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Who is Who GK:

Constitutional Head

Post	Name
President	Smt. Droupadi Murmu (15th)
Vice President	<u>Vacant</u> - after resignation of Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar in July 2025
Prime Minister	Shri Narendra Modi (15th)

Judicial Head

Post	Name
Chief Justice, Supreme Court	B.R. Gavai (52th)
Attorney General of India	R. Vankataramani (16th)
Solicitor General of India	Tushar Mehta
Chairperson, National Green Tribunal	Justice Prakash Shrivastava

Parliamentary Head

Post	Name
Speaker, Rajya Sabha	- (Vice President of India)
Deputy Speaker, Rajya Sabha	Harivansh Narayan Singh
Secretary General, Rajya Sabha	Pramod Chandra Mody
Leader of Opposition, Rajya Sabha	Mallikarjun Kharge
Leader of ruling party, Rajya Sabha	J.P Nadda
Speaker, Lok Sabha (18th)	Om Birla (18th)
Leader of Opposition, Lok Sabha	Rahul Gandhi
Secretary General, Lok Sabha	Utpal Kumar Singh

Election Commission

Post	Name
Chief Election Commissioner	Gyanesh Kumar (26th)
Election Commissioners	Vivek Joshi, Sukhbir Sandhu

Comptroller and Auditor General

Post	Name
Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG)	Sanjay Murthy (15th)
Comptroller General of Accounts (CGA)	S.S Dubey (28th)

Armed Forces Head

Post	Name
Supreme Commander of Indian Armed Forces	President Smt. Droupadi Murmu
Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)	Lt. General Anil Chauhan (2nd)
Chief of Air Staff	Amar Preet Singh (28th)
Chief of Naval Staff	Dinesh Kumat Tripathi (26th)
Chief of Army Staff	Upendra Dwivedi (30th)
DG, Military Operations (DGMO)	Manoj Kumar Katiyar

Secretaries and Advisors

Post	Name
Cabinet Secretary	T.V Somnathan
Adviser, Prime Minister	Traun Kapoor, Amit Khare
Principal Secretary, Prime Minister	Pramod Kumar Mishra, Shaktikanta Das
Defence Finance Secretary	Shri Rajesh Kumar Singh
Foreign Secretary	Vikram Misri (35th)

Post	Name
Home Secretary	Govind Mohan
Finance Secretary	Ajay Seth
Defence Secretary	Rajesh Kumar Singh
Revenue Secretary	Shri Arvind Shrivastava
National Security Adviser (NSA)	Ajit Doval
Deputy National Security Adviser	TV Ravichandran
Chief Economic Advisor	Anantha Nageswaram
Principal Scientific Adviser	Ajay Kumar Sood

Intelligence and Investigation Organizations Head

Post	Name
Central Vigilance Commissioner, CVC	Praveen Kumar Srivastava
Director, CBI	Praveen Sood
Chief Information Commissioner	Hiralal Samaria
Head, Intelligence Bureau (IB)	Tapan Kumar Deka
Head, Research and Analysis Wing (RAW)	Parag Jain
DG, National Investigation Agency (NIA)	Sadanand Date
Director, Enforcement Directorate (ED)	Rahul Navin
DG, Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB)	Anurag Garg

Paramilitary Forces Head

Post	Name
DG, Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB)	Amrit Mohan Prasad
DG, Border Security Force (BSF)	Daljit Singh Chaudhary
DG, CRPF	Gyanendra Pratap Singh

Post	Name
DG, Central Industrial Security Force (CISF)	R.S Bhatti
DG, National Security Guard (NSG)	B. Srinivasan
Director, Special Protection Group (SPG)	Alok Sharma
Additional Director General, ITBP	Sanjeev Raina
DG, National Cadet Crops (NCC)	Gurbirpal Singh
Director General, Indian Coast Guard (ICG)	S. Paramesh
DG, National Disaster Relief Force (NDRF)	Piyush Anand
DG, Assam Rifles	Vikas Lakhera
DG, Railway Protection Force (RPF)	Manoj Yadav
Director General, Home Guards (HG)	Vivek Srivastava

Chairman and Secretary of Commissions

Post	Name
Chairman, NITI Ayog	Prime Minister Narendra Modi
Deputy Chairman, NITI Ayog	Suman Kumar Bery
CEO, NITI Ayog	B. V. R. Subrahmanyam
Chairperson, UPSC	Ajay Kumar
Chairman, 22nd Law Commission	Rituraj Awasthi
Chairperson, National Commission for women	Vijaya Rahatkar
Chairman, National Backward Classes	Hansraj Gangaram Ahir
Commission	
Chairman, Staff Selection Commission	S. Gopalakrishnan
Chairman, 7th Pay Commission	Ashok Kumar Mathur
Chairperson, Lokpal	Ajay Manikrao Khanwilkar
Chairman, 16th Finance Commission	Arvind Panagariya
Chairman, Competition Commission of India	Ravneet Kaur
Chairman, National Commission for ST	Antar Singh Arya
Chairman, National Commission for SC	Kishor Makwana
Chairman, National Human Rights Commission	V. Ramasubramanian (9th)
(NHRC)	
Chairman, National Commission for Protection of	Priyank Kanungo
Child Rights	
Chairman, National Commission for Minorities	Iqbal Singh Lalpura

Indian Boards/ Committees/Authorities and Chairman

Post	Name
Chairman and CEO of the Railway Board	Satish Kumar
Chairman, SEBI	Tuhin Kanata Pandey
CEO, Central Board of Films Certification	Ravindra Bhakar
Chairman, Bureau of Civil Aviation Security	Rajesh Nirwan
Chairman, CBDT	Ravi Agarwal
Chairman, Central Board of Indirect taxes and Customs (CBIC)	Sanjay Kumar Agarwal
Chairman, National Dairy Development Board	Meenesh Shah
DG, Border Roads Organisation	Raghu Srinivasan
Chairman, Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board	Anil Kumar Jain
Chairman, TRAI	Anil Kumar Lahoti
CEO, UIDAI	Bhuvnesh Kumar
Registrar General & Census Commissioner of India	MK Narayan
Chairman, Public Accounts Committee	K.C. Venugopal
Chairman, Estimates Committee	Dr. Sanjay Jaiswal
Chairman, National Highway Authority of India (NHAI)	Santosh Kumar Yadav

Head of Educational and Academic Institutions

Post	Name
Chairman, UGC	Vineet Joshi
VC, University of Delhi	Yogesh Singh
Vice Chancellor, JNU	Shantisree Dulipudi Pandit
Vice Chancellor, BHU	Sudhir Jain
Chancellor, Nalanda University	Arvind Pangariya

Post	Name
Chancellor, Gatishakti University	Ashwini Vaishnav
Director, NCERT	Dinesh Prasad Saklani
Chairman, CBSE	Rahul Singh
President, Sahitya Akademi	Madhav Kaushik
President, Sangeet Natak Akademi	Shekhar Sen
President, Lalit Kala Akademi	Uma Nanduri

Head of Scientific Research Organizations

Post	Name
Chairman, ISRO	Dr. V. Narayanan
Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission (AEC)	A.K Mohanty
Chairman, Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB)	Dinesh Kumar Shukla
Director, Bhabha Atomic Research Center (BARC)	Vivek Bhasin
Chairman, Defence Research Development Organization (DRDO)	Samir V. Kamat
Director General, Council of Scientific and Industrial Research	Nallathamby Kalasielvi
Director, Vikram Sarabhai Space Center	Dr. Unnikrishanan Nair

Head of the Sports Organizations

Post	Name
Chairman, ICC	Jay Shah (India)
President, Olympic Council of Asia (IOC)	Kirsty Coventry – Zimbabwe
President, International Athletic Federation	Sebastian Coe (UK)
President, Indian Weightlifting Federation	Sahdev Yadav
President, International Hockey Federation (FIH)	Mohammad Tayyab Ikram

Post	Name
President, FIFA	Gianni Infantino (Italy- Switzerland)
President, International Boxing Association Athletes Committee	Lovlina Borgohain
President, BCCI	Roger Binni (36th)
Test Captain, Board of Control for Cricket in India	Shubman Gill
Head Coach, Indian Cricket Men Team	Gautam Gambhir
Director General, Sports Authority of India	Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya
President, Wrestling Federation of India (WFI)	Sanjay Singh
Chief, All India Football Confederation (AIFF)	Kalyan Chaubey
President, Hockey India	Dilip Tirkey
President, Indian Olympic Association (IOA)	PT Usha

Officials of Banks

Post	Name
Governor, Reserve Bank of India (RBI)	Sanjay Malhotra (26th)
Deputy Governor, RBI	Poonam Gupta, Swaminathan Janakiraman, T Rabi Shankar, M. Rajeshwar Rao
State Bank of India (Chairman)	Challa Srinivasulu Setty
Punjab National Bank	Ashok Chandra
ICICI Bank	Sandeep Bakshi
HDFC Bank (CEO)	Shashidhar Jagdisha

Head of International Organizations

Secretary-General, United Nations	Antonio Guterres (Portugal)
14th President, World Bank (IBRD)	Ajay Banga
Director General, UNESCO	Audre Azoulay (France)

World's leading companies (CEOs)

Post	Name
Google CEO	Sunder Pichai
Apple	Tim Cook
Microsoft (CEO)	Satya Nadella
Tata Sons/Trust CEO	Natarajan Chandrasekaran/Siddharth Sharma
TCS	K. Krittivasan
Infosys	Salil Parekh
Open AI CEO	Sam Altman
SpaceX	Elon Musk
YouTube CEO	Neil Mohan
Instagram CEO	Kevin Systrom
Facebook CEO	Mark Zuckerberg
Twitter	Linda Yaccarino
Flipkart	Kalyan Krishnamurthy

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International



<u>Thailand-Cambodia Agree to</u>
<u>Ceasefire After Deadly Border</u>
Clashes

29/07/2025

In a major diplomatic breakthrough, Thailand and Cambodia have agreed to an unconditional ceasefire starting 28 July 2025, following five days of deadly border clashes that caused dozens of deaths and displaced tens of thousands.

The announcement was made by Malaysian PM Anwar Ibrahim at a press conference in Putrajaya, alongside Cambodian PM Hun Manet and Thai Acting PM Phumtham Wechayachai.

Military commanders from both countries will begin talks **on Tuesday** to ease tensions.

Cambodia will host a border committee meeting on 4 August.

Foreign and defense ministers of Malaysia, Cambodia, and Thailand will draft a mechanism to implement and monitor the ceasefire, aiming for lasting peace in the region.



U.S. Declares TRF a Global Terrorist Organization

21/07/2025

The United States has officially designated The Resistance Front (TRF) — a proxy of Pakistan-based Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) — as a Foreign Terrorist Organization (FTO) and Specially Designated Global Terrorist (SDGT).

This follows **TRF's involvement in the deadly April 22, 2025 Pahalgam attack**, which killed 26 civilians — the worst attack on Indian soil since the 2008 Mumbai attacks.



India to Chair BRICS 2026 as Group Welcomes Indonesia and 10 New Partners

08/07/2025

At the 17th BRICS Summit (July 6–7, 2025) in Rio de Janeiro, Indonesia was

officially inducted as a full member, making BRICS a group of 11 nations.

The summit focused on "Strengthening Global South Cooperation for Inclusive and Sustainable Governance."

10 new partner countries also joined BRICS cooperation: Belarus, Bolivia, Kazakhstan, Cuba, Nigeria, Malaysia, Thailand, Vietnam, Uganda, and Uzbekistan.

The **Rio Declaration** reaffirmed BRICS support for **UN reform**, **climate action**, **AI governance**, and **health equity**.

BRICS backed **India and Brazil** for permanent seats in the **UN Security Council**.

India to Chair BRICS in 2026

PM Modi announced India's theme: "Building Resilience and Innovation for Cooperation and Sustainability."

India's priorities: Global South leadership, climate & health, Al governance, and people-first diplomacy.



Trump's 'One Big Beautiful Bill'
Passed in US House
04/07/2025

On July 3, 2025, House Republicans narrowly passed the 'One Big Beautiful Bill' with a 218–214 vote — a major legislative win for President Donald Trump.

Key Highlights:

\$4.5 trillion Trump-era tax cuts made permanent

New tax breaks: No taxes on tips and overtime pay

\$1.2 trillion spending cuts, including stricter rules for Medicaid and food stamps

\$350 billion for border security, focused on **immigration enforcement**

Debt ceiling raised by \$5 trillion



<u>Dalai Lama's Successor: Who</u> <u>Decides and Why It Matters</u> 03/07/2025

What is the Dalai Lama?

The Dalai Lama is the spiritual leader of Tibetan Buddhism, believed to be the reincarnation of Avalokiteshvara, the Bodhisattva of Compassion. The current 14th Dalai Lama, Tenzin Gyatso, was born in 1935 and recognized at age 2. He fled to India in 1959 after a failed uprising and now lives in exile in Dharamshala, advocating for peace and Tibetan autonomy.



PM Modi's Five-Nation Tour (July 2–9, 2025)

03/07/2025

PM Narendra Modi undertook an 8-day (July 2–9, 2025) visit to Ghana, Trinidad & Tobago, Argentina, Brazil, and Namibia.

Ghana

First Indian PM visit in 30+ years. Awarded Ghana's highest civilian honour. Announced more scholarships and cooperation in health, agriculture, and defence.

Trinidad & Tobago

First Indian PM to visit since 1999. Met leaders and celebrated **180 years of Indian heritage**. Focus on **digital infra and trade**.

Argentina

First Indian PM visit in **57 years**. Met President **Javier Milei**, boosting ties in **energy**, **agriculture**, **tech**, **and critical minerals**.

Brazil

Attended 17th BRICS Summit.

Discussed climate, governance, and South-South cooperation with President Lula da Silva.

Namibia :

First visit by Indian PM. Addressed Parliament; agreed on **UPI**, **education**, **and trade** partnerships.

Art and Culture



Shravan Shivratri: Devotees perform jalabhishek, offer prayers to Lord Shiva

24/07/2025

On 23 July 2025, devotees across India celebrated Shravan Shivratri, one of the holiest days dedicated to Lord Shiva, with immense devotion. The occasion was marked by jalabhishek, special pujas, and mass gatherings at Shiva temples, especially in northern states like Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Bihar, and Madhya Pradesh.

Thousands

of Kanwariyas offered Ganga water at temples after completing the Kanwar Yatra. Major temples such as Kashi Vishwanath in Varanasi, Dudheshwarnath in Ghaziabad, and Daksheshwar Mahadev in Uttarakhand witnessed overwhelming crowds.

Scriptures say that worship on this day brings spiritual upliftment and wish fulfillment. The ritual of jalabhishek commemorates Lord Shiva's act of drinking poison during the Samudra Manthan, earning him the name Neelkantha.



56th International Film Festival of India (IFFI), Goa 2025 19/07/2025

The 56th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) will take place in Goa from Nov 20–28, 2025. Organized by the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, NFDC, and Goa government, it will spotlight global cinema, young filmmakers, and India's rising role as a content hub through the newly named WAVES Film Bazaar.

Top prizes include the **Golden Peacock for Best Film (₹40 lakh)** and

Silver Peacocks in other key

categories. Film submissions close

on **August 31, 2025**.



Maratha Military Landscapes of India Inscribed as UNESCO World Heritage Site 12/07/2025

On 11 July 2025, the Maratha Military Landscapes of India were officially inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List, becoming India's 44th

World Heritage Site.

Recognized at the 47th Session of the World Heritage Committee, this honor celebrates India's rich cultural and architectural legacy and highlights the strategic brilliance of the Maratha Empire from the 17th to 19th centuries CE.

The inscription includes 12 historic forts spread across Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu, such as:

Raigad, Rajgad, Shivneri, Pratapgad, Vijaydurg, Panhala, Suvarnadurg, Sindhudurg, Lohgad, Salher, Khanderi (Maharashtra)

Gingee Fort (Tamil Nadu)

The proposal, submitted in **January 2024**, underwent a rigorous **18-month evaluation** by UNESCO and ICOMOS, culminating in the final decision at the **UNESCO headquarters in Paris**.

Important Days



<u>International Tiger Day: 29 July</u> 2025

30/07/2025

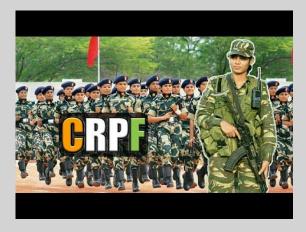
International Tiger Day was celebrated globally on 29 July 2025, a day dedicated to raising awareness about tiger conservation and the need to protect their natural habitats.

The day has been observed **annually** on 29 July since its **declaration in 2010** at St. Petersburg, to unite tiger range countries for conservation efforts.

On this occasion, Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav highlighted India's success, with 3,682 tigers across 58 reserves, making it a global leader in tiger conservation.

The Minister emphasized that tiger conservation is also about **protecting forest health** and supporting **livelihoods for local communities**.

He urged citizens to pledge their support for preserving tigers and ecosystems.



<u>CRPF Raising Day 2025 : July 27</u> 28/07/2025

CRPF Raising Day is observed annually on July 27 to commemorate the founding of India's largest paramilitary force, the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF). In 2025, India celebrated the 87th Raising Day.

CRPF was established in 1939 in Nimach, Madhya Pradesh, and renamed in 1949 under the guidance of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. The force plays a key role in internal security, anti-Naxal operations, disaster response, election duty, and UN peacekeeping.

With over 3.25 lakh personnel, CRPF continues to uphold its motto: "Service and Loyalty."



<u>Kargil Vijay Diwas 2025 – 26 July</u> 26/07/2025

Kargil Vijay Diwas, observed on 26 July, marks India's victory in the 1999 Kargil War against Pakistan.

Under **Operation Vijay**, the Indian Army and Air Force reclaimed strategic peaks in Ladakh without crossing the LoC.

India lost **527 brave soldiers**, including **Captain Vikram Batra**, **Captain Manoj Pandey**, and others awarded the **Param Vir Chakra**.

In 2025, India commemorates 26 years of the victory, honoring the courage and sacrifice of the armed forces. The day stands as a symbol of national pride, unity, and resilience.

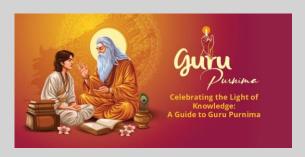


International Moon Day 2025: Lunar Legacy and Global Unity 21/07/2025

Date Observed: July 20, 2025 **Occasion:** Commemorates the historic **Apollo 11 mission** of 1969 when humans first landed on the Moon.

Recognized officially by the **United Nations General Assembly** in **2021**,
following a recommendation by
the **Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space**.

Theme for 2025: "One Moon, One Vision, One Future" — emphasizing global unity and a shared future in lunar exploration.



Guru Purnima: Birth Anniversary of Maharishi Ved Vyasa 10/07/2025

On July 10, 2025, Guru Purnima is celebrated across India and the world to pay homage to spiritual gurus, teachers, and life mentors who guide us with wisdom.

Spiritual Significance

Marks the birth anniversary of Maharishi Ved Vyasa, who compiled the Vedas and authored the Mahabharata.

Buddhists observe it as the day Lord Buddha gave his first sermon at Sarnath.

Jains celebrate it as theday Lord Mahavira appointed Gautam Swami as his first disciple.

Polity



PM Narendra Modi Becomes
India's Second-Longest Serving
Prime Minister in Consecutive Terms
26/07/2025

On 25 July 2025, Prime Minister
Narendra Modi became India's
second-longest-serving PM in
consecutive terms, surpassing Indira
Gandhi's 4,077 days with 4,078 days in
office. He first took office on 26 May
2014 and has served 11 years and 60
days.

PM Modi is the first non-Congress
PM to complete two full terms and win
a third with a majority. He is also
the longest-serving PM from a nonHindi-speaking state and the only
post-Independence-born PM to
achieve this milestone. His leadership
marks six consecutive election wins —
three in Gujarat and three in Lok
Sabha polls.



<u>Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar</u> <u>Resigns Due to Health Reasons</u> 22/07/2025

Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar Resigns Due to Health Reasons on 21 July 2025.

Reason: Health concerns and medical advice

Constitutional Provision: Resigned under Article 67(a) of the Constitution

Addressed to: President Droupadi Murmu

Role: Also served as Chairman of the Rajya Sabha

The resignation took effect **immediately** and coincided with the **first day of the Monsoon**Session of Parliament.



Monsoon Session of Parliament
2025 from 21 July to 21 August 2025
21/07/2025

Monsoon Session of Parliament 2025

Dates: 21 July to 21 August 2025 (21

sittings)

Bills to be Taken Up: 17, including

Jan Vishwas Bill 2025

National Sports Governance Bill 2025

Merchant Shipping Bill 2024

Income-tax Bill 2025

Indian Ports Bill 2025

Key Highlights:

All-party meeting held for smooth conduct

Govt open to discussions on **Operation Sindoor**, **Pahalgam attack**, and **Trump's remarks**

Over **100 MPs signed** motion for **Justice Varma's removal**

Opposition demands PM's statement in the House



<u>President Droupadi Murmu</u> <u>Nominates 4 Eminent Personalities</u> to Rajya Sabha

14/07/2025

On 11 July 2025, President Droupadi Murmu nominated four distinguished individuals to the Rajya Sabha under Article 80(1)(a) and Clause (3) of the Constitution for their excellence in law, diplomacy, education, and history.

Ujjwal Nikam, noted **public prosecutor**, known for the **26/11 Mumbai trial**

Harsh Vardhan Shringla, former Foreign Secretary and G20 Chief Coordinator

C. Sadanandan Master, educationist and social worker from Kerala

Dr. Meenakshi Jain, **historian** and author, recipient of the **Padma Shri**

Rajya Sabha Composition

Total Members: Maximum strength is 250 –**Currently**: 245 members (as of 2025)

Elected Members: 233 (from States and Union Territories)

Nominated Members: 12, appointed by the President of India for their expertise in art, literature, science, and social service

National



India-Singapore Joint Military
Exercise 'Bold Kurukshetra 2025' in
Jodhpur
28/07/2025

The 14th edition of Exercise Bold
Kurukshetra between India and
Singapore began on 27 July
2025 in Jodhpur and will run till 4
August. This tabletop and computerbased wargame aims to enhance joint
operational readiness in mechanised
warfare under a UN mandate.

The 42 Singapore Armoured
Regiment and India's Mechanised
Infantry Regiment are participating.
The exercise will conclude with
an equipment display and aims to
boost interoperability, training,
and bilateral defence cooperation.



PM Modi's Two-Nation Visit: UK & Maldives
23/07/2025

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will visit the United Kingdom and Maldives from

July 23–26, 2025, to strengthen strategic ties and regional cooperation.

In the UK (July 23–24), at the invitation of PM Keir Starmer, talks will focus on the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership, including trade, defence, climate, health, and education.

The India-UK Free Trade Agreement (FTA) and a meeting with King Charles III are also expected.

In the Maldives (July 25–26), at the invitation of President Mohamed Muizzu, Modi will attend the country's 60th Independence Day as Guest of Honour.

Talks will cover the India-Maldives Joint Vision on economic and maritime security, part of India's 'Neighbourhood First' policy and Vision MAHASAGAR.



India to Participate in 32nd Edition of SIMBEX in Singapore
19/07/2025

The Indian Navy will participate in the 32nd edition of SIMBEX (Singapore-India Maritime Bilateral Exercise) in July 2025. Formerly known as Exercise Lion King, this long-standing bilateral maritime drill with the Republic of Singapore Navy underscores India's Vision SAGAR and Act East policy.

Indian naval ships INS Delhi, INS
Satpura, INS Kiltan, and INS
Shakti have already arrived in
Singapore under Rear Admiral Susheel
Menon, commanding the Eastern
Fleet.



<u>UIDAI Urges Mandatory Biometric</u> <u>Update for Children Aged 7+</u> 17/07/2025

The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) has issued a reminder to parents and guardians to complete the Mandatory Biometric Update (MBU) for children aged 7 years and above.

Biometric Policy Details:

No biometrics are taken for children **under 5 years** due to developmental factors.

After turning **5**, children must **update biometrics** (fingerprints and iris scans).

The biometric update is free if done between ages 5 and 7.

If the update is **not completed after age 7**, the **Aadhaar number may be deactivated**.



India's 2nd-Longest Cable-Stayed
Sigandur Bridge Inaugurated
15/07/2025

On July 14, 2025, Union Minister Nitin Gadkari inaugurated the Sigandur Bridge, now recognized as India's second-longest cable-stayed bridge and Karnataka's longest. Spanning 2.25 km, with a 740-meter cable-stayed section, it connects Ambaragodlu to Kalasavalli, drastically reducing travel time to the temple town of Sigandur.

India's longest overall cable-stayed bridge: Bandra-Worli Sea Link in Mumbai, measuring 5.6 km, including its 500-meter cable-stayed span.



Air India Ahmedabad Crash: AAIB
Finds Mid-Air Fuel Cutoff in
Preliminary Report
12/07/2025

On 11 July 2025, the Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau (AAIB) released its preliminary report on the Air India Flight AI 171 crash, which occurred on 12 June 2025, killing 260 people.

The report revealed a sudden shutdown of engine fuel: both engine fuel control switches moved from 'RUN' to 'CUTOFF' within 1 second after takeoff.

Cockpit recordings show one pilot asking why the fuel was cut; the other **denied doing so**.

The flight lasted only 30 seconds before the Boeing 787-8 crashed into BJ Medical College hostel premises in Ahmedabad.

The crash killed **241** of **242** passengers and **19** people on the ground; only **1** passenger survived.

Fuel quality was found satisfactory and pilots had adequate rest.

AAIB said there are no recommended actions for Boeing 787-8 operators at this stage.

Further evidence is being gathered, and Air India is cooperating with the investigation.



Operation SHIVA 2025: Indian Army's High-Intensity Security Exercise for Amarnath Yatra 12/07/2025

The Indian Army launched Operation SHIVA 2025 on 11 July 2025 to ensure the safe and smooth conduct of the Shri Amarnath Yatra, amid increased threats from Pakistanbacked proxy groups.

8,500+ troops deployed, coordinated with civil administration and **CAPFs**.

A multi-layered counter-terror grid, UAV surveillance, and drone countermeasures are in place.

The operation underscores the **Army's commitment to pilgrims' safety** and national preparedness in high-risk zones.



India's Fish Production Doubles in

11 Years: A Blue Revolution Success
Story

11/07/2025

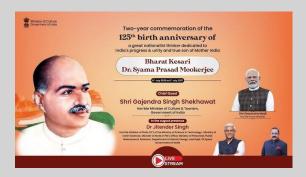
India's fish production has doubled from 95.79 lakh tonnes (2013–14) to 195 lakh tonnes (2024–25)—a growth of 104% in just 11 years, marking a major success of the Blue Revolution.

Key Highlights:

Inland fish farming surged 140%, and shrimp production rose 270%.

₹38,572 crore invested in the fisheries sector since 2015.

Seafood exports crossed ₹60,500 crore, boosting rural livelihoods.



125th Birth Anniversary of Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee 10/07/2025

On July 6, 2025, India marked the 125th birth anniversary of Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee, a visionary leader, nationalist, and founder of the Bharatiya Jana Sangh.

Born in **1901 in Kolkata**, he became one of the youngest **Vice-Chancellors of Calcutta University** at age 33.

A barrister trained in London, Mookerjee served as Finance Minister of Bengal and later joined the Hindu Mahasabha.

After Independence, he was India's **first Industry and Supply Minister** but resigned over the **Nehru-Liaquat Pact**.

In 1951, he founded the **Bharatiya Jana Sangh**, laying the ideological foundation for today's BJP.

He strongly opposed **Article 370**, promoting **"Ek Vidhan, Ek Nishan, Ek Pradhan"**, and died in **1953 in Srinagar** under controversial circumstances.



Indian Navy Inducts First Indigenous

<u>Diving Support Vessel 'Nistar'</u>

10/07/2025

On 8 July 2025, the Indian Navy inducted its first indigenously designed and built Diving Support Vessel (DSV), Nistar, at a ceremony in Visakhapatnam, officially handed over by Hindustan Shipyard Limited.

Nistar, derived from Sanskrit meaning liberation or rescue, is a highly specialized warship built to perform deep sea diving and submarine rescue operations—a capability only a few navies in the world possess.

The vessel is 118 meters long, with a displacement of 10,000 tons.

It can conduct saturation diving up to 300 meters and side diving operations up to 75 meters.

Acts as a "Mother Ship" for Deep Submergence Rescue Vessel (DSRV), crucial for submarine emergencies.

Equipped with advanced ROVs (Remotely Operated Vehicles) for operations up to 1000 meters deep.



<u>Special Intensive Revision (SIR) in</u> <u>Bihar – 2025</u>

08/07/2025

The Election Commission of India (ECI) launched the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in Bihar on June 24, 2025, ahead of the upcoming Assembly elections. This is the first such revision since 2003.

SIR involves door-to-door verification to include eligible voters and remove ineligible or duplicate entries, ensuring a clean and transparent electoral roll.

The revision addresses issues due to **urbanisation**, **migration**, and **unreported deaths** and aims to prevent **illegal immigrants** from being listed.

Process Highlights

Booth Level Officers (BLOs) distribute forms via home visits.

Proof of citizenship is mandatory for new voters (especially added after 2003).

11 documents accepted (e.g., birth certificate, passport); Aadhaar is not valid for citizenship proof.

SIR is conducted under **Article 324** of the Constitution and **Section 21 of RP Act, 1950**.



India Sets Up First Equine Disease-Free Compartment (EDFC) in Meerut

05/07/2025

India has established its first Equine
Disease-Free Compartment (EDFC) at
the RVC Centre & College in Meerut
Cantonment, Uttar Pradesh,
officially recognized by the World
Organisation for Animal Health
(WOAH).

The EDFC was created through collaboration between

the Department of Animal Husbandry, Ministry of Defence, Equestrian Federation of India (EFI), and Uttar Pradesh Government.

The facility ensures biosecurity, veterinary surveillance, and disease exclusion as per WOAH standards. It has been certified free from major equine diseases like:

Equine Infectious Anemia

Equine Influenza

Equine Piroplasmosis

Glanders

Surra

India is also free from African Horse Sickness since 2014.



INS Tamal Commissioned in Russia, Enhances Indian Navy's Stealth and Strike Capabilities 02/07/2025

INS Tamal Commissioned in Russia – A Boost to Indian Navy's Strength

INS Tamal, an advanced stealth frigate, was commissioned on 1 July 2025 at Yantar Shipyard, Kaliningrad, Russia.

It is the 8th ship under Project 1135.6 and 2nd of the Tushil-class follow-on frigates.

Equipped with BrahMos cruise missile and Humsa-NG Sonar system for superior strike and detection capabilities.

Successfully tested **Shtil-1 surface-to-air missiles**, artillery, and torpedoes.

Designed for blue water operations and fitted with automated nuclear, biological, and chemical defence systems.

A symbol of **Indo-Russian defense cooperation**, the ship will soon sail to its **homeport Karwar**, **Karnataka**.

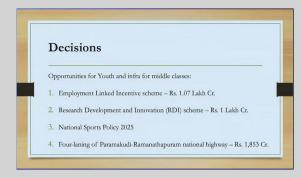


RailOne App Launched as Unified Platform for Indian Railway
Passenger Services

02/07/2025

Railways Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw launched the RailOne app on 1 July 2025 as a unified platform for all passenger services.

Key features include ticket booking (including unreserved tickets), train enquiry, PNR status, journey planning, Rail Madad, and food ordering.



Union Cabinet Approves Major Schemes for Employment, Innovation, Sports, and Infrastructure 02/07/2025

Key Cabinet Decisions – 1 July 2025 :

- ₹1 lakh crore Employment-Linked Incentive (ELI) Scheme approved to create over 3.5 crore jobs in 2 years.
- **1.92 crore first-time employees** to benefit.

Jobs created between 1 Aug 2025 – 31 July 2027 will be covered.

First-time employees to get one month's wage (up to ₹15,000).

Employers to receive up to ₹3,000/month/employee for 2 years, extended to 4 years in manufacturing.

Scheme part of ₹2 lakh crore youth employment package from Union Budget 2024-25.

Research Development and Innovation Scheme with ₹1 lakh crore corpus approved to boost private sector R&D investment. Managed by Anusandhan National Research Foundation, chaired by the Prime Minister.

National Sports Policy 2025 approved to position India among top 5 sporting nations. Focus on grassroots to elite training, infrastructure, leagues, and sports tourism.

₹1,853 crore Paramakudi—
Ramanathapuram 4-lane highway
project in Tamil Nadu approved. 46.7
km stretch to enhance religious
tourism and economic
connectivity to Rameshwaram and Dh
anushkodi.



Indian Railways Revises Passenger Train Fares Effective July 1, 2025 01/07/2025

The Ministry of Railways has announced the rationalisation of

passenger train fares effective from July 1, 2025, aiming to streamline fare structures and improve the financial viability of operations while maintaining affordability.

For non-AC classes (second class, sleeper), a minor increase of 0.5 paisa/km is introduced:

No fare hike for travel up to 500 km.

₹5 increase for **501–1500 km**, ₹10 for **1501–2500 km**, and ₹15 for **2501–3000 km**.

Mail/Express trains will see:

1 paisa/km increase for non-AC classes.

2 paisa/km increase for AC classes.

Fare revision applies to **premium trains** like **Rajdhani**, **Shatabdi**, **Vande Bharat**, **Duronto**, etc.

No changes to reservation fees, superfast surcharges, or GST rates.

Applicable only to **tickets booked on or after July 1, 2025**.

Science and Technology



India Launches NISAR Satellite with NASA

31/07/2025

On **30 July 2025**, **India and NASA** jointly launched the **NASA-ISRO Synthetic**

Aperture Radar (NISAR) satellite, a \$1.5 billion Earth observation mission, from Satish Dhawan Space
Centre using GSLV-F16.

NISAR is the first radar satellite to use dual-frequency (L-band & S-band) for tracking minute surface changes.

Placed in a 747 km Sun-synchronous orbit, it will map the globe every 12 days.

It helps monitor **climate change**, **disasters**, **glacier retreat**, and more.

The mission marks a milestone in U.S.-India space cooperation.

Data will be freely available worldwide; expected mission life is 5 years.

It supports **India's rising space ambitions**, including **Gaganyaan** and a **space station by 2035**.



India Successfully Test-Fires
Strategic Missiles: Prithvi-II, Agni-I &
Akash Prime
18/07/2025

On 17 July 2025, India conducted successful test-firings of nuclear-capable ballistic missiles Prithvi-II and Agni-I from the Integrated Test Range in Chandipur, Odisha, under the Strategic Forces Command.

Prithvi-II

Range: ~350 km

Payload: Up to 500 kg (nuclear/conventional)

Agni-I

Range: 700–900 km

Payload: 1,000 kg

(nuclear/conventional)

Akash Prime Successfully Tested in Ladakh (16 July 2025)

On July 16, 2025, India test-fired the Akash Prime missile in Ladakh, capable of operating at altitudes above 4,500 meters. This variant of the Akash air defence system is customized for high-altitude warfare, especially significant given its proximity to the Line of Actual Control (LAC).



Indian Astronaut Shubhanshu Shukla Returns After ISS Mission 16/07/2025

Indian astronaut Shubhanshu
Shukla and three other crew members of the Axiom-4 mission safely returned to Earth on 15 July 2025 after completing an 18-day historic mission aboard the International Space Station (ISS). The SpaceX Dragon spacecraft made a safe splashdown in the Pacific Ocean off San Diego,

California. The crew will now undergo a **7-day rehabilitation program** to readjust to Earth's gravity.

The Axiom-4 mission began on 25
June 2025, when the Falcon-9
rocket launched the Dragon
capsule from Florida toward the ISS.

Group Captain Shubhanshu
Shukla became the first Indian to visit
the ISS, and only the second Indian in
space after Rakesh Sharma in 1984.
During his stay, Shukla
conducted seven India-specific
microgravity experiments to aid future
planetary exploration and longduration space missions.

The mission, called **Akash Ganga**, was a joint collaboration between **Axiom Space**, **NASA**, and the **Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO)**. At a farewell ceremony aboard the ISS, **Mr. Shukla described the journey as "truly incredible."**

Government Schemes



National Cooperative Policy 2025 25/07/2025

India launched the National
Cooperative Policy 2025 on 24 July
2025, unveiled by Amit Shah, Union
Minister of Home and Cooperation.
The policy aims to revive and
modernize the cooperative sector.

Key features include a 20-year roadmap (2025–2045), the creation of 2 lakh new PACS by 2026, one cooperative in every village, and a strong focus on digitization, inclusivity, and professional management.

The policy benefits **farmers**, **small entrepreneurs**, **women**, **youth**, and **marginalized communities**, aiming to enhance credit access, market linkages, and employment opportunities.

It was drafted by a **48-member committee** chaired by **Suresh Prabhu**, after **17 meetings** and **4 regional workshops**. States must adopt their own policies by **31 January 2026**.

The strategy is backed by constitutional support through the 97th Amendment (2011) and Article 43B, emphasizing autonomy and democratic functioning of cooperatives.



World's Largest Grain Storage Plan in Cooperative Sector 23/07/2025

The Government has completed godown construction in 11 PACS across 11 states under the pilot phase of the World's Largest Grain Storage Plan in the Cooperative Sector.

The plan involves developing **agri- infrastructure** at the PACS level—

godowns, custom hiring centers, processing units, and Fair Price Shops—through convergence of existing schemes.

Over 500 PACS have been identified for godown construction, with a completion target of December 2026.

The Government has also approved the creation of **new multipurpose PACS**, dairy, and fisheries **cooperatives** to cover **every panchayat and village in five years**.

The initiative is **supported by NABARD**, State and UT governments, and other agencies.

A project for computerization of functional PACS with an outlay of ₹2,925 crore has also been approved to strengthen rural cooperatives.



PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana Launched to Boost Agriculture in 100 Districts 17/07/2025

On 16 July 2025, the Union Cabinet approved the Prime Minister Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana, a transformative six-year agricultural scheme starting in FY 2025–26, targeting 100 low-productivity districts across India.

Key Objectives

Improve crop
productivity and cropping intensity

Promote sustainable farming and crop diversification

Enhance post-harvest infrastructure and irrigation

Expand **credit access** for farmers

District Selection & Coverage

Inspired by NITI Aayog's Aspirational Districts Programme

At least one district from each state/UT



Skill India Mission Marks 10th
Anniversary on World Youth Skills
Day 2025
16/07/2025

The 10th Anniversary of the Skill India Mission was observed on 15 July 2025. Launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2015, the mission aims to equip youth with industry-relevant, job-ready skills. Over 6 crore youth have been trained through various initiatives like PM Kaushal Vikas Yojana and Skill India Digital Hub, with 45% of beneficiaries being women and a large share from SC/ST/OBC communities.

India's job-readiness among college students improved from 34% in 2014 to 51% in 2024. With 65% of the population under 35, skilling is key to national development.

Also, World Youth Skills Day 2025 was celebrated on the same day with the theme "Youth empowerment through Al and digital skills", as declared by the United Nations in 2014.

Sports



<u>Divya Deshmukh Creates History:</u>
<u>Wins FIDE Women's World Cup 2025</u>
29/07/2025

On 28 July 2025, 19-year-old Divya
Deshmukh made history by becoming
the first Indian woman to win the FIDE
Women's World Cup, defeating
veteran Koneru Humpy in an all-Indian
final held in Baku.

The classical games ended in **draws**, leading to **rapid tie-breaks**.

Divya won the final **1.5–0.5**, capitalizing on **Humpy's errors under time pressure**.

With this win, she became India's 88th Grandmaster and the fourth Indian woman Grandmaster.

Divya was the **underdog**, ranked **No. 18 in classical** and **No. 22 in rapid** chess, while Humpy was **World No. 5** in classical and a two-time World Rapid Champion.

Divya had also won the **2024 World Junior Championship** and helped
India win **gold at the 2024 Chess Olympiad** in Budapest.



India to Host FIDE Chess World Cup 2025 from October 30 to November 27

22/07/2025

India will host the FIDE Chess World Cup 2025 from October 30 to November 27, marking its second time after Hyderabad in 2002.

206 players will compete in a **knockout format**.

Top 3 finishers qualify for the **2026 FIDE Candidates Tournament**.

Indian stars like Gukesh,
Praggnanandhaa, and
Erigaisi expected to participate.

Follows India's historic double gold at the **2024 Chess Olympiad**.

Host city to be announced; **New Delhi** and **Goa** are in contention.



Ancy Sojan wins third place in women's long jump at Lignano Continental Tour event

16/07/2025

In Athletics, India's Ancy
Sojan secured third place in the
women's long jump at the Lignano
Meeting, part of the World Athletics
Continental Tour Bronze event held
in Italy on 13 July 2025.

Ancy recorded a best jump of 6.36m on her fourth attempt, showing strong consistency with five of six jumps crossing 6.15m. Her jump sequence: 6.26m, 6.35m, 6.19m, 6.36m, 6.18m, 6.11m.

Australia's Delta
Amidzovski won gold with
a 6.47m jump, while South Africa's
Danielle Nolte took silver with 6.44m,
below her season best of 6.54m.

Ancy improved from her previous 6.21m jump in Spain earlier this season. Her personal best is 6.71m, achieved in Bengaluru in September 2024.

She currently holds the final qualifying spot in the Road to Tokyo 25 rankings for the 2025 World Athletics Championships.



Chelsea Win First-Ever FIFA Club World Cup Title (2025) 15/07/2025

On 14 July 2025, Chelsea Football Club made history by winning the first-ever FIFA Club World Cup, defeating Paris Saint-Germain (PSG) 3–0 in the final at MetLife Stadium, New Jersey.

Match Highlights:

Cole Palmer emerged as the star of the match, scoring two goals in eight minutes and assisting Joao Pedro for the third goal just before halftime.

Chelsea's **third goal** was a calm chip by Pedro after a brilliant pass from Palmer.

PSG failed to respond, and tensions rose when **Joao Neves was sent off** for pulling Marc Cucurella's hair.

Tournament Stats:

Chelsea ended the tournament as top scorers with 17 goals.

Other top-scoring teams: PSG, Manchester City, and Bayern (16 goals each).



<u>Jannik Sinner, Iga Swiatek Clinch</u> <u>Wimbledon 2025 Titles</u> 14/07/2025

At Wimbledon 2025, Jannik
Sinner defeated Carlos Alcaraz in a
thrilling 4-set final to win his first
Wimbledon title and fourth Grand
Slam, becoming the first Italian to win
the men's singles title at Wimbledon on
13 July 2025. Sinner avenged his loss in
the 2025 French Open final against
Alcaraz.

On the women's side, World No. 4 Iga Swiatek crushed Amanda Anisimova 6-0, 6-0 in just 57 minutes, claiming her maiden Wimbledon title, sixth Grand Slam, and marking her 100th Grand Slam match win. She also became the first Polish player to win Wimbledon and the first woman in the Open Era to win the final without conceding a single game.



India's Fastest Man: Animesh Kujur Clocks Historic 10.18 Seconds 11/07/2025

Animesh Kujur, a 22-year-old sprinter from Chhattisgarh, set a new national record in the men's 100m with a timing of 10.18 seconds at the Dromia International Meet in Greece on July 2025.

He became the first Indian to run 100m under 10.20s, breaking Gurindervir Singh's record of 10.20s. The feat was achieved at a World Athletics Continental Tour (Silver) event.

Kujur also holds the **national 200m** record (20.32s) and was part of India's record-setting 4x100m relay team (38.69s).



India Qualifies for AFC Women's Asian Cup 2026 After 22 Years 07/07/2025

On 6 July 2025, the Indian women's football team defeated hosts Thailand 2-1 in their final Group B match of the AFC Women's Asian Cup 2026 Qualifiers at the Chiang Mai Stadium.

Sangita Basfore scored both goals for India, helping the team qualify for the AFC Women's Asian Cup main event for the first time since 2003. Thailand's lone goal came from Chatchawan Rodhong.

With both teams level on points and goal difference before the match, it served as a **virtual playoff**. India now heads to the **2026 Asian Cup in Australia**.

Asian Football Confederation (AFC): It is the governing body of association football in Asia and Australia, responsible for organizing major tournaments.



India's Best-Ever Medal Haul at World Boxing Cup 2025 in Astana 07/07/2025

On 6 July 2025, India delivered its bestever performance at the World Boxing Cup in Astana, clinching 11 medals — 3 Gold, 5 Silver, and 3 Bronze.

Gold Medal Winners:

Sakshi (54kg) defeated USA's Yosline Perez with a **unanimous decision**.

Jaismine (57kg) won 4:1 against Brazil's Jucielen Romeu.

Nupur (80+kg) beat Kazakhstan's Talipova with a **dominant 5:0 victory**.

Silver Medalists:

Meenakshi (48kg) lost **2:3** to Kazakhstan's Nazym Kyzaibay.

Jugnoo (Men's 85kg), Pooja Rani (80kg), Hitesh Gulia (70kg), and Abhinash Jamwal (65kg) all finished second.

Bronze Winners:

Sanju (60kg), Nikhil Dubey (75kg), and Narender (90+kg) secured bronze medals.



Gukesh Wins Rapid Title at Grand Chess Tour 2025 in Zagreb 05/07/2025

Reigning World Champion Gukesh Dommaraju won the Rapid section of the Grand Chess Tour 2025 in Zagreb, Croatia, on 5 July 2025. The 19-yearold Indian secured the title by defeating Wesley So in the final round, scoring 14 out of 18 points.

Jan-Krzysztof Duda finished second with 11 points, and Magnus Carlsen placed third with 10 points. Praggnanandhaa Rameshbabu shared fourth with Fabiano Caruana, each scoring 9 points.

The Blitz rounds begin today, featuring top players like Gukesh, Carlsen, Caruana, and Praggnanandhaa.
The combined scores from Rapid and Blitz will decide the overall winner.

This is the **third leg** of the **Grand Chess Tour 2025**, following events
in **Poland** and **Romania**,
where **Praggnanandhaa** won in
Bucharest and finished third in Warsaw.
Upcoming events include **two in the US**(August) and the final in Brazil (Sept-Oct).



India's First Khelo India Water Sports
Festival to Debut at Dal Lake in
Srinagar in August 2025

04/07/2025

The first-ever Khelo India Water Sports Festival will be held at Dal Lake in Srinagar from 21st to 23rd August 2025, as announced by Union Sports Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya.

Over **400** athletes from **36** States and **Union Territories** are expected to participate in this **open-age national competition**.



<u>Divyanshi Bhowmick Wins Gold for</u> <u>India at Asian Youth Table Tennis</u> Championships 2025

02/07/2025

India's Divyanshi Bhowmick won gold in U-15 Girls' Singles at the 29th Asian Youth Table Tennis Championships in Tashkent, defeating China's Zhu Qihi 4-2 on 1 July 2025. With this win, she also qualified for the World Youth Championships.

India finished with one gold, one silver, and two bronze medals.

Awards and Honors



India Shines at 66th International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO) 2025

21/07/2025

India won **3 gold**, **2 silver**, and **1** bronze medals at the **66th IMO**, held in **Sunshine Coast**, **Australia** in July 2025. This marks one of India's strongest performances at the IMO since its debut in 1989.

Medal Winners:

Gold:

Kanav Talwar (Delhi)

Arav Gupta (Delhi)

Aditya Mangudi (Maharashtra)

Silver:

Abel George Mathew (Karnataka)

Adish Jain (Delhi)

Bronze:

Archit Manas (Delhi)

Global Impact:

Total Participants: 630 students

(including 69 girls)

India's Rank: 7th globally

Total Score: 193 out of 252 — India's

highest-ever score



Indore Declared India's Cleanest City for 8th Time in a Row 18/07/2025

At the Swachh Survekshan 2024–25
Awards held on 17 July
2025, Indore was once again
crowned India's cleanest city, marking
its eighth consecutive
win. Surat and Navi Mumbai followed
in second and third positions,
respectively.

President **Droupadi Murmu** conferred the awards at a ceremony in **New Delhi**, highlighting cleanliness as a key element of the **Viksit Bharat 2047** vision and India's cultural values.

Key Highlights:

Top 3 Cleanest Cities (Overall):

Indore

Surat

Navi Mumbai

Cities with Population Over 10 Lakh:
Ahmedabad ranked first

Cities with Population Between 3–10 Lakh:

Noida

Chandigarh Mysore



PM Modi Conferred Brazil's Highest Civilian Honour 09/07/2025

On 8 July 2025, Prime Minister
Narendra Modi was conferred Brazil's
highest civilian award, the Grand
Collar of the National Order of the
Southern Cross, by President Luiz
Inácio Lula da Silva in Brasilia.

PM Modi thanked Brazil's government and citizens, calling the honour a tribute to India's 1.4 billion people and the India–Brazil friendship.

He acknowledged President Lula's role in founding the **India–Brazil Strategic Partnership** and said the award would further inspire the people of both nations to strengthen their ties.

This is **PM Modi's 26th international honour**, and the **third award** on his current **five-nation diplomatic tour** that began on **July 2**.



PM Modi Conferred with Trinidad and Tobago's Highest Civilian Honour 05/07/2025

Prime Minister Narendra Modi was conferred with 'The Order of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago' — the country's highest civilian award — on 4 July 2025 by President Christine Carla Kangaloo.

He became the **first foreign leader** to receive this honour, recognizing his **statesmanship**, **support for the Global South**, and efforts to strengthen **India–Trinidad and Tobago ties**.

Economy



<u>U.S. Imposes 25% Tariff on Indian</u> <u>Imports from August 1, 2025</u> 31/07/2025

On 30 July 2025, U.S. President Donald Trump announced a 25% tariff on goods imported from India starting August 1, along with an unspecified penalty for India's continued purchase of Russian oil and arms.

The move targets **India more harshly** than other countries, risking a major setback in **U.S.-India trade talks**.

Trump cited India's high tariffs and non-monetary trade barriers, and its strong defense and energy ties with Russia.

The tariff is expected to hurt **Indian** exports, especially in textiles, footwear, furniture, and pharmaceuticals.

The U.S. has a **\$45.7 billion trade deficit** with India; Indian exports to the U.S. were **\$87 billion in 2024**.

The announcement could **strain relations**, already tense due to **Trump's ties with Pakistan** and stalled trade negotiations.



India-UK Free Trade Agreement (FTA) 2025 25/07/2025

India and the UK signed a landmark Free Trade Agreement (FTA) on 24 July 2025 during Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to the UK, alongside UK PM Keir Starmer. The deal aims to double bilateral trade to \$120 billion by 2030, creating new opportunities for exports, employment, and investment.

Key Benefits for India:

Zero tariffs on 99% of Indian exports to the UK

Boost to textiles, gems, leather, IT, auto parts, chemicals

Easier mobility for Indian professionals

Social security exemption for up to 3 years

Major gains for **MSMEs and labourintensive sectors**

Key Benefits for the UK:

Gradual **tariff cuts on Scotch whisky** (from 150% to 40% in 10 years)

Reduced duties on cars, cosmetics, aerospace & medical devices

Access to Indian government tenders worth ₹4 lakh crore

Equal access to India's financial services sector



India Achieves 20% Ethanol
Blending in Petrol — 5 Years Ahead
of Target

24/07/2025

India has achieved 20% ethanol blending in petrol in 2025, five years ahead of its original 2030 target, announced Petroleum Minister Hardeep Singh Puri. Ethanol blending rose from 1.5% in 2014 to 20% in 2025, marking a significant clean energy milestone.

This shift has led to major **economic** and environmental benefits:

₹1.36 lakh crore saved in foreign exchange by reducing crude oil imports

₹1.96 lakh crore paid to distilleries, boosting the biofuel sector

₹1.18 lakh crore disbursed to farmers, enhancing rural incomes

698 lakh tonnes of CO₂ emissions reduced, aiding climate goals

Ethanol is mainly derived from sugarcane and molasses, reinforcing its role in supporting agriculture. The Union Cabinet has also approved a price hike for ethanol for the 2024–25 Ethanol Supply Year, benefiting farmers and distillers further.



India Among World's Most Equal Societies: World Bank Report 07/07/2025

The World Bank has placed India among the world's most equal societies, based on its latest Gini Index data.

India ranks 4th globally in income equality with a Gini Index of 25.5, after Slovak Republic (24.1), Slovenia (24.3), and Belarus (24.4).

Gini Index measures how evenly income or consumption is distributed—lower values indicate more equality.

India falls in the "moderately low inequality" group (25–30) and is very close to joining the "low inequality" category.

India's score is better than 167 countries, including China (35.7) and the USA (41.8).

In 2011, India's Gini Index was 28.8, which improved to 25.5 by 2022, showing consistent progress toward a more equal society.

Environment



<u>India Successfully Tests First</u> <u>Hydrogen-Powered Rail Coach</u> 26/07/2025

India successfully tested its first hydrogen-powered train coach on 15 July 2025 at ICF Chennai, announced by Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw. The 1,200 HP train is part of the "Hydrogen for Heritage" plan to run 35 hydrogen trains on heritage routes.

A pilot DEMU retrofit is also underway for the Jind-Sonipat section at a cost of ₹111.83 crore. Hydrogen trains, though currently costlier, promise zero carbon emissions and support India's clean energy goals.

Appointments

Haryana, Goa & Lieutenant Governor for Ladakh



<u>President Appoints New Governors</u> <u>and LG</u>

15/07/2025

On 14 July 2025, President Droupadi Murmu appointed:

Pusapati Ashok Gajapathi Raju – Governor of Goa

Prof. Ashim Kumar Ghosh – *Governor of Haryana*

Kavinder Gupta – *Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh*

This follows the **resignation of Brig.** (Retd.) Dr. B.D. Mishra, the outgoing LG of Ladakh.

Current Affairs Question Answer – July 2025

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- India ranks _____ in terms of income equality globally, based on the Gini Index of World Bank. – Fourth
- Who won the **Rapid section of the Grand Chess Tour 2025 in Zagreb** in July 2025? –**Gukesh Dommaraju**
- What is the name of the sweeping legislation passed by the US House on July 3, 2025? – One Big Beautiful Bill
- Dalai Lama is the spiritual leader of which community Tibetan
 Buddhism
- Who won the gold medal in U-15 Girls' Singles at the 29th Asian Youth
 Table Tennis Championships 2025? Divyanshi Bhowmick
- What is the name of the advanced stealth frigate that was commissioned on 1 July 2025 at Yantar Shipyard, Kaliningrad, Russia?
 INS Tamal

Monthly Current Affairs MCQs (1 To 31 July 2025)

Q. What is unique about the NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar (NISAR) satellite, launched on 30 July 2025?

- A. It is India's first satellite
- B. It is the first to carry humans
- C. It uses dual-frequency radar (L-band & S-band)
- D. It is designed for lunar missions

Answer: C. It uses dual-frequency radar (L-band & S-band)

- Q. The U.S. announced to impose how much tariff on goods imported from India with effect from August 1, 2025?
- A. 15%
- B. 20%
- C. 25%
- D. 30%

Answer: C. 25%

On 30 July 2025, U.S. President Donald Trump announced a 25% tariff on goods imported from India starting August 1, along with an unspecified penalty for India's continued purchase of Russian oil and arms.

- Q. When is International Tiger Day celebrated every year?
- A. 28 July
- B. 15 August
- C. 29 July
- D. 30 June

Answer: C. 29 July

- Q. What is the full form of NISAR, the satellite launched by ISRO on July 30, 2025?
- A. National Indian Satellite for Agricultural Research
- B. NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar
- C. New Indian Satellite for Aerial Reconnaissance
- D. None of the above

Answer: B. NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar

- Q. Which country's Prime Minister mediated and announced the ceasefire to resolve the Thailand-Cambodia border clashes in July 2025?
- A. Thailand
- B. Cambodia
- C. Vietnam
- D. Malaysia

Answer: D. Malaysia

Thailand and Cambodia have agreed to an unconditional ceasefire starting 28 July 2025, following five days of deadly border clashes that caused dozens of deaths.

Q. Who won the FIDE Women's World Cup 2025?

- A. Koneru Humpy
- B. Harika Dronavalli
- C. Divya Deshmukh
- D. Tania Sachdev

Answer: C. Divya Deshmukh

On 28 July 2025, 19-year-old Divya Deshmukh made history by becoming the first Indian woman to win the FIDE Women's World Cup, defeating veteran Koneru Humpy in an all-Indian final held in Baku.

- Q. Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) Raising Day is observed on 27 July every year, What was the original name of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) established in 1939?
- A. British Reserve Police
- B. Crown Representative's Police
- C. Indian Territorial Force
- D. Royal Indian Constabulary

Ans: B. Crown Representative's Police

CRPF Raising Day is observed annually on July 27 to commemorate the founding of India's largest paramilitary force, the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF). In 2025, India celebrated the 87th Raising Day.

- Q. Which historical site is at the center of the territorial dispute between Thailand and Cambodia that led to clashes in July 2025?
- A. Angkor Wat
- **B. Preah Vihear Temple**
- C. Golden Pagoda
- D. Phnom Penh Palace

Ans: B. Preah Vihear Temple

Deadly border clashes between Thailand and Cambodia reignited in July 2025, rooted in a dispute over land near the **Preah Vihear Temple**.

- Q. What is the name of the joint military exercise between India and Singapore held in July-August 2025?
- A. SIMBEX
- B. Garuda Shakti
- C. Bold Kurukshetra
- D. Mitra Shakti

Ans: C. Bold Kurukshetra

- O. Where was the first hydrogen-powered train coach tested in July 2025?
- A. Bhopal Rail Coach Factory
- B. RCF Kapurthala
- C. Integral Coach Factory, Chennai
- D. Lucknow Workshop

Ans: C. Integral Coach Factory, Chennai

India successfully tested its **first hydrogen-powered train coach** on **15 July 2025** at ICF Chennai.

Q. Whose record did Narendra Modi surpass to become the second-longest-serving PM in consecutive terms in July 2025?

- A. Atal Bihari Vajpayee
- B. Jawaharlal Nehru
- C. Indira Gandhi
- D. Lal Bahadur Shastri

Ans: C. Indira Gandhi

On 25 July 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi became India's second-longest-serving PM in consecutive terms, surpassing Indira Gandhi's 4,077 days with 4,078 days in office.

Q. Kargil Vijay Diwas is observed on which date every year?

- A. 15 August
- B. 3 December
- C. 26 July

Ans: C. 26 July

Q. Which military operation was launched by India during the Kargil War?

- A. Operation Blue Star
- B. Operation Meghdoot
- C. Operation Vijay
- D. Operation Shakti

Ans: C. **Operation Vijay**

Q. When was the National Cooperative Policy 2025 launched by Amit Shah, Union Minister of Home and Cooperation?

- A. 15 August 2025
- B. 24 July 2025
- C. 1 January 2025
- D. 30 June 2025

Ans: B. 24 July 2025

Q. Under which constitutional amendment were cooperative societies recognized as a fundamental right?

- A. 74th Amendment
- B. 86th Amendment
- C. 97th Amendment
- D. 102nd Amendment

Ans: C. 97th Amendment

Q. Which two leaders signed the India-UK Free Trade Agreement (FTA) in July 2025?

- A. Narendra Modi and Rishi Sunak
- B. Amit Shah and Keir Starmer

- C. Narendra Modi and Keir Starmer
- D. Rishi Sunak and Nirmala Sitharaman

Ans: C. Narendra Modi and Keir Starmer

India and the UK signed a landmark Free Trade Agreement (FTA) on 24 July 2025 during Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to the UK, alongside UK PM Keir Starmer.

- Q. What ritual is prominently performed by devotees on Shravan Shivratri?
- A. Deepdaan
- B. Aarti with lamps
- C. Jalabhishek on Shivling
- D. Tulsi Puja

Ans: C. Jalabhishek on Shivling

- Q. What is the name given to Lord Shiva after he consumed poison during Samudra Manthan?
- A. Bholenath
- B. Mahadev
- C. Neelkantha
- D. Rudra

Ans: C. Neelkantha

- Q. India has achieved how much percentage ethanol blending in petrol in 2025, five years ahead of its original 2030 target?
- A. 15%
- B. 20%
- C. 18%
- D. 10%

Ans: B. 20%

- Q. Which two countries is PM Narendra Modi visited from July 23 to 26, 2025?
- A. UK and Sri Lanka
- B. UK and Maldives
- C. France and Maldives
- D. UAE and UK

Ans: B. UK and Maldives

- Q. What is the primary objective of the Indian Government's "World's Largest Grain Storage Plan in the Cooperative Sector"?
- A. To increase grain exports
- **B.** To promote organic farming
- C. To centralize food procurement
- D. To improve rural grain storage infrastructure and strengthen PACS

Ans: D. To improve rural grain storage infrastructure and strengthen PACS

Q. What is the name of the world's most advanced Earth observation satellite to be launched by ISRO-NASA on 30 July 2025?

- A. Cartosat-3
- B. RISAT-2BR2
- C. Oceansat-2
- D. NISAR

Ans: D. NISAR

Q. Who resigned as the Vice President of India in July 2025?

- A. M. Venkaiah Naidu
- B. Jagdeep Dhankhar
- C. Ram Nath Kovind
- D. Om Birla

Answer: B. Jagdeep Dhankhar

Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar Resigns Due to Health Reasons on 21 July 2025.

Q. When will the FIDE Chess World Cup 2025 be held in India?

- A. August 10 September 5
- B. September 15 October 12
- C. October 30 November 27
- D. November 10 December 5

Ans: C. October 30 – November 27

Q. How many gold medals did India win at the 66th International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO) 2025 held in Sunshine Coast, Australia in July 2025?

- A. Two
- B. Three
- C. Four
- D. One

Answer: B. Three

India won 3 gold, 2 silver, and 1 bronze medals at the 66th IMO, held in Sunshine Coast, Australia in July 2025.

Q. When is International Moon Day observed?

- A) July 16
- B) July 20
- C) August 5
- D) June 21

Answer: B) July 20

July 20, 2025

Commemorates the historic **Apollo 11 mission** of 1969 when humans first landed on the Moon.

Q. When is the Monsoon Session of Parliament 2025 scheduled to take place?

A. 1 July to 31 July 2025

B. 15 July to 15 August 2025

- C. 21 July to 21 August 2025
- D. 1 August to 31 August 2025

Answer: C. 21 July to 21 August 2025

- Q. Which organization was designated as a Foreign Terrorist Organization (FTO) by the United States in July 2025 for its involvement in the deadly April 22 Pahalgam attack?
- A. Jaish-e-Mohammed
- B. The Resistance Front (TRF)
- C. Hizbul Mujahideen
- D. Indian Mujahideen

Answer: B. The Resistance Front (TRF)

- Q. What is the name of the annual maritime bilateral exercise between India and Singapore, conducted in July 2025?
- A) MILAN
- B) SIMBEX
- C) VARUNA
- D) INDRA

Answer: B) SIMBEX

The Indian Navy will participate in the 32nd edition of SIMBEX (Singapore-India Maritime Bilateral Exercise) in July 2025.

- Q. Where will the 56th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) be held in November 2025?
- A) Mumbai
- B) New Delhi
- C) Goa
- D) Hyderabad

Answer: C) Goa

The 56th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) will take place in Goa from Nov 20–28, 2025

- Q. Which city was declared India's cleanest city for the 8th consecutive year in the Swachh Survekshan 2024–25?
- A. Ahmedabad
- B. Surat
- C. Indore
- D. Navi Mumbai

Answer: C. Indore

- Q. What is the range of the Agni-I missile, which is capable of carrying both nuclear and conventional warheads?
- A) 150 300 km
- B) 350 500 km
- C) 700 900 km
- D) 1,000 1,500 km

Answer: C) 700 – 900 km

On 17 July 2025, India conducted successful test-firings of nuclear-capable ballistic missiles Prithvi-II and Agni-I from the Integrated Test Range in Chandipur, Odisha.

- Q. What is the name of the government scheme launched in July 2025 to improve agriculture in low-productivity districts?
- A. Pradhan Mantri Krishi Samriddhi Yojana
- B. Dhan-Vikas Gramin Krishi Yojana
- C. Prime Minister Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana
- **D.** Kisan Utthan Abhiyan

Answer: C. Prime Minister Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana

- Q. What age group of children is required to complete the Mandatory Biometric Update (MBU) as per UIDAI guidelines?
- A. Below 5 years
- B. 5 to 7 years
- C. 7 years and above
- D. 10 years and above

Answer: C. 7 years and above

- Q. Which government agency is responsible for issuing, updating, and managing Aadhaar in India?
- A. National Informatics Centre (NIC)
- B. Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA)
- C. Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI)
- D. Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)

Answer: C. Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI)

- Q. Ancy Sojan secured third place in the Lignano Meeting World Athletics Continental Tour Bronze in July 2025 in which event?
- A) 100m Sprint
- B) High Jump
- C) Long Jump
- D) Triple Jump

Answer: C) Long Jump

- Q. What is the name of the mission that carried Shubhanshu Shukla to the **International Space Station (ISS) in July 2025?**
- A) Chandrayaan-3
- B) Gaganyaan-1
- C) Axiom-4 (Akash Ganga)
- D) Mission Prithvi

Answer: C) Axiom-4 (Akash Ganga)

Indian astronaut Shubhanshu Shukla and three other crew members of the Axiom-4 mission safely returned to Earth on 15 July 2025 after completing an 18-day historic mission aboard the International Space Station (ISS).

Q. When is the 10th Anniversary of the Skill India Mission observed?

- A) 12 July 2025
- B) 15 July 2025
- C) 1 August 2025
- D) 5 June 2025

Answer: B) 15 July 2025

The 10th Anniversary of the Skill India Mission was observed on 15 July 2025. Launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2015, the mission aims to equip youth with industryrelevant, job-ready skills.

Q. Which football club won the first-ever FIFA Club World Cup in 2025?

- A. Paris Saint-Germain
- B. Bayern Munich
- C. Manchester City
- D. Chelsea

Answer: D. Chelsea

Q. Who has been appointed as the new Governor of Haryana in July 2025?

- A. Prof. Ashim Kumar Ghosh
- B. B. D. Mishra
- C. Pusapati Ashok Gajapathi Raju
- D. Kavinder Gupta

Answer: A. Prof. Ashim Kumar Ghosh

Q. Who has been appointed as the new Governor of Goa in July 2025?

- A. Prof. Ashim Kumar Ghosh
- B. B. D. Mishra
- C. Pusapati Ashok Gajapathi Raju
- D. Kavinder Gupta

Answer: C. Pusapati Ashok Gajapathi Raju

Q. What is the name of India's second-longest cable-stayed bridge inaugurated in July 2025?

- A. Bandra-Worli Sea Link
- B. Sharavathi Bridge
- C. Sigandur Bridge
- D. Kalasavalli Bridge

Answer: C. Sigandur Bridge

Q5. What is India's longest cable-stayed bridge overall?

- A. Pamban Bridge
- B. Bandra-Worli Sea Link
- C. Sigandur Bridge
- D. Bogibeel Bridge

Answer: B. Bandra-Worli Sea Link

Q. Under which Article of the Indian Constitution does the President nominate members to the Rajya Sabha?

- A. Article 78
- B. Article 370
- C. Article 80(1)(a)
- D. Article 356

Answer: C. Article 80(1)(a)

Q. Who won the Wimbledon 2025 Men's Singles title?

- A. Novak Djokovic
- B. Carlos Alcaraz
- C. Jannik Sinner
- D. Daniil Medvedev

Answer: C. Jannik Sinner

O. Who won the Wimbledon 2025 Women's Singles title?

- A. Aryna Sabalenka
- B. Amanda Anisimova
- C. Iga Swiatek
- D. Elena Rybakina

Answer: C. Iga Swiatek

Q. Which Indian heritage site was inscribed as the 44th UNESCO World Heritage Site in July 2025?

- A) Hill Forts of Rajasthan
- B) Maratha Military Landscapes of India
- C) Ajanta Caves
- D) Chola Temples

Answer: B) Maratha Military Landscapes of India

On 11 July 2025, the Maratha Military Landscapes of India were officially inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List, becoming India's 44th World Heritage Site.

Q. What is the primary objective of Operation SHIVA 2025, launched by the Indian Army in July 2025?

- A) Border surveillance in Ladakh
- B) Rescue operations in flood-hit areas
- C) Ensuring safe conduct of the Shri Amarnath Yatra
- D) Conducting joint military drills with foreign forces

Answer: C) Ensuring safe conduct of the Shri Amarnath Yatra

Q. According to the Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau (AAIB) report, what caused the crash of the Air India flight AI 171?

- A. Bird strike
- B. Weather turbulence
- C. Fuel supply to engines was cut off
- D. Engine fire

Answer: C. Fuel supply to engines was cut off

- Q. Who recently (in July 2025) became the fastest Indian sprinter in the 100 meters?
- A) Gurindervir Singh
- B) Neeraj Chopra
- C) Animesh Kujur
- D) Amlan Borgohain

Answer: C) Animesh Kujur

Animesh Kujur, a 22-year-old sprinter from Chhattisgarh, set a new national record in the men's 100m with a timing of 10.18 seconds at the Dromia International Meet in Greece on July 2025.

- Q. What is the name of the revolution that helped India's fish production double in 11 years (2013–14) to (2024–25)?
- A) Green Revolution
- B) White Revolution
- C) Blue Revolution
- D) Yellow Revolution

Ans: C) Blue Revolution

India's fish production has doubled from 95.79 lakh tonnes (2013–14) to 195 lakh tonnes (2024–25)—a growth of 104% in just 11 years, marking a major success of the Blue Revolution.

- Q. What is the name of the Indian Navy's first indigenously designed and built Diving Support Vessel (DSV)?
- a) Samarth
- b) Nistar
- c) Varun
- d) Rakshak

Answer: b) Nistar

On 8 July 2025, the Indian Navy inducted its first indigenously designed and built Diving Support Vessel (DSV), Nistar, at a ceremony in Visakhapatnam.

- Q. Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee was the founder of which political party?
- A) Indian National Congress
- B) Bharatiya Jana Sangh
- C) Hindu Mahasabha
- D) Swatantra Party

Answer: B) Bharatiya Jana Sangh

On July 6, 2025, India marked the 125th birth anniversary of Dr. Syama Prasad Mookeriee.

- Q. Guru Purnima marks the birth anniversary of which sage?
- A) Gautam Buddha
- B) Maharishi Ved Vyasa
- C) Valmiki
- D) Chanakya

Correct Answer: B) Maharishi Ved Vyasa

- Q. Who was appointed as the new CEO of the International Cricket Council (ICC) in **July 2025?**
- A) Jay Shah
- B) Manu Sawhney
- C) Sanjog Gupta
- D) Anurag Thakur

Answer: C) Sanjog Gupta

The International Cricket Council (ICC) has named Sanjog Gupta as its new Chief Executive Officer on July 7, 2025, becoming the 7th CEO in ICC's history.

- Q. In July 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi was conferred which civilian honour by Brazil?
- A) Order of the Star of Africa
- B) Grand Collar of the National Order of the Southern Cross
- C) Order of the Condor of the Andes
- D) Order of Rio Branco

Answer: B) Grand Collar of the National Order of the Southern Cross

On 8 July 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi was conferred Brazil's highest civilian award, the Grand Collar of the National Order of the Southern Cross, by President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva in Brasilia.

- Q. Who scored 430 runs across both innings and was named Player of the Match in the second Test of the Anderson-Tendulkar Trophy at Edgbaston, Birmingham?
- a) Virat Kohli
- b) Shubman Gill
- c) Rohit Sharma
- d) Rishabh Pant

Answer: b) Shubman Gill

- Q. Indonesia was formally inducted as a full member of BRICS during which summit?
- A) 16th BRICS Summit, South Africa
- B) 17th BRICS Summit, Brazil
- C) 18th BRICS Summit, India
- D) 15th BRICS Summit, China

Answer: B) 17th BRICS Summit, Brazil

At the 17th BRICS Summit (July 6-7, 2025) in Rio de Janeiro, Indonesia was officially inducted as a full member, making BRICS a group of 11 nations.

- Q. Who will chair the BRICS Summit in 2026?
- A) Brazil
- B) China
- C) India
- D) Russia

Answer: C) India

- Q. Which of the following is **not** accepted as valid proof of citizenship during **Special Intensive Revision (SIR)** of electoral rolls in **Bihar**?
- A. Passport
- B. Birth Certificate
- C. School Certificate
- D. Aadhaar Card

Correct Answer: Aadhaar Card

The Election Commission of India (ECI) launched the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in Bihar on June 24, 2025, ahead of the upcoming Assembly elections.

- Q. Where was the 17th BRICS Summit held in 2025?
- A. New Delhi, India
- B. Beijing, China
- C. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- D. Cape Town, South Africa

Answer: C. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

- Q. Who among the following Indian boxers won gold medals at the World Boxing Cup 2025 held in Astana in July 2025?
- A) Meenakshi, Sanju, Jaismine
- B) Sakshi, Jaismine, Nupur
- C) Jaismine, Pooja Rani, Hitesh Gulia
- D) Nupur, Narender, Abhinash Jamwal

Answer: B) Sakshi, Jaismine, Nupur

- Q. India recently qualified for the AFC Women's Asian Cup 2026 after how many years?
- A) 18 years
- B) 20 years
- C) 22 years
- D) 25 years

Ans: C	2) 22	vears
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- Q. India ranks _____ in terms of income equality globally, based on the Gini Index of World Bank.
- A. First
- B. Fourth
- C. Tenth
- D. Fifteenth

Answer: B. Fourth

The World Bank has placed India among the world's most equal societies, based on its latest Gini Index data. India ranks 4th globally in income equality with a Gini Index of 25.5, after Slovak Republic (24.1), Slovenia (24.3), and Belarus (24.4).

Q. Who won the Rapid section of the Grand Chess Tour 2025 in Zagreb?

- A. Magnus Carlsen
- B. Jan-Krzysztof Duda
- C. Gukesh Dommaraju
- D. Praggnanandhaa Rameshbabu

Answer: C. Gukesh Dommaraju

Q: Where has India set up its first Equine Disease-Free Compartment (EDFC) in July 2025?

- A) Pune
- B) Bikaner
- C) Meerut Cantonment
- D) Chennai

nswer: C) Meerut Cantonment

Q.What is the name of the award PM Modi received from Trinidad and Tobago in July 2025?

- A) Order of the Caribbean
- B) National Hero Award
- C) Order of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago
- D) West Indies Medal of Honour

Answer: C) Order of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

Q. Where will the first Khelo India Water Sports Festival be held in August 2025?

- A) Goa
- B) Chilika Lake
- C) Dal Lake, Srinagar
- D) Naini Lake

Answer: C) Dal Lake, Srinagar

Q. What is the name of the sweeping legislation passed by the US House on July 3, 2025?

- A) The Liberty Act
- B) Build Back Better Bill
- C) One Big Beautiful Bill
- D) Freedom Finance Act

Answer: C) One Big Beautiful Bill

Q. Which honour was conferred upon PM Modi during his visit to Ghana in July 2025?

- A) Order of Africa
- B) Commander of the Golden Star
- C) Officer of the Order of the Star of Ghana
- D) Star of Africa

Answer: C) Officer of the Order of the Star of Ghana

Q. Dalai Lama is the spiritual leader of which community?

A) Hinduism

- B) Tibetan Buddhism
- C) Jainism
- D) Zen Buddhism

Answer: B) Tibetan Buddhism

- Q. Who is the current and 14th Dalai Lama?
- A) Lobsang Sangay
- B) Tenzin Gyatso
- C) Gyalwa Rinpoche
- D) Penpa Tsering

Answer: B) Tenzin Gyatso

- Q. Who won the gold medal in U-15 Girls' Singles at the 29th Asian Youth Table Tennis Championships 2025?
- a) Liu Ziling
- b) Zhu Qihi
- c) Divyanshi Bhowmick
- d) P.B. Abhinand

Answer: c) Divyanshi Bhowmick

- Q. What is the total outlay of the Employment-Linked Incentive (ELI) Scheme approved by the Union Cabinet on 1 July 2025?
- a) ₹50,000 crore
- b) ₹1 lakh crore
- c) ₹2 lakh crore
- d) ₹75,000 crore

Answer: b) ₹1 lakh crore

- Q. What is the name of the new Indian Railways app launched on 1 July 2025?
- a) RailConnect
- b) RailOne
- c) RailMate
- d) UTSonMobile

Answer: b) RailOne

- Q. What is the name of the advanced stealth frigate that was commissioned on 1 July 2025 at Yantar Shipyard, Kaliningrad, Russia?
- a) INS Vikrant
- b) INS Talwar
- c) INS Tamal
- d) INS Shivalik

Answer: c) INS Tamal