

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

THREE REPUBLICAN-LED STATES TO SEND HUNDREDS OF NATIONAL GUARD TROOPS TO WASHINGTON



West Virginia said it was deploying 300 to 400 Guard troops, while South Carolina pledged 200 and Ohio says it will send 150 in the coming days. (17/8/25)

PUTIN-TRUMP ALASKA SUMMIT ENDS WITHOUT DEAL ON UKRAINE CONFLICT



Presidents Donald Trump and Vladimir Putin said that they made progress in three hours of talks in Alaska, moving closer to finding an end to the Ukraine War, but did not announce an immediate ceasefire. (16/8/25)

PM MODI TO VISIT CHINA THIS MONTH



India national security advisor (NSA) Ajit Doval has told Chinese foreign minister Wang Yi that PM Modi will be travelling to China later this month to attend the SCO summit in Tianjin. (19/8/25)

MAJOR RUSSIAN DRONE AND MISSILE ATTACK ON UKRAINE KILLS 1, INJURES 15



The Ukrainian Air Force says Russia has launched a major aerial attack on Ukraine, firing 574 drones and 40 missiles. (21/8/25)

AIR CANADA TO RESUME SERVICE AS FLIGHT ATTENDANTS' UNION ENDS STRIKE



The carrier said it would gradually resume operations and a full restoration may require a week or more. (20/8/25)

TOP EUROPEAN DIPLOMAT SAYS PUTIN IS SETTING 'A TRAP' BY DEMANDING UKRAINE CONCESSIONS



The Russian leader is demanding Ukrainian concessions in return for halting his army's invasion, but granting him those demands would amount to rewarding the country that started the fighting, says EU Foreign Policy Chief Kaja Kallas. (22/8/25)

DUTCH FOREIGN MINISTER RESIGNS AFTER FAILING TO SECURE SANCTIONS AGAINST ISRAEL



The former Ambassador to Israel told reporters he felt he was unable "to implement policy myself and chart the course I deem necessary" (23/8/25)



REGIONAL NEWS

TAMIL NADU FISHERMEN PROTEST ON RAILWAY TRACKS OVER ARRESTS BY SRI LANKAN NAVY



Tamil Nadu's Rameswaram witnessed a protest on Tuesday as frustrated fishermen and their families sat on train tracks to demand the release of those arrested by the Sri Lankan Navy. (19/8/25)

TRICHY CORPORATION DRAWS UP AN ACTION PLAN TO CURB STRAY DOG MENACE



The civic body has proposed to intensify the animal birth control drive and cover about 90% of the community dogs in the city; all sterilised dogs will be vaccinated against rabies before being released back to their original locations. (17/8/25)

PUDUCHERRY CM INAUGURATES DIGITAL X-RAY MACHINE AT GOVT. HOSPITAL



The Puducherry government has augmented treatment facilities at the Hospital for Chest Diseases, Gorimedu, by providing with a new digital X-ray machine and four hand held X-ray equipment at a cost of around ₹1. 40 crore. (18/8/25)

COIMBATORE UNLIMITED 3.0 | TAMIL NADU HAS HUGE POTENTIAL FOR DEVELOPMENT OF INTEGRATED TOWNSHIPS, SAY PANELLISTS



While investors look at tier-one cities to fund development of integrated townships, the scope is more in tier-two cities as land is available in the suburban areas. (23/8/25)

AUTOMATED SEWAGE CLEANING MACHINES TO BE PROVIDED TO THE NILGIRIS



Chairman of Tamil Nadu Sanitation Workers' Welfare Board Thippampatti V. Aruchami distributing benefits to sanitary workers at the Additional Collector's office in Udthagamandalam. (20/8/25)

MORE TOURIST-FRIENDLY FACILITIES IN THE OFFING AT AMARAVATHI CROCODILE FARM IN TIRUPPUR



The Amaravathi Crocodile Farm in Tiruppur Division of Anamalai Tiger Reserve is poised to undergo a makeover with more tourist-friendly attractions. (22/8/25)

MARINA BEACH IN CHENNAI: SILENT WITNESS TO TAMIL CINEMAS MANY MOODS



Over the decades, Marina's 13 kilometres evolved into a canvas for reflection, regret, happiness, love, at times becoming a character in itself or simply, a silent witness. (21/8/25)



NATIONAL NEWS

CENTRE LAUNCHES PORTAL FOR NEW SCHEME TO BOOST EMPLOYMENT



The Union Government launched the Pradhan Mantri Viksit Bharat Rojgar Yojna portal. Labour Minister Mansukh Mandaviya asked first-time employees and employers to take advantage of the scheme. The Centre had said that the scheme, recently approved by Cabinet, will generate 3.5 crore jobs. (19/8/25)

19 BILLS, INCLUDING NEW INCOME TAX ACT, PASSED WITHOUT PROTESTING OPPOSITION



Nineteen bills – including one to amend the Constitution to sack ministers facing criminal charges – were passed sans discussion or debate with the opposition, government sources. (21/8/25)

FOREIGN SECRETARY VIKRAM MISRI ARRIVES IN NEPAL FOR TWO-DAY VISIT



The Foreign Secretary will call on President Ramchandra Paudel and Prime Minister KP Sharma Oli and pay a courtesy call on Foreign Minister Arzu Rana Deuba. (17/8/25)

YELLOW LINE IN BENGALURU CUTS TRAFFIC CONGESTION ON HOSUR ROAD

The opening of Metro Yellow Line has brought relief to commuters on Hosur Road, one of the city's most congested stretches, to some extent. (18/8/25)



CABINET PANEL ON SECURITY CLEARS PROJECT TO PROCURE 97 LCA MARK 1A FIGHTER JETS FOR IAF



A senior defence official terms the decision a major boost to government's Make in India initiative; the aircraft will be manufactured by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited. (20/8/25)

SUPREME COURT REFUSES URGENT LISTING OF PLEA AGAINST MANDATORY REGISTRATION OF WAQFS UNDER UMEED PORTAL



As per the mandate of the UMEED portal, details of all registered Waqf properties across India are to be mandatorily uploaded within six months. (22/8/25)

SYNERGY OF TRADITIONAL FARM METHODS AND TECHNOLOGY CAN MAKE INDIAN AGRICULTURE SELF-RELIANT, SAYS MOHAN BHAGWAT



The RSS chief Bhagwat addressed the 28th foundation day function of the Jyeshtha Pashuvaidya Pratishthan in Chhatrapati Sambhajnagar, where farmers, veterinary graduates, and experts were felicitated. (23/8/25)



SPORTS BUZZ

PRESIDENT MURMU GIVES ASSENT TO PROMOTION AND REGULATION OF ONLINE GAMING BILL



President Droupadi Murmu has given her assent to the Promotion and Regulation of Online Gaming Bill. The Act aims to encourage e-sports and online social games while prohibiting harmful online money gaming services, advertisements, and financial transactions related to them. Yesterday, the Parliament gave its nod to the Promotion and Regulation of Online Gaming Bill. (22/8/25)

INDIA WINS 4 GOLD, 1 SILVER AT INTERNATIONAL ASTRONOMY OLYMPIAD, RANKS 1

India has shone bright on the global stage, bagging four gold medals and one silver at the 18th International Olympiad on Astronomy and Astrophysics (IOAA), held for the first time in the country. It was held in Mumbai from August 12 to 21. (23/8/25)



INDIA TO HOST ASIAN OPEN SHORT TRACK SPEED SKATING TROPHY 2025 FOR THE FIRST TIME

For the first time, India is going to host the biggest international winter sports event. The Asian Open Short Track Speed Skating Trophy 2025 has been organized from 20 to 23 August 2025 at the Maharana Pratap Sports College, in Raipur, Dehradun. (17/8/25)



SINQUEFIELD CUP 2025: PRAGGNANANDHAA, GUKESH SETTLE FOR DRAWS IN THIRD ROUND



Top Indian Grandmasters, Rameshbabu Praggnanandhaa and Gukesh Dommaraju, secured draws in their third-round games at the final leg of the Grand Chess Tour, the Sinquefield Cup 2025, in Saint Louis, USA. (20/8/25)

SPORTS BILL INTRODUCED IN LOK SABHA; ONE BOARD TO OVERSEE FEDERATIONS



Sports Minister Mansukh Mandaviya on Wednesday (July 23, 2025) introduced the National Sports Governance Bill in Lok Sabha that proposes to institute a Board which will have sweeping powers to lay down rules and oversee the functioning of federations, including the cash-rich BCCI. (24/8/25)

WOMEN'S ODI WORLD CUP: DY PATIL REPLACES CHINNASWAMY STADIUM, WILL HOST FINAL



After much delay, the long-awaited update regarding the Women's ODI World Cup is here. DY Patil Stadium in Navi Mumbai will replace the M Chinnaswamy Stadium as the official venue, the International Cricket Council announced on Friday. (22/8/25)

BCCI INVITES APPLICATIONS FOR TWO MEN'S SELECTORS AND FOUR WOMEN'S SELECTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS



The BCCI on Friday invited applications to fill two vacancies in the five-member senior men's national selection committee, as well as four positions in the women's panel. The eligibility criteria remained unchanged from previous years. Applicants must have played either a minimum of seven Test matches or 30 first-class games. (22/8/25)



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

INDIA SUCCESSFULLY TEST-FIRES AGNI-5 BALLISTIC MISSILE



India on Wednesday (August 20, 2025) successfully test-fired its intermediate-range ballistic missile Agni-5 from the Integrated Test Range at Chandipur, Odisha.

NASA PLANS TO BUILD A NUCLEAR REACTOR ON THE MOON



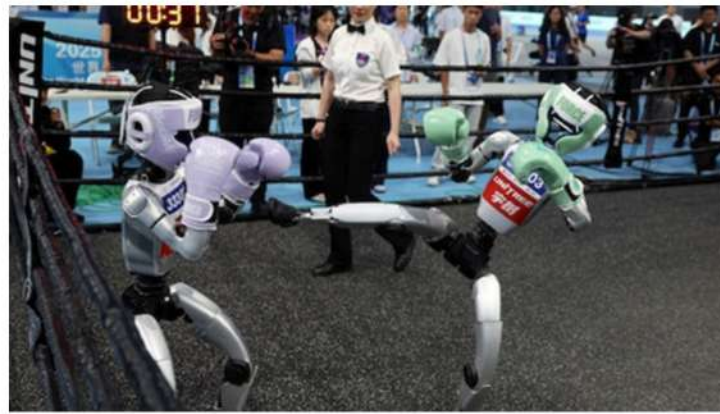
The first space race was about flags and footprints. Now, decades later, landing on the Moon is old news. The new race is to build there, and doing so hinges on power. (19/8/25)

A BIG PIECE OF INTERNET HISTORY IS ABOUT TO DISAPPEAR

If you are old enough to remember the signature pinging, boinging, and hissing sounds that came with connecting to the Internet in the early days, hold onto those memories – AOL just announced that its dial-up is about to hang up forever. (10/8/25)

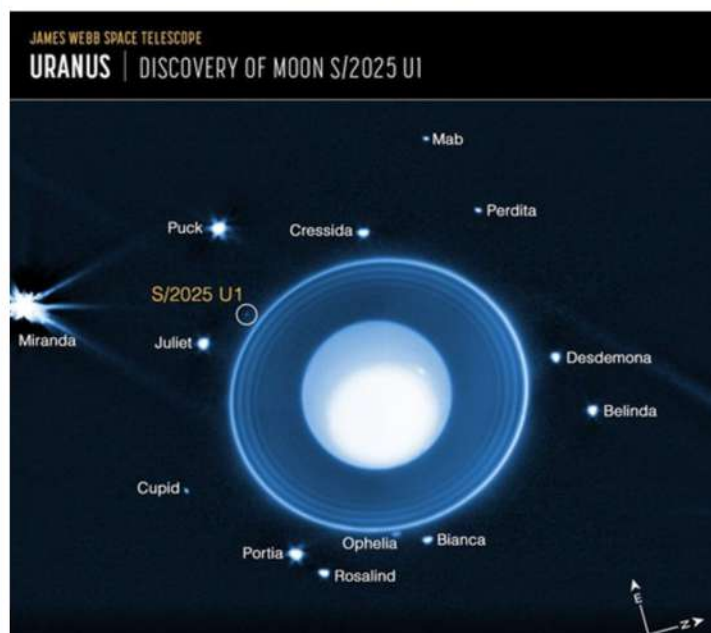


APPWORLD'S FIRST HUMANOID ROBOT GAMES BEGIN IN CHINA



280 teams from 16 countries with 500+ humanoid robots competed from 15 to 17 August 2025. Robots competed in 26 events, including track and field, soccer, dancing, and kickboxing. Organizers said the games provide valuable data collection opportunities for developing robots for practical applications such as factory work.

NASA DISCOVERS 29TH MOON OF URANUS, NAMED S/2025 U1



NASA announced that the James Webb Space Telescope has discovered a new, 29th satellite of Uranus, which was named S/2025 U1. According to NASA, a team led by the Southwest Research Institute (SwRI) identified the moon on the 2nd of February 2025, expanding the planet's known satellite family to 29. (21/8/25)

INDIAN ARMY TO HOST SURYA DRONATHON 2025 FROM AUG 10



The Surya Command of the Indian Army, in collaboration with the Drone Federation of India, is set to host the Surya Dronathon 2025, a pioneering drone competition that will bring together talented freelancers and Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) from across the country.

VERY SOON, SOMEONE FROM OUR OWN SOIL WILL TRAVEL TO SPACE IN OUR OWN ROCKET: SHUBHANSHU SHUKLA



Addressing a press conference in New Delhi, Group Captain Shukla said the first-hand experience from the ISS mission was invaluable and a lot better than any training. (20/8/25)

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