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INTER NATIONAL MEWS

THAILAND AND CAMBODIA TRUCE AGREEMENT COMES INTO EFFECT



A truce agreement between Thailand and Cambodia came into effect in the early hours of Tuesday, testing whether it will halt five days of open combat that have engulfed their jungle-clad frontier. (29/7/25)

EIGHT NEW INDIAN CONSULAR APPLICATION CENTRES INAUGURATED ACROSS U.S.





India's Ambassador to the U.S. Vinay Kwatra virtually inaugurated the new Indian Consular Application Centres (ICAC) in Boston, Columbus, Dallas, Detroit, Edison, Orlando, Raleigh and San Jose. (2/8/25)

EARTHQUAKE OFF RUSSIA SET OFF TSUNAMI WARNINGS



A powerful earthquake that struck off the coast of Russia generated tsunami warnings and advisories for a broad section of the Pacific, including Alaska, Hawaii and the U.S. West Coast. (30/7/25)

PAKISTAN SAYS IT'S CLOSE TO U.S. TRADE DEAL, WASHINGTON GIVES NO TIMELINE



Our teams have been here in Washington, discussing, having virtual meetings and a committee has been tasked by the prime minister to fine-tune now, says Pakistan Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar. (27/7/25)

DONALD TRUMPS LATEST TARIFF DEADLINE IS APPROACHING: HERE ARE THE TRADE DEALS THE U.S. HAS ANNOUNCED SO FAR



The clock is ticking closer to U.S. President Donald Trump's latest tariff deadline of August 1. And while more deals or at several least frameworks for deals have been since reached his tariff. last (31/7/25)

RAINS INTENSIFY AROUND BEIJING, 4,000 EVACUATED



Colossal rain continued to pound the northwestern suburban area of Miyun in Beijing, causing flash floods and landslides, and many villages were affected. (28/7/25)

ZELENSKYY'S CHIEF OF STAFF SAYS ALLIES 'CONFIRM POSITIVE SIGNALS' FROM WASHINGTON



Our partners confirmed positive signals from the White House regarding firm actions against the Russian Federation particularly on sanctions targeting Russian oil, says Andriy Yermak. (1/8/25)

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NATIONAL MEWS

PARLIAMENT MONSOON SESSION: LOK SABHA SET FOR FIERY DEBATE ON PAHALGAM ATTACK, OPERATION SINDOOR



The first week of disruption in Parliament's Monsoon session is set to give way to a fiery debate on the Pahalgam attack and Operation Sindoor from Monday as the ruling alliance and the Opposition will lock horns over the two issues framed around national security and foreign policy imperatives. (28/7/25)

SC QUESTIONS JUSTICE VARMAS CONDUCT, SAYS HE MOVED THE APEX COURT ONLY AFTER IN-HOUSE INQUIRY RESULTS BECAME 'UNPALATABLE'



The Supreme Court on Wednesday questioned the conduct of Allahabad High Court judge, Justice Yashwant Varma, saying he had moved the Supreme Court against the in-house inquiry procedure initiated by former Chief Justice of India Sanjiv Khanna only after the outcome of the probe had become "unpalatable" for him. (30/7/25)

NO FORMAL DISCUSSIONS HELD YET: CENTRE ON U.S. F-35 JETS QUERY IN LOK SABHA



The joint statement following the meeting of Prime Minister Narendra Modi with President Donald Trump in February mentions that the U.S. will undertake a "review" of its policy on releasing fifth-generation fighter jets such as the F-35 and undersea systems to India and "no formal discussions" have been held as yet on this issue, the government said. (2/8/25)

BUS FARE SUBSIDY HELPS WOMEN SAVE 30-50% ON TRANSPORT COSTS, INCREASE EDU SPENDING: STUDY

The report revealed that in cities such as Nagpur and Pune, where fare subsidies apply primarily to intercity or long-distance routes, average monthly savings range from ₹ 409 to ₹ 538. (29/7/25)



17 MPS HONOURED WITH SANSAD RATNA AWARDS FOR PARLIAMENTARY PERFORMANCE



The honours also include four Special Jury Awards, recognising their consistent contributions to parliamentary democracy across three successive terms. (27/7/25)

ELECTION COMMISSION FINALISES ELECTORAL COLLEGE FOR VICE PRESIDENTIAL POLL



The Election Commission on Thursday said it has finalised the Electoral College for the vice presidential election, necessitated due to the resignation of Jagdeep Dhankhar from the post. (31/7/25)

ITI PANDEY TAKES CHARGE AS PCCM OF SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY



IRTS officer Iti Pandey has taken over as the Principal Chief Commercial Manager of South Central Railway. A gold medalist and senior railway official, she is known for launching Rudra, a mobile hospital initiative for workers in remote areas. (1/8/25)





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PM MODI UNVEILS RAJENDRA CHOLA COIN, ANNOUNCES NEW CHOLA STATUES IN TAMIL NADU



Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday, unveiled a commemorative coin honouring Rajendra Chola I and announced plans to build statues of Rajaraja Chola and Rajendra at a grand ceremony in Gangaikondacholapuram, Ariyalur, Tamil Nadu. (27/7/25)

CHENNAI TO SOON GET CYCLING LANES AS PART OF CUMTA'S COMPREHENSIVE MOBILITY PLAN



Eleven areas, including Triplicane, T. Nagar, Ashok Nagar, Mogappair, Red Hills, Perambur, Vyasarpadi, Vepery, Poonamallee, Guduvanchery, and Kanchipuram have been identified for the development of cycling infrastructure loops, 3covering 46 km of roads in total, an official says. (2/8/25)

WALK ALONG 3.0 IN CHENNAI: MATCHING STRIDES WITH THE DIFFERENTLY ABLED



Walk Along 3.0 by Young Indians Chennai will have the able-bodied walking alongside the differently abled at Elliots Beach on August 10, 2025. On the sidelines, stalls would showcase a world accessible at multiple levels that persons with disabilities should be able to claim as a right. (1/8/25)

KARUR TEXTILES BUSINESSES EYE BIG GAINS IN NEXT 5-6 YEARS, FROM FTA



The Free Trade Agreement (FTA) recently inked between India and the United Kingdom (UK) is expected to drive strong growth in Indian exports, benefitting the textile manufacturing centres, in particular. (30/7/25)

CHENNAI METROWATER PILOTS ROBOTIC CLEANING IN SEWAGE PUMPING STATIONS TO BOOST EFFICIENCY AND WORKERS' SAFETY



After deploying robots to clean sewer lines in some city zones, Chennai Metrowater is now piloting the use of robotic technology in sewage pumping stations in Thiruvanmiyur. The initiative aims to enhance operational safety and efficiency by minimising manual intervention. (28/7/25)

STUDENTS AND VOLUNTEERS PARTICIPATE IN A LAKE CLEAN UP DRIVE



Nearly 100 students and volunteers participated in an awareness rally and Korattur lake clean up initiative organised in the cityto mark World Nature Conservation Day. (29/7/25)

PARANDUR AIRPORT PROJECT LIKELY TO BE DELAYED BY A YEAR, LAND ACQUISITION POSES A CHALLENGE



Chennai's second airport at Parandur may be delayed by a year. Sources said, land acquisition poses a major challenge and is one of the primary reasons for the delay of the project. (3/8/25)





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SPORTS BUZZ

WORLD TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS: INDIAN MEN AND WOMEN TEAMS QUALIFY FOR LONDON 2026 WTTC

WOMEN'S EURO 2025: ENGLAND BEATS SPAIN IN A PENALTY

The Indian men's and women's table tennis teams have booked their places for the prestigious World Table Tennis Championships (WTTC) in London after a stellar show at the 2025 South Asia Regional Championships held in Kathmandu. (2/8/25)



DIVYA, THE GIRL WHO COULD BECOME THE QUEEN



England beat Spain in a penalty shootout after a 1-1 draw to win a thrilling Women's European Championship final. (28/7/25)

SHOOTOUT AFTER 1-1 DRAW TO RETAIN TITLE



The 19-year-old pips her experienced opponent Humpy via the tiebreaker in an exciting World Cup final; earns Grandmaster title. (29/7/25)

ANAHAT SINGH WINS HISTORIC BRONZE AT WORLD JUNIOR SQUASH CHAMPIONSHIPS, INDIAS FIRST IN 15 YEARS



In Squash, India's Anahat Singh scripted history at the World Junior Championships 2025 in Cairo, Egypt, claiming a bronze medal in the women's singles event, the country's first in 15 years. (26/7/25)

IND VS ENG DAY 2: INDIA BOWLED OUT FOR 224 IN 1^{ST} INNINGS OF 5^{TH} TEST AGAINST ENGLAND



Pacer Gus Atkinson grabbed five wickets as India collapsed on the second day of the fifth and final Test against England to be bowled out for 224 in their first innings. (1/8/25)

KHALID JAMIL APPOINTED HEAD COACH OF INDIA MEN'S FOOTBALL TEAM



Khalid Jamil's appointment as head coach of the Indian men's national football team on Friday marked a historic moment. Not just because he's the first Indian to take the role since 2012, but because he steps in at a time when the Blue Tigers are in urgent need of direction, belief and revival.(2/8/25)

NAMDHARI SPORTS ACADEMY TRIUMPHS OVER SOUTH UNITED FC IN DURAND CUP DEBUT



This outcome leaves SUFC with just one point in Group A after completing all their matches in this inaugural Durand Cup campaign. Meanwhile, Namdhari's victory boosts their confidence as they aim for a spot in the knockout stages, as noted in a statement from the Durand Cup. (31/7/25)

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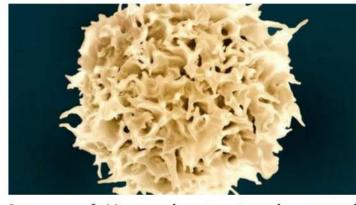


SHOWS OFF HUAWEI COMPUTING SYSTEM TO RIVAL **NVIDIA'S TOP PRODUCT**



China's Huawei Technologies showed off an Al computing system on Saturday that one industry expert has said rivals Nvidia's most advanced offering, as the Chinese technology giant seeks to capture market share in the country's growing artificial intelligence sector. (28/7/25)

AI-DESIGNED **SCIENTISTS** USE PROTEINS TO GENERATE IMMUNE **CELLS**



A team of Harvard scientists has used artificial intelligence (AI), in the form of Al-designed proteins, to generate large numbers of immune cells and enhance immunity against diseases ranging from cancer to viral infections, a new research paper published in Cell said. (2/8/25)

NISAR MISSION: SATELLITE WILL BE PLACED IN ORBIT BY INDIAN ROCKET, SAYS ISRO CHIEF

ISRO to launch NISAR satellite with NASA, providing high-resolution Earth data every 12 days for various applications. (27/7/25)



GOVT BUDGET ALLOCATION FOR SCIENCE & RESEARCH IN LAST 5 YEARS: MINISTER



government has consistently increased the budget allocation for science and research, with the highest allocation made in FY2025-26 since the last five years, Union Minister of State for Science and Technology, Jitendra Singh, informed the Parliament. (30/7/25)

INDIA TESTS MISSILE LAUNCHED FROM DRONE IN 'MAJOR BOOST' FOR INDIAN DEFENCE



A drone-launched precision-guided missile has been successfully test-fired by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) at a test range in Andhra Pradesh. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh informed over social media today, that the flight trials were carried out in Kurnool.(25/07/25)

APPLE SMASHES EXPECTATIONS WITH \$94 BILLION QUARTER.



With the biggest revenue growth since December 2021, the thirdquarter earnings blew past analyst expectations. Apple reported overall revenue of \$94 billion, up 10% yearover-year and higher than Wall Street estimat. (1/8/25)

WHY SOLAR DRIED EPIPELAGIC FISH HAS 70% PROTEIN, ONLY 12% SALT AND LONG SHELF LIFE



If fresh fish is already a rich source of protein (17-19%) depending on the fish variety, dry fish with up to 70% protein is a far superior source of protein. Besides high protein content, dry fish is also a rich source of omega-3 fatty acid, calcium and iron. Since the protein content is high, a substantial amount of protein requirement can be met by consuming just 5 grams of dry fish. Epipelagic fish such as mackerel, sardine, anchovy, and ribbon fish are chosen for fish drying. (29/7/25)

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