meta glasses. (29/8/25)

### SPACEX DEPLOYS FIRST MOCK STARLINK SATELLITES ON 10TH STARSHIP TEST FLIGHT



SpaceX launched the latest test of its mega rocket Starship completed the first-ever deployment of a test payload – eight dummy satellites into space. After just over an hour coasting through space, Starship splashed down as planned in the Indian Ocean. (27/8/25)

### INTEL AMENDS CHIPS ACT DEAL WITH U.S. COMMERCE DEPARTMENT, GETS \$5.7 BILLION EARLY



The Intel stake, announced by the U.S. government last week, is an incentive for the chipmaker to retain control of its contract manufacturing business, or foundry, Intel's finance chief David Zinsner said. (30/8/25)

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