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TAMIL NADU

- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister announced that the last week of December will be celebrated as 'Kural Week' (Kural Vaaram) every year.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu's first floating restaurant was opened on the backwaters of Muttukadu near Chennai.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu school education has achieved a 100% transition rate from primary to upper primary.
- ❖ The Tiruchi Circle ASI has taken up an excavation at the habitation mounds at Kodumbalur in Viralimalai taluk of Pudukkottai district.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister has announced a \$1 million prize for experts or organisations that succeed in deciphering the scripts of the Indus Valley Civilisation.
- ❖ With a total of 8.42 lakh mandays, the state has firmly established itself as a hub of vibrant industries, particularly in the manufacturing and service sectors.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu's flagship IT conference was held on the theme 'Driving Equitable Growth through AI and Transformative Technology.'
- ❖ The Toda tribe celebrated their traditional 'Modhweth' festival to mark the New Year.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu recording the highest number of deceased donations, over 50% of the donors came from government hospitals.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu Assembly has passed the Criminal Laws (Tamil Nadu Amendment) Bill, 2025, and the Tamil Nadu Prohibition of Harassment of Women (Amendment) Bill, 2025.
- ❖ January 12 is celebrated as World Tamil diaspora Day every year.
- ❖ The third edition of Kashi Tamil Sangaman (KTS) celebrates the timeless bonds between Tamil Nadu and Kashi.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu has reported a significant reduction in fatal road accidents with the number of deaths coming down by 273 in 2024 compared to the previous year.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu's birth rate in 2024 the number of live births fell sharply to 8,42,412.
- ❖ Archaeologists of Tamil Nadu have found a 13-cm-long iron knife in the ongoing excavation site in Marungur, Cuddalore district.
- ❖ A conch shell, which used to make bracelets, has been unearthed at Marungur near Panruti in Cuddalore district.
- ❖ The birthday of U.V. Swaminatha Iyer (February 19), popularly known as 'Tamil Thatha' was celebrated as Tamil Literary Renaissance Day in Tamil Nadu.

- ❖ The Chennai PBCCR (Chennai Population-Based Childhood Cancer Registry) is the country's first dedicated childhood cancer registry.
- ❖ A bone point, probably used as a tool for weaving, and a tiny broken piece of gold, have been unearthed by archaeologists at Porpanaikottai in Pudukottai district.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu government has finalised its State Action Plan on Climate Change (SAPCC) and submitted it to the union environment ministry for approval.
- ❖ The Madurai Bench of the Madras High Court observed that, a person of Hindu faith who wishes to marry a person of another faith, then such a marriage should be registered under the Special Marriage Act of 1954.
- ❖ The Rule 348 of the Tamil Nadu Prison Rules, which came into force in November 2024, defines the eligibility criteria for life convicts seeking premature release.
- ❖ The report - 'Status of Devolution to Panchayats in States (2024) – An Indicative Evidence Based Ranking' - was launched by the Union Minister of State for the Panchayati Raj.
- ❖ A national geospatial knowledge-based land survey of the urban habitations (NAKSHA), a pilot programme to modernise urban land records, was launched in Thanjavur.
- ❖ Noted writer and Sahitya Akademi Award recipient Imayam alias V. Annamalai has been named the Vice-Chairperson of the Tamil Nadu State Commission for SC/ST.
- ❖ The Rajiv Gandhi Government General Hospital (RGGGH), Tamil Nadu's largest government hospital, has gone on to perform 15 deceased donor liver transplants so far, with a 100% survival rate.
- ❖ The 'Art in Prison' initiative is about bringing the folk art, theatre, botanical cyanotype art, and music into Puzhal-1 Central Jail in Chennai, continuing for a year now.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu Chief Minister inaugurated 'Kalangarai', a comprehensive de-addiction and rehabilitation centre in 25 medical college hospitals in Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ India's first comics library was recently inaugurated at a government school in Rajapalayam, Virudhunagar District.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government issued orders for the creation of 17 new Maragatha Pooncholai or village woodlots at an outlay of ₹404.991 lakh.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister announced Thozhiyar Viduthi (hostels for the working women) in Kancheepuram, Erode, Dharmapuri, Sivagangai, Theni, Cuddalore, Nagapattinam, Ranipet, and Karur districts.
- ❖ Chief Minister released the state policy for Care of Homeless Persons with Mental Illness and Implementation Framework – 2024.

- ❖ The Tamil Nadu state government created a dedicated “Tamil Nadu Endangered Species Conservation Fund”.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu has the highest share of women borrowers at 44%, as per the report released by NITI Aayog.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government has revoked the market cess of 1% being levied on maize.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu government replaced the Rupee symbol “₹” with the Tamil script “₹” in the logo for the state’s 2025-26 budget.
- ❖ The Legislative Assembly passed the Tamil Nadu Mineral Bearing Land Tax Act, 2024 (the Act), which was published in the gazette on February 20, 2025.
- ❖ The mangrove forest cover in Tamil Nadu has almost doubled in the last few years, expanding from 4,500 ha in 2021 to 9,039 ha in 2024.
- ❖ While Tamil Nadu’s school dropout rate has come down to 0% at the primary and middle school levels, the dropout rate at the secondary level is at 7%.
- ❖ The Sillahalla Ecological Social Protection Association (SESPA) urged to scrap the Silhalla pumped hydro-electric storage project considering the fragile ecology of the Nilgiris.
- ❖ The South Zone Cultural Centre (SZCC), which is under the Ministry of Culture, is launching a comprehensive initiative aimed at reviving the oral tradition of ‘Kamba Ramayana’ recitals and its broader cultural impact”.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Finance Minister has presented the final supplementary estimates for ₹19,287.44 crore for 2024-25 in the Assembly.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu has witnessed a staggering 3,380 forest fire incidents in 2023-24: the highest in four years.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government has granted administrative sanction for allocation of ₹1,087 crore for the implementation of ‘Anaithu Grama Anna Marumalarchi Thittam – II.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu declares Kasampatty (Veeran Kovil) Sacred Grove in Dindigul as a Biodiversity Heritage Site (BHS) under the Biological Diversity Act, 2002.
- ❖ The U.K. government and the Tamil Nadu government have joined hands to launch the UK-TN Partnership for Accelerating Carbon Neutral Transition.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government has sanctioned a sum of ₹1,000 crore for improving roads in village panchayats and panchayat unions under this scheme during 2025-26.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government will launch a conservation initiative for hornbill by establishing a Centre for Excellence at the Anamalai Tiger Reserve to protect their habitats.

- ❖ Tamil Nadu is going to introduce AI, coding basics for classes 6-9 starting from 2025-2026, thus making it as the first state in India.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu govt has increased the subsidy provided for applying for Geographical Indications (GI) tags to ₹1 lakh from ₹25,000.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government has notified the two Acts – The Tamil Nadu Private Universities (Amendment) Act, 2024, and The Tamil Nadu Public Buildings (Licensing) Amendment Act, 2024, – in the Government Gazette, after both Bills passed by the Assembly, received the Governor’s assent.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu has hit a historic high of \$14.65 billion in electronics exports in FY24-25.
- ❖ The State has planned to establish a Centre of Excellence to conserve the Great Hornbill, the Malabar Pied Hornbill, the Indian Grey Hornbill, and the Malabar Grey Hornbill.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu’s real economic growth rate of 9.69% for 2024-25 marks the highest for any State in the country.
- ❖ The Villupuram Forest Division is working on a proposal for the establishment of a state-of-the-art international bird centre in Agaram Reserve Forest near Kazhuveli bird sanctuary.
- ❖ In three years, the number of government school students pursuing the higher education in Tamil Nadu has increased by nearly 30%.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu Cabinet approved the Tamil Nadu Space Industrial Policy 2025.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government introduced a Bill in the Assembly to amend the Tamil Nadu Prevention of Dangerous Activities of Bootleggers, Cyber Law Offenders, Drug Offenders, Forest Offenders, Goondas, Immoral Traffic Offenders, Sand Offenders, Sexual Offenders, Slum-Grabbers and Video Pirates Act, 1982.
- ❖ For the first time in India, 44 houses have been built for the elephant’s Mahouts, which is called the Mahouts Village in the Mudumalai Tiger Reserve, Theppakadu Elephant Camp.
- ❖ PKM1, a variety of Moringa oleifera, has created a global impact, especially in countries such as Senegal, Rwanda and Madagascar in the African continent.
- ❖ Chennai Corporation is the first in Tamil Nadu to issue municipal bonds in the NSE.
- ❖ Tamilnadu’s average agricultural growth has achieved a record average of 5.66% from 2021 to 2024.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu’s own tax revenue grew by 7.6% in 2024-25.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu has experienced a negative growth rate in agriculture and its allied activities during 2024-25, for the first time in eight years with minus 0.09%.

- ❖ Tamil Nadu ranks first in the country in providing the connections of composite liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) cylinders.
- ❖ Chief Minister launched the Tamil Nadu Electronics Components Manufacturing Scheme (ECMS).
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister announced that September 6 would be celebrated every year as the day for police personnel.
- ❖ TN finance minister unveiled the state's first 'maritime transport manufacturing policy 2025'.
- ❖ The literary works of five Tamil scholars — late 'Kavikko' S. Abdul Rahman, late Merwin, and late A. Palani, and poets Ku. Ma. Kothandam and Ilama Tamilnavan were nationalised recently by the Tamilnadu Government and the royalties were presented to their families.
- ❖ Tamilnadu remained the top exporting state in the country in textile goods during 2024–25 with \$7.99 billion.
- ❖ The Bharat Sanjeevani mobile app was launched in collaboration with AAVIN – Tamil Nadu Co-Operative Milk Producers' Federation Limited (TNCMPFL).
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister presented the Kalvikko Award to S. Sathik, the former Vice-Chancellor of University of Madras.
- ❖ The under-five mortality rate (per 1,000 live births) has been falling from 10.9 during 2022–2023, it dropped to 8.2 during 2024–2025.
- ❖ The Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department has initiated some steps for an ambitious project to create a digital repository titled 'Suvadugal'.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government will provide 4% reservation in promotion to its employees with benchmark disabilities.
- ❖ N Muthamizh Selvi has become the first person from Tamil Nadu to conquer the highest peaks on all seven continents.
- ❖ N Jency became Tamil Nadu's first transgender woman to earn a PhD and secure Assistant Professor position at Loyola College, Chennai.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister released two volumes of a book titled Varalaru Koorum Tamil Nattu Kaasugal (Coins that speak Tamil Nadu History) written by Minister for Finance Thangam Thennarasu and the numismatic researcher Mr. Arumuga Sitharaman.
- ❖ The Madras High Court is all set to complete 163 years since its establishment on June 26, 1862.
- ❖ The Tamilnadu State government has notified the Tamil Nadu Money Lending Entities (Prevention of Coercive Actions) Act, 2025.

- ❖ Over the past four years, more than 81 lakh beneficiaries received free treatment worth Rs 5,878 crore under the Chief Minister's Comprehensive Health Insurance Scheme.
- ❖ In the 2023–24 SDG India Index, Tamil Nadu scored 78 points, up from 66 in 2018.
- ❖ The CM of Tamil Nadu along with other World Bank officials has inaugurated the modernized global business centre (GBC) of the World Bank Group (WBG) in Taramani, Chennai.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government has officially declared a Greater Flamingo sanctuary at Dhanushkodi in Ramanathapuram district.
- ❖ 'Malai koothu', a form of 'Therukoothu', is culturally moored in the lives of the Malaiyali tribes of Dharmapuri and the Javadhu and Yelagiri Hills in Tirupathur.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu aims to become a \$1 trillion economy by 2030.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government celebrated the "Semmozhi festival" on June 3rd, the birth anniversary of Former CM – M Karunanidhi.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu's GDP for 2025, estimated at around \$341 billion, has reportedly surpassed that of Pakistan's GDP.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu State Department of Archaeology (TNSDA) has completed the Marungur excavation in Cuddalore district.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu School Education Department has launched the Thiran initiative (Targeted Help for Improving Remediation and Academic Nurturing) to bridge learning gaps among students of Classes VI to IX.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government has announced the establishment of India's first Centre of Excellence for Hornbill Conservation at the Anamalai Tiger Reserve (ATR) in Coimbatore district.
- ❖ The 4-day-long "Saaral Vizha 2025" was inaugurated at Courtallam, Tenkasi District.
- ❖ Justice Manindra Mohan Shrivastava was sworn in as the 54th Chief Justice of the Madras High Court.
- ❖ On World Snake Day (July 16), the Tamil Nadu Forest Department launched the NAAGAM mobile app at the Children's Park in Guindy.
- ❖ In July 2022, the Government of Tamil Nadu, led by the then chief minister of Tamil Nadu, M.K. Stalin, announced that 18 July of every year will be celebrated as Tamil Nadu Day from 2022 to mark the renaming of the state.
- ❖ In Tamil Nadu, Martyrs' Day is observed on January 25th as "Tamil Mozhi Thiyyagigal Naal" (Tamil language martyrs' day) from 2025.

- ❖ The Government Hospital in Alangudi, Pudukkottai District, has been awarded the National Quality Assurance Standards (NQAS) and Kayakalp certification for the year 2025–26.
- ❖ Tamilnadu celebrates Birth anniversary of K. Kamaraj (July 15th) as ‘Education Day’ or ‘Education Development Day’.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin has launched the Ungaludan Stalin programme in Chidambaram to benefit those who are not in town, or are unavailable or unaware of other initiative camps.
- ❖ CM of Tamil Nadu released a commentary on The Thirukkural, Valluvar Marai Vairamuthu Urai, authored by lyricist Vairamuthu.
- ❖ The Gingee Fort in Villupuram district along with 11 other forts was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- ❖ The report titled, “Urban Growth and Thermal Stress: A Decadal Assessment of Built-Up Area and Climate Interactions in Tamil Nadu” was prepared by the Tamil Nadu State Planning Commission.
- ❖ Uyarvukku Padi scheme has enabled 77,752 students to secure admission into higher education institutions.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu Rice Research Institute (TRRI), Aduthurai, has introduced a new short-duration paddy variety, ADT 59.
- ❖ All government-run hostels in Tamil Nadu will now be called ‘Samooga Needhi Viduthigal’ (Social Justice Hostels).
- ❖ Tamil Nadu has become the first Indian state to integrate a predictive model for tuberculosis (TB) deaths into its TB elimination programme.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister released the Coimbatore Master Plan 2041 in Chennai.
- ❖ The Chengalpattu district now has around 500 minor irrigation tanks, with about
- ❖ Annual garment exports from Tiruppur and Coimbatore districts in the 2024–25 financial year touched ₹45,000 crore.
- ❖ Muthupet Mangrove Forest cover increased by 2,057 hectares from 2022 to 2025.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu has decided not to renew the Rosewood Conservation Act of 1994, which expired in February 2025.
- ❖ Chief Minister M.K. Stalin released the Tamil Nadu State Policy for Transgender Persons 2025.
- ❖ After 14 years, Tamil Nadu records double-digit economic growth in real terms (11.19% during 2024–25).
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister inaugurated Vietnamese electric vehicle (EV) maker VinFast’s first manufacturing plant in India at Thoothukudi.

- ❖ The Indian Army and IIT Madras launched Agnishodh Indian Army Research Cell (IARC) to boost self-reliance in defence technology.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government has declared the Thanjavur Maharaja Serfoji's Sarasvati Mahal Library and Research Centre as a library of the historical and cultural importance.
- ❖ Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu released the TN State School Education Policy on August 8, 2025.
- ❖ The Election Commission of India (ECI) has delisted 23 registered unrecognised political parties in Tamil Nadu and Puducherry.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Forest Department has launched HAWK (Hostile Activity Watch Kernel), a digital wildlife crime tracking system.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu achieves only 43% of e-Shram target with 93.13 lakh registrations against 2.17 crore's goal.
- ❖ A 14th-century stone idol of goddess Nisumba Soodhani was found in River Bhavani near the Kodiveri anicut.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu will set up its second Marine Elite Force unit under the Chennai Wildlife Division.
- ❖ Chennai Police has set up a senior citizens help centre with the helpline number 1252 for people aged 60 and above.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu chief minister launched the Chennai City Biodiversity Index on August 25, 2025.
- ❖ The second dedicated 'Mahout Village' is ready for inauguration at Kozhikamuthi elephant camp in the Anamalai Tiger Reserve (ATR).
- ❖ The German state of North Rhine-Westphalia (NRW) and Tamil Nadu shared a strong partnership focused on sustainable development, industrial growth, and innovation.
- ❖ The year 2025 marks the centenary of the Self-Respect Movement, which began in 1925 in Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government launched the Tamil Nadu Marine Resources Foundation (TNMRF) to protect and restore marine biodiversity.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu's maternal mortality ratio (MMR) declined from 38 to 35 per 100,000 live births during the period 2021 to 2023.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government has constituted a Cashew Board with its headquarters in Cuddalore.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu recorded 67,213 road accidents in 2023, accounting for 14% of the national total.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu Forest Department selected Attakatti in the Valparai plateau to establish India's first Centre of Excellence for Hornbill Conservation.

- ❖ NLC India Limited (NLCIL) has received the IPMA Delta Certification Level 3 from the International Project Management Association.
- ❖ Chennai One is a mobile application launched by the Tamil Nadu Chief Minister on September 22, 2025.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government will construct a Periyar E.V. Ramasamy memorial at Arookutty in Alappuzha, Kerala.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government has sanctioned ₹1 crore for conserving four lesser-known endangered species: lion-tailed macaque, Madras hedgehog, striped hyena, and hump-headed mahseer.
- ❖ Pink Patrol, a women-led police patrol initiative, was launched for the first time in the Nilgiris district to assist women and children in public spaces.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu recorded 3,170 wild elephants in May 2025, an increase of 107 from the 2024 count of 3,063.
- ❖ Nagamalai hillock in Erode district has been notified as Tamil Nadu's fourth Biodiversity Heritage Site.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government has designated July 1, the first day of the Fasli year, as 'Revenue Department Day'.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister inaugurated Asia's largest ornamental fish market complex at Kolathur, Chennai.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu has extended the 'Vidiyal Payanam' free bus travel scheme to persons with disabilities in hilly regions from 2025–26.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu State Department of Archaeology (TNSDA) conducted the first season of excavations at Thirumalapuram in the Tenkasi district.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister launched 'Aran Illam' shelter homes for transgender persons.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly passed the Tamil Nadu Private Universities (Amendment) Bill 2025.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu has topped the country in earning income from prison product sales.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government will set up a Centre of Excellence for artificial intelligence in Coimbatore under a public-private partnership model.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister announced the formation of a Commission to recommend legislation against caste-based hate crimes and honour killings.
- ❖ Chennai has become the first Indian city to get a real-time flood forecast and spatial decision support system (RTFF & SDSS).
- ❖ A book titled Ulaga Arangil Siraj Ul Minnath on Indian Union Muslim League (IUML) leader Abdul Samad was released at Chennai, on his birth anniversary on October 26, 2025.

- ❖ Four districts (Ramanathapuram, Sivagangai, Thoothukudi, and Virudhunagar) in Tamil Nadu have been included under the Pradhan Mantri Dhan Dhaanya Krishi Yojana.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister inaugurated the first mini-Tidel Park in Abdullapuram village, Vellore, which was established as a part of the State's initiative to establish mini-Tidel Parks in Tier II and Tier III cities.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu began exploring artificial rain-making (cloud seeding) in 1970 under discussions between the India Meteorological Department (IMD) and the State government.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government has formed two committees, a high-level expert committee headed by School Education Minister Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi and a curriculum design committee led by the State Planning Commission Member Sultan Ahmed Ismail, to revamp the State's school curriculum.
- ❖ For the first time in Tamil Nadu, the Chennai Metro Rail (CMRL) served as a green corridor to transport a pair of donor lungs.
- ❖ A scintillometer is an optical instrument that measures heat and moisture exchange between the land and the air, was installed at the Tamil Nadu Rice Research Institute (TRRI), Aduthurai.
- ❖ Chief Minister launched day care centres for senior citizens, called Anbu Solai (Garden of Love), on November 10, 2025, in Trichy.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Government is set to launch India's first 'Women's Wellness on Wheels' vehicle.
- ❖ Kovalam beach in Tamil Nadu has retained the International Blue Flag certification for the fifth consecutive year.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu created the Tamil Nadu Green Climate Company to coordinate climate missions.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu is establishing a propellant and space manufacturing zone near the upcoming launch site of ISRO at Kulasekharapattinam.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu was the first state in India to introduce a transgender welfare policy and established the Transgender Welfare Board on April 15, 2008.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu State Department of Archaeology (TNSDA) has joined excavations at Berenike, an ancient port city on the Red Sea coast of Egypt.
- ❖ Chennai Port Authority has initiated the process to procure its first green tug as part of emission-reduction measures.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government sanctioned ₹261 crore to establish a Global Sports City in Semmancheri, Chennai.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government has appointed Justice R. Hemalatha, a retired Madras High Court judge, as the judicial member of the Tamil Nadu Lokayukta.

- ❖ The Comprehensive Mobility Plan (CMP) for Chennai identified future corridors for Metro Rail, LRT (Light Rail Transit), RRTS (Regional Rapid Transit System), and a tram line.
- ❖ Samsung and the United Nations Global Compact Network India (UN GCNI) have launched the DigiArivu programme in Chennai.
- ❖ The Centre for Heat Resilience in Tamil Nadu was launched under the U.K. Government's Climate Action for a Resilient Asia Programme.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government has added 38 revenue villages to the Srimushnam taluk in the Cauvery delta region.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu has extended the Naan Mudhalvan programme to Nursing and Allied Health Sciences to improve healthcare employability.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu's Chief Minister inaugurated Semmozhi Poonga in Coimbatore.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister inaugurated a newly-constructed memorial hall with a statue of freedom fighter Maaveeran Pollan at Jayaramapuram in Modakkurichi taluk, Erode District.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu has recorded 240 deceased donors so far in 2024.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu CM MK Stalin inaugurated the memorial featuring the full-size statue of the 18th-century freedom fighter Pollan in Jayaramapuram, Modakkurichi in the Erode district
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu Technical Textiles Mission has begun with a five-year plan and a budget of ₹15 crore.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu government will give land to start a training school for traditional folk-art forms at Valayangulam village in Thiruparankundram taluk, Madurai.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu Goat & Sheep Breeding Policy was recently unveiled by the State Government.
- ❖ A Nilgiris Tahr Interpretation Centre will be established in Gandhi Puram near Semmozhi Poonga, Coimbatore.
- ❖ The Melamadai junction flyover in Madurai, which is named after freedom fighter Velu Nachiyar, was inaugurated by TN Chief Minister.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu is carrying out one of the country's largest eradication efforts to clear Senna spectabilis from every forest division by March 2026.
- ❖ The State of Tamilnadu topped other States by recording a Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) growth rate of 16 %.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu's Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) at current prices increased from ₹26.88 lakh crore in 2023-24 to ₹31.19 lakh crore in 2024-25.
- ❖ TN Chief Minister has inaugurated the Porunai Archaeological Museum near Palayamkottai in Tirunelveli district.

- ❖ A command-and-control centre was inaugurated at Nadugani Range in the Gudalur Forest Division to manage human-elephant conflict.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu's first dedicated dog park was inaugurated at the Arboretum in Udhagamandalam.
- ❖ With 15,440 patent applications, Tamil Nadu ranked first among all Indian states in patent filings in 2024–25.
- ❖ Chennai recorded lower PM2.5 (fine particulate matter) levels compared to many Indian cities.
- ❖ Archaeological evidence shows that floods buried the Keezhadi settlement on the Vaigai floodplain in Tamil Nadu around 1,155 years ago.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu CM announced that the Ukkadam–Athupalam flyover in Coimbatore will be named after Bharat Ratna awardee and former Union Minister C. Subramaniam, honouring his Green Revolution legacy.
- ❖ Turmeric exports from Erode district in Tamil Nadu increased by 5% this year due to growing global demand.

NATIONAL

- ❖ The Union Ministry of Defence declares 2025 as 'Year of Reforms'.
- ❖ INS Utkarsh, the second multi-purpose vessel for the Indian Navy was launched at Kattupalli Shipyard near Chennai.
- ❖ Unified District Information System for Education Plus (UDISE+) report was released by the Union Ministry of Education.
- ❖ The Bharatiya Vayyan Adhiniyam 2024 was passed by the Lok Sabha on 09.08.2024 and by Rajya Sabha on 05.12.2024.
- ❖ The sixth LEADS (Logistics Ease Across Different States) report of 2024 was unveiled by the Union Commerce and Industry Ministry.
- ❖ As per the latest UDISE Plus data, only 57.2% of schools in India have functional computers, and just 53.9% are equipped with Internet access.
- ❖ The Central government has written to all the states and Union Territories (UTs) to implement provisions of Section 479 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023.
- ❖ India's coastline expanded by almost half in just over five decades - from 7,516 km in 1970 to 11,098 km in 2023-24.
- ❖ The 'Mission Mausam' was inaugurated to transforming India into a weather-ready and climate-smart nation.

- ❖ DRDO has successfully conducted field evaluation trials of India's indigenous Anti-Tank Missile - Nag Mark 2.
- ❖ The National Turmeric Board (NTB) was inaugurated recently in Nizamabad of Telangana as headquarters and Ganga Reddy was its first chairperson
- ❖ Recently, the EmpowHER Biz – Sapno Ki Udaan was launched to boost women entrepreneurship in retail.
- ❖ The Centre has launched the Sanchar Saathi Mobile App, National Broadband Mission (NBM) 2.0.
- ❖ Indian space startup Digantara launched the Space Camera for Object Tracking (SCOT) mission.
- ❖ India achieved a record-breaking milestone in 2024 with the addition of 24.5 GW of solar capacity and 3.4 GW of wind capacity.
- ❖ The Centre flagged off 'Sanjay', a battlefield surveillance system (BSS), which will be inducted into the Indian Army.
- ❖ Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman will present the Union Budget on February 1, marking her eighth consecutive budget.
- ❖ The Election Commission celebrates 75 years of its dedicated service to the nation on 25th January.
- ❖ The Supreme Court of India, established on January 28, 1950, has completed 75 years of service.
- ❖ The Union Cabinet has approved the "Protection and Enforcement of Interests in Aircraft Objects Bill, 2024 (Cape Town Convention Bill)".
- ❖ India's first national cooperative university, Tribhuvan Sahkari University, will be established in Gujarat at the Institute of Rural Management Anand (IRMA).
- ❖ The 2025-26 Budget speech announced the extension of the Jal Jeevan Mission until 2028, with an enhanced total outlay.
- ❖ The share of Gender Budget allocation in the total Union Budget has increased to 8.86% in FY 2025-26 from 6.8% in FY 2024-25.
- ❖ The IIT Madras and the Translational Health Science and Technology Institute, Faridabad, have collaborated to develop an India-specific artificial intelligence model named Garbhini-GA2.
- ❖ The Union Budget 2025 accommodated the 'Gyan Bharatam Mission' under the National Manuscripts Mission (NMM).
- ❖ Union has made a budgetary provision for second tranche of the Special Window for Affordable and Mid-Income Housing (SWAMIH) Fund of Rs 15,000 crore.
- ❖ The Union Minister of Rural Development has launched a national level mass outreach campaign "Watershed Yatra".

- ❖ The country's defence budget, which stood at ₹2,53,346 crore in 2013-14, has seen a significant rise, reaching ₹6,21,940.85 crore in 2024-25.
- ❖ India has achieved a historic milestone by surpassing 100 GW of installed solar power capacity (100.33 GW).
- ❖ The Union Cabinet has approved a three-year extension of tenure for the National Commission for Safai Karamcharis (NCSK).
- ❖ The Centre plans to extend the Atal Bhujal Yojana, to five more states, including Bihar, Punjab and Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ The 'India Gas Market Report: Outlook to 2030' was released by the IEA.
- ❖ Meta introduced its internet subsea cable Project Waterworth.
- ❖ The Ministry of Mines has classified barytes, felspar, mica and quartz as "major minerals".
- ❖ India has seen a more than 30 per cent reduction in the suicide death rate in India from 1990 to 2021.
- ❖ A new report, India's Graduate Skill Index 2025, was released by Mercer-Mettl.
- ❖ Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS) was established in 1999, Hyderabad, Telangana.
- ❖ The Ministry of Statistics and Program Implementation (MoSPI) celebrated the 75th anniversary of the National Sample Surveys (NSS).
- ❖ IIT Madras with the support from the Ministry of Railways, has developed a 422-meter-long, India's first hyperloop test track.
- ❖ The Indian Navy handed over the decommissioned Landing Ship Tank INS Guldar to the Maharashtra Tourism Development Corporation.
- ❖ The State of India's Environment 2025 was released by the Centre for Science and Environment (CSE) and Down To Earth (DTE) Magazine.
- ❖ The Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC) and the Indian Railway Finance Corporation (IRFC) became country's 25th and 26th Navratna companies respectively.
- ❖ The Supreme Court upheld the rights of authorised officers to make arrests under the Customs Act 1962 and the CGST Act 2017.
- ❖ The Lok Sabha passed the Oilfields (Regulation and Development) Amendment Bill, 2024.
- ❖ India has successfully test fired beyond visual range air-to-air missile (BVRAAM) Astra from LCA Tejas AF MK1 off Odisha coast.
- ❖ The Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DoT) launches the first cohort of Incubation Program named as "Samarth".

- ❖ Gujurat has achieved 95% of the tuberculosis registration target and 90% of the treatment target set by the Niti Aayog for 2024.
- ❖ The Union Cabinet extended the Fast-Track Special Courts (FTSCs) Scheme until March 31, 2026.
- ❖ The Lok Sabha has passed the Tribhuvan Sahkari University Bill, 2025 for the creation of India's first-ever national cooperative university at the Institute of Rural Management Anand (IRMA) in Gujarat.
- ❖ The Union Government has announced plans to establish 440 Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS), ensuring one school in every block with over 50% ST population and at least 20,000 tribal residents.
- ❖ The Union Cabinet has approved the establishment of the Third Launch Pad (TLP) at the Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SDSC) in Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh.
- ❖ India has achieved a record of over 145 million tonnes of cargo movement on inland waterways in 2024-25 from 18 million metric tonnes in 2014-15.
- ❖ The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) approved Kosi Mechi Intra-State Link Project of Bihar.
- ❖ India and China is celebrating the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the bilateral diplomatic relations.
- ❖ In a first-of-its-kind initiative, the Indian Army has begun inducting a First Person View (FPV) kamikaze drone equipped with an anti-tank payload.
- ❖ India has seen a record number of child adoptions, 4,515 in FY 2024-25, the highest in the last 12 years.
- ❖ The union health ministry has introduced a digital platform, ZooWIN.
- ❖ Centre finalised the Transfer of Technology (ToT) of CSIR's indigenously designed and developed HANSA-3 (NG) trainer aircraft for commercial pilot licensing (CPL).
- ❖ The SAFE Agromet project, led by the ISRO, aims to provide space-based Agro meteorological information to support the monthly Rice Growing Outlook activity.
- ❖ Bihar has the largest number of Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) women entrepreneurs (4.2 crore), followed by Tamil Nadu (4.0 crore) and West Bengal (3.7 crore).
- ❖ In Urban areas, the Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR) increased for males (74.3% in 2023 to 75.6% in 2024) and slightly for females (25.5% to 25.8%).
- ❖ The number of the notified paediatric tuberculosis (TB) cases has increased by 38 per cent in children aged up to 14 years in the last five years.
- ❖ NITI Aayog has released a report titled the 'Automotive Industry: Powering India's Participation in Global Value Chains'.

- ❖ As per the World Bank data, India has lifted 171 million people from extreme poverty in the decade between 2011-12 and 2022-23.
- ❖ The BSE Ltd, Asia's oldest stock exchange, has celebrated its 150th anniversary recently.
- ❖ The India Meteorological Department (IMD) under the Ministry of Earth Sciences adopted the Bharat Forecast System (BFS).
- ❖ The Indian Railways and Uttar Pradesh introduced India's first Vistadome jungle safari train between the Katarniaghata Wildlife Sanctuary with the Dudhwa Tiger Reserve.
- ❖ The Maharashtra government agreed to merge the Konkan Railway Corporation Limited (KRCL) with Indian Railways.
- ❖ The Indian Navy inducted a traditionally built stitched ship as INSV Kaundinya.
- ❖ Sub Inspector Geeta Samota has become the first CISF personnel to conquer the world's tallest peak, Mount Everest.
- ❖ The Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) Central Board has approved the transfer of Rs 2.69 lakh crores as surplus to the government for the financial year 2024-25.
- ❖ The Centre has launched three digital initiatives — the Depot Darpan Portal, digital platforms Anna Mitra, and Anna Sahayata.
- ❖ The Indian Cybercrime Coordination Centre (I4C) has introduced the new e-Zero FIR initiative as a pilot project for Delhi.
- ❖ The proposed Shillong (Meghalaya) – Silchar (Assam) highway will reportedly act as a continuation of a key multi-modal transport project in Myanmar.
- ❖ The Indian Coast Guard (ICG), under its mission Operation Olivia in Odisha, has successfully protected over 6.98 lakh Olive Ridley turtles.
- ❖ India is set to launch its first manned deep-ocean mission, 'Samudrayaan', by 2026 to explore marine resources at a depth of 6,000 metres using the submersible 'Matsya'.
- ❖ India saw 5.4 million displacements in 2024, the highest in 12 years, with floods causing two-thirds of them.
- ❖ Recently, the radiocarbon dating using Accelerator Mass Spectrometry (AMS) has adjusted the timeline of the farming settlement in Mehrgarh from 8000 BCE to 5200 BCE.
- ❖ India and France have inked an Inter-Governmental Agreement (IGA) for the procurement of 26 Rafale-M aircraft – 22 single-seater and four twin-seater – for the Indian Navy.
- ❖ The Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Centre (IN-SPACe), the commercial arm of ISRO, launched the Satellite Bus as a Service (SBaaS) initiative.

- ❖ The Department of Science and Technology (DST) in India has launched the 'Electric Vehicle Solutions led by Startups (EVolutionS)' program.
- ❖ Under the National Quantum Mission (NQM), QNu Labs has launched the world's first and very unique platform, QShield that enables the seamless cryptography management across any environment — cloud, on-premises, or hybrid.
- ❖ Babuji Vanam, the world's first energy transmission garden, was inaugurated at Kanha Shanti Vanam near Hyderabad to commemorate 125th birth anniversary of Babuji Maharaj.
- ❖ The Indo Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) successfully scaled Mt. Makalu (8,485 metres), led by Deputy Commandant Anoop Kumar Negi with Nihas Suresh as Deputy Leader, as part of a 12-member team.
- ❖ The Indian government has selected Bengaluru-based start-up Sarvam to develop the country's first homegrown Artificial Intelligence (AI) Large Language Model (LLM) under the IndiaAI Mission.
- ❖ The Indian Air Force has deployed the Rafale jets armed with SCALP missiles and AASM Hammer bombs in the 23-minute-long Operation Sindoor early in the morning of 7 May 2025.
- ❖ India has received a fresh shipment of Russian Igla-S air defence missiles recently.
- ❖ Expectation of life at birth for India has dropped for the first time in 50 years, registering a decrease of 0.2 years in a year.
- ❖ The BrahMos missile production unit was officially inaugurated at the Uttar Pradesh Defence Industrial Corridor, Lucknow.
- ❖ India has successfully tested the new low-cost counter swarm drone system, 'Bhargavastra'.
- ❖ Indian cricketer Shikhar Dhawan has released his autobiography titled "The One: Cricket, My Life and More".
- ❖ India will host the very prestigious 'Year 2029 World Police & Fire Games' across Ahmedabad, Gandhinagar, and Ekta Nagar in Gujarat.
- ❖ India's total power capacity reached 476 GW as of June 2025.
- ❖ India had 1.44 million "zero-dose" children in 2023, second only to Nigeria's 2.5 million.
- ❖ India launched its first AI-powered Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS) on the Dwarka Expressway in Delhi.
- ❖ The Central Health Ministry plans to integrate the Rare Donor Registry of India (RDRI) with e-Rakt Kosh, the national blood bank management platform.
- ❖ The central government has launched the NAVYA (Nurturing Aspirations through Vocational Training for Young Adolescent Girls) in Sonbhadra, Uttar Pradesh.

- ❖ The Pratibha Setu is a centralized digital platform launched by the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC).
- ❖ The earliest Indian epigraphical mention of Halley's Comet was discovered in the Srisailam Copper Plate Charter dated 1456 CE in Andhra Pradesh.
- ❖ NTPC has launched India's first fleet of hydrogen fuel cell buses in Leh, Ladakh.
- ❖ The National Internet Exchange of India (NIXI) celebrated its 20th foundation day recently.
- ❖ The Centre launched a web portal named 'Gender Budgeting Knowledge Hub'.
- ❖ India's first 3-nanometre (3nm) chip design centres were launched in Noida and Bengaluru.
- ❖ According to an official notification, India's 16th census with caste enumeration will be carried out on March 1, 2027.
- ❖ 'Achal', the fifth Fast Patrol Vessel (FPV) in a series of eight, being constructed by Goa Shipyard Ltd (GSL) for the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) was launched recently.
- ❖ The Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DOT) launched 'Samarth' Program.
- ❖ Lucknow has been nominated for UNESCO's Creative City of Gastronomy title.
- ❖ India's heavy largest automobile Gati Shakti Multi-Modal Cargo Terminal was inaugurated at Maruti Suzuki's facility in Haryana's Manesar.
- ❖ The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) has released India's first solar waste playbook draft guidelines.
- ❖ India has asked state-run miner IREL (Indian Rare Earths Limited) to suspend a 13-year-old agreement on rare earth exports to Japan.
- ❖ India's first agentic AI, Kruti, was launched by Ola Krutrim, a cloud service firm.
- ❖ The Ministry of Ayush under the Government of India has launched the 'Ayush Nivesh Saarthi', a dedicated investor facilitation portal for the Ayush sector.
- ❖ Delhi, Tripura and Tamil Nadu are among the top performers in dealing with challenges related to adult literacy and education 2025.
- ❖ The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare plans to launch CROPIIC (Collection of Real Time Observations & Photo of Crops).
- ❖ India has been elected to the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations for the period from 2026-28.
- ❖ India's social security coverage has increased to 64.3 per cent in 2025 from 19 per cent in 2015.
- ❖ The 8th issue of the publication titled as the "EnviStats India 2025: Environment Statistics" was released recently.

- ❖ India has been the number one milk producer since 1998, between 2014–15 and 2023–24, milk production rose by 63.56% from 146.3 million tonnes to 239.2 million tonnes.
- ❖ India won the presidency of the International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS) for the 2025–2028 term during the General Assembly Meeting in Brussels, Belgium.
- ❖ Indian Oil Corporation is setting up India's largest green hydrogen plant at its Panipat refinery in Haryana, aiming to produce 10,000 tonnes annually by 2027.
- ❖ India and Norway signed an MoU to build its first ever Polar Research Vessel (PRV) indigenously
- ❖ Prime Minister flagged off India's first D9 – 9000 HP electric locomotive, one of the most powerful freight locomotives in the world at Dahod, Gujarat.
- ❖ India will set up its first artificial intelligence–focused Special Economic Zone (SEZ) in Nava Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
- ❖ The Indian Army has launched its first FM radio station, 'Panchshul Pulse,' in Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand, under 'Operation Sadbhavana.'
- ❖ The Hindustan Zinc Limited (HZL) has won India's first potash and halite block in Rajasthan and a rare earth elements (REE) block in Uttar Pradesh.
- ❖ The first ever 17 women cadets of the National Defence Academy (NDA) graduated from the tri–services institute in Khadakwasla, Pune.
- ❖ Diu, a Union Territory district, has become the first in India to meet 100% of its electricity needs with solar energy, achieving a generation capacity of 11.88 MW.
- ❖ The Indian Naval Sailing Vessel INS Tarini 2025 returns after completing an eight–month circumnavigation of the globe.
- ❖ India and the Maldives celebrate 60 years of diplomatic relations, marking deep–rooted ties beyond history.
- ❖ The Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL) has launched the second indigenously designed Pollution Control Vessel (PCV), Samudra Prachet at Goa.
- ❖ The Government of India has constituted the National Crisis Management Committee (NCMC) under the newly amended Disaster Management Act (Amendment) Act, 2025.
- ❖ India has reached 20% ethanol blending in petrol in 2025, five years before the original 2030 target.
- ❖ Indian Army gets 1st batch of Apache AH–64E helicopters from the United States.
- ❖ Lakshadweep govt plans to take over Bitra island for defence needs.
- ❖ Parliament passed the Bills of Lading, 2025, replacing the 169–year–old colonial–era Indian Bills of Lading Act, 1856.

- ❖ The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) announced the inclusion of 9 Karat gold under the list of mandatory hallmarking categories, effective July 2025.
- ❖ The Centre has launched the helpline (14473) for waste pickers on the occasion of the 'National Action for Mechanized Sanitation Ecosystem (NAMASTE) Day' (July 16th).
- ❖ The verdict in Ram Charan & Ors. vs. Sukhram & Ors was given from an appeal denying female inheritance based on tribal customs.
- ❖ Indian Army has successfully tested Akash Prime Air Defence System at 15,000ft (above 4,500 metres) in Ladakh.
- ❖ The Union Cabinet approved the PM Dhan–Dhaanya Krishi Yojana (PM–DDKY) targeting 100 agricultural districts from 2025–31.
- ❖ India has achieved 50% of its installed power capacity from the non-fossil fuel sources.
- ❖ The Unified Payments Interface (UPI) has now become the world's top real-time payment system with over 650 million daily transactions.
- ❖ The NESTS and UNICEF launched TALASH (Tribal Aptitude, Life Skills and Self-Esteem Hub), a platform for career guidance and life skills.
- ❖ The Union Cooperative Minister laid the foundation stone of the country's first cooperative university, Tribhuvan Sahakari Vishwavidyalaya, at Anand, Gujarat.
- ❖ As per the CareEdge Report 2025, India holds 8 per cent of the world's Rare Earth Element (REE) Reserves.
- ❖ The Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB) recently granted a 5-year operation licence for two indigenously developed 700 MWe Pressurised Heavy Water Reactors at the Kakrapar Atomic Power Station (KAPS) in Gujarat.
- ❖ The Indian Navy has received its first indigenously designed and built Diving Support Vessel (DSV), INS Nistar, from Hindustan Shipyard Limited.
- ❖ India has set up its first Equine Disease–Free Compartment (EDFC) at Meerut's Remount Veterinary Corps, Uttar Pradesh.
- ❖ India has rejoined the Unicode Consortium through the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY).
- ❖ C–FLOOD is a web–based platform providing two–day advance flood forecasts up to village level with flood maps and water level predictions.
- ❖ The National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development (NIPCCD) of Delhi has been renamed as Savitribai Phule National Institute of Women and Child Development.
- ❖ INS Tamal, the eighth Project 1135.6 stealth frigate and second Tushil–class ship, was commissioned in Kaliningrad, Russia.

- ❖ Ladakh is hosting its first-ever Astro Tourism Festival in Leh, organized by the Tourism Department and Indian Institute of Astrophysics.
- ❖ India's first wooden Gurdwara, Sri Nanak Niwas, has been built in Fazilka, Punjab.
- ❖ The Union Ministry of Tribal Affairs has launched the Adi Karmyogi (Beta version) programme.
- ❖ The National Sample Survey Office (NSO) launched the GoIStats mobile app on Statistics Day 2025.
- ❖ The Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) has relaunched the SPREE scheme to bring more unregistered employers and workers under the ESI Act.
- ❖ Deendayal Port Authority commissioned India's first 1 megawatt Make in India green hydrogen plant at Kandla in Gujarat.
- ❖ India is the second largest fish producing country after China.
- ❖ India achieves 18,900 organ transplants in 2024.
- ❖ The Indian Navy has received the advanced guided missile frigate INS Himgiri in Kolkata.
- ❖ Indian Railways has resumed the operation of the historic (155-year-old) Patalpani–Kalakund heritage train in Madhya Pradesh.
- ❖ India received the last of 16 Airbus C295 military transport aircraft from Seville, Spain, on 3 August 2025.
- ❖ Delhi Assembly becomes India's first legislature to run entirely on the solar power with a 500-kilowatt rooftop plant.
- ❖ The Rajya Sabha passed the Coastal Shipping Bill 2025 on August 7, 2025.
- ❖ ICMR launched the SHINE programme (Science and Health Innovation for the Nextgen Explorers) to encourage young students to explore health and biomedical research.
- ❖ The Government has launched the Notary Portal to offer online services under the Notaries Act 1952 and Notaries Rules 1956.
- ❖ The 2024 Annual Groundwater Quality Report by the Central Groundwater Board (CGWB) shows over 20 per cent of samples from 440 districts are contaminated with nitrates.
- ❖ The Indian government has extended the PM E-Drive scheme (the Prime Minister Electric Drive) by two years till March 2028.
- ❖ The country's first Animal Stem Cell Biobank was launched at the National Institute of Animal Biotechnology in Hyderabad.
- ❖ Defence exports reached a record ₹23,622 crore (~\$2.76 billion) in FY 2024–25, a 12.04% increase from ₹21,083 crore in FY 2023–24.

- ❖ Maize cultivation in India rose to 91.89 lakh hectares in the 2025–26 kharif season, up from 83.15 lakh hectares last year.
- ❖ India's defence production reached a record ₹1.51 lakh crore in FY 2024–25, marking an 18% growth from ₹1.27 lakh crore in the previous year.
- ❖ The Centre launched 'SabhaSaar', an AI tool to generate structured minutes of gram sabha meetings.
- ❖ The Rajya Sabha passed the Indian Ports Bill, 2025, replacing the Indian Ports Act of 1908.
- ❖ The Government introduced the Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Bill, 2025, in the Lok Sabha.
- ❖ The Promotion and Regulation of Online Gaming Bill, 2025 was passed by the both houses.
- ❖ The Government of India has implemented the "Anna-Chakra" Supply Chain Optimisation Tool in 30 out of 31 targeted States and Union Territories (UTs).
- ❖ India's marine fish production rose from 34.76 lakh tonnes in 2020–21 to 44.95 lakh tonnes in 2023–24 with 8.9% annual growth.
- ❖ The Fortified Rice Scheme has been extended until December 2028 with ₹17,082 crore.
- ❖ Parliament passed the Indian Institutes of Management (Amendment) Bill, 2025, to establish an IIM in Guwahati, Assam.
- ❖ The central government has set up two high-powered groups led by Rajiv Gauba, full-time NITI Aayog member and former Cabinet Secretary.
- ❖ India was elected chairman of the Executive Board of the Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development (AIBD) at its 23rd General Conference held in Phuket, Thailand.
- ❖ The Indian Postal Department has announced the discontinuation of its iconic Registered Post service from September 1, 2025.
- ❖ India plans to increase ethanol blending in petrol to 27 percent by 2030 to boost energy security and reduce oil imports.
- ❖ Women's employment rate nearly doubled from 22% in 2017–18 to 40.3% in 2023–24, according to Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) data.
- ❖ The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) launched Project Aarohan to support the educational aspirations of toll plaza employees' children.
- ❖ For the first time in history, India's total number of teachers has crossed the 1 crore mark in the academic year 2024-25, as per the UDISE+ report.
- ❖ The Ministry of Tribal Affairs launched the beta version of Aadi Vaani, an artificial intelligence (AI)-based translation app, on September 1, 2025.

- ❖ Union Ministry of Textiles launched the Kapas Kisan mobile app.
- ❖ India's first port-based green hydrogen pilot project was inaugurated at V.O. Chidambaranar Port in Tuticorin, Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ As per the Sample Registration Survey (SRS) Statistical Report 2023, India's Total Fertility Rate (TFR) dropped to 1.9 in 2023.
- ❖ The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) exempted Sri Lankan Tamil refugees who entered India before January 9, 2015, from penal action under the Immigration and Foreigners Act, 2025.
- ❖ The Environment Audit Rules 2025 have been notified by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
- ❖ Indian Navy's First Training Squadron (1TS), comprising INS Tir, INS Shardul, and ICGS Sarathi, arrived at Port Victoria, Seychelles, for a training deployment.
- ❖ CP Radhakrishnan was elected as the 15th Vice President of India on September 09.
- ❖ India's literacy rate has increased from 74 per cent in 2011 to 80.9 per cent in 2023–24, according to the Ministry of Education.
- ❖ The Ministry of Tribal Affairs launched the beta version of the Adi Sanskriti digital learning platform on September 11, 2025.
- ❖ Union defence Minister flagged off 'Samudra Pradakshina,' the world's first tri-service all-women circumnavigation sailing expedition aboard the indigenously built Indian Army Sailing Vessel Triveni.
- ❖ Prime Minister launched the Gyan Bharatam Portal, a digital platform dedicated to manuscript digitization, preservation, and public access.
- ❖ The Indian Navy received the second anti-submarine warfare shallow water craft (ASW-SWC) named 'Androth' on September 13, 2025.
- ❖ India has launched its first national policy on geothermal energy in 2025.
- ❖ India's electricity sector emissions fell by 1% in the first half of 2025 compared to the same period in 2024.
- ❖ The Ministry of Civil Aviation launched Yatri Sewa Diwas 2025 to improve passenger services across Indian airports.
- ❖ Project Vijayak of the Border Roads Organisation (BRO) marked its 15th Raising Day on September 21, 2025, in Kargil, Ladakh.
- ❖ Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) General inaugurated the first-ever Tri Services Academia Technology Symposium (T-SATS) in New Delhi.
- ❖ The DRAVYA portal, launched on National Ayurveda Day, September 23, 2025, is an AI-ready digital repository integrating classical Ayurvedic texts with modern scientific data.

- ❖ The Ministry of Ayush launched “Prayas”, a first-of-its-kind Integrated Neuro Rehabilitation Centre at the All-India Institute of Ayurveda in Goa.
- ❖ As per third advance estimates, India achieved record foodgrain production of 353.96 million tonnes in 2024-25.
- ❖ The India-European Free Trade Association (EFTA) Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement (TEPA) come into force on 01 October 2025.
- ❖ India remains the world’s top milk producer, contributing about 25 percent of the global milk supply.
- ❖ The Union Public Service Commission celebrates 100 years of its establishment with events from 1 October 2025 to 1 October 2026.
- ❖ The year 2025 marks 50 years since the establishment of Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) in India.
- ❖ The Union Cabinet decided to celebrate 150 years of the national song, ‘Vande Mataram’, across India.
- ❖ India’s only mud volcano at Baratang in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands erupted on October 2, 2025.
- ❖ ICGS Akshar, the second Adamya-class Fast Patrol Vessel, was commissioned, at Karaikal, Puducherry.
- ❖ The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) will install vertical QR code signboards along national highways.
- ❖ The Government of India will map all drinking water pipelines under the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) on the PM Gati Shakti platform.
- ❖ NITI Aayog released a roadmap titled “AI for Inclusive Societal Development” in New Delhi.
- ❖ The Ministry of Labour released the draft National Labour and Employment Policy (Shram Shakti Niti 2025).
- ❖ The Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS) launched SPARK 4.0 (Studentship Program for Ayurveda Research Ken) for 2025–26.
- ❖ NITI Aayog released a report titled “Roadmap for Job Creation in the AI Economy”.
- ❖ The government has launched a revamped version of the Sugamya Bharat App to enhance accessibility for Divyangjan and elderly citizens.
- ❖ India’s first Semiconductor Innovation Museum was inaugurated by the Technology Chip Innovation Program (T-Chip) at Kondapur in Hyderabad.
- ❖ India registered 2.52 crore births in 2023, around 2.32 lakh fewer than in 2022.
- ❖ Mappls is a Made-in-India navigation app developed by MapMyIndia and now officially backed by the Government of India.

- ❖ IIT Madras-incubated Muse Wearables partnered with NPCI (National Payments Corporation of India) to launch India's first wearable payments ecosystem.
- ❖ Integrated Alert System (SACHET) is India's disaster early warning platform by the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA).
- ❖ The 7th National Security Guard's (NSG) hub will be set up in Ayodhya, near the Ram temple.
- ❖ Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) now allows 75 % of the Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) amount to be withdrawn immediately after job loss.
- ❖ The number of most affected districts by Left Wing Extremism (LWE) has reduced from 6 to 3, limited now to Bijapur, Sukma and Narayanpur in Chhattisgarh.
- ❖ Lxme, India's leading financial platform for women, has launched LxmePay, the country's first Unified Payments Interface (UPI) exclusively for women.
- ❖ NPCI introduces UPI HELP Assistant, powered by a proprietary financial domain-specific language model, to enhance user engagement by providing intelligent conversational support.
- ❖ The Department of Legal Affairs has notified the Notaries (Amendment) Rules, 2025 under the Notaries Act, 1952.
- ❖ The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) has amended Rule 3(1)(d) of the IT Rules, 2021, via the IT (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Amendment Rules, 2025.
- ❖ The NHAI is deploying Network Survey Vehicles (NSVs) equipped with 3D laser sensors.
- ❖ The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) launched two fast patrol vessels, ICG Ship Ajit and ICG Ship Aparajit, to perform coastal patrol, fisheries protection, anti-smuggling, anti-piracy, and search and rescue operations.
- ❖ Bajrang Setu, India's first 132-metre cable suspension glass bridge and the second of its kind in Asia, standing 57–70 feet above the Ganga River will be opened soon.
- ❖ The Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO) has launched a digital monitoring system on the Online National Drugs Licensing System (ONLDS) portal.
- ❖ The Northeast Frontier Railway (NFR) has launched an Intrusion Detection System (IDS) to protect elephants near railway tracks.
- ❖ Project Arunank is a Border Roads Organisation (BRO) initiative for strategic road development in Arunachal Pradesh.

- ❖ The government has approved extending LC75 and BLC investment options to Central Government employees under the National Pension System (NPS) and Unified Pension Scheme (UPS).
- ❖ The Ministry of Women and Child Development announced that the new toll-free helpline number 1515 will replace the existing number 14408.
- ❖ India's aviation sector has become the world's third-largest domestic aviation market.
- ❖ The Union Agriculture Minister inaugurated a seed processing and packaging unit of the National Seeds Corporation (NSC) in New Delhi.
- ❖ The Union government has launched the Koyla Shakti Dashboard and the Coal Land Acquisition, Management, and Payment (CLAMP) Portal in New Delhi.
- ❖ India will establish the first National Aviation Safety Centre in 2025 to train aircraft accident investigators and aviation professionals following global best practices.
- ❖ In the K S Shivappa vs Smt K Neelamma case, SC has ruled that minors after turning 18 can challenge any property sale or transfer done by their parents or guardians without a lawsuit, also they can also cancel such transfers by taking clear actions.
- ❖ The National Investigation Agency (NIA) approved a Rs 120-crore cable car project in Pahalgam's Baisaran Valley.
- ❖ The household enumeration phase of the Country's first fully digital National Marine Fisheries Census (MFC) 2025 was launched recently.
- ❖ India has ended its military presence at the Ayni Airbase in Tajikistan after the bilateral agreement with Tajikistan expired around four years ago.
- ❖ The Department of Consumer Affairs, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, notified the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) Amendment Rules, 2025 on 29 October 2025.
- ❖ The Supreme Court held that the Doctrine of Party Autonomy is not limitless, and the same is the bedrock of arbitration.
- ❖ India launched many initiatives like SUNRISE, OSOWOG, Global Capability Centre, an AI-driven platform, ISA Academy, and SIDS (Small Island Developing States) Procurement Platform at ISA 2025.
- ❖ The Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India has approved the creation of two new cadres called the Central Revenue Audit (CRA) Cadre and the Central Expenditure Audit (CEA) Cadre, within the Indian Audit and Accounts Department (IA&AD).
- ❖ The Supreme Court in Mihir Rajesh Shah vs State of Maharashtra ruled that failure to provide written grounds of arrest makes the arrest illegal.

- ❖ India launched “Digi Bandar,” a national framework to make all ports data-driven, AI-enabled, and interconnected.
- ❖ Indian Institute of Packaging (IIP) recently opened its Bengaluru centre to strengthen packaging innovation and research.
- ❖ UIDAI has launched a new Aadhaar app, that allows citizens to securely carry their digital Aadhaar card, eliminating the need for physical copies.
- ❖ India’s sugar production for 2025–26 is projected to rise 18.6% to 30.95 million tonnes, according to the Indian Sugar & Bio-Energy Manufacturers Association (ISMA).
- ❖ India is set to raise neodymium production to 500 tonnes by the financial year 2027, up from 200 tonnes in the financial year 2026.
- ❖ Tata Power plans to set up a solar wafer and ingot manufacturing facility with a 10GW capacity.
- ❖ National Hydroelectric Power Corporation (NHPC) Limited, a Navratna enterprise, celebrated its Golden Jubilee, it also observed its 51st Raising Day on 7 November 2025.
- ❖ The Union Cabinet approved revised royalty rates for Critical Minerals called Caesium, Graphite, Rubidium, and Zirconium.
- ❖ India’s TB incidence dropped by 21%, from 237 per lakh in 2015 to 187 per lakh in 2024. This decline is almost twice the global rate.
- ❖ IIT Madras has set up the Language and Cognition Laboratory to study India’s linguistic diversity.
- ❖ India’s first modern river ferry terminal was inaugurated at Guwahati to improve and make river transport on the Brahmaputra River more efficient.
- ❖ The Department of Pension and Pensioners’ Welfare clarified that a daughter’s name must remain permanently in the family records of central government employees.
- ❖ India aims to increase the female labour force participation rate (FLFPR) from 41.7% in FY24 to 55% by 2030.
- ❖ The Mandale Depot for Mumbai Metro Line 2B has been inaugurated as Asia’s largest metro depot.
- ❖ Indian Army established a three new garrison in Lachit Borphukan Military Station in Assam’s Dhubri district and forward bases at Kishanganj in Bihar and Chopra in West Bengal, all sited close to the India–Bangladesh border.
- ❖ The Mudh Nyoma airbase in eastern Ladakh has become operational.
- ❖ National Payments Corporation of India and Bahrain’s BENEFIT have partnered to link the UPI with Bahrain’s Electronic Fund Transfer System through the Fawri+ service.

- ❖ The Border Security Force (BSF) launched its first all-women drone unit called the Durga Drone Squadron at the School of Drone Warfare (SDW) in the BSF Academy in Gwalior.
- ❖ The Draft Seeds Bill, 2025 aims to replace the Seeds Act (1966) and the Seeds Control Order (1983) with a modern framework for seed quality, regulation, and traceability.
- ❖ The government's digital platform e-Jagruti launched on January 1, 2025, to simplify consumer grievance filing has gained over 2.7 lakh registered users in 2025.
- ❖ The 16th Finance Commission, chaired by economist Arvind Panagariya, has submitted its report to the President of India.
- ❖ The Indian Navy has unveiled the crest of INS Mahe, the first Mahe-class Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft, featuring the Urumi, a traditional Kerala sword symbolizing the state's martial heritage.
- ❖ The Government of India launched YUVA AI for ALL, a free national course to teach basic Artificial Intelligence (AI).
- ❖ The Supreme Court on November 20 opined that, the constitutional courts can't prescribe the timelines for the President or governors while they decide on bills passed by state legislatures and "deemed assent" cannot be granted by the SC.
- ❖ The Ministry of Earth Sciences created the Earth System Sciences Council to merge the five Earth Science institutes
- ❖ The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) released National Industrial Classification (NIC) 2025 at Udaipur.
- ❖ The Supreme Court of India struck down key provisions of the Tribunal Reforms Act, 2021.
- ❖ A five-judge Bench of the Supreme Court, headed by CJI BR Gavai on 20th November 2025, answered the 16th Presidential Reference under Article 143.
- ❖ The National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID) was established in 2021 will be renamed as the Infrastructure Development Bank (IDB).
- ❖ Indian Railways is set to install an AI-powered system called DRISHTI to monitor freight wagon doors in real time.
- ❖ India Post inaugurated its first Gen Z-themed Campus Post Office at IIT Delhi as part of the Ministry of Communications' modernization plan.
- ❖ India was unanimously re-elected to the Executive Committee of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CCEXEC) at 48th session of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC48).

- ❖ Southern Railway launched the ‘Coast-to-Coast’ Parcel Express Train, a time-tabled intra-zonal logistics service across Tamil Nadu and Kerala.
- ❖ The Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India will set up a Centre of Excellence for Financial Audit in Hyderabad.
- ❖ India inaugurated two new Consulates General in Yekaterinburg and Kazan, Russia.
- ❖ India’s total foodgrain production reached a record 357.73 million tonnes in 2024–25, up from 332.30 million tonnes in 2023–24.
- ❖ From 21 Nov 2025, India’s four Labour Codes—Code on Wages (2019), Industrial Relations Code (2020), Code on Social Security (2020), and Occupational Safety, Health & Working Conditions Code (2020)—replace 29 existing labour laws.
- ❖ The 131st Constitutional Amendment Bill, 2025, proposes to bring Chandigarh under Article 240 of the Constitution.
- ❖ The Union Government has designated the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) as the security regulator for over 250 seaports in India.
- ❖ The National Commission for Women has introduced a new Toll-Free Helpline Number 14490 to provide immediate assistance and support to women in distress.
- ❖ Indian Railways has crossed 1 billion tonne freight loading in FY 25-26, reaching 1,020 million tonnes with coal, iron ore, and cement as top contributors.
- ❖ Researchers at IIT Madras have developed and deployed India’s First Indigenous Vessel Traffic Management System (VTMS) for ports.
- ❖ Prime Minister of India inaugurated the Safran Aircraft Engine Services India (SAESI) facility in Hyderabad, Telangana.
- ❖ Prime Minister unveiled a 77-feet-tall bronze statue of Lord Ram at Shree Samsthana Gokarn Jeevottam Mutt in South Goa district.
- ❖ The Union Cabinet approved a ₹7,280 crore scheme to make Sintered Rare Earth Permanent Magnets (REPM).
- ❖ The Geological Survey of India (GSI), as part of its 175th Foundation Year celebrations, has organized International Seminar on “Unearthing the Past, Shaping the Future: 175 Years of GSI” at the Rajasthan International Centre, Jaipur.
- ❖ Prime Minister inaugurated the Safran Aircraft Engine Services India (SAESI) facility, dedicated to Leading Edge Aviation Propulsion (LEAP) engines in Hyderabad, Telangana.
- ❖ The Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying released the Basic Animal Husbandry Statistics (BAHS) 2025 on National Milk Day, November 26, 2025.

- ❖ Sahitya Akademi released the Hindi translation of the acclaimed Lithuanian novel The Last Day, titled Antim Din (In Hindi), written by Lithuanian–Ukrainian author Jaroslavas Melnikas.
- ❖ Capital Gains Accounts (Second Amendment) Scheme, 2025 updates the Capital Gains Account Scheme (CGAS), 1988, to modernize and digitize its processes.
- ❖ India and Botswana formally agreed to translocate 8 cheetahs from Botswana under Project Cheetah during President Droupadi Murmu's state visit.
- ❖ India's defence production reached a record ₹1.54 lakh crore in FY 2024-25 and defence exports rose to ₹23,622 crore in FY 2024-25, up from less than ₹1,000 crore in 2014.
- ❖ India became the second-largest non-CIS (Commonwealth of Independent States) source market for Moscow tourism.
- ❖ India holds the world's third-largest clean industry pipeline, after China and the United States.
- ❖ SoLAR Phase II (Solar Irrigation for Agricultural Resilience) is led by the International Water Management Institute (IWMI) with support from the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC).
- ❖ India will establish the National Coral Reef Research Institute (NCRI) in Chidiyatapu, South Andaman.
- ❖ The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) sent a letter to all Governors and Lieutenant Governors, for renaming of Raj Bhavans and Raj Niwas.
- ❖ India produced a record 357 million tonnes of foodgrains in 2025, marking an increase of 100 million tonnes over the past decade.
- ❖ The Indian Navy received Taragiri, the fourth Nilgiri-class frigate under Project 17A and the third built by Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Ltd (MDL).
- ❖ Visakhapatnam launched India's longest cantilever glass skywalk at Kailasagiri hilltop park, standing about 862 feet (262 metres) above ground.
- ❖ Indira Gandhi International (IGI) Airport in Delhi is India's first water-positive airport, handling over 40 million passengers.
- ❖ India has been re-elected to the UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) Executive Board for the term 2025–2029.
- ❖ INS Aridhaman, India's third indigenously built nuclear-powered submarine, is set to be commissioned soon.
- ❖ The CSIR-National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL) of Bengaluru has launched a "production version" of the indigenous Hansa-3(NG) trainer aircraft.
- ❖ Goa Shipyard Limited handed over ICGS Amulya, the third of eight Fast Patrol Vessels (FPVs), to the Indian Coast Guard.

- ❖ The Indian Navy will establish a new naval detachment on Bitra Island, expected to be fully operational by 2026.
- ❖ The Indian armed forces signed with Israel for additional satellite-linked Heron Mk II UAVs under emergency procurement after Operation Sindoor.
- ❖ Bharat Taxi has begun pilot tests in Delhi and Gujarat under a driver-owned cooperative model.
- ❖ The National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) has launched a citizen-based reporting system to give early alerts of disease outbreaks.
- ❖ India launched its first all-electric green tug for the Deendayal Port Authority (DPA) under the Green Tug Transition Programme (GTTP).
- ❖ The Indian Navy released the Indian Maritime Doctrine 2025 on Navy Day (4 December).
- ❖ India and Russia launched the Economic Cooperation Programme till 2030 to boost trade and strategic ties.
- ❖ The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) will require telecom operators to show the KYC (Know Your Customer)-registered name for all incoming calls.
- ❖ The 920-metre Shyok Tunnel, built by the Border Roads Organisation (BRO), was inaugurated recently by the defence minister in Ladakh to provide all-weather connectivity in a high-altitude border region.
- ❖ The Supreme Court has directed the Bar Council of India (BCI) to ensure 30% reservation for women in all State Bar Council elections.
- ❖ India Post opened Kerala's first Gen-Z Post Office Extension Counter at CMS College, Kottayam.
- ❖ India inaugurated its first megawatt-hour (MWh) scale Vanadium Redox Flow Battery (VRFB) in Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh.
- ❖ The Society for Innovation and Entrepreneurship (SINE) at IIT Bombay has launched India's first incubator-linked deep tech venture capital fund with 250 Crores.
- ❖ The Centre has launched the second version of the National Action Plan on Antimicrobial Resistance (NAP-AMR 2.0) for 2025–29.
- ❖ Deepavali, India's festival of lights, was added to the UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage List in 2025.
- ❖ Indian Railways will roll out India's first hydrogen-powered train as a pilot project, operating on broad-gauge tracks and emitting only water vapour, producing zero carbon emissions.
- ❖ The Ministry of Jal Shakti launched the Sujalam Bharat App for managing rural drinking water systems under the Jal Jeevan Mission.

- ❖ The government plans to rename the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) as Pujya Bapu Gramin Rozgar Yojana.
- ❖ The government approved the CoalSETU policy for auctioning coal linkages for industrial use and export.
- ❖ India's Resolution on Strengthening Global Wildfire Management was adopted at the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-7) in Nairobi, Kenya.
- ❖ National Blood Transfusion Bill 2025 proposes the creation of a National Blood Transfusion Authority to regulate blood services across India.
- ❖ India launched DHRUUV64, its first fully indigenous 1.0 GHz, 64-bit dual-core microprocessor, developed by the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC) under the Microprocessor Development Programme (MDP).
- ❖ Indian Railways has completed over 99 percent electrification of its broad-gauge network across 25 states and union territories.
- ❖ Bannerghatta Biological Park of Bengaluru has imported eight black-capped capuchin monkeys from South Africa under an animal exchange program.
- ❖ India produces nearly 80% of the world's makhana, also known as fox nut or gorgon nut.
- ❖ The Government of India launched Sahakar Sarathi, a Shared Service Entity, to modernise Rural Cooperative Banks (RCBs) with technology-driven services.
- ❖ India started its first Artificial Intelligence (AI) community screening programme for Diabetic Retinopathy in New Delhi.
- ❖ RESPOND Basket 2025, a list of mission-based research problems linked to ISRO's present and future space missions was released by the ISRO under the Department of Space (DoS).
- ❖ India's first dedicated Forest University will be established in Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh.
- ❖ The Indian Navy has commissioned INAS 335 'Ospreys' as its second operational squadron of MH-60R multi-role helicopters at INS Hansa in Goa.
- ❖ The Government of India and NABARD launched a single common logo for all 28 Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) under the "One RRB, One Logo" initiative.
- ❖ The Bureau of Port Security (BoPS) will be created to oversee the security of vessels and port facilities.
- ❖ The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS) has launched a Comprehensive Internship Policy for the Sports Sector.
- ❖ Unit-2 of the Subansiri Lower Hydroelectric Project, the largest hydropower project in India with a capacity of 250 Megawatt, was commissioned in Arunachal Pradesh.

- ❖ The President of India released the Constitution of India in the Santhali language at Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi.
- ❖ The Union government is finalising India's first National Counter Terrorism Policy under the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA).
- ❖ India became Vice Chair of the Kimberley Process from 1st January 2026.
- ❖ The Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) has completed 25 years in December 2025.
- ❖ The Communist Party of India (CPI) completed 100 years on 26 December 2025.
- ❖ The Ministry of Civil Aviation granted no-objection certificates (NOCs) to Shankh Air, Al Hind Air, and FlyExpress.
- ❖ President Droupadi Murmu undertook a submarine sea sortie from Karwar Harbour, Karnataka. Thus She became the second President of India, after A P J Abdul Kalam, to travel in a submarine.
- ❖ The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) has notified India's first agarbatti (incense stick) standard to regulate its manufacturing and sale.
- ❖ The Indian government has integrated the National Intelligence Grid (NATGRID) with the National Population Register (NPR).
- ❖ The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) has notified India's first national standard titled IS 19445:2025 for bomb disposal systems.
- ❖ Odisha and Delhi joined Ayushman Bharat – Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY), bringing most Indian states under the scheme.
- ❖ The Alipurduar Division of Northeast Frontier Railway (NFR) achieved its highest-ever single-day mechanised track renewal of 1,033 track metres using Plasser's Quick Relaying System (PQRS).
- ❖ The Union Home Ministry has increased reservation for ex-Agniveers in Group C posts of Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) from 10% to 50%.

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- ❖ The Denmark Strait cataract holds the title of the largest waterfall on Earth, with a vertical drop of 11,500 feet.
- ❖ According to a 143-nation survey, India appears far from the prepared, ranking 123rd in its readiness to tackle the challenges of an aging population.
- ❖ The foreign ministers of India, Australia, Japan and the United States issued a joint statement on December 31 to mark the “20th anniversary of the Quad Cooperation”.

- ❖ China is witnessing a concerning rise in the respiratory illnesses, with Human Metapneumovirus (HMPV).
- ❖ Justin Trudeau resigned as the leader of his Liberal Party of Canada effectively ending his nine-year tenure as Canada's Prime Minister too.
- ❖ The Interpol has issued its first Silver Notice to locate assets laundered across borders as part of a pilot project.
- ❖ Mount Ibu, one of Indonesia's most active volcanoes, erupted recently.
- ❖ India has joined the UN Committee of Experts on Big Data and Data Science for Official Statistics (UN-CEBD).
- ❖ Greenland is the world's largest island and geographically part of North America.
- ❖ World's first 300-megawatt compressed air energy storage (CAES) demonstration project, "Nengchu-1," has achieved full capacity grid connection in China.
- ❖ Thailand has become the latest country to take on the global plastic waste crisis by banning imports of plastic waste.
- ❖ Nigeria has been admitted as a "partner country" of the BRICS bloc of developing economies.
- ❖ Donald Trump was sworn in as the 47th President of the United States.
- ❖ President Donald Trump signed an executive order to withdraw the US from the Paris climate agreement.
- ❖ China has completed the construction of the world's very longest express tunnel through the Tianshan Mountains.
- ❖ OpenAI, Oracle, SoftBank and MGX have united for setting up the world's largest AI project - 'Stargate'.
- ❖ Global foreign direct investments (FDI) dipped by eight per cent in 2024.
- ❖ The United Nations has proclaimed 2025 as the International Year of Quantum Science and Technology (IYQ).
- ❖ Panama President announced its withdrawal in China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI).
- ❖ Trump's administration is considering imposing a Tobin Tax on capital flows, a move that could disrupt global financial markets.
- ❖ The Under the TRUST initiative, India and US will reduce barriers to technology transfer, address export controls, and enhance high tech commerce.
- ❖ India and US kick-started a new initiative named Autonomous Systems Industry Alliance (ASIA).
- ❖ The World Health Organization (WHO) has released a very set of guidelines of recommending use of lower-sodium salt substitutes.

- ❖ Brazil's government approved to joining OPEC+, a group of major oil-exporting nations.
- ❖ A newly discovered bat coronavirus, known as HKU5-CoV-2, similar to the virus that caused the COVID-19 pandemic, has been identified in China.
- ❖ UAE has unveiled the Blue Visa, a 10-year residency permit aimed at individuals who have made significant contributions to environmental protection and sustainability.
- ❖ The cyclones, named Rae, Seru, and Alfred, developed within a span of five days and are currently swirling in Pacific Ocean.
- ❖ Australia and New Zealand have the highest rates of breast cancer incidence in the world.
- ❖ The Indian government has secured 9,000 square kilometres of greenfield land in Zambia for the exploration of copper and cobalt.
- ❖ An Emergency Summit of the Arab League adopted a \$53-billion Egyptian plan for the reconstruction of Gaza as a “comprehensive Arab strategy”.
- ❖ France has discovered a massive 46-million-ton white hydrogen reserve in the Moselle region, valued at \$92 trillion.
- ❖ The United States has reported an outbreak of the deadly H7N9 strain of the highly pathogenic avian flu (HPAI) virus in commercial poultry.
- ❖ Louisiana has executed a man using nitrogen gas for the first time.
- ❖ Poland and the Baltics - Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia are preparing to exit the Ottawa Treaty.
- ❖ Thailand hosted the sixth BIMSTEC Summit, under the theme of “BIMSTEC: Prosperous, Resilient and Open”.
- ❖ India and Japan are finalising the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM) to share the emission reduction credits under Article 6.2 of the Paris Agreement.
- ❖ Bangladesh assumed the chairmanship of the regional grouping – Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) – for the next two years.
- ❖ Mauritius has become the first African country to sign a Country Partnership Frame work (CPF) with the International Solar Alliance (ISA).
- ❖ The United Arab Emirates (UAE) has been elected as the Chair of the INTERPOL Committee on Governance.
- ❖ India and Slovakia have signed their first defence MoU to co-develop technologies for next-generation combat vehicles under India's indigenous manufacturing initiative.
- ❖ Bangladesh has become the latest and 54th signatory of the Artemis Mission.

- ❖ China has launched the world's first commercial 10-Gigabit (10G) broadband network.
- ❖ Hungary announced its withdrawal from the International Criminal Court (ICC).
- ❖ China has unveiled the world's first close-in anti-drone barrage weapon system.
- ❖ In 2024, Tanzania experienced its hottest year on record, marked by sharply rising nighttime temperatures.
- ❖ The India–Norway Marine Pollution Initiative (INMPI) is a key bilateral effort by the governments of India and Norway to address marine litter and microplastics (MPs).
- ❖ Saudi Arabia and Kuwait have jointly announced the discovery of oil in the North Wafra Wara–Burgan field, part of the neutral zone between the two countries.
- ❖ The 30th anniversary of the Dayton Peace Accords was celebrated recently.
- ❖ Recently Six new sites were recognized as FAO's Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems (GIAHS).
- ❖ Google has very recently introduced a “Matryoshka” AI strategy that integrates foundational AI models into all its platforms and services.
- ❖ Algeria now has officially become a new member country of the BRICS's New Development Bank (NDB).
- ❖ Tulare Lake, once a vast freshwater body in California, has reappeared after 130 years due to heavy snowmelt.
- ❖ The 24th Meeting of the IORA Council of Ministers It was hosted virtually by Sri Lanka, as the IORA Chair.
- ❖ India has been awarded the Certificate of Elimination of Trachoma as a Public Health Problem by the WHO at the 78th World Health Assembly in Geneva.
- ❖ The inaugural Sagarmatha Sambaad was held in Kathmandu, Nepal with theme of the high-level global dialogue is Climate Change, Mountains, and the Future of Humanity.
- ❖ The world's first commercial-scale e-methanol plant has begun its operations in Denmark.
- ❖ Taiwan test-fired for the first time a new US-supplied rocket system and bought 29 of Lockheed Martin's precision weapon High Mobility Artillery Rocket Systems, or HIMARS.
- ❖ The US and Saudi Arabia signed a massive arms deal, amounting to nearly \$142 billion, an agreement being called by the White House as the largest in history.
- ❖ The 24th session of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII) held at the UN Headquarters in New York.
- ❖ The world's only research centre on mycetoma has been destroyed in Sudan's two-year war.

- ❖ Israel has taken control of the “Morag axis” expanding its control over southern Gaza.
- ❖ After the victory of the Liberal Party in the parliamentary election in Canada for a third consecutive time, Mark Carney is set to continue as prime minister.
- ❖ Klaus Schwab, the founder of the World Economic Forum (WEF), has stepped down as Chairperson and Board of Trustees member after 55 years.
- ❖ The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) has very recently launched the Accelerating Innovative Monitoring for the Nature Restoration (AIM4NatuRe) initiative.
- ❖ Vietnam celebrated the 50th anniversary of the end of the Vietnam War and said it was a “victory of faith”.
- ❖ The US and Ukraine have signed a deal that will give USA access to some of the war-torn country’s natural resources.
- ❖ The 13-point Global Media Dialogue Declaration (the WAVES Declaration) was adopted on the World Audio Visual and Entertainment Summit (WAVES) in Mumbai.
- ❖ The United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT) launched the Victims of Terrorism Associations Network (VoTAN).
- ❖ Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese has become the first PM to win a second consecutive three-year term in 21 years.
- ❖ Singapore Prime Minister Lawrence Wong’s People’s Action Party (PAP) won the General Election by a landslide, securing 87 of the 97 parliamentary seats.
- ❖ Angola signed the International Solar Alliance (ISA) Framework Agreement and became the 123rd member of the ISA.
- ❖ The 2025 World Bank Land Conference, is being held at the World Bank Headquarters in Washington, D.C.
- ❖ The Conferences of the Parties to the Basel, Rotterdam and Stockholm Conventions (BRS COPs) is being held in Geneva.
- ❖ India and the United Kingdom inked a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) after the three years of negotiations.
- ❖ The US President Donald Trump planned to reopen and expand Alcatraz, the once-notorious prison island in the San Francisco Bay.
- ❖ Nicaragua has announced its withdrawal from the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization – UNESCO.
- ❖ A new resource estimate for the Filo del Sol project in Chile’s Atacama region has confirmed, one of the world’s largest copper, gold and silver resources.
- ❖ The UK government in December 2023 decided to implement its Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) starting 2027.

- ❖ Bhutan launched the world's first national-level cryptocurrency tourism payment system in partnership with Binance Pay and DK Bank.
- ❖ At the 20th session of the United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF20) held in New York, India highlighted its ongoing commitment to forest conservation and sustainable forest management.
- ❖ The European Union celebrated the 75th anniversary of Schuman Declaration.
- ❖ The Executive Board of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) decided to allow for "an immediate disbursement" of \$1 billion (around Rs 8,500 crore) to Pakistan.
- ❖ Chinese researchers have developed a high-resolution ocean simulation system named LICOMK++, that operates at a 1-kilometre scale.
- ❖ South Sudan is the poorest country in the world by GDP per capita at, \$251.
- ❖ Botswana became the first country to achieve gold tier status in eliminating the mother-to-child transmission (MTCT) of HIV.
- ❖ The UN80 Initiative was launched by UN Secretary-General António Guterres.
- ❖ Iran's Parliament have voted to stop all cooperation with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).
- ❖ Kirsty Coventry became the first female and African president of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) on its 131st anniversary.
- ❖ The U.K. House of Commons have passed a bill to allow terminally-ill people to end their lives.
- ❖ Finland becomes 5th European nation to exit the Ottawa landmine treaty after Estonia, Lithuania, Latvia, and Poland.
- ❖ Israel activated its new aerial defence system, 'Barak Magen' or 'Lightning Shield,' for the first time after Iran's Fattah-1 missile attack.
- ❖ Brazil has announced that Vietnam has officially joined BRICS as a 10th partner country.
- ❖ The World Bank revised upwards its threshold poverty line to \$3 per day.
- ❖ The United Nations General Assembly has declared 2026 as the International Year of the Woman Farmer.
- ❖ Rwanda has announced its withdrawal from the Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS).
- ❖ Bahrain, Colombia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Latvia, and Liberia were elected to serve as non-permanent members of the UN Security Council, with two-year terms beginning in January 2026.
- ❖ The United States has approved the sale of HawkEye 360 technology to India.

- ❖ After 34 Years, Germany has taken the top spot of Japan's and became the world's leading creditor nation with \$3.9 trillion worth assets.
- ❖ The Former German Foreign Minister Annalena Baerbock was elected as the President of the 80th United Nations General Assembly (UNGA).
- ❖ Nicaragua became the 101st member of the World Trade Organization (WTO) to formally accept the Agreement on Fisheries Subsidies.
- ❖ Flash floods triggered by heavy rains have devastated a North central Niger state's Mokwa.
- ❖ China has recently unveiled its plan to construct the world's first hybrid fusion-fission nuclear plant, named Xinghuo, meaning "spark" in Mandarin.
- ❖ Vietnam has scrapped its longstanding two-child policy.
- ❖ The Chinese government and other 32 countries have signed a convention for establishing an international mediation organisation (IOMed) in Hong Kong.
- ❖ Hawaii has become the first U.S. state to implement a climate impact fee.
- ❖ In May 2025, India and Germany marked the Silver Jubilee (25 years) of their Strategic Partnership.
- ❖ France's National Assembly approved a bill that would allow adults suffering from unbearable and incurable illnesses to choose assisted dying.
- ❖ French President Emmanuel Macron confirmed France will recognise Palestinian statehood in a letter to Mahmoud Abbas.
- ❖ The Pacific nation of Vanuatu has played a key role in bringing a climate change case to the International Court of Justice (ICJ).
- ❖ A replica of the ancient Ashokan Pillar has been erected on the premises of a Buddhist temple in Sri Lanka.
- ❖ A magnitude 6.4 earthquake struck off the east coast of the Kamchatka region in Russia.
- ❖ The US Department of State has designated 'The Resistance Front' as a "foreign terrorist organisation" and Specially Designated Global Terrorist (SDGT) over the April 22 Pahalgam attack in Jammu and Kashmir.
- ❖ China has started building a mega-dam on the Yarlung Zangbo River in Tibet.
- ❖ World's first planned migration – Tuvalu. more than 5,000 people have applied for a first-of-its-kind migration visa that offers residents of a Pacific Island.
- ❖ The HSBC (Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation) is one of the world's largest banks and a founding member of the Net Zero Banking Alliance (NZBA).
- ❖ India co-chairs the UN group advocating accountability for crimes against peace keepers.

- ❖ Senegal has been declared free of trachoma by the WHO, and became the 25th country worldwide and the 9th in Africa to eliminate trachoma.
- ❖ Ukraine has become the 125th State Party and the 20th State from the Eastern European group to the Rome Statute, the International Criminal Court's founding treaty of 2002.
- ❖ As per the data of WHO and UNICEF, South Asia has reached its highest-ever immunisation coverage for children in 2024.
- ❖ Switzerland has ratified the India–European Free Trade Association (EFTA) Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement (TEPA), set to launch in October 2025.
- ❖ The UNESCO has added three Khmer Rouge–era torture and execution sites in Cambodia to the World Heritage List.
- ❖ The World Heritage Committee has removed three African heritage sites – in Madagascar, Egypt and Libya from UNESCO's list of endangered sites.
- ❖ Bulgaria has been approved to adopt the euro effective 1 January 2026, which would make it the 21st member state of the eurozone.
- ❖ Trinidad and Tobago has become the first Caribbean nation to enable the finance transactions through India's BHIM app using the UPI.
- ❖ Colombia and Uzbekistan have now officially joined the New Development Bank (NDB).
- ❖ Russia becomes the first country to officially recognize Afghanistan's Taliban government as the legitimate authority.
- ❖ The World Health Organization (WHO) has launched a "3 by 35" initiative.
- ❖ India, Japan, the US, and Australia have launched the first-ever 'QUAD at Sea Ship Observer Mission' to strengthen the maritime cooperation in the Indo-Pacific under the Wilmington Declaration.
- ❖ China approved a 60-gigawatt hydropower project at the Great Bend in Medog County in the Tibet Autonomous Region.
- ❖ UN Women was established in 2010 and celebrates its 15th anniversary in 2025, highlighting progress and ongoing challenges in gender equality worldwide.
- ❖ India and Brazil are leading a strategic biofuel alliance rooted in the South–South cooperation and clean energy transition.
- ❖ On August 5, 2025, India and the Philippines established a Strategic Partnership during Philippine President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.'s State Visit to India.
- ❖ Russia officially ended its commitment to the 1987 Intermediate–Range Nuclear Forces (INF) Treaty.
- ❖ Turkey temporarily closed the Dardanelles Strait due to forest fires near the city of Canakkale.

- ❖ India endorsed the 2025 Alaska summit between U.S. President Donald Trump and Russian President Vladimir Putin.
- ❖ Australia will recognise the state of Palestine at the United Nations General Assembly in September.
- ❖ India and the UK signed the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) on July 27, 2025.
- ❖ Nepal has eliminated rubella as a public health problem, confirmed by the WHO.
- ❖ The recent agreement between India and China to reopen border trade through the Lipulekh Pass in Uttarakhand has triggered an issue in Nepal.
- ❖ The International Solar Alliance (ISA) will establish 17 centres of excellence in different countries by year-end, offering testing, lab training, and startup ecosystems.
- ❖ Iran conducted its first military drill (Sustainable Power 1404 drill) after the 12-day war with Israel.
- ❖ The United Nations (UN) has confirmed the first officially recorded famine in West Asia, occurring in Gaza as of August 15, 2025.
- ❖ The African Union (AU) has endorsed the 'Correct the Map' campaign to replace the Mercator map projection with alternatives such as the Equal Earth map.
- ❖ India has overtaken other suppliers to become Ukraine's largest source of diesel in July 2025, accounting for 15.5 per cent of imports.
- ❖ The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has secured its first Purple Notice from the International Criminal Police Organization (Interpol).
- ❖ China's President Xi Jinping introduced the Global Governance Initiative at the Shanghai Cooperation Organization Plus (SCO Plus) summit in Tianjin in 2025.
- ❖ Thailand's parliament has chosen business tycoon Anutin Charnvirakul as the country's prime minister.
- ❖ India and Singapore marked 60 years of diplomatic ties by unveiling a strategic roadmap to deepen cooperation in trade, technology, defense, and sustainability.
- ❖ Albania has become the world's first country to appoint an 'AI minister' named Diella (meaning 'sun' in Albanian) and is tasked with tackling corruption.
- ❖ The HIRE Act (Halting International Relocation of Employment Act) was introduced by US Republican Senator Bernie Moreno in September 2025.
- ❖ Pink tax refers to gender-based price discrimination where women pay more for products or services designed for them.
- ❖ India and Mauritius have agreed to establish a satellite tracking station near Diego Garcia, a key US-UK military base in the Indian Ocean.

- ❖ Brazil will be the first country to announce an investment in the Tropical Forests Forever Facility (TFFF).
- ❖ Mali, Burkina Faso and Niger, three nations in West Africa, have announced their exit from the International Criminal Court (ICC).
- ❖ India was elected to the Interpol Asian Committee during the 25th Asian regional conference.
- ❖ India hosted the BIMSTEC (Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation) Young Leaders' Summit in Guwahati, Assam.
- ❖ India and Brazil strengthen partnership in agri-innovation through Maitri 2.0 cross-incubation programme.
- ❖ China will launch a new K visa from 1 October 2025 to attract foreign science and technology talent.
- ❖ Qatar has become the eighth country to join India's Unified Payments Interface (UPI) network.
- ❖ US President announced a 100% tariff on imported “branded and patented pharmaceutical products.
- ❖ India was re-elected to Part II of the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) during its 42nd Assembly in Montreal, Canada.
- ❖ South-South and Triangular Cooperation (SSTC) is observed annually by the United Nations on September 12, 2025.
- ❖ Poland announced a 4.7-billion- euro plan to join the NATO Pipeline System (NPS).
- ❖ The Net-Zero Banking Alliance (NZBA), launched in 2021 to drive banking sector decarbonisation, is ending its operations.
- ❖ Iran will remove four zeros from the rial to ease financial transactions after prolonged high inflation.
- ❖ India addressed the 80th United Nations General Assembly session in New York, stressing the urgent need for UN reforms.
- ❖ In the first half of 2025, renewable energy became the world's leading source of electricity, overtaking coal for the first time.
- ❖ Russia's lower house of parliament approved the withdrawal from the Plutonium Management and Disposition Agreement (PMDA) signed with the United States in 2000.
- ❖ India and the United Kingdom jointly launched the India-UK Connectivity and Innovation Centre (CIC) with a ₹282 crore investment over four years.
- ❖ Palau, a Pacific Island nation, has hosted the world's first-ever live underwater interview.

- ❖ Fomoflation refers to inflation driven by fear of missing out, where consumer psychology and supply pressures lead to sudden price increases.
- ❖ India has been elected unopposed to the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC) for the 2026–2028 term.
- ❖ India and Mongolia mark 70 years of diplomatic ties and 10 years of strategic partnership in 2025.
- ❖ 2025 marks the 25th anniversary of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 adopted in 2000.
- ❖ Uruguay passes law legalizing euthanasia, becoming the first predominantly Catholic Latin American country to do so.
- ❖ India has been elected as Co-Chair of the Regional Committee of the United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management for Asia and the Pacific (UN-GGIM-AP) for the 2025-2028 term.
- ❖ Saudi Arabia ended its 50-year-old Kafala sponsorship system in a major labor reform in 2025.
- ❖ India has upgraded its Technical Mission in Kabul, Afghanistan, to a full embassy with immediate effect.
- ❖ The European Council approved the EU-India Strategic Agenda on October 22, 2025.
- ❖ Afghanistan's Taliban-led administration announced plans to construct dams on the Kunar River.
- ❖ India participated in the 10th Session of the Conference of the Parties (COP10) to the International Convention against Doping in Sport at UNESCO, Paris.
- ❖ Thailand and Cambodia signed a joint declaration called the KL Peace Accord to end their border conflict.
- ❖ The year 2026 has been declared as the “ASEAN-India Year of Maritime Cooperation” to enhance collaboration between India and ASEAN countries in maritime security, ocean research, disaster response, and sustainable use of marine resources.
- ❖ East Timor, also known as Timor-Leste, became the 11th member of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).
- ❖ The UN Convention against Cybercrime is the world's first legally binding global treaty to prevent and respond to cybercrimes.
- ❖ Japan's startup JPYC will issue the world's first stablecoin fully pegged to the yen.
- ❖ India and the U.S. signed a 10-year framework to guide strategic collaboration and cooperation across the defence sector, on the sidelines of the 12th ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting-Plus (ADMM-Plus) in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

- ❖ The World's largest, Grand Egyptian Museum, has opened in Cairo, Egypt, showcasing around 100,000 artefacts spanning 7,000 years of history.
- ❖ China successfully achieved the first-ever thorium-to-uranium fuel conversion in a Thorium Molten Salt Reactor (TMSR).
- ❖ Indian travellers can use Unified Payments Interface (UPI) for payments in Malaysia.
- ❖ The Maldives became the first country to ban the sale and use of all tobacco products, including cigarettes, for anyone born after January 1, 2007.
- ❖ The Taliban government will post its first diplomat in India this month, marking the first official Afghan diplomatic appointment since the group took control of Kabul in August 2021.
- ❖ A magnitude 6.3 earthquake struck northern Afghanistan near Mazar-e-Sharif on November 3, 2025, killing at least 20 people and injuring over 530.
- ❖ The United States granted India a six-month sanctions waiver on October 30, 2025, to operate Iran's Chabahar Port.
- ❖ Kazakhstan is going to join the Abraham Accords and it will be the first nation to join since the accords were signed in 2020 by the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, and Morocco.
- ❖ Japan and the United States announced a partnership to develop deep-sea mining near Minamitorishima Island.
- ❖ Ethiopia has announced its plans to adopt India's Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) model to reduce rural poverty and empower women.
- ❖ Google has announced its largest carbon removal deal with Brazilian startup Mombak.
- ❖ Fujian, China's 3rd and first indigenously designed and built aircraft carrier has officially entered service after extensive sea trials.
- ❖ The United States has tested the Minuteman III intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) from California to a Pacific test site covering 6,700 kilometers.
- ❖ President Droupadi Murmu begins India's first-ever state visit to Angola and Botswana to strengthen ties in energy, trade, health, and defence, marking 40 years of India-Angola relations.
- ❖ The Egyptian Ministry of Petroleum and Mineral Resources announced a new natural gas discovery in the Badr-15 area of the Western Desert.
- ❖ Maldives inaugurates Hanimaadhoo International Airport built with India's support to boost connectivity and regional growth.

- ❖ Pakistan Parliament's 27th Constitutional Amendment, aimed at restructuring defence and judicial systems and expanding executive authority, has sparked nationwide protests by opposition parties.
- ❖ Canada lost its measles elimination status in 2025 after over 5,000 cases were reported nationwide.
- ❖ Bangladesh became the first country in South Asia to join the United Nations (UN) Water Convention, officially called the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes.
- ❖ According to a new study by 2050, 155 of 204 (76%) countries will be below the replacement level of fertility and by 2100 over 97% of countries will have fertility rates below the required percentage (Baby Bust).
- ❖ Rift Valley Fever (RVF) is a viral zoonotic disease primarily affecting sheep, goats, cattle, and camels in Mauritania and Senegal.
- ❖ Zikim crossing, the main entry point into the northern Gaza Strip, has been reopened by Israel to allow the flow of humanitarian aid into the region.
- ❖ Cameroon witnessed unrest after President Paul Biya was re-elected for an eighth term in October 2025.
- ❖ Singapore will impose the world's first green fuel levy on air passengers from next year.
- ❖ Iran is experiencing its worst drought in around 60 years, with major dams at critically low levels.
- ❖ The Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) approved a one-stop travel system to streamline movement across member states.
- ❖ Oman airports become the first in the world to deploy Wi-Fi 7 technology across all its airports in partnership with Huawei.
- ❖ China's first Type 076 amphibious assault ship, the Sichuan, completed a maiden sea trial and returned to a Shanghai shipyard.
- ❖ The Sacred Relics of Lord Buddha were enshrined at the Grand Kuenrey of Tashichhodzong in Thimphu, Bhutan.
- ❖ India signed its first structured deal to import 2.2 million tonnes of LPG from the United States in 2026, covering around 10% of its annual LPG imports.
- ❖ Sweden has become the world's first cashless country, replacing physical money with digital payments through phones and cards.
- ❖ The United States has designated the Cartel de los Soles (Cartel of the Suns) as a terrorist organisation.

- ❖ The United States reported the world's first known human case of the H5N5 strain of avian influenza (bird flu).
- ❖ Brazil used the mutirão model of collective mobilisation to speed up negotiations at COP30 in 2025.
- ❖ Cambodia announced its support for the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty Initiative at the UN Climate Conference COP30 in Belem, Brazil.
- ❖ China successfully tested a 3D-printed turbojet engine on a drone.
- ❖ India and Nepal have signed a Letter of Exchange amending the Protocol to the India–Nepal Treaty of Transit to liberalize and expand rail-based freight movement, especially through the Jognbani–Biratnagar corridor.
- ❖ Australia will start a social media ban for children under 16.
- ❖ India, Australia and Canada announced a new partnership called the Australia–Canada–India Technology and Innovation (ACITI) Partnership.
- ❖ China has started building a mobile floating artificial island for deep-sea research, planned to be ready by 2028.
- ❖ U.S. President Donald Trump has designated Saudi Arabia as a major non-NATO ally and approved future deliveries of F-35 fighter jets to Saudi Arabia.
- ❖ The United Nations Security Council (UNSC) endorsed President Trump's Gaza peace plan through a resolution drafted by the United States.
- ❖ Europe's E3 (Britain, France, Germany) issued a counter–proposal to the U.S. 28-point Ukraine peace plan.
- ❖ The Central Bank of Oman (CBO) introduced an official symbol for the Omani Rial (OMR) to standardize its use across financial and digital platforms.
- ❖ Ukraine is the first European country to activate Starlink's direct-to-cell satellite service.
- ❖ A bust of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar was recently unveiled at the UNESCO Headquarters in Paris.
- ❖ The EU Court of Justice ruled same–sex marriages must be recognised across all EU member states.
- ❖ The World Health Organisation (WHO) declared Indonesia free from poliovirus type 2.
- ❖ China has completed the building of Jiangmen Underground Neutrino Observatory (JUNO) in Kaiping, Guangdong Province.
- ❖ The Collins Dictionary has chosen 'Vibe coding' as its Word of the Year for 2025.
- ❖ The Cambridge Dictionary selected "parasocial" as its Word of the Year for 2025.

- ❖ The global defence expenditures reached \$2.46 trillion in 2024.
- ❖ France will start a 10-month voluntary military service from next summer.
- ❖ Riyadh Metro in Saudi Arabia has become the world's longest fully driverless metro network, spanning 176 kilometres across six lines and 85 stations.
- ❖ The U.S. approved India's purchase of Javelin missiles and Excalibur projectiles worth \$92.8 million.
- ❖ Italy has passed a new law that officially recognises femicide, the killing of women because of their gender.
- ❖ Thailand has formally announced its intention to join BRICS, which now has eleven member countries after its 2024–25 expansion.
- ❖ Russia has approved the Reciprocal Exchange of Logistics Support (RELOS) agreement with India in 2025.
- ❖ The United States plans to deploy a small nuclear reactor on the Moon by the early 2030s.
- ❖ Oman has been elected as a member of the UNESCO Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Council for the 2025–2029 term during the 43rd UNESCO General Conference in Samarkand.
- ❖ Victoria University (Australia) will open its first Indian campus in Gurugram (Haryana) by mid-2026.
- ❖ Russia has become the 19th member of the International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA).
- ❖ Niger became the first African country to eliminate onchocerciasis, confirmed by the WHO.
- ❖ Lithuania declared a national emergency after a series of balloon incursions from Belarus.
- ❖ The UNESCO has added Riyadh, AlUla, and Riyadh Al-Khabra to the Global Network of Learning Cities (GNLC).
- ❖ UNESCO added Pakistan's Boreendo to the Intangible Cultural Heritage in Need of Urgent Safeguarding list in 2025.
- ❖ Bangladesh's Tangail saree weaving craft was inscribed on the UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage list during the 20th Committee session.
- ❖ The U.S. has launched a “gold card” program offering legal status and a path to citizenship, replacing the EB-5 visa.
- ❖ Israel's military chief described the Yellow Line as a “new border” inside Gaza.
- ❖ Interpol has issued a Blue Notice to help trace Saurabh and Gaurav Luthra, linked to a Goa nightclub fire incident.

- ❖ UNESCO added 72 new cities from 46 countries to the Global Network of Learning Cities (GNLC), With this expansion, the network now has 425 cities in 91 countries.
- ❖ UNESCO has officially inscribed Italy's culinary tradition as an Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity, making it the first national cuisine in the world to earn this honour.
- ❖ India and the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan established diplomatic relations in 1950, marking 75 years in 2025.
- ❖ India and Oman are celebrating 70 years of establishment of diplomatic relations in 2025.
- ❖ Australia has become the world's first country to ban social media use for teenagers below 16 years of age.
- ❖ Tianjin Declaration was adopted at the 2025 Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Summit in Tianjin, China.
- ❖ The United Nations General Assembly adopted the first global declaration jointly covering Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) and mental health.
- ❖ India and Jordan signed a twinning agreement between UNESCO World Heritage Sites of Petra and Ellora Caves.
- ❖ Brazil has formally handed over the BRICS (18th) presidency to India for 2026.
- ❖ Armenia has revealed the official logo for COP17 of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD).
- ❖ Japan has approved the restart of the Kashiwazaki-Kariwa nuclear power plant after nearly 20 years.
- ❖ Oman has introduced its first polymer one-rial banknote, issued by the Central Bank of Oman.
- ❖ US President Donald Trump announced a plan to build new "Trump-class" battleships for the US Navy.
- ❖ Kuwait signed a \$4.1 billion deal with China to construct the Mubarak Al-Kabeer Port on Boubyan Island, aiming to boost its role in regional and global trade as part of its economic diversification strategy.
- ❖ Russia's Bezymianny volcano blew itself apart 69 years ago, in a massive eruption on 30 March 1956.
- ❖ Israel became the first country to formally recognise the Republic of Somaliland as an independent and sovereign state.

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- ❖ India's coffee exports rose to a record high of \$1,146.9 million between April and November in FY24.
- ❖ India has set a target of \$1 billion banana exports in the coming years.
- ❖ The government launched a revamped e-auction portal 'Baanknet'.
- ❖ The Central banks around the world collectively, in November 2024, added 53 tonnes of gold to their reserves.
- ❖ The micro finance institutions (MFIs) industry in India has witnessed a high growth of more than 2,176 per cent in the past 12 years.
- ❖ India ranked third globally in terms of funding received in the fintech segment only after the US and the UK.
- ❖ India has emerged as the world's seventh-largest coffee producer, with exports reaching \$1.29 billion in FY 2023-24.
- ❖ The investment and turnover limits for classification of all MSMEs will be increased 2.5 and two times respectively.
- ❖ The Gold investments in India surged by 60% in 2024, reaching \$18 billion (approximately Rs 1.5 lakh crore), compared to 2023.
- ❖ The Union Budget has outlined a plan to reduce the central government's debt-to-GDP ratio to 50 per cent by 2031.
- ❖ India's pharmaceutical industry exports are projected to reach \$350 billion by 2047.
- ❖ RBI will allow non-bank brokers registered with the SEBI to access the Negotiated Dealing System-Order Matching (NDS-OM) platform.
- ❖ India aims for a threefold increase in its textile exports to ₹9 lakh crore by 2030.
- ❖ India's smartphone exports had reached Rs 1.55 trillion during the April-January period
- ❖ India and Qatar have decided to upgrade their bilateral relations to a strategic partnership, strengthening cooperation in trade, investment, and energy.
- ❖ The Centre launched the 'Mutual Credit Guarantee Scheme for MSMEs'.
- ❖ Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR) in urban areas among persons of age 15 years and above has increased from 49.9% during October - December, 2023 to 50.4% in quarter October – December, 2024.
- ❖ India's imports of liquefied natural gas (LNG) from the US surged to an all-time high of 252.28 trillion cubic feet during 2024.
- ❖ The State Bank of India (SBI) has launched 'SBI Asmita', a collateral-free digital SME loan exclusively for women entrepreneurs.

- ❖ The women's employment in urban India is jumping 10% in six years (2017-18 to 2023-24).
- ❖ Dubai has been ranked the world's No.1 destination for Greenfield Foreign Direct investment (FDI) projects for the fourth successive year.
- ❖ India's remittances have more than doubled from \$55.6 billion in 2010-11 to \$118.7 billion in 2023-24.
- ❖ India's total exports (Merchandise and Services combined) for February-2025 are estimated at USD 71.95 Billion.
- ❖ The net foreign direct investment (FDI) in India declined to \$1.4 billion during the 10 months of 2024-25 (April 2024-January 2025) from \$11.5 billion a year ago.
- ❖ The Yes Bank has emerged as India's highest-rated bank in sustainability for the third consecutive year.
- ❖ India has exported 254 million kg of tea in 2024, thus becoming the second-highest exporter in the world.
- ❖ The country's Defence exports have surged to a record high of Rs 23,622 crore (approx. US\$ 2.76 Billion) in the Financial Year (FY) 2024-25.
- ❖ India's external debt increased by 10.7 per cent to USD 717.9 billion at the end of December 2024 from USD 648.7 billion in December 2023.
- ❖ India's raw silk production increased from 31,906 MT in 2017-18 to 38,913 MT in 2023-24.
- ❖ The Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) inflows into India in 2024-25 plunged by an unprecedented 96%.
- ❖ India will become the world's fourth largest economy by the end of 2025 (FY 2025-26), according to the International Monetary Fund (IMF's) World Economic Outlook report for April 2025.
- ❖ India is on track to become the world's top potato producer, overtaking China by 2050.
- ❖ The United States of America has become the world's fourth largest supplier of crude oil to India, overtaking the UAE.
- ❖ In FY 2024-25, Major Ports registered an impressive annual growth rate of 4.3% in cargo handling.
- ❖ India's total exports surged to a historic high of \$824.9 billion in the financial year 2024-25.
- ❖ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) bought 57.5 tonnes of gold in FY25.
- ❖ Gold has overtaken the euro to become world's second-largest foreign exchange reserve asset.
- ❖ India's coffee exports have surged by 125% over the past 11 years.

- ❖ Indian funds in Swiss banks surged over threefold to CHF 3.5 billion (Rs 37,600 crore) in 2024.
- ❖ City Union Bank was selected as one of the winners for overall digital payment performance during the financial year 2024–25.
- ❖ Tea exports from India have increased by 9.92 per cent at 254.67 million kg, from January to December 2024.
- ❖ India's retail inflation rate eased to a 75-month low of 2.8% in May 2025.
- ❖ India's listed companies have added nearly \$1 trillion in market capitalization in absolute terms to \$5.33 trillion since early March 2025.
- ❖ In 2024–25, India received a total FDI of \$81 billion, which is the highest in the last three years.
- ❖ Asian Development Bank (ADB) has unveiled a \$10 billion five-year initiative to transform urban infrastructure across India.
- ❖ Flipkart, the Walmart-owned e-commerce company, has secured a non-banking financial company (NBFC) licence from RBI, the first one in India.
- ❖ The Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) balance sheet expanded by 8.2 per cent to Rs 76.25 lakh crore in the year 2024–25.
- ❖ The central government's fiscal deficit stood at Rs 15.77 lakh crore or 100.5% of the revised annual target.
- ❖ India has received foreign direct investment (FDI) inflows worth USD 81.04 billion (provisional) in the financial year 2024–25.
- ❖ NITI Aayog released a report titled "Designing a Policy for Medium Enterprises".
- ❖ Over the last five years, the Union government has nearly doubled the dividends it has received from public sector companies to ₹74,000 crore.
- ❖ India's exports of goods rose almost five-folds, from \$66.3 billion to \$318.6 billion, between 2003–04 and 2013–14.
- ❖ India has recorded a current account surplus of \$13.5 billion or 1.3% of GDP in January–March 2025 (Q4 FY25).
- ❖ India's external debt rose 10% to \$736.3 billion by March 2025, up from \$668.8 billion a year earlier.
- ❖ The Indians sent home a record \$135.46 billion in remittances in 2024–25, a 14% increase from last year.
- ❖ G7 countries have agreed on a new "side-by-side" global tax system.
- ❖ AU Small Finance Bank (AU SFB) received in-principle approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to transition from a Small Finance Bank (SFB) to a Universal Bank.

- ❖ India's electronics exports rose over 47 per cent year-on-year in Q1 of the financial year 2026.
- ❖ India exported goods valued at \$437.4 billion during 2024–25.
- ❖ India's exports reached USD 778.21 billion in 2023–24.
- ❖ India's Off-budget borrowings (OBB) rose to ₹29,335 crore in FY25 from ₹21,251 crore in FY24.
- ❖ India's electronics exports rose over 47% in Q1 of 2025–26.
- ❖ India's interest payments are projected to rise to ₹12.76 trillion in FY26, nearly triple the amount from a decade ago.
- ❖ India's pharmaceutical exports rose 5.21 percent to 7.57 billion dollars in the first quarter of the financial year 2025–26.
- ❖ India's seafood exports reached \$7.45 billion in FY 2024–25.
- ❖ India's outbound investments rose by 67.74 percent to \$41.6 billion in FY 2024–25 from \$24.8 billion the previous year.
- ❖ India's crude oil imports dropped 8.7 per cent in July to 18.56 million metric tons, the lowest since February 2024.
- ❖ The share of personal income tax in total direct taxes rose sharply from 38.1 per cent in FY14 to 53.4 per cent in FY24.
- ❖ The Government of India has extended the exemption on the 11 percent import duty on all varieties of cotton till 31 December 2025.
- ❖ Goods and Services Tax (GST) Council, in its 56th meeting, approved a two-slab structure retaining 5% and 18% rates, effective from September 22, 2025.
- ❖ Unified Payments Interface (UPI) processed 20.01 billion transactions in August 2025.
- ❖ Maharashtra topped the list with ₹6.0 lakh crore small business credit portfolio.
- ❖ Agriculture contributes 15 to 20 per cent to India's economic output.
- ❖ RBI establishes a Regulatory Review Cell (RRC), effective from October 1, 2025, to systematically review all banking regulations every five to seven years.
- ❖ The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) has launched the Bima Sugam portal in September 2025.
- ❖ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) formed the Payments Regulatory Board on May 9, 2025.
- ❖ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) allowed Indian banks to lend in rupees to non-residents from Bhutan, Nepal, and Sri Lanka for cross-border trade.
- ❖ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) granted self-regulatory organisation (SRO) status to the Finance Industry Development Council (FIDC) on October 3, 2025.

- ❖ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) launched a pilot on deposit tokenisation.
- ❖ Telangana has the highest per capita Unified Payments Interface (UPI) transaction intensity among all Indian states.
- ❖ RBI brought Central and State Co-operative Banks under the Reserve Bank - Integrated Ombudsman Scheme, 2021 (RB-IOS, 2021) on 8 October 2025.
- ❖ The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) has launched biometric and wearable glass authentication for UPI payments.
- ❖ The RBI launched a retail sandbox for its central bank digital currency.
- ❖ India signed an agreement to enable real-time digital execution of electronic bank guarantees (e-BGs).
- ❖ The finance minister launched a foreign currency settlement system (FCSS) in GIFT City, Gujarat.
- ❖ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) introduced the Unified Markets Interface (UMI) for tokenizing financial assets.
- ❖ India's retail inflation dropped to 1.54% in September 2025, the lowest in over 8 years.
- ❖ Female labour force participation in India rose from 23 percent in 2017–18 to approximately 42 percent in 2023–24.
- ❖ The new NPCI - NTT partnership aims to simplify digital payments for Indian travellers and support Japanese merchants with increased payment options.
- ❖ India's gold reserves surpassed the \$100 billion mark for the first time, reaching \$102.37 billion as of October 10, 2025.
- ❖ India's foreign exchange reserves rose by \$4.496 billion to \$702.28 billion as of October 17, 2025.
- ❖ The Department of Consumer Affairs has warned online shoppers about 'dark pattern drip pricing' on e-commerce platforms.
- ❖ India's Unified Payments Interface (UPI) now allows users to pay directly using liquid mutual fund holdings.
- ❖ In 2014, the Rangarajan Committee set poverty lines at ₹972 per month for rural areas and ₹1,407 per month for urban areas.
- ❖ State Bank of India executed its inaugural gold trade as a Special Category Client (SCC) on the India International Bullion Exchange (IIBX).
- ❖ The United States and Singapore together contributed over one-third of foreign direct investment (FDI) in India during 2024–25.
- ❖ As per RBI Data, annual financial assets grew 48% between 2019 and 2025 and during the same period, annual financial liabilities increased by 102%.

- ❖ Alternative Investment Funds (AIFs) have become the primary capital source for India's real estate sector.
- ❖ The National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) launched a unified digital portal for Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPI) and Foreign Venture Capital Investors (FVCI).
- ❖ The Centre has launched Sahakar Digi Pay and Sahakar Digi Loan for urban cooperative banks (UCBs) at an international conference in New Delhi.
- ❖ India's retail inflation fell to 0.25% in October 2025, marking a historic low.
- ❖ India's wholesale price index (WPI) fell to -1.21% in October 2025.
- ❖ SEBI formed the Pratyush Sinha Committee to tighten conflict-of-interest and disclosure rules for its senior officials.
- ❖ India's forex reserves reached an all-time high of \$692.57 billion in the week ending 14 November 2025.
- ❖ The RBI announced that UPI will be linked with the TARGET Instant Payment Settlement (TIPS) system of the European Union.
- ❖ The RBI has listed SBI, HDFC Bank and ICICI Bank as Domestic Systemically Important Banks (D-SIBs) for 2025.
- ❖ India will conduct its 8th Economic Census (EC) in 2027 after the two-phase Population Census of 2026-27.
- ❖ India's UPI is recognized by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) as the world's largest retail fast-payment system by transaction volume.
- ❖ The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) launched a new agency called the Past Risk and Return Verification Agency (PaRRVA).
- ❖ The Union Cabinet approved full foreign ownership (100% FDI) in Indian insurance companies.

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- ❖ ISRO has achieved another milestone with the successful launch of the PSLV-C60 rocket.
- ❖ The Space startups in Japan and India had agreed to jointly study using laser-equipped satellites to remove debris from orbit.
- ❖ ISRO has achieved a remarkable milestone with its Compact Research Module for Orbital Plant Studies (CROPS) aboard the PSLV-C60 mission.
- ❖ ISRO has successfully operated its first space robotic arm aboard the POEM4 platform in space.

- ❖ IIT Madras has launched the Asia's largest Shallow Wave Basin Research Facility that can cater to Indian research and industry requirements.
- ❖ IIT Ropar launched its state-of-the-art AWaDH's Bluetooth Low Energy Gateway and Node System.
- ❖ Astronomers discovered a nascent ultra-diffuse galaxy forming at the end of the longest tidal tail ever observed, associated with the galaxy NGC 3785.
- ❖ IIT Bombay have developed a precise tinnitus matching device and customisable solution (mobile based software) at an affordable cost.
- ❖ The Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS) has developed a newer version of its own Search and Rescue Aid Tool (SARAT).
- ❖ ISRO successfully docks two satellites in space and India became fourth country to achieve feat after US, Russia, China.
- ❖ ISRO has successfully germinated black-eyed pea (lobia) seeds in space using its Compact Research Module for Orbital Plant Studies.
- ❖ ISRO has received the Crew Module for the first uncrewed mission of Gaganyaan (G1) after successfully completing the integration of the liquid propulsion system.
- ❖ The DRDO recently demonstrated the scramjet combustor ground test for 120 seconds for the first time in India.
- ❖ Bengaluru-based biotech startup, has launched Qartemi, a CAR-T cell therapy for patients with B-cell Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma (B-NHL).
- ❖ The Scientists have discovered Dark Oxygen in the depths of the Pacific Ocean, challenging long-held beliefs about how oxygen is produced on Earth.
- ❖ ISRO on January 29, 2025 launched its historic 100th launch from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota.
- ❖ Chinese scientists claim to have developed the world's first seabed 'radar' capable of detecting high-altitude aircraft.
- ❖ NASA's James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) and the Chandra X-ray observatory has discovered a bizarre black hole LID-568.
- ❖ Recently, Deep Seek launched its AI models—DeepSeek-V3 and DeepSeek-R1, a reasoning model.
- ❖ Astronomers have discovered a gigantic black hole named Gaia BH3 hiding close to the earth, the third of its kind.
- ❖ Scientists have successfully produced the first kangaroo embryos through in vitro fertilisation (IVF).
- ❖ The ICAR-Indian Institute of Spices Research (IISR) have identified a new fungal disease, Pyricularia Spp, that severely affected ginger crops.

- ❖ Russia has offered India to replace the R-77 air-to-air missile under the wings of the Su-30MKI with the R-37M missile.
- ❖ The 20-qubit quantum computer, called Reimei, has been integrated into Japan's Fugaku.
- ❖ Ukraine has reportedly acquired a new weapon system - the Gravehawk hybrid surface-to-air missile system.
- ❖ ISRO successfully developed a 10-tonne 'vertical planetary mixer', the largest of its kind for solid propellants globally.
- ❖ In January, the web-based portal Kaveri 2.0, which streamlines the property registrations in Karnataka, faced sporadic, crippling server outages.
- ❖ The Microsoft has announced the arrival of Majorana 1, a new quantum chip that produces more reliable and scalable qubits than its predecessors.
- ❖ Recently, the Euclid space mission of the European Space Agency (ESA) spotted an Einstein ring in the galaxy NGC 6505.
- ❖ IIT-Madras have tasted success in extracting the silicon carbide from (simulated) moon soil.
- ❖ South Africa's MeerKAT telescope has discovered a new giant radio galaxy, nicknamed 'Inkathazo,' meaning 'trouble'.
- ❖ The Researchers from the IIT -Guwahati and the Bose Institute, Kolkata have developed an advanced injectable hydrogel for localised cancer treatment.
- ❖ India and the US have announced plans to pursue the new procurements and co-production arrangements for Javelin anti-tank guided missiles.
- ❖ The Indian scientists have developed an innovative method to minimise anion migration in perovskite nanocrystals.
- ❖ Glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonists (GLP-1RAs) are novel drugs approved for diabetes and obesity.
- ❖ A team of the scientists from the Physical Research Laboratory in Ahmedabad discovered a giant planet TOI-6038A b that is bigger than Earth but smaller than Saturn.
- ❖ IIT Madras Launches Bharat Cancer Genome Atlas (BCGA) is a First-of-Its-Kind Cancer Genome Database to Transform Cancer Research in India.
- ❖ The Bharat Biotech group firm Biovet has received the Central Drug Standards Control Organization (CDSCO) licence for the lumpy skin disease (LSD) vaccine – BIOLUMPIVAXIN.
- ❖ China's Zhurong rover has made a stunning discovery on the rugged terrain on Mars.
- ❖ India has successfully test fired a first-of-its-kind naval anti-ship missile from Chandipur off the coast of Odisha.

- ❖ Firefly Aerospace, a US company, successfully landed its spacecraft on the Moon.
- ❖ India's Aditya-L1 mission has captured the very first-ever image of a solar flare of 'kernel.'
- ❖ The Scientists have created a new gene therapy for a debilitating genetic disorder called maple syrup urine disease (MSUD).
- ❖ The Billionaire Jeff Bezos' space company Blue Origin launched its 10th space tourism mission.
- ❖ ISRO recently successfully conducted the hot test on a semi-cryogenic engine (SE2000).
- ❖ Scientists have now confirmed a fourth form of ice, called Plastic Ice VII.
- ❖ China has deployed a powerful Large Phased Array Radar (LPAR) in the Yunnan province.
- ❖ Scientists have reported observations of a flareless coronal mass ejection (CME) from the solar atmosphere.
- ❖ The Scientists at the CSIR-NBRI in Lucknow claim to have developed the world's first genetically modified (GM) cotton.
- ❖ The ESA's European Space Operations Centre switched off the Gaia spacecraft's subsystems and sent it into a 'retirement orbit' around the Sun.
- ❖ The ISRO has announced significant progress in the design and development of a Semi cryogenic engine or Liquid Oxygen/Kerosene engine with a high thrust of 2,000 kN (kilonewton).
- ❖ Small satellite manufacturing company HEX20 became the State's first startup to partnered with SpaceX for launching its maiden satellite 'Nila'.
- ❖ Elon Musk's brain chip startup Neuralink aims to have its artificial visual prosthesis, Blindsight, implanted in a human for the first time by the end of 2025.
- ❖ The privately funded Fram2 human space mission has successfully completed its journey and splash down in California coast of USA.
- ❖ The upper stage (PS4) of PSLV-C60 (PSLV Orbital Experimental Module – POEM - 4), which was launched by ISRO, was re-entered the atmosphere recently.
- ❖ The ICAR – Indian Institute of Spices Research (IISR) has developed a new light-coloured turmeric variety for the masala industry.
- ❖ The crew of the Soyuz MS-26 spacecraft, consisting of Oleg Ovchinin, Ivan Vagner, and Donald Pettit, landed in the Jezkazgan area in Kazakhstan.
- ❖ DRDO has revealed a mock-up and details of the country's latest short-range ballistic missile called BM-04.
- ❖ China has inaugurated the Three Gorges Antarctic Eye telescope in Antarctica.

- ❖ The black rats, an invasive species – are the sole carriers of hantavirus, the very deadly virus, in the rural parts of Madagascar.
- ❖ Chandra's Surface Thermophysical Experiment (ChaSTE) has become the first instrument to measure temperatures in situ near the moon's south pole.
- ❖ In a first, the National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL) has signed a technology transfer agreement with a private company to manufacture trainer airplanes in India.
- ❖ Niallia tiangongensis bacterium, never before seen on Earth, was detected on China's Tiangong space station.
- ❖ A major solar eruption, also called the “bird-wing” event was detected recently.
- ❖ Chandrayaan-5, also known as LUPEX (Lunar Polar Exploration), is a joint project between ISRO and JAXA.
- ❖ The Spanish technology company GMV unveiled a GPS-like navigation system for the moon, it is named as LUPIN; the project is part of a programme by the European Space Agency.
- ❖ India's AI-driven, fully automated 'Akashteer' air defence system, was developed indigenously by Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL).
- ❖ Pop singer Katy Perry and five other women launched into space on a Blue Origin rocket and successfully returned to Earth, marking the first all-female spaceflight in more than 60 years.
- ❖ Bengaluru-based QpiAI has launched India's first full-stack quantum computer, QpiAI-Indus.
- ❖ The first 27 satellites for Amazon's Kuiper broadband internet constellation were launched into space.
- ❖ Astronomers have detected a possible biosignature, or signs of past or present life linked to biological activity, on an exoplanet named K2-18b.
- ❖ India successfully carried out maiden flight-trials of a stratospheric airship platform.
- ❖ The Scientists have mapped the genome of the saola (*Pseudoryx nghetinhensis*), the rarest large land mammal in the world.
- ❖ The Indian Navy has received its first Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft (ASW SWC), named 'Arnala'.
- ❖ The Chinese Scientists have created the first-ever Asian rice pangenome, encompassing genetic data from 144 wild and cultivated rice varieties.
- ❖ New research suggests that Earth's first crust Hadean Protocrust formed over 4.5 billion years ago.

- ❖ The DRDO successfully tested a Mk-II(A) Laser – Directed Energy Weapon (DEW) system.
- ❖ A new microscopy method named as the light-microscopy-based connectomics (LICONN), has been developed by the Austrian scientists.
- ❖ The New findings have revealed that the landing site (Shiv Shakti point) of the Chandrayaan-3 mission is a promising site to access primitive mantle samples.
- ❖ DeepMind has developed a new AI tool called AlphaGenome predicts how changing one DNA letter affects gene expression.
- ❖ The Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla becomes the second Indian to travel to space.
- ❖ Google has launched AI Mode in India, the first country outside the US to get it.
- ❖ Pune's National Institute of Virology has found that the anti-viral drug Favipiravir could help protect against the Chandipura virus.
- ❖ The Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) wins the bid for SSLV technology transfer from ISRO.
- ❖ Voyager 1 has encountered a region dubbed a “wall of fire” at the edge of our solar system.
- ❖ France has identified a completely new blood group system “Gwada negative”.
- ❖ The Scientists from Centre for Nano and Soft Matter Sciences (CeNS), Bengaluru, have developed a next-gen green hydrogen device.
- ❖ BSNL has soft-launched Quantum 5G Fixed Wireless Access (FWA) in Hyderabad.
- ❖ The scientists from the Indian Institute of Astrophysics (IIA), Bengaluru, have identified Extreme Helium in Star – A980.
- ❖ NASA's Voyager 1 spacecraft has detected a shell of superheated plasma at the heliopause.
- ❖ The U.S. has successfully used a technique called step-and-shoot spot-scanning proton arc therapy (SPArc) to treat a patient's adenoid cystic carcinoma (ACC) for the first time.
- ❖ For the first time, the researchers detected the universe's missing ordinary matter using powerful cosmic signals known as Fast Radio Bursts (FRBs).
- ❖ IISER – Bhopal have found that a single protein called BBX32 Protein which helps plants time their first step from darkness into light.
- ❖ The first ever video and images of the Sun's south pole have been sent back to Earth by the European Space Agency's Solar Orbiter spacecraft.
- ❖ The Indian Army has successfully conducted trials of the Rudrastra, a vertical take-off and landing (VTOL) UAV designed for deep-strike missions.

- ❖ India's First Agri-Drone Indigenization Facility, which was built by Garuda Aero space, was inaugurated at Chennai.
- ❖ The Scientists have discovered a new species of dinosaur Khankhuluu mongoliensis – Dragon Prince – in the collection of a Mongolian museum.
- ❖ TOI-6894b gas giant planet, roughly the size of Saturn, has been found orbiting a very unusually small red dwarf star.
- ❖ Specialists from four institutions of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) have assembled the first-ever chromosome-level genome of the Indian yak.
- ❖ Scientists in China have successfully fabricated atomically thin 2D metal sheets of bismuth, gallium, tin, and lead using a novel high-pressure technique.
- ❖ The Nuclear physicists have detected the radioactive disintegration of a rare isotope of astatine for the first time.
- ❖ The Scientists in Germany have achieved a major milestone in limitless energy through nuclear fusion with the Wendelstein 7-X reactor.
- ❖ Resilience, a lander built by Japan-based Pvt company Ispase, crashed into the lunar surface.
- ❖ The Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla of the Indian Air Force became the first Indian in over four decades to travel to space and board the International Space Station (ISS), as part of Axiom Space's Ax-4 mission.
- ❖ KATRIN has set a new global benchmark in the field of direct neutrino mass measurements.
- ❖ Researchers from India sampled six jarosite veins from Kachchh in Gujarat.
- ❖ The Gravity Recovery and Interior Laboratory (GRAIL) mission aimed to map the Moon's gravitational field.
- ❖ Japanese scientists have developed a new type of plastic that dissolves quickly in seawater, leaving no harmful residue.
- ❖ The researchers from Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT) studied the Rajgir hot spring in Nalanda, Bihar and discovered thermophilic Actinobacteria.
- ❖ 2017 OF201 – New distant dwarf planet has been discovered at the edge of our solar system.
- ❖ China is building the world's first supercomputer network in space, for which it launched 12 AI-powered satellites recently.
- ❖ Researchers at the Indian Institute of Science (IISc) have developed an artificial metal-based nanozyme.
- ❖ Novavax (Nuvaxovid) has secured a full FDA of USA approval for its protein-based COVID-19 vaccine.
- ❖ The US approved a new COVID-19 vaccine mNexspike, made by Moderna.

- ❖ Israel has become the first country in the world to use laser weapons to shoot down enemy drones during the ongoing war in Gaza.
- ❖ Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology (SKUAST) at Jammu have produced India's first gene-edited sheep.
- ❖ The baby, KJ Muldoon from Pennsylvania of USA, is one of 350 million people worldwide with a rare disease – CPS1 deficiency, this baby became the first to successfully receive personalized CRISPR gene therapy.
- ❖ China launched a space probe Tianwen 2 on the country's first mission to retrieve samples from an asteroid and bring back for research.
- ❖ The Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) recently developed India's first ICMR-SCD Stigma Scale for India (ISSSI).
- ❖ The DRDO has successfully developed an indigenous nano-porous multi-layered polymeric membrane for high-pressure seawater desalination.
- ❖ The Scientists used lasers and X-rays to study liquid carbon, which forms under extreme heat and pressure.
- ❖ IIT – Guwahati developed a bamboo-polymer composite using Bambusa tulda and biodegradable polymers as a plastic alternative.
- ❖ GRS 1915+105 is located 28,000 light-years away and exhibits dynamic and unusual behavior.
- ❖ Turkey's Tayfun Block-4 is its first hypersonic ballistic missile, developed by defence firm Roketsan.
- ❖ NASA's Tandem Reconnection and Cusp Reconnaissance Satellites (TRACERS) mission launched aboard a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket.
- ❖ DRDO has successfully conducted flight trials of the Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Launched Precision Guided Missile (ULPGM)-V3 in Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh.
- ❖ Astronomers observed early planet formation around baby star HOPS-315 in the Orion constellation.
- ❖ India is developing a Multi-Stage Malaria Vaccine named AdFalcivax.
- ❖ The first experimental evidence of the breaking of charge-parity (CP) symmetry in baryons has been obtained by CERN's LHCb Collaboration.
- ❖ The short-range ballistic missiles — Prithvi-II and Agni-I — were successfully test-fired from the Integrated Test Range in Chandipur, Odisha.
- ❖ NASA, and other international solar physicists, will launch a sounding rocket Solar Eruption Integral Field Spectrograph (SNIFS) experiment from New Mexico.
- ❖ NASA has discovered a new planet called TOI-1846 b, located 154 light-years from Earth.

- ❖ The Scientists from the Raman Research Institute (RRI) have discovered quantum noise.
- ❖ Chinese scientists have created the world's lightest brain controller (74 mg) to turn real bees into cyborgs for potential military use.
- ❖ The Scientists detected the most massive black hole merger ever recorded using gravitational wave detectors.
- ❖ Israel launched its first fully government–funded and locally built communication satellite, Dror-1.
- ❖ The HAYSTAC (Haloscope at Yale Sensitive to Axion Cold Dark Matter) experiment is a leading research initiative aimed at detecting axions.
- ❖ Astronomers have detected 11 new Active Galactic Nuclei (AGNs) during their all-sky X-ray surveys.
- ❖ The Scientists from the Nagaland University develop supercapacitor material that charges faster, lasts longer.
- ❖ Researchers have created a new catalyst designed to make crucial oxygen-related catalytic reactions faster, more affordable, and efficient.
- ❖ IIT Madras–led research team develops the biosensor for pre–eclampsia testing in pregnant women.
- ❖ A team of NASA scientists has proposed the deployment of a Quantum Gravity Gradiometer (QGG) onboard a satellite in low–Earth orbit.
- ❖ An international team of solar physicists, including the scientists from the Indian Institute of Astrophysics (IIA), has mapped dynamic plasma currents in the Sun's Near–Surface Shear Layer (NSSL).
- ❖ Taurus Molecular Cloud 1 (TMC1) contains many small, closed–shell PAHs that surprisingly survive intense starlight.
- ❖ The Kerala State Electricity Board (KSEB) and the Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IIT Bombay) have initiated a pilot project to explore the implementation of Vehicle–to–Grid (V2G) technology across the State.
- ❖ NASA's Curiosity rover has discovered siderite mineral deposits on Mars.
- ❖ The South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL) is becoming the first coal PSU to implement paste fill technology for underground coal mining.
- ❖ ISRO has successfully tested an indigenous Stellite (KC20WN) alloy nozzle divergent for the PSLV's fourth stage.
- ❖ The Indian scientists at JNCASR, Bengaluru, have developed a super–fast charging sodium–ion battery (SIB).
- ❖ The Central Electricity Authority (CEA) launched STELLAR, an indigenously developed tool to help states and power companies plan electricity generation, transmission, storage, and demand management.

- ❖ BatEchoMon is India's first automated bat monitoring, detection system.
- ❖ CSIR-Central Leather Research Institute (CLRI), Chennai, have recently developed specialised Nano-sized particles called Cu-Phen.
- ❖ The Scientists have developed a green water-based method to recycle the toxic perovskite solar cells.
- ❖ Alyssa Carson (24) of USA is aiming to be one of the first humans on Mars and has completed all NASA Space Camps and advanced space training programs.
- ❖ NASA discovers New Interstellar Comet 3I/ATLAS, confirmed by its Hyperbolic Non-Returning Orbit.
- ❖ Hyderabad-based Ananth Technologies will launch India's first private satellite broadband service.
- ❖ The European Southern Observatory (ESO) finds the first visual proof of a double detonation in a white dwarf star (SNR 0509-67.5).
- ❖ The Indian scientists created lanthanum-doped silver niobate to improve super capacitors.
- ❖ The Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru has launched a large-scale study called BHARAT.
- ❖ Japan successfully launched the 50th and last H-2A rocket recently.
- ❖ The Scientists at the Raman Research Institute (RRI) of Bengaluru has found the teak leaf extract can protect eyes and sensors from strong laser rays.
- ❖ The United States of America (USA) is leading the world in 2025 by launching 8,530 satellites.
- ❖ INS Udaygiri, a stealth frigate under Project 17A, was delivered to the Indian Navy on July 1.
- ❖ A rocky area in northern Quebec, called the Nuvvuagittuq Greenstone Belt, may hold Earth's oldest rocks.
- ❖ India is developing the K-6, a nuclear-capable hypersonic missile launched from submarines.
- ❖ SatSure, an earth observation (EO) startup from Bengaluru, and Dhruva Space, a Hyderabad-based company, have partnered to offer the Earth Observation-as-a-Service (EOaaS) solutions.
- ❖ NASA has discovered a new exoplanet named TWA 7b, orbiting the young star TWA 7.
- ❖ The Penn State researchers of USA have developed the first computer fully made with 2D materials, not silicon.
- ❖ The Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla became the first Indian to perform a scientific experiment aboard the International Space Station (ISS).

- ❖ ISRO has launched the NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar Satellite (NISAR) – the most expensive civilian Earth observation satellite ever built.
- ❖ Turkey's Gazap is a 970 kg (2,000-pound) bomb dispersing 10.16 fragments per square meter, three times stronger than standard MK-series bombs.
- ❖ The NASA-Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) Synthetic Aperture Radar (NISAR) satellite mission cost over 1.5 billion USD.
- ❖ ISRO launched the Himalayan Outpost for Planetary Exploration (HOPE) mission in Tso Kar Valley, Ladakh.
- ❖ The Crew Interactive Mobile Companion (Cimon) is an artificial intelligence robot developed to support astronauts on the International Space Station.
- ❖ August 5, 2025, was shorter by 1.34 milliseconds than the standard 24 hours.
- ❖ WHO has officially classified the Hepatitis D virus (HDV) as carcinogenic.
- ❖ Scientists have identified the bacterium *Vibrio pectenicida* as the cause of sea star wasting disease.
- ❖ The Sea of Galilee in Israel has turned red because of a green algae species called *Botryococcus braunii*.
- ❖ Researchers discovered a new marine roundworm species *Admirandus odishaensis* in Chilika Lake.
- ❖ WHO certified Kenya as free of human African trypanosomiasis as a public health problem.
- ❖ Metop Second Generation A1 (Metop-SGA1) was successfully launched on from Europe's Spaceport in Kourou on an Ariane-62 rocket.
- ❖ Golden Dome (GD) is a U.S. missile defense system designed to protect against enemy intercontinental ballistic missiles (ICBMs).
- ❖ Northeast Frontier Railway (NFR) became India's first railway zone to use compostable bioplastic bags on trains.
- ❖ Scientists discovered PelV-1 a giant virus with the longest known tail near Hawaii.
- ❖ Pixxel Space India-led consortium will build India's first commercial earth observation (EO) satellite constellation.
- ❖ ISRO and Muskaan Foundation inaugurated a space lab at Government Higher Secondary School in Mechukha, Arunachal Pradesh.
- ❖ Researchers at IIT-Roorkee discovered Compound 3b to fight drug-resistant bacteria.
- ❖ Scientists have genetically engineered *Escherichia coli* bacteria to function as self-powered chemical sensors that produce electrical signals.

- ❖ Russia is preparing to test the 9M730 Burevestnik nuclear-powered cruise missile in Novaya Zemlya.
- ❖ Scientists at Stanford of USA have developed a brain-computer interface (BCI) that activates only when users think of a preset password.
- ❖ Ex-Twitter CEO Parag Agrawal launched a new AI startup called Parallel Web Systems.
- ❖ India will collaborate with a French company, likely Safran, to co-develop and produce engines for its fifth-generation Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA).
- ❖ The F-47 is the next-generation air dominance fighter aircraft for the United States Air Force.
- ❖ The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) is developing the Lunar Module Launch Vehicle (LMLV), its heaviest rocket ever.
- ❖ NASA's James Webb Space Telescope discovered Uranus' 29th moon, named S/2025 U1.
- ❖ The Indian Air Force used the AI-enabled X-Guard Fibre-Optic Towed Decoy system on Rafale fighters during Operation Sindoor to confuse enemy radar and missiles.
- ❖ ISRO has successfully conducted the first Integrated Air Drop Test (IADT-01) at Sriharikota.
- ❖ Scientists discovered a rare quadruple star system called UPM J1040-3551 AabBab.
- ❖ The first U.S. human case of New World screwworm was confirmed on August 4, 2025.
- ❖ The new rocket launch pad at Kulasekarapattinam, Thoothukudi district, will handle 20 to 25 satellite launches each year.
- ❖ Scientists have developed a new artificial intelligence model called the Hierarchical Reasoning Model (HRM).
- ❖ The Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) introduced CEREBO, a portable, non-invasive diagnostic tool for traumatic brain injury (TBI).
- ❖ India unveiled its first fully indigenous 32-bit microprocessor Vikram 3201 developed by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO).
- ❖ The Vision, Language and Learning Group (VL2G) at the IIT Jodhpur develops artificial intelligence (AI) models for 13 Indian languages.
- ❖ The World Health Organization (WHO) released the 24th edition of the Model List of Essential Medicines (EML) and the 10th edition for children (EMLc).
- ❖ India has joined the HealthAI Global Regulatory Network (GRN) to promote the safe and effective use of artificial intelligence (AI) in healthcare.

- ❖ A total lunar eclipse, also called a Blood Moon, was observed across India on September 7, 2025.
- ❖ NITI Aayog's Frontier Tech Hub released the fourth edition of its Future Front Quarterly Insights series on two-dimensional (2D) materials.
- ❖ India has developed a rare reference material, Methandienone Long-Term Metabolite (LTM), through collaboration between NIPER Guwahati and NDTL.
- ❖ India has developed its first indigenous water-soluble fertiliser technology after seven years of research.
- ❖ The Indian Army used its indigenously developed secure mobile ecosystem, SAMBHAV (Secure Army Mobile Bharat Version), during Operation Sindoor.
- ❖ The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has achieved nine major world records in space exploration as of 2025.
- ❖ Scientists at Jawaharlal Nehru Tropical Botanic Garden and Research Institute (JNTBGRI), Kerala, developed a wound-healing pad using the red ivy plant.
- ❖ AIIMS New Delhi became the first government medical college in India to train on the da Vinci robotic surgical system.
- ❖ NASA's Solar Dynamics Observatory photographed a 5,00,000-kilometre-wide butterfly-shaped coronal hole on the Sun on September 11, 2025.
- ❖ The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare used AI to send monsoon forecasts to 3.8 crore farmers in 13 states in 2025.
- ❖ The WHO has added GLP-1 receptor agonists to its 24th Model List of Essential Medicines (EML) for type 2 diabetes.
- ❖ Sentient AI has launched an open-source Artificial General Intelligence (AGI) platform.
- ❖ ISRO will launch Vyommitra, an AI-powered half-humanoid robot, on its first uncrewed Gaganyaan mission in December 2025.
- ❖ Agnikul Cosmos has launched India's first private large-format 3D-printing facility for aerospace at the IIT-Madras Research Park in Chennai.
- ❖ Researchers at Stanford University and the Arc Institute created the world's first fully AI-designed functioning viral genome.
- ❖ Astronomers have confirmed the discovery of a new quasi-moon named 2025 PN7 orbiting near Earth.
- ❖ The DRDO and Strategic Forces Command (SFC) successfully tested the Agni-Prime missile.
- ❖ Wheat was successfully grown for the first time on desert land in Banseli village, Ajmer, using desert 'soilification' technology.

- ❖ A swarm of over 1,200 earthquakes in early 2025 revealed a shared magma source between Santorini Island and the nearby Kolumbo submarine volcano, located in Greece.
- ❖ India's first indigenously developed glycoprotein E (gE) deleted DIVA marker vaccine against infectious bovine rhinotracheitis (IBR) was launched recently.
- ❖ NASA and ISRO's joint NISAR (NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar) satellite was launched from Sriharikota, India, to monitor Earth's surface changes in all weather and daylight conditions.
- ❖ The Border Security Force (BSF) is developing radar-mounted drones in collaboration with ISRO for border surveillance.
- ❖ Lecanemab is a lab-made antibody drug that slows early-stage Alzheimer's by targeting amyloid proteins in the brain.
- ❖ NASA's Interstellar Mapping and Acceleration Probe (IMAP) was launched aboard SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket.
- ❖ False smut (haldi rog) is a fungal disease in rice caused by *Ustilaginoidea virens*, infecting crops during flowering.
- ❖ The Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF), India's newest science funding agency, has developed a tool called SARAL.
- ❖ The Cassini spacecraft found new complex organic molecules in fresh ice grains ejected from Saturn's moon Enceladus.
- ❖ India is developing Dhvani, a Hypersonic Glide Vehicle (HGV), capable of flying above Mach 5 (over 7,400 kilometres per hour).
- ❖ The DRDO released Indian Radio Software Architecture (IRSA) version 1.0 in collaboration with the Integrated Defence Staff (IDS) and the Tri-Services.
- ❖ The Indian Army has inducted the indigenous Saksham Counter-Unmanned Aerial System (CUAS) Grid System for real-time drone threat neutralisation.
- ❖ China launched the world's first dual-tower solar-thermal power plant in the Gobi Desert.
- ❖ Caltech has developed the world's largest neutral-atom qubit array with 6,100 qubits, advancing towards error correction and large-scale quantum computing.
- ❖ The Finance Ministry has approved the construction of Maitri II, India's fourth research station in Antarctica.
- ❖ WHO has validated the Maldives for eliminating mother-to-child transmission (EMTCT) of hepatitis B.
- ❖ India's largest artificial intelligence (AI) data hub will be built in Andhra Pradesh.
- ❖ Astra Mark 2 is a Beyond Visual Range (BVR) air-to-air missile being developed by DRDO.

- ❖ The Military Combat Parachute System (MCPS) of DRDO, was successfully tested at 32,000 feet by Indian Air Force.
- ❖ Gaganyaan will use a Crew Escape System (CES) to safely eject astronauts during a launch emergency in the atmospheric phase.
- ❖ Astronomers have observed a developing ring system around Chiron, an icy centaur located between Saturn and Uranus.
- ❖ India has gifted Prussian Blue capsules to Indonesia for treating Cesium-137 contamination.
- ❖ Chandrayaan-2 payload makes first-ever direct observation of the Sun's coronal mass ejection impact on the Moon.
- ❖ The LCA (Light Combat Aircraft) Tejas Mk1A made its maiden flight at HAL's (Hindustan Aeronautics Limited) Nashik plant.
- ❖ Researchers have identified Sinapic acid, a naturally occurring plant compound, as a potential treatment for diabetic wounds.
- ❖ Chinese scientists discovered rare meteorite relics in lunar soil brought back by the Chang'e-6 mission.
- ❖ Fiji has been validated by the WHO for eliminating trachoma as a public health problem.
- ❖ Google Quantum AI's Willow chip has achieved the first-ever verifiable quantum advantage.
- ❖ Scientists have discovered a super-Earth exoplanet named GJ 251c.
- ❖ India has announced the development of an indigenous 7-nanometre processor, marking its entry into advanced semiconductor design.
- ❖ Russia successfully tested its nuclear-powered Burevestnik (9M730) cruise missile.
- ❖ China has developed a transparent, jellyfish-shaped bionic robot for stealth underwater exploration.
- ❖ INS Sutlej, an Indian Navy hydrographic survey ship, completed a 35,000 square nautical mile survey with the Mauritius Hydrographic Service.
- ❖ Scientists at the Indian Council of Agricultural Research National Institute of Animal Nutrition and Physiology (ICAR-NIANP), Bengaluru, developed a ready-to-use egg yolk-free solution called CRYODIL for cryopreserving buffalo semen.
- ❖ Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) and Russia's United Aircraft Corporation (UAC) signed an MoU for the production of the SJ-100 civil commuter aircraft.
- ❖ Elon Musk's AI company xAI has launched an AI-powered online knowledge database called Grokipedia.

- ❖ Hong Kong-based startup Stellerus Technology will deploy the Feilian Constellation, the world's first satellite network for three-dimensional wind data.
- ❖ A new mpox strain, clade Ib, is spreading in Europe.
- ❖ Scientists in Brazil launched the Amazon Free-Air Carbon Dioxide Enrichment (Amazon FACE) experiment near Manaus.
- ❖ The Researchers at the IIT-Madras have achieved a breakthrough in soft landing technology for vertical take-off aircraft and unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs).
- ❖ CALIBRE Centre will be established by the National Centre for Biological Sciences and the International Centre for Theoretical Sciences, both part of the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research.
- ❖ China successfully launched the Shenzhou-21 mission to its Tiangong space station, carrying a three-member crew that includes the country's youngest-ever astronaut (32) and four laboratory mice, marking China's first in-orbit biological experiment involving rodents.
- ❖ Pravaig Dynamics of Bengaluru has launched the VEER EV, India's first indigenous electric vehicle designed for defence operations. It won the Innovation for Defence Excellence (iDEX) award for groundbreaking defence innovation.
- ❖ A University of Iowa (USA) study revealed the unexpected structure of the DNA repair protein RAD52.
- ❖ ISRO successfully launched CMS-03, India's heaviest (4,410 kg) communication satellite, on November 2, 2025.
- ❖ Russia has launched its newest nuclear submarine 'Khabarovsk', designed to carry the underwater nuclear drone 'Poseidon', also known as 'doomsday missile'.
- ❖ Scientists have directly detected Alfvén waves in the Sun's corona for the first time.
- ❖ City-Killer Asteroid 2024 YR4 may collide with the Moon in 2032.
- ❖ Researchers at the Wadhwani School of AI and Data Science, Indian Institute of Technology-Madras (IIT-M), and The Ohio State University developed an AI framework named PURE (Policy-guided Unbiased Representations for Structure Constrained Molecular Generation) for Drug Discovery.
- ❖ Astronomers discovered GJ 251 c, a rocky exoplanet almost 4 times the mass of Earth, orbiting a nearby dwarf star less than 20 light-years away.
- ❖ The interstellar comet 3I/ATLAS is accelerating unexpectedly as it moves away from the Sun and toward Earth.
- ❖ IIT Madras Researchers have developed a low-cost, minimally invasive continuous glucose monitoring device.
- ❖ Alembic Pharmaceuticals has received final approval from the US Food and Drug Administration (USFDA) for its generic Dasatinib (Leukemia Drug) tablets.

- ❖ The USFDA has approved Linzess (Linaclootide) for children aged seven years and older with irritable bowel syndrome with constipation (IBS-C).
- ❖ NASA confirmed that Earth is experiencing its strongest geomagnetic storm of the year, classified as a G5 event.
- ❖ The NexCAR19, India's first indigenous Chimeric Antigen Receptor (CAR) T-cell therapy was launched recently.
- ❖ DRDO's Naval Science and Technological Laboratory (NSTL) in Visakhapatnam has developed new Man-portable Autonomous Underwater Vehicles (MP-AUVs) for mine countermeasure missions.
- ❖ India unveiled its first indigenous Quantum Diamond Microscope, developed under the National Quantum Mission by the P-Quest Group at IIT Bombay.
- ❖ Sentinel-6B an ocean-observing satellite was launched from Vandenberg Space Force Base, California, USA.
- ❖ OpenAI launched IndQA, a benchmark to evaluate AI systems on Indian languages, culture, and communication patterns.
- ❖ SS Innovations International, Inc., launched MantrAsana, the world's first portable robotic telesurgery system, developed entirely in India.
- ❖ The Oman Society of Astronomy and Space has successfully tracked and photographed Comet SWAN (Comet C/2025 R2 SWAN) across the country.
- ❖ Researchers reconstructed the Sun's polar magnetic fields using 100+ years of historical images from Kodaikanal Solar Observatory (KoSO).
- ❖ India launched its first indigenous CRISPR-based gene therapy for Sickle Cell Disease named BIRSA 101.
- ❖ The HAMMER is a precision-guided air-to-ground weapon jointly made in India by Bharat Electronics Limited and French based firm Safran.
- ❖ Gavi and UNICEF (United Nations Children's Fund) signed an agreement to make R21/Matrix-M malaria vaccines more accessible.
- ❖ The Prime Minister unveiled Vikram-I is India's first privately developed commercial orbital rocket, built by Skyroot Aerospace and inaugurated Skyroot's Infinity Campus in Hyderabad, a facility that can produce one orbital rocket per month.
- ❖ A 3.5-billion-year-old crater on Mars has been named after Indian geologist M.S. Krishnan and five Kerala-based names—Valiamala, Thumba, Bekal, Varkala, and Periyar—are now assigned to nearby craters and a Martian valley.
- ❖ Indian researchers from the S N Bose National Centre for Basic Sciences and Ashoka University developed an AI Framework for Cancer Therapy named OncoMark.

- ❖ India will set up four advanced quantum fabrication hubs under the National Quantum Mission at IIT Delhi, IIT Bombay, IIT Kanpur, and IISc Bengaluru.
- ❖ The ISRO has achieved another milestone with its Space Docking Experiment (SpaDeX) satellites successfully completing a second docking.
- ❖ India's first indigenous tetravalent dengue vaccine, DengiAll, has reached 50% enrolment in Phase 3 clinical trials.
- ❖ The Researchers in India at the Bose Institute of Kolkata have created a pineapple resistant to fungi by enhancing the AcSERK3 gene.
- ❖ GW250114, a gravitational wave event from the merger of two black holes was discovered.
- ❖ Google has launched a new computer chip named Ironwood.
- ❖ Turkey's Kızılelma unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) became the world's first drone to shoot down an aircraft using a beyond-visual-range (BVR) missile.
- ❖ The Researchers at NCRA-TIFR (National Centre for Radio Astrophysics – Tata Institute of Fundamental Research) found a new spiral galaxy named Alaknanda.
- ❖ Scientists detected glucose; a six-carbon sugar used as energy in a sample returned by NASA's OSIRIS-REx spacecraft from asteroid Bennu in 2023.
- ❖ The Air-Sol Moyenne Portée-Renove (ASMPA-R) is the newest version of France's medium-range, supersonic, nuclear-capable ASMP cruise missile family.
- ❖ Israel-based startup Remilk will commercially launch lab-grown "cow-free" milk from January 2026.
- ❖ IIT Guwahati developed a material called Phase-Selective Organogelator (PSOG) which helps to detect Fuel Adulteration.
- ❖ Godrej Aerospace delivered the first human-rated Vikas engine to the ISRO for the Gaganyaan mission.
- ❖ China's Chang'e-6 mission discovered tiny iron oxide crystals in lunar soil.
- ❖ Europe conducted the world's largest planetary-defence drill, centred on tracking the near-Earth object 3I/ATLAS.
- ❖ ISRO's Aditya-L1 Joins Global Effort in Landmark Solar Storm Study.
- ❖ AIIMS New Delhi conducted India's 1st clinical trial of the Supernova Stent for stroke treatment.
- ❖ Maitri II is India's proposed next-generation research station in East Antarctica, expected to be completed by 2032.
- ❖ HAMMER (Highly Agile Modular Munition Extended Range), also called AASM (Armement Air-Sol Modulaire), is a precision-guided air-to-ground weapon.
- ❖ The Japanese researchers have experimentally confirmed ruthenium dioxide as an altermagnet.

- ❖ The James Webb Space Telescope discovered a lemon-shaped exoplanet named PSR J2322-2650b.
- ❖ Dark Eagle is a hypersonic missile system developed by the USA.
- ❖ Micrometeoroids and Orbital Debris (MMOD) are small natural and human-made objects moving around Earth at very high speeds.
- ❖ The DRDO has completed User Evaluation Trials (UET) of the Akash-NG missile system.

ENVIRONMENT

- ❖ The year 2024 is set to be the warmest on record, capping a decade of the unprecedented heat fuelled by human activities.
- ❖ Between 2005 and 2020, carbon emission was down by 7.93% compared to 2019, while emissions intensity reduced by 36%.
- ❖ Scientists have identified a new species of ant from the Western Ghats region in Kodagu district of Karnataka called Tapinoma onaole.
- ❖ The world's first cryo-born baby corals have been successfully settled into their new and natural homes on the Great Barrier Reef.
- ❖ The first-ever multi-taxon global freshwater fauna assessment for The IUCN Red List of Threatened Species conducted recently.
- ❖ The Scientists have identified a new species of Indo-Burmese pangolin (*Manis indoburmanica*) in Arunachal Pradesh.
- ❖ DDT or di-chloro-di-phenyl-tri-chloro-ethane was introduced as an insecticide in 1939.
- ❖ Water hyacinth, the world's most widespread invasive species, is blanketing the Lake Naivasha of Nairobi, Kenya.
- ❖ The Ganga River basin has an estimated population of 3,936 Gangetic dolphins (with a standard error of 763).
- ❖ The endangered Indian wolves are thriving very freely at the Bankapur Wolf Sanctuary of Karnataka.
- ❖ Researchers have identified 23 species of blood-sucking flies in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, including 13 species previously unreported in India.
- ❖ Over 30.87 million hectares of wilderness were consumed by fire, an area roughly the size of state Maharashtra in India or Italy.
- ❖ The Olive Ridley turtles had skipped the River Rushikulya mouth in Odisha's Ganjam district in 2024 for the mass nesting.

- ❖ Two bird sanctuaries in Tamil Nadu's Ramanathapuram district — Sakkarakottai and Therthangal — have been designated as Ramsar sites.
- ❖ New Zealand has granted Mount Taranaki, now officially known as Taranaki Maunga, the same legal rights as a human being.
- ❖ A23a is the largest iceberg in the world was freed from the Filchner Ice Shelf in Antarctica.
- ❖ The International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) has officially come into force as a treaty-based, inter-governmental organisation.
- ❖ The 2025 annual bird count at Pong Dam Lake Wildlife Sanctuary, recorded an unprecedented surge in waterfowl, with a total of 1,53,719 birds of 97 species.
- ❖ The Researchers have also recently discovered a new species of phytopathogenic fungi, *epicoccum indicum*.
- ❖ The Fentale volcano in Ethiopia has emitted vast amounts of methane into the atmosphere.
- ❖ The latest census has counted the vulture population in Madhya Pradesh at 12,981, an increase by 2,136 over the last census.
- ❖ COP16 to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) in Rome have reached a historic agreement on financing global conservation goals.
- ❖ A new species of spined loach, officially named the *Cobitis beijingensis*, has been discovered in the Beijing area in China for the first time in over 40 years.
- ❖ India's first-ever riverine dolphin estimation report has recorded 6,327 dolphins across 28 rivers in eight states.
- ❖ Researchers of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), have discovered a new species of Congrid eel and named it after Tamil.
- ❖ The World Economic Forum's Uplink supported ventures prevented 142,400 tonnes of carbon dioxide emissions over the past two years.
- ❖ Scientists may have discovered dozens of new species, on the newly exposed seafloor left behind by the A-84 iceberg that broke away from the George VI Ice Shelf.
- ❖ The number of big cats in the Nagarjuna Sagar-Srisailam Tiger Reserve (NSTR) in the Nallamala forest area in Andhra Pradesh has increased from 74 in 2023 to 76 in 2024.
- ❖ A new species of snakehead fish found from a remote stream in South Garo Hills.
- ❖ IUCN released its first Green Status assessment for the lion (*Panthera leo*).
- ❖ The Synchronised Vulture Survey 2025 was organised in the States of Tamil Nadu, Kerala, and Karnataka Forest Departments.

- ❖ The Thar Desert in India saw a striking 38 per cent rise in greening annually over the last two decades.
- ❖ The researchers have rediscovered a long-lost species of the velvet worms (the phylum Onychophora) after 111 years.
- ❖ A new species of damselfly Euphaea Wayanadensis has been discovered in the Wayanad landscape of the Western Ghats.
- ❖ The Villupuram Forest Division has planned to conduct a population study of the grizzled giant squirrel found in good numbers in the Pakkamalai and the Gangavaram hills.
- ❖ The newly found species Clidinium lalitae – Beetle are discovered in the Talle Valley Wildlife Sanctuary in Arunachal Pradesh.
- ❖ The world lost about 25,870 square miles (67,000 square kilometers) of primary rainforest in 2024.
- ❖ The Scientists have identified a new species of damselfly, Caliphaea Sinuofurcata, (Bearded Bronzeback) from Arunachal Pradesh.
- ❖ The Researchers discovered a new species of free-living marine nematode Pheronus jairajpurii Datta & Rizvi, a tiny worm-like creature, found on a sandy beach in Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ Scientists have discovered a small three-eyed predator called Mosura fentoni.
- ❖ A new butterfly species, 'Euthalia malaccana', has been recorded for the first time in Arunachal Pradesh's Leparada district.
- ❖ Nepal's Yala glacier is believed to be the first Nepalese glacier to be declared "dead".
- ❖ Researchers have discovered two new species of freshwater fish from the Western Ghats — Labeo uru and Labeo chekida.
- ❖ Ladakh hosts 477 snow leopards, two-thirds of the country's total population of these wild cats.
- ❖ In a first for India, the efforts are underway to get global sustainability recognition for the mud crab fishery in Chilika Lake.
- ❖ The recent survey in Periyar Tiger Reserve (PTR) have added five new amphibian species and three new reptile species to the region's records.
- ❖ A new species of gecko, believed to be present only around Coonoor, has been discovered in the Nilgiris in Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ A 2022 study found that India has lost \$127.3 billion (Rs 830 crore) to invasive alien species over the last 60 years.
- ❖ India has the fourth highest potential in the world to generate solar power from abandoned coal mines.

- ❖ Two new species of an earthworms – Kanchuria Tripuraensis and Kanchuria Priya Shankari, have been officially discovered in Tripura.
- ❖ A new flowering plant species, Portulaca Bharat, has been discovered in the rocky and semi-arid landscape of the Aravali hills near Jaipur, Rajasthan.
- ❖ Researchers have identified a new species of jumping spiders of the Spartaeinae subfamily (Spartaeus and Sonoita) in southern India.
- ❖ More than one-fifth of the global ocean has considerably darkened in the last two decades.
- ❖ Zimbabwe has announced plans to cull at least 50 elephants in the Save Valley Conservancy.
- ❖ A new bat species, the Himalayan long-tailed myotis (Myotis himalaicus), has been discovered in the high-altitude forests of Uttarakhand.
- ❖ A new planarian worm species, Dugesia punensis, has been discovered in Pashan Lake, Pune.
- ❖ The insect, named Spathaspina noohi, belongs to the weevil family discovered from the forests of Meghalaya.
- ❖ Khichan in Phalodi and Menar in Udaipur have been designated as Ramsar sites recently.
- ❖ The Centre has officially designated an Eco-Sensitive Zone (ESZ) around the Tral Wildlife Sanctuary.
- ❖ Calotes Zolaiking, a species of garden lizard, was first described in 2019 in Mizoram's Aizawl district.
- ❖ India lost 18,200 hectares of primary forest in 2024, a slight increase from 17,700 hectares recorded in 2023.
- ❖ Nagshankar, in northeastern Assam's Biswanath district, has been designated a model temple for turtle conservation.
- ❖ A new species of cave-dwelling fish named Schistura densiclava was discovered in Meghalaya.
- ❖ The rare giant shrimp Alicella gigantea is occurring in 59% of the world's oceans.
- ❖ A new sea squirt species named Clavelina Ossipandae was discovered near Kumejima Island, Japan.
- ❖ Researchers have discovered a new species of wolf spider on Sagar Island in the Sundarbans delta.
- ❖ Lantana camara is now classified as an invasive alien species (non-native species causing ecological/economic harm).
- ❖ CIBA has successfully sequenced the genome of the gold-lined seabream (Rhabdosargus sarba).

- ❖ Rubber plantations in Kerala have been under threat from a beetle-fungus alliance.
- ❖ The scientists have documented and modelled a previously unrecorded escape movement used by newborn yellow anacondas.
- ❖ The Indian scientists have recently uncovered a previously unknown species of lichen, *Allographa Effusosoredica*, from Western Ghats.
- ❖ A new dragonfly species named *Lyriothemis Abrahami* has been discovered in the Western Ghats.
- ❖ A new butterfly species named *Zographetus Mathewi* has been discovered in the forests of Kerala's Western Ghats.
- ❖ The Standing Committee of the National Board for Wildlife (SC-NBWL) had recommended including the Gharial and Sloth Bear in the Species Recovery Programme.
- ❖ Under the Rhino DNA Index System (RhoDIS) India program, a specialised team has begun genetic analysis of samples from 2,573 rhino horns.
- ❖ Paris reopened the River Seine for public swimming for the first time since 1923 after a century-long sewage pollution issue.
- ❖ A new species of freshwater fish, *Pethia dibrugarhensis*, were identified in the Brahmaputra River near Dibrugarh, Assam.
- ❖ Sohra in Meghalaya, known as the world's wettest place, received only 1,095.4 mm of rain this June.
- ❖ The United States government plans to stop for funding the Mauna Loa Climate Observatory in Hawaii.
- ❖ On 30 June, Chile and Argentina became the coldest places on Earth outside the polar regions.
- ❖ *Garcinia kusumae* is a newly discovered tree species in Assam of Northeast India, locally called Thoikora in Assamese language.
- ❖ A rare roll cloud was spotted over a beach in Portugal during a heatwave.
- ❖ The Scientists found a rare behaviour in a magnetic material called chromium antimonide (CrSb).
- ❖ India has found 683 new animal species last year (459 newly discovered and 224 newly recorded).
- ❖ Ammonium sulphate is a key secondary pollutant in India's PM2.5 pollution.
- ❖ A new species of Begonia, *Begonia nyishiorum*, has been discovered in Arunachal Pradesh.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu government is spending ₹50 crore to restore Kariyachalli Island in the Gulf of Mannar, near Tuticorin.

- ❖ A new orchid species, '*Chamaegastrodia reiekensis*', discovered in the forests of Mizoram.
- ❖ Two new species of bush frogs *Raorchestes jakoid*' and '*Raorchestes jadoh*' have been discovered in the Khasi Hills of Meghalaya.
- ❖ Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve (KNPTR) in Assam now has 148 tigers, with a density of 18.65 tigers per 100 sq km, making it the third-highest globally.
- ❖ In the 2025 Southwest Monsoon (SWM) season, Meghalaya had a rainfall deficit of 56%.
- ❖ Kerala's Golden Jackal (*Canis aureus naria*) population is estimated between 20,000 and 30,000.
- ❖ In 2023, marine heat waves (MHWs) had covered 96 per cent of the global ocean surface.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu has recorded an estimated 1,303 Nilgiri Tahr in the second annual synchronised population survey.
- ❖ A new species of rain snake (*Smithophis leptofasciatus*), named the narrow-banded rain snake, has been discovered in a tropical forest of Mizoram.
- ❖ Two new species of freshwater crabs (*Kasargodia sheebae*, *Pilarta vaman*) from the Gecarcinucidae family have been discovered in Kerala.
- ❖ India's Asiatic lion population increased from 674 in 2020 to 891 in 2025, a growth of 32.2%.
- ❖ Two new damselfly species (Konkan Shadowdamselfly, Crimson Shadowdamselfly) were discovered in the Western Ghats of Maharashtra and Kerala.
- ❖ A rare nocturnal moth, *Antitrisuloides catocalina*, was discovered for the first time in the Western Ghats.
- ❖ The saltwater crocodile population in Sundarbans Biosphere Reserve (SBR) increased in 2025, with 213 direct sightings recorded.
- ❖ Eight firefly species (*Abscondita perplexa*, *Abscondita terminalis*, *Asymmetricata humeralis*, three *Curto* species, *Lamprigera* sp. and *Pyrocoelia* sp.) have been identified in Anamalai Tiger Reserve through Tamil Nadu's first genetic study on fireflies.
- ❖ Two new soil-dwelling springtail species, *Salina aurantiamaculata* and *Salina pseudomontana* discovered in Kolkata
- ❖ Elathur Lake in Erode district has been officially notified as Tamil Nadu's third biodiversity heritage site.
- ❖ *Crocothemis erythraea*, an elusive dragonfly species, has been reconfirmed in high-elevation regions of the southern Western Ghats.
- ❖ A new tuber species named *Dioscorea balakrishnanii* has been identified in the Western Ghats region of Wayanad district, Kerala.

- ❖ Odisha's Debrigarh wildlife sanctuary to become India's newest tiger reserve.
- ❖ A new marine telemedicine helpline named Matsya has been launched by ReefWatch Marine Conservation in Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ The Giant African Snail (*Lissachatina fulica*) has been detected in parts of Chennai and surrounding areas.
- ❖ Researchers from the MACS-Agharkar Research Institute, Pune, identified two novel species of Aspergillus section Nigri (commonly known as black aspergillus), *Aspergillus dhakephalkarii* and *Aspergillus patriciae*, from soil samples in the Western Ghats.
- ❖ A new species of bent-toed gecko named *Cyrtodactylus vanarakshaka* has been discovered in Assam's Dima Hasao district.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu Forest Department has created a new mangrove belt on Battle of Adyar Island in the Adyar Estuary.
- ❖ A new species of freshwater fish named *Garra nambashiensis* was discovered in the Taretlok River in Manipur's Kamjong district.
- ❖ Scientists have discovered a new species of deep-sea coral *Iridogorgia chewbacca* in the tropical western Pacific Ocean.
- ❖ Researchers from have discovered a new species of finless snake eel *Apterichtus kanniyakumari*.
- ❖ The IUCN World Conservation Congress 2025 in Abu Dhabi adopted a motion recognising India's Dugong Conservation reserve.
- ❖ The tiger population in Achanakmar Tiger Reserve (Chhattisgarh) rose from 5 in 2022 to 18 in 2025 after the arrival of tigress Jhumri from Bandhavgarh.
- ❖ Researchers discovered a new plant species *Impatiens selvasinghii* in Kudremukh range of the Western Ghats, Karnataka.
- ❖ Gokul Jalashay (Buxar) and Udaipur Jheel (West Champaran) in Bihar have been added to the Ramsar list of wetlands of international importance.
- ❖ Mukhi, an India-born female cheetah, will become the first to reach adulthood at Kuno National Park.
- ❖ The Cold Desert Biosphere Reserve in Himachal Pradesh was added to UNESCO's World Network of Biosphere Reserves.
- ❖ CSIR-AMPRI (Council of Scientific and Industrial Research – Advanced Materials and Processes Research Institute) designed and developed a SODAR (Sound Detection and Ranging) system facility.
- ❖ A new coffee plant species *Ophiorrhiza echinata* was found in the Western Ghats.
- ❖ The National Biodiversity Authority (NBA) has sanctioned ₹82 lakh to the Andhra Pradesh Biodiversity Board for Red Sanders (*Pterocarpus santalinus*) conservation.

- ❖ India generated 2.2 million tonnes of e-waste in 2025 with a 150% increase since 2017–18.
- ❖ Swiss glaciers lost 3% of their volume in 2025 due to low snowfall and heatwaves in June and August.
- ❖ The snow leopard population in Himachal Pradesh has risen by 62 percent in four years, reaching 83 in 2025.
- ❖ The Philippines has set up Southeast Asia's first coral larvae cryobank.
- ❖ India unveiled its first Red List of Endangered Species at the IUCN (International Union for Conservation of Nature) World Conservation Congress 2025.
- ❖ A new species of wasp named *Nesolynx banabitanae* was discovered in Central Park, Salt Lake, and Kolkata.
- ❖ A new fungus species named *Bridgeoporus kanadii* has been discovered in Arunachal Pradesh.
- ❖ Armenia became the newest State Member of IUCN during the 2025 IUCN World Conservation Congress in Abu Dhabi.
- ❖ The Wildlife Trust of India (WTI) released a report titled *Guardians of the Wild: Supporting India's Frontline Forest Staff* in Abu Dhabi.
- ❖ The IUCN classifies the tiger as 'critically depleted' across much of its indigenous range in Asia.
- ❖ The IUCN has updated its Red List, now tracking 172,620 species, of which 48,646 are threatened with extinction.
- ❖ A new study by Stanford University found that snow leopards have the lowest genetic diversity of any big cat, even lower than cheetahs.
- ❖ India's wild elephant population is now estimated at 22,446 according to the first DNA-based national count conducted in 2025.
- ❖ A new balsam flower species- *Impatiens rajibiana* is discovered in Shergaon, West Kameng district, Arunachal Pradesh.
- ❖ The IUCN has categorized the Western Ghats, Manas National Park in Assam, and Sundarbans National Park in West Bengal as sites of "significant concern."
- ❖ World Meteorological Organisation report published in 21st annual Greenhouse Gas Bulletin.
- ❖ A new species of hairy snail named *Lagocheilus hayaomiyazakii* found in the semi-evergreen Tilari forest of Kolhapur district, Maharashtra.
- ❖ The International Dugong Conservation Centre is planned by the forest department at Sarabendrarajan pattinam village in Pattukkottai taluk, Thanjavur district.

- ❖ The blackbuck was declared locally extinct in Chhattisgarh in 2017 due to poaching and habitat loss.
- ❖ Tuvalu has become the 90th State Member of the IUCN.
- ❖ Russia, China, and the United States led global carbon sequestration on forest land, recording annual removals of 1,150 Mt CO₂, 840 Mt CO₂, and 410 Mt CO₂, respectively, in 2021–25.
- ❖ The Central Asian Mammals Initiative (CAMI) is a transboundary conservation program under the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS).
- ❖ The IUCN has adopted Motion 007 on Soil Security Law, creating the world's first model legal framework for soil protection.
- ❖ A new genus of Patithelphusa and its species of freshwater crab, Patithelphusa yercaudensis, have been identified from the Shevaroy Hills in Yercaud, Salem district.
- ❖ Madhya Pradesh's Nauradehi Wildlife Sanctuary will become the third home for cheetahs in the state after Kuno National Park and Gandhi Sagar Sanctuary.
- ❖ To protect the endangered Olive Ridley Sea turtles during their mating and nesting season, a 7-month fishing ban is in effect from November 1 to May 31 in Gahirmatha Marine Sanctuary in Kendrapada, Odisha.
- ❖ A rare Atlas Moth, one of the largest in the world with a 25–27 cm wingspan, was recently spotted in Karwar, Karnataka, in the Western Ghats.
- ❖ The Shillong–Dawki corridor construction project caused the poor quality of the Umngot River water.
- ❖ Khangchendzonga National Park is the only Indian site rated as “good” by the IUCN.
- ❖ India will join the Tropical Forest Forever Facility (TFFF) as an observer ahead of COP 30.
- ❖ To prevent illegal capture, cruelty, and exploitation of the macaques, the standing committee of the National Board for Wildlife has recommended reinstating the Rhesus Macaque under Schedule II of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
- ❖ Greek scientists are using mussels to detect increasing microplastic pollution in the Mediterranean Sea.
- ❖ In the Mudumalai Tiger Reserve (MTR), researchers recorded over 10,000 Terminalia arjuna ('Neer Maruthu') trees along the Moyar River, which serve as crucial shelter for the critically endangered White-rumped Vulture (*Gyps bengalensis*).

- ❖ Countries around the world have agreed under the Minamata Convention on Mercury to completely stop using mercury-based dental amalgam by the year 2034.
- ❖ COP29 in Baku set the Baku to Belém Roadmap, aiming to mobilize \$1.3 trillion in annual climate finance for developing nations by 2035.
- ❖ The Supreme Court directed Jharkhand to declare 31,468.25 hectares of the Saranda forest as a wildlife sanctuary.
- ❖ Moema claudiae, a seasonal killifish species, was rediscovered in Bolivia.
- ❖ The cane toad, scientifically known as Rhinella marina, is one of the world's most invasive species, disrupting ecosystems.
- ❖ Scientists have identified a new tropical filter-feeding pterosaur species named Bakiribu waridza inside fossilised dinosaur vomit is known as regurgitalite.
- ❖ The Integrated Forum on Climate Change and Trade (IFCCT) was formally opened by the COP 30 Presidency.
- ❖ Scientists in Thailand have discovered a new spider species named Damarchus inazuma.
- ❖ Scientists recovered ancient ribonucleic acid (RNA) from a 39,000-year-old woolly mammoth preserved in Siberian permafrost.
- ❖ The Integrated Forum on Climate Change and Trade (IFCCT) was launched at COP30 in Belém, Brazil.
- ❖ A wild tiger has permanently settled in Ratanmahal Wildlife Sanctuary, Gujarat, for nine continuous months. Thus, Gujarat become the only place in India where all three big cats live together in the same natural landscape.
- ❖ The Belém Package, a group of 29 climate decisions adopted at COP30 in Belém, Brazil.
- ❖ The Antarctic ozone hole in 2025 was the 5th smallest since 1992, reported by NASA and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).
- ❖ Nearly 70% of corals at the UNESCO-listed Ningaloo Reef, Western Australia, have died.
- ❖ 141 years old Gramma the Galápagos Tortoise died recently.
- ❖ Researchers from the Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI), Kochi, discovered a new deep-sea squid species in the Arabian Sea, named Taningia silasii after marine biologist E. G. Silas.
- ❖ Scientists have identified a new species of coelacanth (249-million-year-old Fish) from early Triassic deposits in China's Anhui province.
- ❖ The Belem Health Action Plan (BHAP), the first international climate adaptation framework dedicated specifically to health was launched at COP30.

- ❖ The Food Waste Breakthrough was officially launched at COP30 in Belém, Brazil.
- ❖ The Researchers discovered two species of goby fish – Hemigobius hoevenii and Mugilogobius tigrinus at the Coringa wildlife sanctuary near Kakinada in Andhra Pradesh.
- ❖ The bamboo shrimp (Atyopsis spinipes) has been rediscovered in Karnataka and Odisha after 72 years
- ❖ A new damselfly species named Kodagu Shadowdamsel (Protosticta Soorya Prakashi) was discovered in the Western Ghats.
- ❖ New snake species called Lycodon irwini, has been discovered in India's Nicobar Islands.
- ❖ A new species of giant stick insect *Acrophylla alta* has been discovered in tropical rainforest in Far North Queensland.
- ❖ A new shieldtail snake species, *Rhinophis siruvaniensis*, was discovered with help from citizen scientists in the Siruvani Hills.
- ❖ Scientists discovered a new species of snakehead fish named Channa Bhoi in Meghalaya.
- ❖ Scientists discovered a new species of Collembola (springtails) in the high-altitude region of Sikkim.
- ❖ The blackbuck (Antilope cervicapra) population in Vallanadu sanctuary, Tamil Nadu, increased to 300 in the 2023–2024 census, up from 260 in 2022–2023.

REPORTS AND INDICES

Report	Organization	Top	Bottom	India's position
Corruption Perceptions Index (CPI) 2024	Transparency International	Denmark	–	96
Glass-Ceiling Index 2025	–	Sweden	–	–
Global Terrorism Index 2025	–	Burkina Faso	–	14
World Happiness Rankings 2025	–	Finland	–	118

Top 10 largest economies in the world 2025	–	United States of America	–	4
Top 10 countries with the highest debt-to-GDP in 2025	International Monetary Fund's (IMF)	Sudan	–	31
World Press Freedom Index – 2025	Reporters Without Borders (RSF)	Norway	Eritrea	151
Human Development Index 2025	UNDP	–	–	130
Top 10 most spoken languages in 2025	–	English	–	Hindi (3 rd), Bengali (7 th), Urdu (11 th), Marathi (16 th), Telugu (18 th)
Strongest Currencies in the World – 2025	–	Kuwaiti Dinar (KWD)	–	–
Child Wellbeing in an Unpredictable World	UNICEF	Top three countries: Kingdom of the Netherlands, Denmark and France	–	–
Countries with the highest life expectancy	–	Monaco	–	–
Gender Gap Index 2025	WEF	Iceland	Pakistan (148), Sudan, Chad and Iran	131
WEF Energy Transition Index 2025	–	Sweden, Finland and Denmark	–	71
2025 Global Peace Index	Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP)	Iceland	Russia	115 th

Sustainable Development Report (SDR)	UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network	–	–	99
Global Unicorn Index 2025	Hurun Research Institute	United States	–	3
UN SDG Index 2025	–	Finland	South Sudan, Yemen, Somalia, and Chad	99
World's largest tourism economies in 2025	–	United States	–	8
Millionaire Migration Report 2025	–	The United Arab Emirates (UAE)	–	57
World's Most Affordable Student City in QS 2026	–	Seoul	–	Chennai – 128
Henley Passport Index 2025	–	Japan	Afghanistan	77
Global AI City Index 2025	Counterpoint Research	Singapore	–	Bengaluru secured 26 th position
Top 10 internet users in 2025	–	China	Nigeria	2
Smart Cities in the World for 2025	International Institute for Management Development (IMD)	Zurich	Lausanne	Delhi – 104, Mumbai – 106, Hyderabad – 109, and Bengaluru – 110

State Energy Efficiency Index 2024	The Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE)	Maharashtra (>15 MToE), Andhra Pradesh (5–15 MToE), Assam (1–5 MToE), and Tripura (<1 MToE)	–	–
Safest Cities for Women in India 2025	–	Kohima (82.9%), Aizawl (70.6%), Gangtok (70.4%), and Itanagar (70.4%)	–	–
Global Peace and Safety Index 2025	Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP)	Iceland	–	115
NIRF Rankings 2025	the Ministry of Education	IIT Madras	–	–
Global Innovation Index 2025	World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO)	Switzerland	–	38
Top 10 sustainable economies 2025	–	United Kingdom	–	23
WDMMA 2025 Rankings	–	United States Air Force (USAF)	–	3
Global Financial Centers Index 2025	–	New York City (USA)	–	Gujarat 43
Global Pension Index 2025	–	Netherlands	–	52
Global Forest Ranking 2025	–	Russia	–	9
Global Firepower Index 2025	–	United States	–	4
Most Indebted Countries in 2025	–	Japan	–	–

The State of Food and Agriculture (SOFA) Report 2025	Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of UN	–	–	–
State of state Finances 2025 Report	PRS Legislative research	high debt levels: Punjab, Kerala, and West Bengal higher share of subsidy expenditure: Punjab, Tamil Nadu, Rajasthan, Karnataka and Gujarat	–	–
Climate Risk Index 2026	Germanwatch	–	–	India - 9 th most affected countries by extreme weather events
World Energy Outlook Report 2025	International Energy Agency (IEA)	–	–	–
Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) 2026	–	Denmark – 4 th	Saudi Arabia – 67 th	India – 23 rd
QS Sustainability Rankings 2026	–	Lund University in Sweden	–	No Indian institute ranked in the top 200
Global Passport Rankings 2025	–	Singapore	–	India – 80 th
ICA Global Rankings 2025	International Cooperative Alliance (ICA)	India's IFFCO and Amul	–	Top cooperatives globally
World Urbanization Prospects report 2025	United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA)	Bengaluru–World's top 10 most densely populated cities	–	–

Global Commitment to Development Index 2025	Centre for Global Development (CGD)	–	–	India – 36 th
Adaptation Gap Report (AGR) 2025	The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)	–	–	–
Healthy, sustainable, and just food systems 2025	The EAT–Lancet Commission	–	–	–
“Shaping the Deep-Tech Revolution in Agriculture” report	The World Economic Forum (WEF)	–	–	–
The International Migration Outlook 2025	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)	–	–	–
The Global Cooling Watch report 2025	United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Cool Coalition	–	–	–
The State of the Cryosphere 2025 report	International Cryosphere Climate Initiative (ICCI)	–	–	–
Global Methane Status Report 2025	UN Environment Programme	–	–	–
Report on Water Budgeting in Aspirational Blocks	NITI Aayog	–	–	–
Asia-Pacific Disaster Report 2025	United Nations Economic and Social	–	–	–

	Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN ESCAP)			
World's Most Populous City 2025	–	Jakarta	–	–
Asia Power Index 2025	Lowy Institute (Australia)	United States	–	3
State Energy Efficiency Index 2024	–	Tamil Nadu (55.3%)	–	–
Women, Peace and Security Index 2025/26	Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security (GIWPS) and the Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)	Denmark	–	131 st
Top 100 Arms-Producing and Military Services Companies ranking	Stockholm International Peace Research Institute	Top 3 global companies: Lockheed Martin (USA), RTX (USA), Northrop Grumman (USA)	–	Indian Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) featured among the top 100
Centre for Research on Energy and Clean Air (CREA) report	CREA	Ghaziabad– India's Most Polluted City Shillong – the cleanest city	–	–
World's Most Polluted Cities 2025	Swiss air quality monitoring company	New Delhi, India	–	1 st
Global passport rankings 2025	Arton Capital	United Arab Emirates (World's strongest passport)	–	67 th

- ❖ The World Bank launched the Business Ready (B-READY) report 2024 to replace the Ease of Doing Business report.
- ❖ IPBES Nexus report was released by the Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES).
- ❖ The 2024 Global Water Monitor Report was released by the Australian National University (ANU).
- ❖ The World Economic Forum (WEF) released a report titled 'Future of Jobs Report 2025'.
- ❖ The World Economic Forum's Global Cooperation Barometer 2025 was launched in Geneva.
- ❖ The International Labour Organization's (ILO) has released a report - World Employment and Social Outlook: Trends 2025 - in Geneva.
- ❖ The World Economic Forum (WEF) released its latest Global Risks Report 2025.
- ❖ The fourth edition of 'Global Estimates on International Migrant Workers' was released by the International Labour Organization (ILO).
- ❖ The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) released its Global Investment Trends Monitor for 2024.
- ❖ The World Bank has released the Global Economic Prospects (GEP) report 2025.
- ❖ Blueprint to Close the Women's Health Gap report was prepared by the World Economic Forum and the McKinsey Health Institute.
- ❖ International Energy Agency (IEA) recently released the Electricity 2025 Report.
- ❖ The report titled 'Language Matter: Global Guidance on Multilingual Education', was released by UNESCO.
- ❖ The report, titled 'Who in the World Supports Free Speech?' was released by The Future of Free Speech, an independent U.S.-based think tank.
- ❖ The International Debt Report 2024 was released by the World Bank.
- ❖ The United Nations 'World Water Development Report 2025 – the Mountains and Glaciers: Water Towers' was released by UNESCO.
- ❖ The report titled Global Energy Review 2025 was released by International Energy Agency.
- ❖ According to the IMF's report "Power Hungry: How AI Will Drive Energy Demand" the integration of AI into global systems is expected to raise global output by about 0.5 percent annually between 2025 and 2030.
- ❖ The report, titled 'Trends in maternal mortality 2000-2023', was prepared by the WHO, UNICEF, UN Population Fund, World Bank and the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (population division).

- ❖ This report was titled “Trade and Development Foresights 2025 – Under Pressure: Uncertainty Reshapes Global Economic Prospects” released by the UN Trade and Development (UNCTAD).
- ❖ UNESCO released a report ‘Titled Education and Nutrition: Learn to Eat Well’.
- ❖ The report, titled ‘Frontline Democracy: Media and Political Churn’ was released by Asia Press Freedom group.
- ❖ The 2025 Global Report on Food Crises (GRFC) was released by the Food Security Information Network (FSIN).
- ❖ The inaugural State of the World’s Animal Health report was released by the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH).
- ❖ The World Investment Report 2025 was released by the UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD).
- ❖ The latest Global Drought Outlook 2025 report was published by Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).
- ❖ The Wildlife Institute of India (WII), Dehradun in Uttarakhand released a report titled “Status of Ungulates in Tiger Habitats of India”.
- ❖ Global Trends Report: Forced Displacement in 2024 was released by United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).
- ❖ State and Trends of Carbon Pricing 2025 was a World Bank report titled State and Trends of Carbon Pricing 2025.
- ❖ Review of the state of world marine fishery resources — 2025 report was released by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO).
- ❖ The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) released the ‘2025 State of World Population’ (SOWP) Report.
- ❖ World Economic Situation and Prospects 2025 is released by the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, in collaboration with UNCTAD and others.
- ❖ World Energy Investment Report 2025 was released by the International Energy Agency (IEA).
- ❖ The report named as ‘India’s AI Revolution: A Roadmap to Viksit Bharat’ was released by the Union Ministry of Electronics & IT.
- ❖ The Centre for Science and Environment (CSE) has released the annual State of India’s Environment in Figures 2025 report.
- ❖ The World Meteorological Organisation (WMO) has issued the Global Annual to Decadal Climate Update for 2025–2029.
- ❖ The Global Assessment Report (GAR) on Disaster Risk Reduction 2025 was released by the UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR).

- ❖ The report named as ‘the Generative AI and Jobs: A Refined Global Index of the Occupational Exposure’ was released by the International Labour Organization (ILO) and Poland’s National Research Institute (NASK).
- ❖ ISRO released the Indian Space Situational Assessment Report (ISSAR) for 2024.
- ❖ The International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) has released the Renewable Power Generation Costs (RPGC) Report 2025.
- ❖ RBI has reported that the Financial Inclusion (FI) Index for Financial Year (FY) 2025 improved to 67 percent.
- ❖ Towards Resilient and Prosperous Cities in India report was released by the World Bank.
- ❖ Recently, the International Monetary Fund released a report titled Growing Retail Digital Payments: The Value of Interoperability.
- ❖ The World Bank released report titled ‘Global Findex 2025’.
- ❖ Global Wetland Outlook 2025 was released by the Secretariat for the Convention on Wetlands – the Ramsar Convention (1971).
- ❖ The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) have released the 21st edition of the report.
- ❖ The research group Climate Policy Initiative (CPI) released its Global Landscape of Climate Finance 2025 report.
- ❖ UNCTAD’s Trade and Development Foresights 2025 report says global growth will slow to 2.3% in 2025, down from 2.8% in 2024.
- ❖ The UN Environment Programme’s (UNEP) Frontier report, titled The Weight of Time, was released recently.
- ❖ The second edition of the North Eastern Region District Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Index 2023–24 was released by NITI Aayog.
- ❖ The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) has released the “Status of Youth in Agrifood Systems” report.
- ❖ The WHO Commission on Social Connection has released a report titled as, ‘From loneliness to social connection: charting a path to healthier societies.’
- ❖ The NITI Aayog has released a report titled “Chemical Industry: Powering India’s Participation in Global Value Chains”.
- ❖ India’s SDG progress report 2025 was released by the Ministry of Statistics.
- ❖ The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) released the World of Debt Report 2025 highlighting rising global public debt.

- ❖ Skills for the Future report 2025 was prepared by Institute for Competitiveness (IFC).
- ❖ NITI Aayog released a report titled “Unlocking a 200 billion Dollar Opportunity: Electric Vehicles in India” in New Delhi.
- ❖ The World Health Organisation (WHO) and the World Meteorological Organisation (WMO) released a report titled Climate Change and Workplace Heat Stress.
- ❖ The World Health Organization and UNICEF released the 2024 update on global WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) progress under SDG 6.
- ❖ The World Health Organization (WHO) released two reports - World Mental Health Today and Mental Health Atlas 2024.
- ❖ The Child Nutrition Report 2025 report, released by UNICEF and it highlights a global increase in childhood obesity and unhealthy diets.
- ❖ The United Nations released the report titled The Security We Need: Rebalancing Military Spending for a Sustainable and Peaceful Future on September 9, 2025.
- ❖ The Gender Snapshot 2025 report was released by UN Women and the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA).
- ❖ The World Trade Organization has released the World Trade Report 2025 was launched at the WTO Public Forum on September 17, 2025.
- ❖ The Global Climate and Health Alliance (GCHA) released a report titled “Cradle to Grave: The Health Toll of Fossil Fuels and the Imperative for a Just Transition.”
- ❖ The World Meteorological Organization (WMO) released its “State of Global Water Resources 2024” report.
- ❖ “Shifting Paradigms: United to Deliver” report marks the 80th anniversary of the United Nations (UN).
- ❖ Production Gap Report 2025 was released by Stockholm Environment Institute, Climate Analytics, and the International Institute for Sustainable Development.
- ❖ The “Environmental Accounting on Forest – 2025” report was compiled and released by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI).
- ❖ The prevalence of child marriage in Andhra Pradesh declined from 33% (NFHS-4) to 29.3% (NFHS-5), and in Rajasthan from 35.4% to 25.4%.
- ❖ The IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas (WCPA) released the report named “Enhancing Climate Change Mitigation in Protected Areas.”
- ❖ The State of Social Justice: A Work in Progress report was released by the International Labour Organization (ILO).
- ❖ The ICMR-INDIAB Dietary Study 2025 was released by the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR).

- ❖ “Global trends in tobacco use 2000–2024 and projections 2025–2030” report was released by the World Health Organization (WHO).
- ❖ According to World Health Organization (WHO) report, nearly 15 million children aged 13 to 15 are using e-cigarettes worldwide.
- ❖ The Global Land Outlook Thematic Report on Ecological Connectivity and Land Restoration report was launched at the IUCN World Conservation Congress in Abu Dhabi.
- ❖ NITI Aayog released a report titled “India’s Blue Economy: Strategy for Harnessing Deep-Sea and Offshore Fisheries”.
- ❖ Global life expectancy in 2023 is 76.3 years for females and 71.5 years for males.
- ❖ The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has raised India’s gross domestic product (GDP) forecast for the financial year 2025–26 to 6.6 percent.
- ❖ The Ministry of Mines released India’s first State Mining Readiness Index (SMRI 2025).
- ❖ The first State of Finance for Forests (SFF) report was released by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).
- ❖ Global Antibiotic Resistance Surveillance Report 2025 report was released by WHO.
- ❖ UNDP and the Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI) released the Report titled “Overlapping Hardships: Poverty and Climate Hazards.”
- ❖ The report titled “Towards Common Criteria for Sustainable Fuels” was released by the International Energy Agency (IEA).
- ❖ UNEP report on Forests 2025 report titled “High-risk Forests, High-value Returns: A Co-benefits Assessment for Decision-makers” was released by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).
- ❖ The Global Education Report 2025 was released by UNESCO.
- ❖ The World Meteorological Organization published a report on “the Early Warnings for All initiative”.
- ❖ The fifth edition of IMEO’s report, “An Eye on Methane 2025: From Measurement to Momentum”, tracks progress in methane reduction efforts worldwide.
- ❖ NITI Aayog releases twin reports titled “India’s Services Sector: Insights from GVA Trends and State-Level Dynamics” and “India’s Services Sector: Insights from Employment Trends and State-Level Dynamics”.
- ❖ The World Investment Report 2025 was released by United Nations Conference on Trade and Development.
- ❖ India’s tea exports rose by 2.85% in the 2024–25 financial year.

- ❖ Asia and the Pacific SDG Progress Report 2025 released by the UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP).
- ❖ The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) released “The State of the World’s Land and Water Resources for Food and Agriculture (SOLAW) 2025”.
- ❖ Impact of Disasters on Agriculture and Food Security report 2025 was released by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations.
- ❖ The International Forum for Environment, Sustainability and Technology (iFOREST) released the Stubble Burning Status Report 2025 for northwest India.
- ❖ The report “Tracking Universal Health Coverage (UHC): 2025 Global Monitoring Report” was released by the World Bank Group.
- ❖ The World Bank released the “World Development Report 2025: Standards for Development” report.
- ❖ UNESCO released the report “Right to Education: Past, Present and Future”.
- ❖ The report “Rewiring GVCs in a Changing Global Economy” was jointly published by the Asian Development Bank (ADB), World Trade Organization (WTO), and World Economic Forum (WEF).
- ❖ UNESCO released the seventh edition of report titled “Bhasha Matters: State of the Education Report for India 2025”.

STATES

- ❖ Sikkim’s Kagyed Dance Festival, which Celebrates peace and prosperity for the new year through masked dances was held at Tsuklakhang Palace, Gangtok.
- ❖ Maharashtra has received its first made-in-India surgical robot-SSI Mantra surgical robot in Pune’s Noble Hospitals and Research Centre.
- ❖ Uttarakhand is going to host the 38th National Games for the first time.
- ❖ Gujarat organises the 1st International Olympic Research Conference to discuss financing and innovative economic models for hosting the Olympics in India.
- ❖ Assam has recorded an elephant population of 5,828 during the Elephant Population Estimation 2024.
- ❖ In a first in India, the Chhattisgarh has introduced a plan that connects the eco system services of its forests with the Green Gross Domestic Product (Green GDP).
- ❖ Gujarat Forest and Environment Department has estimated the population of the Indian wolves to be 222 in the state.
- ❖ The Gujarat government has conducted the country’s first-ever census of coastal and wader birds at the Marine National Park and Sanctuary in Jamnagar.

- ❖ Bengaluru surpassed Chennai as India's top city for women in the third edition of 'Top Cities for Women in India 2024' (TCWI) report.
- ❖ The Prime Minister inaugurated the 6.5 km long Z-Morh tunnel, also known as the Sonamarg tunnel, in Jammu and Kashmir.
- ❖ The Boda Tyohar festival celebration of the Hatti tribes of the Trans-Giri region is being held in Himachal Pradesh.
- ❖ Purulia Observatory was established by the S N Bose Centre for Basic Sciences (SNBCBS) atop the Panchet Hill in West Bengal.
- ❖ The Rongmei Women Cultural Dance Troupe (RWCDT) of Delhi NCR celebrated Gaan-Ngai 2025.
- ❖ The museum designed to offer a comprehensive look at the city's 2,500-year-old history through an immersive and interactive experience.
- ❖ Jammu and Kashmir's government began the process of geo-tagging in its bid to preserve heritage Chinar trees in Kashmir.
- ❖ Bengaluru ranks among the worst in Asia for congestion, with drivers spending an average of 132 hours annually stuck in traffic.
- ❖ Kolkata was the second most congested city in the world in 2024 and the most congested in Asia.
- ❖ For the first time in the country, the Andhra Pradesh state government has launched WhatsApp Governance titled 'Mana Mitra', which can deliver 161 civil services through WhatsApp.
- ❖ The three-day Araku Utsav tiled 'Chali' was held in the Araku Valley of Alluri Sitharama Raju district, Andhra Pradesh.
- ❖ Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister laid the foundation stone for north India's first 1-MW green hydrogen plant at Dabhoti in Solan district.
- ❖ The Jharkhand Police has adopted a unique initiative to check opium cultivation among the state's rural population, naming it the "Chocolate War."
- ❖ Rajasthan Assembly introduced a Bill to prevent religious conversions carried out by force, fraud or inducement.
- ❖ The Tribal families from Neelabandha, a hilltop hamlet in Anakapalli district, Andhra Pradesh received electricity for the first time after Independence.
- ❖ The Union Budget announced the establishment of "Makhana Board" in Bihar.
- ❖ The Work on the Deocha Pachami Coal Mining project in West Bengal's Birbhum district began recently.
- ❖ The National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) has warned that construction of the Morand-Ganjal Irrigation Project in Madhya Pradesh could submerge the forested areas used by tigers.

- ❖ Keslapur village in Indervelli mandal of Telangana is celebrated the ‘Nagoba jatara’.
- ❖ The Pangsa Pass International Festival was held in Nampong, Arunachal Pradesh.
- ❖ Kerala is set to establish India’s first Elderly Commission.
- ❖ Odisha’s Simlipal Tiger Reserve has 100-150 AI-enabled cameras that send real-time alerts of poachers and animal movement inside the forest.
- ❖ Kerala is set to launch nPROUD (New Programme for Removal of Unused Drugs).
- ❖ Assam’s Mising tribe have celebrated the Ali Ai Ligang festival recently.
- ❖ Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has discovered significant Buddhist remains during renewed excavations at Ratnagiri site in Jajpur district, Odisha.
- ❖ Kashmir celebrated the Herath festival on the 13th day of the dark half of the month of Phalguna recently.
- ❖ Maharashtra Chief Minister inaugurated the state’s first-ever temple dedicated to Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj in Bhiwandi, Thane.
- ❖ Among all states, Mizoram has the highest prevalence of HIV in the adult population.
- ❖ The “biggest ever” jhumur event in history was held in Assam.
- ❖ Madhya Pradesh CM released 10 gharials, into the Chambal River at the National Chambal Gharial Sanctuary in Morena.
- ❖ The union government has launched MISHTI (Mangrove Initiative for Shoreline Habitats and Tangible Incomes) scheme in 2023.
- ❖ The Assam Assembly passed amendment Bills related to the seven autonomous councils.
- ❖ Karnataka has become the first in the country to have a separate comprehensive policy for victims of burns.
- ❖ Delhi Police is set to launch ‘Shishtachar’ squads, also known as ‘anti-eve teasing’ squads.
- ❖ The Hmar Inpui and the Zomi Council agreed to work together for the peace in Manipur.
- ❖ The Meghalaya state government has inaugurated the first ‘scientific’ coal mining block at Saryngkham-A in the Byndihat area of the East Jaintia Hills district.
- ❖ Delhi has officially joined the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana, becoming the 35th State/UT to implement the national health insurance scheme.
- ❖ Kerala becomes the first State to achieve total digital literacy with the help of ‘Digi Kerala’ digital literacy program.

- ❖ The Cheetah Project Steering Committee has approved the translocation of a few cheetahs from Kuno National Park to Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary, both located in Madhya Pradesh.
- ❖ Odisha has become the 34th state of India to implement the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PM-JAY).
- ❖ Karnataka has embarked upon a village-level survey for documentation of the antiquities, the first-of-its-kind in the country.
- ❖ Kerala has become the first state in India to introduce online filing and hearing facilities for Permanent Lok Adalats.
- ❖ Jharkhand and Chhotanagpur region celebrated the new year and the arrival of spring with the Sarhul festival.
- ❖ West Bengal has launched the 'Triple Elimination' initiative in partnership with the William J Clinton Foundation (WJCF) and WHO.
- ❖ The Bohag Bihu, also called the Rongali Bihu or Xaat Bihu, is a traditional Indian celebration primarily observed in Assam and other Northeastern states.
- ❖ Kuki-Zo civil society organisations have “warned” the Meitei community against climbing the Thangjing Hill in Manipur’s Churachandpur district.
- ❖ Kokborok Sahitya Parishad, Tripura have sought the inclusion of the Kokborok language in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution.
- ❖ An area of 845.70 sq km spread across 11 ranges of Similipal south and Similipal north divisions was declared as national park.
- ❖ The Haryana government has declared two sites of over 4,400-year-old Harappan civilisation in Bhiwani district as protected monuments and archaeological sites.
- ❖ The Telangana government’s expert working group has decided to formulate a first-of-its-kind ‘Composite Backwardness Index’.
- ❖ The Gujarat state has become the 24th State/Union Territory to achieve 100% electrification of rail tracks.
- ❖ Mizoram has become the first state in India to be officially declared fully ‘literate’ under the ULLAS (Understanding Lifelong Learning for All in Society) initiative.
- ❖ The Assam government has launched ‘Ankita’, an AI-based news anchor capable of delivering updates in Assamese and It is India’s First AI News Anchor in Regional Language.
- ❖ The Pushkar Kumbh is organised at Keshav Prayag near Mana, in Uttarakhand, after 12 years.
- ❖ The Shirui Lily Festival is a celebrated annual cultural event in Manipur.
- ❖ The Water Heritage Museum operated by the Centre for Water Resources Development and Management (CWRDM) in Kozhikode has been included in the Global Network of Water Museums.

- ❖ Maharashtra signed a MoU with Russia's state-owned company ROSATOM for the development of a Small Modular Reactor (SMR) based on thorium fuel.
- ❖ Bohag Bihu, also known as Rongali Bihu or Xaat Bihu, is the most important Assamese festival.
- ❖ The Gujarat government, became the first in the country to formally announce the 'Space Tech Policy' 2025–2030 to accelerate growth in space technology.
- ❖ Elephant Stegodan Ganesa was a first-of-its-kind discovery in Maharashtra.
- ❖ Bihar has set two Guinness World Records for the largest Madhubani painting (201.17sqft) and singing bowl ensemble by 375 Buddhist monks at Bodh Gaya ahead of Khelo India Youth Games 2025.
- ❖ Mass of pigs have died in Mizoram due to the resurgence of the African Swine Fever (ASF) outbreak this year since March 20.
- ❖ Jaigir, located inside the Palamu Tiger Reserve (PTR), Jharkhand is becoming the first village to be entirely relocated outside the core area.
- ❖ Prime Minister has commissioned India's first deep-sea transshipment port at Vizhinjam in Kerala.
- ❖ Kozhikode from Kerala was recently included in the World Health Organisation's Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities (GNAFCC).
- ❖ Maharashtra, Gujarat, and Karnataka have emerged as the top-performing states in the 2025 CareEdge Ratings State Ranking.
- ❖ Recently, Meghalaya has hosted Strawberry Festival to promote agro-tourism and rural livelihoods.
- ❖ The Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh has inaugurated the India's first Artificial Intelligence Aided Data Centre Park in Nava Raipur.
- ❖ Andhra Pradesh has signed a MoU to launch the Creator Land, India's first transmedia entertainment city in Amaravati.
- ❖ The Centre for Earth Sciences and Himalayan Studies (CESHS) has successfully drilled the Northeast region's first geothermal production well in Dirang, Arunachal Pradesh.
- ❖ Maharashtra is going to set up an Edu City in Navi Mumbai, which will be the country's first educational campus for foreign universities.
- ❖ A five-day conclave, titled 'Vruthi 2025: The Clean Kerala Conclave' held at Thiruvananthapuram recently.
- ❖ The governments of Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra signed a MoU to jointly implement the Tapti Basin Mega Recharge Project.
- ❖ The D3 Mission movement started in Bhil and Bhilala tribe dominated Jhabua and Ali Rajpur districts of western Madhya Pradesh.

- ❖ Bonalu is a Hindu festival mainly celebrated in Telangana, especially Hyderabad and Secunderabad.
- ❖ The Kerala State Wildlife Board has renamed the Aralam Wildlife Sanctuary in Kannur as the Aralam Butterfly Sanctuary.
- ❖ Salkhan Fossils Park in Sonbhadra, Uttar Pradesh was added into on UNESCO's tentative list of World Heritage Sites.
- ❖ Bihar is one of six states chosen to get a nuclear power plant under India's Nuclear Energy Mission.
- ❖ Tripura has now been declared as fully literate under the ULLAS – the Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram.
- ❖ Assam has announced that the transgender community in the state will be given Other Backward Class (OBC) status.
- ❖ The Karnataka government has increased housing reservation for the religious minorities from 10% to 15%.
- ❖ The ICAR–National Institute of High Security Animal Diseases (NIHSAD), Bhopal in Madhya Pradesh has been designated as the “Category A Rinderpest Holding Facility”.
- ❖ The Bihar State Election Commission has decided to roll out India's First Mobile-Based e-Voting System using an Android-based mobile.
- ❖ The Andhra Pradesh government, has started a new welfare scheme called 'Talliki Vandana'.
- ❖ The Cherrapunji Eastern Craft Gin from Meghalaya has become the first alcohol label from the northeastern part of India to be exported.
- ❖ An Indian Rat Snake (*Ptyas mucosa*), regionally known as Chera, may be notified as the Official Reptile of Kerala.
- ❖ India's first underwater museum and artificial coral reef will be developed around the decommissioned warship INS Guldar near the Nivati Rocks at Vengurla in Sindhudurg district of Maharashtra.
- ❖ The Assam Cabinet have approved a scheme to issue arms licences to “original inhabitants and indigenous communities” living in “vulnerable and remote” areas near the Bangladesh border.
- ❖ Puducherry becomes the 19th legislature in the country to adopt the National e-Vidhan Application (NeVA) platform.
- ❖ Bengaluru has officially become the ‘Leopard Capital’ of India, surpassing Mumbai in terms of the highest number (80–85) of free-ranging wild leopards living on the fringes of a major metropolis.
- ❖ Kerala developed its own molecular diagnostic test kits to identify five common species of free-living amoeba (FLA).

- ❖ NLC India has commenced the commercial operations of the first unit of its 3×660 MW Ghatampur Thermal Power Plant in Uttar Pradesh.
- ❖ The Assam and Meghalaya governments have decided to set up 55 MW Kulsi hydropower-cum-irrigation project jointly.
- ❖ The Jharkhand government plans to establish the state's first tiger safari in the fringe area of the Barwadih Western Forest Range in Latehar district.
- ❖ The Telangana declared the tiger corridor area connecting the Kawal Tiger Reserve in the State with the Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve in Maharashtra as 'Kumram Bheem Conservation Reserve', as per the provisions of the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972.
- ❖ The Kerala government has declared the wreckage of the Liberian-flagged cargo ship a State-specific disaster.
- ❖ Athiranni (*Melastoma malabathricum*) was declared as the district flower and Menipponman (*Ceyx erithaca*) as the district bird of Kozhikode district.
- ❖ Doklam in Sikkim will be open to tourists from September 2025, eight years after the India-China standoff.
- ❖ Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways inaugurated India's second-longest cable-stayed Sigandur bridge built across the Sharavathi backwaters in Sagar taluk of Shivamogga district in Karnataka.
- ❖ The Kerala High Court released India's first judicial policy on Artificial Intelligence (AI) use, focusing on responsible and limited application.
- ❖ The Assam government has launched a Milk Subsidy Scheme to provide subsidy of 5 rupees per litre of milk to farmers in a bid to boost the dairy sector in the state.
- ❖ L&T is to set up India's largest green hydrogen plant at the Indian Oil Corporation (IOCL), Panipat, Haryana.
- ❖ 435-megawatt (MW) Gorbea solar power project in Nokha, Bikaner, Rajasthan, was completed in under eight months.
- ❖ Jharkhand has recently launched India's first mining tourism project.
- ❖ Kerala has introduced a new intradermal test called Cy-TB for detecting and treating tuberculosis (TB) infection.
- ❖ The Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu has unveiled the Green Hydrogen Valley declaration.
- ❖ Uttarakhand has launched a unique program to revive 14 critically endangered "Red Category" plant species.
- ❖ The UNICEF has recognised Kerala's KITE initiative as a global best practice in responsible EdTech.

- ❖ Lungphun Ropui in Lianpui village, Champhai district, has been officially declared a Monument of the National Importance by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI).
- ❖ Maharashtra is the first state in the country to grant the agricultural status to livestock farming.
- ❖ Gujarat has become the first Indian State to launch genome sequencing initiative focused exclusively on tribal communities.
- ❖ Himachal Pradesh launched the 'My Deed' NGDRS (National Generic Document Registration System) pilot project to modernise land registration.
- ❖ The Punjab government introduced the Punjab Prevention of Offences against holy Scriptures Bill, 2025.
- ❖ The Behdeinkhlam Festival was celebrated in Jowai, Meghalaya, reflecting the cultural heritage of the Pnar community.
- ❖ Assam Chief Minister opened the country's first Aqua Tech Park in Sonapur, near Guwahati.
- ❖ The Kerala state schools are replacing traditional backbench seating with U-shaped arrangements to promote inclusivity and participation.
- ❖ Gujarat has become India's leading producer of processed potatoes used for the French fries and chips in 2024–25.
- ❖ Yakten in Pakyong district, Sikkim, has been declared India's first digital nomad village under the state's 'Nomad Sikkim' initiative.
- ❖ Uttarakhand has approved its first Geothermal Energy Policy.
- ❖ Telangana received the India Energy Storage Alliance (IESA) Industry Excellence Award 2025 for State Leadership in Battery Manufacturing and the new energy technology ecosystem.
- ❖ Gujarat became the first Indian state to officially join the Cruise Bharat Mission to build a globally competitive cruise tourism ecosystem.
- ❖ The Government of Andhra Pradesh has started a new scheme called 'the Digi-Lakshmi' to help urban poor women become digital service providers.
- ❖ The Maharashtra government has officially declared 'Sarvajanik Ganeshotsav' as a state festival.
- ❖ Assam Cabinet, has approved the 'Gajah Mitra' scheme to combat the human-elephant conflict in the state.
- ❖ Kerala's first skin bank will be launched at Thiruvananthapuram Government Medical College Hospital.
- ❖ Andhra Pradesh has started a new project called the Smart Mosquito Surveillance System (SMoSS) to control mosquito problems during the rainy season.

- ❖ The Madhya Pradesh cabinet has approved the Mukhyamantri Vrindavan Gram Yojana to promote self-reliant rural development.
- ❖ Rajasthan has started the ‘Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Garibi Mukt Gaon Yojana’ to reduce poverty in villages.
- ❖ Gujarat became the third state in India to have more than one crore registered stock market investors.
- ❖ Bihar has recorded the lowest sex ratio at birth for 2022 among all States and Union Territories.
- ❖ Bihar becomes first State to vote using mobile phones during municipal polls.
- ❖ Patna is set to launch its Water Metro to promote sustainability, tourism, and local jobs.
- ❖ Kerala Forest Department will start the mass sterilisation of bonnet macaques to control their rising numbers.
- ❖ Around 48% of the construction of the Machilipatnam Greenfield Port in Andhra Pradesh is complete; operations may begin by the end of 2026.
- ❖ Himachal Pradesh becomes India’s first state to the very use Aadhaar-based face authentication (FaceAuth) for ration distribution under the Public Distribution System (PDS).
- ❖ Indore Municipal Corporation has begun a new digital project in Madhya Pradesh (MP).
- ❖ West Bengal became India’s first state to hold a digital arrest conviction in a cyber fraud case.
- ❖ The Gavri Festival is a 40-day ritual by Mewar’s Bhils in Rajasthan.
- ❖ A new Harappan settlement was found at Ratadiya Ri Dheri in Jaisalmer district, marking the first Indus Valley site in Rajasthan’s desert region.
- ❖ Sikkim became the first Indian state to launch a formal Sabbatical Leave scheme in August 2025.
- ❖ Punjab has become the first state in India to empanel sign language interpreters, translators and special educators under the Juvenile Justice Act 2015.
- ❖ A significant discovery of Nickel–Copper–Platinum Group Elements (Ni–Cu–PGE) sulphide mineralisation has been made in the Bhalukona–Jamnidih block of the Mahasamund district, Chhattisgarh.
- ❖ Kerala State Disaster Management Authority launched the Heat Resilient Moodadi project in Moodadi Panchayat of Kozhikode.
- ❖ Satnavri, a village of 1,800 residents in rural Nagpur, Maharashtra, is set to become India’s first smart intelligent village under a pilot project.

- ❖ Sikkim kickstarted his mega outreach for women by distributing cheques of Rs 20,000 each to 32,000 non-working women, who are mothers.
- ❖ The Punjab government deployed three Baaz Akh (Hawk Eye) anti-drone systems along the India-Pakistan border to stop drug and weapon smuggling by drones.
- ❖ The Expert Appraisal Committee has recommended environmental clearance for the 3,097-megawatt Etalin Hydroelectric Project (HEP) in Dibang Valley district, Arunachal Pradesh.
- ❖ The Government of India plans to establish two defence industrial corridors in Maharashtra and Assam.
- ❖ Kerala State Financial Enterprises (KSFE) became the first miscellaneous non-banking financial company (NBFC) in India to cross ₹1 lakh crore business turnover.
- ❖ Punjab launched a first-time reward policy was launched to support police efforts in the Yudh Nasheyan Virudh (War Against Drugs).
- ❖ The Arunachal Pradesh conducted a public hearing for environmental clearance to the proposed Kalai-II hydroelectric project in Anjaw district.
- ❖ Kerala has been declared the first fully digitally literate state in India.
- ❖ Maharashtra is set to become the world's first region to pilot a hyperloop cargo corridor between Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (JNPT) in Navi Mumbai and the Vadhavan Port in Palghar.
- ❖ Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar launched this special scheme Mukhyamantri Mahila Rojgar Yojana for women empowerment.
- ❖ Nuakhai is an annual harvest festival in Odisha, celebrated to welcome the season's new rice.
- ❖ The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) launched the first Multi-Lane Free Flow (MLFF) tolling system at Choryasi Fee Plaza in Gujarat on NH-48.
- ❖ Matsya Shakthi project launched to empower minority fisher families in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.
- ❖ Researchers confirmed the presence of jarosite, which is a yellow iron-rich sulphate mineral in Matanomadh village, Kutch district, Gujarat.
- ❖ An Assam-based group led by We Foundation India, in collaboration with Gauhati University's Department of Zoology, launched India's first portal to network individuals working on vulture conservation.
- ❖ Andhra Pradesh signed a MoU with Tech Bharat Foundation to set up an Artificial Intelligence (AI) Center of Excellence in Visakhapatnam.
- ❖ The Maharashtra cabinet approved increasing the maximum daily working hours for private sector employees from nine to ten hours.

- ❖ iFOREST and Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation released the Integrated Heat and Cooling Action Plan for the city.
- ❖ ‘Anokhi Duniya’, the world’s first park made entirely from ceramic waste, will open in Khurja, Uttar Pradesh.
- ❖ Himachal Pradesh has been declared a 4th fully literate state with a literacy rate of 99.30 percent.
- ❖ Himalaya Diwas is celebrated every year on 9th September in the state of Uttarakhand to conserve Himalayan ecosystem and region.
- ❖ Kerala’s infant mortality rate (IMR) fell to an all-time low of 5 per 1,000 live births in 2023, as per the Sample Registration Survey (SRS).
- ❖ Kerala hosted the country’s first-ever Urban Conclave in Kochi for formulating and finalising an urban policy for the state.
- ❖ Kerala established India’s first state-level urban policy body called the Kerala Urban Policy Commission (KUPC) in December 2023.
- ❖ Udaipur has been awarded the Wetland City accreditation by the Ramsar Convention in 2025.
- ❖ Tiwa tribesmen in Umsowai village Karbi Anglong district Assam, celebrated the Langkhun festival 2025 as a festive prayer for a good Rabi crop season.
- ❖ The Mundakkai-Chooralmala landslide in Wayanad was identified as a ‘grey rhino’ event.
- ❖ Kerala Cabinet approved the draft Wildlife Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2025.
- ❖ The Manki-Munda System is a traditional self-governance model of the Ho tribe in Jharkhand’s Kolhan region.
- ❖ Puducherry has emerged as the first Union Territory in the country to bring down maternal mortality to zero.
- ❖ The 14th Sirarakhong Hathei Chilli Festival was inaugurated at Sirarakhong village in Ukhrul district, Manipur.
- ❖ The Women’s Economic Empowerment (WEE) Index was launched by the Uttar Pradesh Government.
- ❖ The government is setting up a jungle warfare school at Karregutta Hills in Chhattisgarh’s Bijapur district, a former Maoist stronghold.
- ❖ Mission Shakti 5.0 was launched to strengthen women’s safety, dignity, and empowerment in Uttar Pradesh.
- ❖ Dhordo village, recognized globally by the United Nations World Tourism Organisation as the ‘Best Tourism Village’, is now fully solar-powered.
- ❖ Surajpur district in Chhattisgarh has declared 75 village panchayats as “Child Marriage-Free” during the launch of the “Healthy Women, Empowered Families” campaign.

- ❖ The Durbar Mahila Samanwaya Committee (DMSC), a collective of sex workers in Kolkata, celebrated 30 years of existence in July 2025.
- ❖ The 28th National Conference on e-Governance (NCeG) was concluded in Visakhapatnam with the adoption of the Visakhapatnam Declaration.
- ❖ Bathukamma, a floral festival celebrated mainly by women, has been declared the official State Festival of Telangana.
- ❖ Under 'Child Marriage-Free India' campaign Balod district in Chhattisgarh has been declared the first child marriage-free district in the country.
- ❖ Bihar will vote in two phases on November 6 and 11, and the results will be declared on November 14.
- ❖ Kolkata emerges as the safest city in India for the fourth year.
- ❖ The Haryana government suggests defining the Aravalli hills by geological age and a minimum height of 100 meters.
- ❖ The Siddi community in Junagadh district, Gujarat, a Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group, achieved a literacy rate of over 72 %.
- ❖ The Assam government launched the Chief Minister's Foreign Languages Initiative for Global Human Talent (CM-FLIGHT) to provide language training and job placement in Japan.
- ❖ Gurugram has launched India's first QR code-based kiosk for digital payment of traffic challans.
- ❖ Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister launched the Gomti Rejuvenation Mission on to restore the river's clean and continuous flow.
- ❖ The Naying Hydroelectric Project is a proposed 1,000-megawatt (MW) power plant on the Siyom (Yomgo) river in Arunachal Pradesh.
- ❖ The DhaRti BioNest Incubation Centre will be inaugurated at the IIT Dharwad, Karnataka.
- ❖ Nagaland has proposed Dzükou Valley as the state's official nomination under the national initiative Development of 50 Tourist Destinations of Global Standards.
- ❖ The Akola police in Maharashtra launched Project Trinetra to prevent repeat crimes using artificial intelligence and data analytics.
- ❖ Madhya Pradesh cabinet approves procurement of Kodo and Kutki millets from major producing districts for the first time.
- ❖ The ancient Bathou religion of the Bodo community in Assam will receive a separate code in the upcoming Indian census.
- ❖ The Green India Challenge (GIC) launched a pilot bamboo plantation project in Mullagutta 2 village, Adilabad district, Telangana.

- ❖ Ayodhya Deepotsav 2025 sets Guinness World Records.
- ❖ Researchers have discovered a 4,000-year-old caravanserai at Kotada Bhadli in Kutch, Gujarat.
- ❖ Kerala will officially be declared free from extreme poverty on November 1, 2025.
- ❖ Ningol Chakouba Festival is celebrated every year on the second day of the lunar month of Hiyangei in the Meitei calendar, primarily in Manipur.
- ❖ Uttarakhand will implement a green tax on vehicles entering from other states starting December 1, 2025.
- ❖ The Assam Cabinet decided to table the Tiwari Commission report on the 1983 Nellie massacre in the State Assembly.
- ❖ Kerala Chief Minister released the Vision 2031 document.
- ❖ To achieve a “leprosy-free Maharashtra by 2027”, Maharashtra has declared leprosy a notifiable disease.
- ❖ India’s first digital museum dedicated to tribal freedom heroes has been established in Nava Raipur Atal Nagar in Chhattisgarh, showcasing the valour and sacrifices of tribal warriors who fought against British rule.
- ❖ Gogabael Lake in Katihar district, Bihar, has been designated as a site of international importance (94th Ramsar Wetland) under the Ramsar Convention.
- ❖ The Delhi government launched the Pink Saheli Smart Card to provide free bus travel for women and transgender individuals.
- ❖ India has approved the construction of India’s largest greenfield steel plant in the Anakapalli district of Andhra Pradesh.
- ❖ The President of India addressed the Uttarakhand Legislative Assembly on the Silver Jubilee of the formation of the Uttarakhand state (formed on November 9, 2000).
- ❖ The Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) launched the ‘Garbage Dumping Festival’ campaign.
- ❖ Odisha Chief Minister laid the foundation stone for India’s first silicon carbide (SiC) semiconductor plant in Bhubaneswar.
- ❖ Menar, a village in Rajasthan known for hosting over 100 rare bird species, was honoured as India’s Best Tourism Village in 2023.
- ❖ Maharashtra becomes the first Indian state to partner with Starlink to deliver satellite-based internet in remote, underserved regions.
- ❖ The Delhi Development Authority (DDA) is developing the East Delhi Hub as a mixed-use urban centre integrating residential, commercial, and civic spaces.
- ❖ North 24 Parganas in West Bengal is now the most populated district in India, with an estimated population of about 10.9 million as of 2025.

- ❖ Chandigarh University, Uttar Pradesh, has launched 'Campus Tank', a unique platform to encourage innovation and entrepreneurship among youth.
- ❖ With the launch of 'PM Shri Aerial Tourism Helicopter Service' at Raja Bhoj Airport, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh became the first Indian state to introduce both Air Ambulance and Helicopter Tourism Services under its intra-state air connectivity initiative.
- ❖ The Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL) approved India's largest Geothermal Energy Technology (GET) pilot project in Andhra Pradesh.
- ❖ The Bar Council of India (BCI) has approved Kerala's proposal to reserve two supernumerary seats for transgender students in all state law colleges.
- ❖ Karnataka has become the first state in India to grant one day of paid menstrual leave per month for both government and private sector women employees.
- ❖ The Assam Cabinet has approved a bill to ban polygamy in the state.
- ❖ Telangana government has established Telangana Artificial Intelligence Innovation Hub (TAIH) in Hyderabad.
- ❖ Meghalaya raised its fiscal deficit ceiling from 3% to 3.5% of GSDP under the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) Act.
- ❖ The Chief Minister of Maharashtra released the new Agriculture Department logo and the slogan "Sashwat Sheti, Samruddha Shetkari," meaning "Sustainable Farming, Prosperous Farmer".
- ❖ JSW Energy commissioned India's largest green hydrogen plant at Vijayanagar in Karnataka.
- ❖ Goa became the first state in India to achieve a 100% response rate to cyber-fraud calls through the cloud-based 1930 call centre.
- ❖ Union Minister for Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER) and Meghalaya Chief Minister inaugurated the Sohra Tourism Circuit in Sohra, Meghalaya.
- ❖ Sunapur beach earned the International Blue Flag Certification for the 3rd consecutive year.
- ❖ The Election Commission of India ordered a special revision of electoral rolls in Assam.
- ❖ Karnataka launched KEO, an affordable AI-ready computer built with KEONICS and equipped with BUDDH, an AI tool based on the Karnataka DSERT syllabus for digital learning.
- ❖ The Telangana Cabinet approved the Gig and Platform Workers Draft Bill 2025.
- ❖ The United Kingdom is selected as the Country Partner for the Hornbill Festival 2025 in Nagaland.
- ❖ Tesla, the US electric vehicle company, will open its first full-scale India centre in Gurugram, Haryana.

- ❖ Punjab State Scheduled Castes (SC) Commission has opened India's first separate courtroom to ensure faster hearings and protect the rights and dignity of the Scheduled Caste community.
- ❖ Nagaland has officially named Switzerland and Ireland as country partners for the Hornbill Festival 2025.
- ❖ Kerala has recently declared snakebite envenomation as a notifiable disease.
- ❖ A study in six Bihar districts found uranium (U-238) in all breastmilk samples collected from 40 mothers.
- ❖ Uttar Pradesh added two new GI-tagged products: Mathura Zari Poshak and Meerut Bugle.
- ❖ The first-ever auction of limestone mineral blocks will be held in Jammu and Kashmir.
- ❖ Andhra Pradesh is running a week-long farmer awareness programme titled 'Rytanna – Mee Kosam' from November 24 to 29, 2025.
- ❖ Sirpur is a 5th–12th century multi-religious archaeological city in the Mahasamund district, Chhattisgarh.
- ❖ Prime Minister inaugurated the ₹5,000-crore bamboo-based ethanol plant at Numaligarh Refinery in Golaghat district, Assam, on September 14, 2025.
- ❖ Amaravati has been designated as India's first Integrated Financial City.
- ❖ The Assam Legislative Assembly approved the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Assam Amendment) Bill, 2025.
- ❖ Telangana launched 1 Bio, India's first single-use bioprocess design and scale-up facility, in Genome Valley, Hyderabad.
- ❖ Karnataka launched the upgraded e-Swathu 2.0 platform to digitalise property management in gram panchayats.
- ❖ The Guwahati Municipal Corporation (GMC) launched the "Sahajeevan" project after the Supreme Court directives to shift stray dogs from public places to shelters.
- ❖ Rajasthan became the first state in India to complete 100% digitisation of electoral rolls under the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) programme.
- ❖ Rajasthan is carrying out its first inter-state tiger translocation by bringing a tigress (Tigress PN-224) from Pench Tiger Reserve in Madhya Pradesh.
- ❖ Maharashtra installed 45,911 off-grid solar agricultural pumps in 30 days, setting a Guinness World Record.
- ❖ Kondapalli village in Bijapur, Chhattisgarh, got the mobile connectivity and electricity for the first time in 2025.

- ❖ A 70-foot iron statue of footballer Lionel Messi has been unveiled at Lake Town, Kolkata.
- ❖ Bihar will develop India's first power museum at the decommissioned Karbigahiya Thermal Power Station in Patna.
- ❖ Siliserh Lake in Alwar district of Rajasthan has been declared a Ramsar site, becoming India's 96th wetland of international importance.
- ❖ MahaCrimeOS AI was launched by the Maharashtra State Government to control cybercrime.
- ❖ Ponduru Khadi from Srikakulam in Andhra Pradesh, which was appreciated by MK Gandhi 100 years ago, got GI Tag.
- ❖ The Punjab government has declared Amritsar, Sri Anandpur Sahib (Rupnagar district), and Talwandi Sabo (Sri Damdama Sahib, Bathinda district) as the Holy Cities.
- ❖ Jammu and Kashmir has achieved a significant milestone with the inauguration of its first Gen Z Post Office at the AIIMS Vijaypur campus.
- ❖ World's largest open-air theatre festival Dhanu Yatra was inaugurated at Bargarh in Odisha.
- ❖ Gujarat has been officially reinstated as a tiger-bearing state after a gap of 33 years, following sustained evidence of tiger presence.
- ❖ Twenty-four coastal villages in Odisha have been recognized as Tsunami Ready under the Tsunami Ready Recognition Programme (TRRP) by UNESCO.
- ❖ Archaeologists have discovered a 2,000-year-old Buddhist site in Zehanpora village, Baramulla district, Jammu and Kashmir.

GI TAGS

GI tag	Place
Ryndia Silk & Khasi Handloom	Meghalaya
Eri Silk	
Tall Coconut	Pollachi
Sangri	Rajasthan
Dao blade	Arunachal Pradesh
Marble	Gujarat
Lepcha musical instruments, Tungbuk and Pumtong Pulin	Sikkim
Meerut bugle	Uttar Pradesh

Kannadippaya	Kerala
Woraiyur cotton sari, Kavindapadi Nattu Sakkrai (jaggery powder), Namakkal Makkal Pathirangal (soapstone cookware), the traditional Thooymalli rice variety and Ambasamudram Choppu Saman (wooden toys)	Tamil Nadu
Cheese Yak Churpi	Arunachal Pradesh
Mandarin Orange	Darjeeling (West Bengal)

INITIATIVES, SCHEMES AND CAMPAIGNS

Name	Ministry/Organization	Aim
Vazhndhu Kattuvom 3.0	–	It aims to promote rural enterprises, access to finance, and create employment opportunities in selected blocks of Tamil Nadu.
One Nation-One Port Process	–	It is an initiative to standardize and streamline operations across India's Major ports.
A Million Women Arise initiative	NITI Aayog	It aims to create a cohesive support system through access to finance, markets, compliance support, skilling, mentorship, and networking.
75/25" Initiative	–	It aims to provide the standardized care to 75 million individuals living with the hypertension and diabetes by December 2025.
PM-YUVA 3.0	–	The initiative aims to train young authors under the age of 30 to promote reading, writing, and book culture in India.
Thooimai Mission 2025	Tamil Nadu government	For sustainable waste management in the State.
Kalaignar Kaivinai Thittam 2025	–	The Govt will provide loans in the range of ₹50,000 to ₹3 lakh with subsidy.

Project ‘Malarum Punnagai’	–	The Virudhunagar district administration have taken many innovative efforts to set right the protruding teeth or malocclusion among school children.
Urudhunai Loan scheme	–	It will provide to small retailers, traders and manufacturers from Adi Dravidar and tribal communities through the National Finance Development Fund.
Eliya Aalumai Scheme	–	Provide sanitary certificates, General Building licenses, Hostel licenses for working women, the licenses for women’s homes, the property value certificates, the old age home licenses, the conduct certificates, and no objection certificates for government employees to get passports can be obtained
‘Alaigal’ project	–	It aims to provide the micro-Loans to the fisherwomen groups for their economic upliftment.
‘Nalam Kakkum Stalin’ scheme	–	Under this, as many as 1,256 special medical camps will be held across the State. It will be facilitating master health check-ups for the needy and diff-abled nearer to their homes.
Water Bell Scheme	–	It aims to encourage students to drink water regularly and stay healthy.
‘Vetri Nichayam’ Scheme	–	The scheme will give free job training to youth aged 18–35 who dropped out of school/college.
Andhra Pradesh ‘Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan Vidyarthi Mitra Kits’ Scheme	–	This scheme is to provide the free educational kits to over 35 lakh students in government and aided schools for the 2025–26 academic year.
Tamil Nadu’s TN-KET Program	–	TN-KET (Kasanoi Erappila Thittam) was launched in 2022.

		<p>It is Tamil Nadu's state initiative aimed at reducing tuberculosis (TB) mortality by enabling early detection and providing tailored care for severe cases.</p>	
Nimirntru initiative	Nil	–	<p>It is launched for students in higher education institutions to nurture innovation and entrepreneurship among the youth.</p>
India's Automotive Mission Plan 2047	Ministry of Heavy Industries	<p>It aims to establish India as a leader in global automotive manufacturing and trade.</p>	
Palna Scheme	Ministry of Women and Child Development	<p>The scheme was launched on April 1, 2022.</p> <p>The scheme aims to provide the safe, accessible, and holistic day-care services for children aged 6 months to 6 years, enabling the mothers to participate in the workforce without childcare constraints.</p>	
PM Viksit Bharat Rozgar Yojana	–	<p>launched on 1st August 2025.</p> <p>It aims to generate over 3.5 crore jobs and promote the inclusive, sustainable employment, with a special focus on the manufacturing sector.</p>	
Global Specs 2030	World Health Organisation (WHO)	<p>It aims to ensure that everyone has access to affordable eyecare services by 2030.</p>	
Verkalai Thedi thittam	–	<p>The goal is to strengthen their connection with Tamil heritage through the exchange of traditions and immersive learning.</p>	
NCDC Scheme	–	<p>It aims to empower marginalised communities and women by enhancing credit access and modernising cooperative operations.</p>	
PM Mitra	–	<p>The parks aim to create three lakh jobs each and boost exports and investments in the textile sector.</p>	
Matri Van Initiative	–	<p>Launched in Gurugram, Haryana.</p>	

		<p>It aims to develop a 750-acre theme-based urban forest in the Aravalli Hill area along the Gurugram–Faridabad Road.</p>
‘Maaperum Tamil Kanavu’	–	<p>Aimed to educate youth on ancient Tamil culture, literature and history.</p>
‘Nijut Moina 2.0’	–	<p>The scheme provides the monthly financial assistance to girl students studying in government and government-aided institutions from Higher Secondary (HS) to Postgraduate (PG) level.</p>
‘Agal Vilakku’ scheme	–	<p>Tamil Nadu Govt launched the ‘Agal Vilakku’ scheme at Keeramangalam Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Pudukkottai.</p> <p>The scheme aims at safeguarding girl students (Classes 9–12) from mental, physical, and social challenges, with a strong focus on cyber safety.</p>
MERITE Scheme	–	<p>The scheme aims to improve the quality, equity and governance in line with the National Education Policy 2020.</p>
Thayumanavar Scheme	–	<p>The scheme delivers the ration products to the senior citizens above 70 years and disabled persons at their homes.</p>
Pradhan Mantri Viksit Bharat Rojgar Yojana (PM-VBRY)	–	<p>This scheme aims to create 3.5 crore jobs in two years.</p>
Mission Sudarshan Chakra	–	<p>The aim is to expand, strengthen, and modernise the national security shield within ten years.</p>
Disha Abhiyan	–	<p>It provides the uniform and high-quality education for students with intellectual disabilities.</p>
VETRI Palligal	–	<p>Weekend coaching for JEE, NEET, CLAT, and CUET will be held for volunteer students.</p>

Mudhalvarin Kaakkum Karangal Scheme	–	The scheme supports ex-servicemen and their wards to start businesses.
Adi Karmayogi Abhiyan	Ministry of Tribal Affairs	It aimed at empowering tribal communities, strengthening responsive governance, and creating local leadership opportunities across the country.
CM's Breakfast Scheme TN	–	The scheme began in 2022, initially for government-run primary schools and expanded progressively to include urban government and aided schools.
SPREE-2025 and Amnesty Scheme	The Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC)	The aim is to expand ESIC coverage, encourage voluntary registration, reduce litigation, and improve the delivery of benefits to workers.
Anbu Karangal scheme	–	It aims to help children from poor economic backgrounds continue their schooling and higher education.
Tamil Nadu Rights Project	–	The project aims to promote inclusion, accessibility, and opportunities for persons with disabilities (PwDs).
Swasth Nari Sashakt Parivar Abhiyaan initiative	–	It aims to organise more than one lakh health camps across Ayushman Arogya Mandirs and Community Health Centres.
Swasth Nari Sashakt Parivar Abhiyaan	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) and the Ministry of Women and Child Development (MoWCD).	The campaign aims to reduce maternal mortality by early detection and treatment of health conditions among women and children.
Mukhyamantri Mahila Rojgar Yojana	–	The scheme aimed to empower women by providing seed capital to start self-employment ventures and livelihood activities of their choice.
Swachh Shehar Jodi Mentorship Initiative	Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs	The programme will be evaluated in Swachh Survekshan 2026 and aims to ensure city-level improvements through peer learning and collaboration.

PM-SETU scheme	–	The scheme aims to connect Indian youth with global skill demands through upgraded training infrastructure.
Critical Mineral Recycling Incentive Scheme	Ministry of Mines	The scheme aims to boost India's capacity to recycle critical minerals from secondary sources such as e-waste, spent lithium-ion batteries, and industrial scrap.
National Conservation Initiatives	The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change	It launched 5 national projects, including Project Dolphin Phase-II, Sloth Bear, Gharial conservation, Centre of Excellence for Human-Wildlife Conflict, and Tiger conflict management outside reserves.
One Nation, One Land Record' initiative	–	Aims to digitally map and authenticate all urban land parcels in India.
AgriEnIcs Program	MeitY	The initiative aims to support Aatmanirbhar Bharat (self-reliant India) by developing scalable, indigenous, sensor-based Agri Tech innovations.
PM Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana	–	It aims to improve productivity, promote crop diversification, enhance irrigation and storage, and increase credit access for farmers.
Bharat Taxi Initiative	–	The National e-Governance Division (NeGD) will support Sahakar Taxi Cooperative Limited's Bharat Taxi initiative launching in December 2025.
Vishwas Scheme	–	Scheme aims to reduce litigation related to Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) dues.
LEAPS 2025	Union Ministry for Commerce and Industry	The initiative aims to benchmark logistics performance, promote innovation, and align with the NLP (National Logistics Policy) and PM Gati Shakti.

Scheme for Innovation and Technology Association with Aadhaar (SITAA)	Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI)	This initiative is to promote innovation, indigenization, and co-development in the digital identity ecosystem.
We Rise initiative	NITI Aayog	The initiative supports women-led MSMEs in scaling businesses globally through mentorship and trade facilitation.
Tamil Talents Plan	–	The initiative aims to provide competitive salaries, startup research grants, relocation support, and fast-tracked visa facilitation.
Special Campaign 5.0	–	The campaign aimed to institutionalize cleanliness drives and reduce pendency in government offices across the country.
SVASTIK initiative	–	SVASTIK aims to document, validate, and communicate scientifically verified traditional knowledge to society.
MegREAP Initiative Meghalaya	–	It aims to build a ten-billion-dollar green economy in the state by 2028.
The Model Youth Gram Sabha – Loktantra Ki Pathshala (MYGS) initiative	–	To create empowered, informed, and responsible young citizens committed to democratic participation and sustainable local development.
SMART-CROP project	SBI Foundation, the University of Agricultural Sciences (UAS), Raichur, the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) and Agri Bridge	To strengthen the resilience and productivity of over 8,000 smallholder farmers in Karnataka (Bidar, Kalaburagi, Raichur) and Telangana (Sangareddy, Vikarabad)
Hamara Shauchalaya, Hamara Bhavishya campaign	Ministry of Jal Shakti	To upgrade rural toilets and improve their maintenance across Gram Panchayats

Operation Kagar	Ministry of Home Affairs	To eradicate Naxals and dismantling the political ideology of Maoism in Chhattisgarh
‘Bus First’ campaign	Chennai Metropolitan Transport Corporation (MTC)	To create awareness among motorists to give priority to MTC buses on the roads
GeM’s Womaniya initiative	India’s GeM and UN Women	To enhance the participation of women entrepreneurs from the informal sector in public procurement
Operation Crystal Fortress	Narcotics Control Bureau and Delhi Police	To curb a transnational methamphetamine trafficking network
Trek Tamil Nadu initiative – 2024	–	To provide safe, guided, and eco-sensitive trekking experiences across Tamil Nadu
“Namma School, Namma Ooru Palli” (NSNOP) initiative	–	Contributions to this initiative have surpassed ₹1,000 crore
Chief Minister’s Meal Scheme	–	A free meal scheme for sanitation workers of the Greater Chennai Corporation (GCC) from December 6 to all corporations and municipalities
Bharat NCAP (New Car Assessment Programme) 2.0	–	A revised vehicle safety rating programme for cars sold in India
Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan	Government of India	To create awareness among the farmers about modern technology and new seed varieties
Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Abhiyan	Government of India	To achieve 100% awareness and benefit saturation
Tex-RAMPS Scheme	Ministry of Textiles	It will integrate research, data, and innovation to strengthen India’s textile sector
2nd NUDGE initiative	Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT)	To improve voluntary reporting of foreign assets
Project Suncatcher	Google	To build AI-powered data centres in space

'Golden Jackal Ambassadors' scheme	Tenkasi Forest Division	To protect the golden jackal
Global Indices for Reforms and Growth (GIRG) initiative	Indian government	It aims to identify gaps and improve India's rankings to support national growth
Mukhyamantri Bharat Darshan Yojana	Bihar Government	Aims to promote cultural awareness, national integration, and experiential learning
BharatGen AI System initiative	BharatGen Technology Foundation	To develop a Large Language Model tailored to India's multilingual and multicultural environment
"Your Money, Your Right" campaign	Government of India	To help citizens claim unclaimed financial assets
'Bhumi Sudhar Samvad' programme	Bihar government	To settle land disputes quickly
Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination programme	Tamil Nadu	For girls aged 9 to 14 years to prevent cervical cancer
The National Digital Livestock Mission (NDLM)	Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, GoI	To create a nationwide digital database of livestock and related services across the country
Otter Conservation Initiative	Tamil Nadu government	To protect the smooth-coated otter in the Cauvery Delta
National Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe Hub (NSSH) Scheme	Ministry of MSME	To promote entrepreneurship among the Scheduled Caste (SC) and Scheduled Tribe (ST) communities
SHAKTI Scholars Fellowship	National Commission for Women	Six-month grant-based research fellowship to support the young Indian researchers aged 21–30
Atal Canteen Scheme	Government of Delhi	To provide meals at subsidized price at just Rs.5 per plate at 100 locations across New Delhi

PERSONALITIES AND AWARDS

Personalities	Associated fields	Remarks
Krishnamurthy V Subramanian	IMF Executive Director	Called back to India by the government before then term end.
Robert Prevost	267 th Pope	First pope from the United States and chose the papal name Leo XIV.
Bela Trivedi	Supreme Court Judge	Announced her retirement recently.
M.R. Srinivasan	Former Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission	Padma Shri (1984), Padma Bhushan (1990) and Padma Vibhushan (2015)
Jayant Narlikar	Indian Astrophysicist	He was honoured by UNESCO in 1996 with the Kalinga Award for popular science works.
Saroj Ghose	Founding Director General of the National Council of Science Museums (NCSM)	Father of India's science museum movement
Sonali Mishra	Senior Indian Police Service (IPS) officer	First woman Director General of the Railway Protection Force (RPF).
Aastha Poonia	Sub Lieutenant	First woman inducted into the fighter stream of the Indian Navy's naval aviation.
Ajay Kumar	Former Defence Secretary	New chairman of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC).
Neeraj Chopra	Olympic Gold Medallist	Honorary rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the Territorial Army.
Friedrich Merz	–	Elected as Germany's new chancellor
Justice Bhushan Ramakrishnan Gavai	–	52 nd Chief Justice of India (CJI)
Lieutenant Commander Yashasvi Solanki	First Woman Officer from the Indian Navy	Aide-de-Camp (ADC) to President of India
Economist S. Mahendra Dev	–	New Chairperson of the Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister (EAC-PM)

Teghbir Singh	–	Youngest mountaineer to climb Mount Elbrus
Parag Jain	–	New head of RAW
Paschal Donohoe	Ireland's Minister for Finance	Appointed as the Managing Director and Chief Knowledge Officer of the World Bank Group
Syed Asim Munir	Pakistan's Field Marshal	Appointed as the country's first Chief of Defence Forces (CDF)
Roman Gofman	–	Appointed as the new chief of Mossad
Sarwagya Singh Kushwaha (3 years old)	World's youngest FIDE-rated chess player in 2025	–
Indian cricketer Shikhar Dhawan	–	Unveiled his autobiography 'The One: Cricket, My Life and More'
Sai Jadhav	–	First woman officer to graduate from the Indian Military Academy (IMA), Dehradun
Raj Kumar Goyal	Retired IAS officer	Appointed as the Chief Information Commissioner of the Central Information Commission (CIC)
Michaela Benthaus ,	A German Engineer	The first wheelchair user to travel to space
Vivek Menon	First Asian to lead SSC	Elected Chair of the IUCN Species Survival Commission (SSC) for 2025–2029
Ranjana Sharma Bordoloi	Veteran Assamese actress	A founding member of the theatre group Mancharupa
Urjit Patel	Former RBI Governor	“The Great Sanctions Hack” book
PV Sindhu	India's two-time Olympic medallist	Elected to the Chair of the Badminton World Federation (BWF) Athletes' Commission 2026–2029
Anu Garg	IAS Officer of Odisha Cadre	Odisha's first woman Chief Secretary
Kaamya Karthikeyan	–	Youngest female to scale the highest peaks on all seven continents

Bhuvnesh Kumar	Senior Bureaucrat	Appointed as the (CEO) of Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI)
Yoon Suk-Yeol	President	South Korea's impeached President Yoon Suk Yeol was arrested recently.
Dr. K.M. Cherian	Surgeon	A pioneer of cardiac surgery
Hariman Sharma	Indian agriculture	Apple Man of India
Libia Lobo Sardesai	Goan freedom fighter	Honoured with the Padma Shri
Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla	Astronaut	First Indian astronaut to travel to the International Space Station
Nirmala Sitharaman	Finance Minister	Presented a record eighth consecutive budget.
Sunita Williams	Astronaut	Set a new record for the longest spacewalking time by a woman, (62 hours and 6 minutes)
Tshego Gaelae	Mrs World 2025	First black woman to win the title in the competition's 40-year history
Mohammed Rafi	Playback singer	Government has decided to issue a commemorative coin with the denomination of ₹100
R. Balakrishnan	–	Director of the International Institute of Tamil Studies.
BMW 1991	–	Tamil film that has won 22 international film festival awards.
Satya Pal Malik	–	Last Governor of Jammu and Kashmir
M.S. Janarathanan	Judge of the Madras High Court	Former Chairman of the State Backward Classes Commission
Jahnavi Dangeti	–	First Indian to complete NASA's International Air and Space Program.
VS Achuthanandan	Former Kerala Chief Minister	Founder and leader of CPM after the split in the undivided party in 1964.
L. Ganesan	Governor of Nagaland and former BJP vice-president	He earlier served as Governor of Manipur and held additional charge as Governor of West Bengal (WB).
Anish Dayal Singh	–	New Deputy National Security Advisor.



Dr Rajiv Ranjan	–	New Development Bank (NDB) has appointed him as vice president and chief risk officer.
Urjit Patel	Former RBI Governor	Executive Director at the IMF for three years.
Shankar Jiwal	Tamil Nadu DGP	First Chairman of the State Fire Commission
T.C.A. Kalyani	–	India's 29 th Controller General of Accounts
Bhupen Hazarika	–	100 th birth anniversary was launched on September 8, 2025, in Guwahati, Assam.
Sushila Karki	Nepal first woman Prime Minister	–
Amita Chaudhury	–	Appointed as Chair of the United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiative (UNEP FI) Principles for Sustainable Insurance (PSI)
S.L. Bhyrappa	Kannada Writer	Saraswati Samman Awardee
Kokichi Akuzawa from Japan	–	became the oldest person to summit Mount Fuji at age 102, setting a Guinness World Record.
Kanad Das	–	Appointed as the 13 th director of the Botanical Survey of India (BSI).
Natana Kasinathan	Renowned archaeologist and epigraphist	He authored multiple Tamil books, including Kallezhuthukkalai, Sozhar Seppedugal, and Thamizhar Kasu Iyal.
Justice Prathiba M. Singh	–	Appointed chairperson of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Advisory Board of Judges for the 2025–2027 term.
Paul Biya	World's oldest President	Won re-election in Cameroon
Actress Keerthy Suresh	Appointed as UNICEF India's Celebrity Advocate	To support initiatives on child rights and mental health awareness
Justice Surya Kant	53 rd Chief Justice of India (CJI)	–

Justice Vikram Nath	Executive Chairman of the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA)	—
G. Manuneethi – Civil Engineer from Theni	The U-Turn Man	—
Gyanesh Kumar- Chief Election Commissioner	Chair of the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (International IDEA) in 2026	—
Sheikh Hasina	Former Bangladesh Prime Minister	Death sentence by Bangladesh's International Crimes Tribunal
Kyvalya Reddy Kunchala (17) from Nidadavole	Selected as an Astronaut Candidate	For the Space Class 2025–2029 Astronaut Programme of TSI
Nitish Kumar - Janata Dal (United) president	Chief Minister of Bihar for a record of 10 th time	—
Charles Coste	France's oldest living Olympic gold medallist	—
Saalumarada Thimmakka (114)	—	Mother of Karnataka's Trees
Erode Tamilanban	Vanambadi poetry movement Poet and Sahitya Akademi award-winner	—
Viola Fletcher	Oldest survivor of them 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre	—
Ilamparthi A.R. (Chennai)	—	Became India's 90 th chess Grandmaster
Namitbir Singh Walia (Punjab)	—	Became International Master (IM) in chess
Janice Tjen (Indonesian)	—	First Indonesian woman to claim a WTA Tour title in 23 years
Rohan Bopanna	Two-time Grand Slam champion	announced his retirement

Raahul V. S.	India's 91 st Grandmaster	–
Roger Federer	Elected for honour in the International Tennis Hall of Fame Class of 2026	–
Rohit Sharma	Ambassador for the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026	–
Uzbek Chess Grand Master Javokhir Sindarov	–	Youngest FIDE World Cup Champion
Para-archer Sheetal Devi (Jammu and Kashmir)	First Indian para-athlete	Selected for an able-bodied international event – Asia Cup 2025 Stage 3
Arshi Gupta of Delhi Public School, Faridabad	–	First female racer who Won a National Karting Championship in India
Luke Littler	English darts game player	The youngest-ever world number one (18 years old)
Jammie Booker	–	2025 World's Strongest Woman title

Prize/Awards	Awardee	Remarks
World Press Freedom Prize 2025	La Prensa- El Diario de los Nicaragüenses	Nicaraguan Newspaper
Nammazhvar Awards 2025	G. Sampathkumar (First Prize) T. Jagadeesh (Second Prize) V. Kalidoss (Third Prize)	–
Kalvikko Award	S. Sathik	Former Vice-Chancellor of University of Madras.
Padma Bhushan	Vinod Dham S. Ajith Kumar	– Indian-American Engineer – Tamil Actor
2025 World Food Prize	Mariangela Hungria	Brazilian scientist
58th Jnanpith Award (2023)	Jagadguru Rambhadracharya Ji	Sanskrit scholar
International Booker Prize	Banu Mushtaq	The short story collection 'Heart Lamp'

Award	Awardee	Associated field	Remarks
Perunthalaivar Kamarajar Award for 2024	K.V. Thangkabalu	—	—
Ayyan Thiruvalluvar Award	M. Padikkaramu	—	—
Anna Award	L. Ganesan	—	—
Mahakavi Bharathiya Award	Kabilan	—	—
Bharathidasan Award	Pon. Selvaganapathy	—	—
Tamil Thendral Thiru. Vi. Ka. Award	G.R. Ravindranath	—	—
KAP Viswanatham Award	Ve. Mu. Pothiyaverpan	—	—
Thanthai Periyar Award	Rajendran	—	—
Annal Ambedkar Award	MP Ravikumar	—	—
Kalaignar Award	Muthu Vavasi	—	—
Kalaignar Porkizhi Award 2025	Arunan – Prose / Research Nellai Jayantha - Poetry Suresh Kumar Indrajith – Novel N. Sriram – Short Stories Kalai Rani – Drama Nirmalya – Translation	—	—

	<p>K Kanathi's Karpagam bookstore – BAPASI Award</p> <p>R Kothandaraman – Best Librarian Award</p> <p>S Meiyappan – Best Book Seller</p>		
Tamil Diaspora Day awards 2025	<p>Dr. Vijay Janakiraman – Tamil Mamani' Award</p> <p>Krishnakanthan Sandeep – Best Cultural Ambassador Award</p> <p>Rajaram Ramasubban – Education Category</p> <p>S. Kamalakannan – Social Development Category</p> <p>Sridevi Sivanandam – Women's Category</p> <p>Lakshmanan Somasundaram – Business Category</p> <p>S. Arokiyaraj – S&T Category</p> <p>Gangadhara Sundar – Medicine Category</p>	–	–
Padma Awardees from Tamil Nadu	<p>Kuppusami Chetti – Owner of renowned brand of silk sarees</p> <p>Ashwin – Sports</p>	–	–
Anna Medal for Gallantry	K. Vetrivel	–	–
Kottai Ameer Award	S.A. Ameer Amsa	–	–

Narayanasamy Naidu Paddy Productivity Award	R. Murugavel	—	—
Gandhi Adigal Police Medals	P. Chinnakamanan, K. Mahamarx K. Karthick K. Siva and P. Poomalai	—	—
2025 Republic Day Tableaux	Uttar Pradesh Best Tableau of 2025 Tripura Second Best Tableau of 2025 Andhra Pradesh Third Best Tableau of 2025 Delhi Police CAPF/Auxiliary Forces Ministry Of Tribal Affairs Ministry Of Women & Child Development Central Ministries/Departments Category Central Public Works Department (Cpwd) Jayati Jai Mamah Bharatam' Dance Group Two Special Prizes	—	—
The Music Academy – Chennai Awards	T.M. Krishna Sangita Kalanidhi 2024 Parassala Ravi and Geetha Raja Sangita Kalaacharya Dr. Margaret Bastin Musicologist Award 2024	—	—

	Thiruvaiyyaru Brothers S. Narasimhan and S. Venkatesan – TTK Award		
Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award	Manu Bhaker, D Gukesh, Harmanpreet Singh and Praveen Kumar	–	–
Arjuna Awards (Lifetime)	Sucha Singh (Former Cyclist)	–	–
Arjuna Awards (Lifetime)	Murlikant Rajaram Petkar (Former Para-Swimmer)	–	–
Arjuna Awards	Thulasimathi, Nithya Sree and Manisha (Badminton Paralympians)	–	–
Arjuna Award	Abhay Singh (Squash Player)	–	–
Dronacharya Award 2024	Subhash Rana (Para- Shooter) Deepali Deshpande (Shooting) Sandeep Sangwan (Hockey)	–	–
Dronacharya Award (Lifetime)	S Muralidharan (Badminton) Armando Agnelo Colaco (Football)	–	–
Nuclear-Free Future Award 2025	P Udayakumar Márcia Gomes de Oliveira Norbert Suchanek	–	–
Solution Award	Edwick Madzimure	–	–
Honorary Lifetime Achievement Award	Joanna Macy	–	–
Honorary Lifetime Achievement Award	Klee Benally	–	–

Khel Ratna Award	Manu Bhaker, D Gukesh, Harmanpreet Singh, Praveen Kumar	—	—
Arjuna Award	Sarabjot Singh, Swapnil Kusale	—	—
Lifetime Achievement Award	Murlikant Rajaram Petkar	—	—
Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Trophy	Chandigarh University, Lovely Professional University, Guru Nanak Dev University	—	—
Lifetime Arjuna Award	Murlikant Petkar	—	—
Rashtriya Khel Protsahan Puraskar	Physical Education Foundation of India	—	—
Dronacharya Award	Deepali Deshpande (Shooting coach), Armando Agnelo Colaco (Football)	—	—
ICC Women's ODI Cricketer of the Year for 2024	Smriti Mandhana	—	—
ICC Men's Test Cricketer of the Year for 2024	Jasprit Bumrah	—	—
ICC Men's T20I Team of the Year 2024	Rohit Sharma	—	—
ICC Men's T20I Cricketer of the Year 2024	Arshdeep Singh	—	—
ICC Women's T20I Cricketer of the Year	Amelia Kerr (New Zealand)	—	—
ICC Men's T20I Team of the Year	Arshdeep Singh, along with Jasprit Bumrah, Hardik Pandya and Rohit Sharma	—	—

ICC Women's T20I Team of the Year 2024	Smriti Mandhana, Richa Ghosh and Deepti Sharma	—	—
ICC Men's ODI Cricketer of the Year 2024	Azmatullah Omarzai of Afghanisan	—	—
Best Women International Cricketer of 2023-24	Smriti Mandhana	—	—
Highest Run Getter in ODIs medal	Mandhana	—	—
Highest Wickets in ODIs	Deepti Sharma	—	—
Indian Sports woman of the Year award for 2024	Manu Bhaker	—	—
Emerging Player of the Year	Sheetal Devi (Archery)	—	—
Lifetime Achievement	Mithali Raj (Cricket)	—	—
Indian Para-sportswoman of the Year	Avani Lekhara (Shooting)	—	—
Hockey India Annual Awards 2024	Balbir Singh Sr Award for Player of the Year Harmanpreet and Savita (Men's and Women's Categories) Major Dhyan Chand Lifetime Achievement Award Victorious Squad From 1975	—	—
Hockey India Jaman Lal Sharma Award	Prasar Bharati	—	—

National Dhanwantri Ayurveda Awards 2025	Nadi Vaidya and Author - Vaidya Tara Chand Sharma Distinguished Scholar of Dravyaguna Vigyana - Vaidya Maya Ram Uniyal Founder of the Vishwa Vyakhyanmala National Conference Vaidya Sameer Govind Jamadagni	-	-
Kalai Chemmal Award 2024	Traditional Painting Category – A. Manivelu Sculpture Category – V. Balachander and K. Kanniyappan Modern Painting Category – K. Muralitharan and A. Selvaraj Sculpture Category – N. Raghavan	-	-
Jnanpith Award	Vinod Kumar Shukla	Hindi Poet and Novelist	-
Abel Prize 2025	Masaki Kashiwara	Japanese Mathematician	-
Stockholm Water Prize 2025	Günter Blöschl	A pioneer of water engineering of Austria	-
WEF Young Global Leader 2025	Ram Mohan Naidu	-	-
Miss World 2025	Thailand's Opal Suchata Chuangsri	-	-
Kalaignar M. Karunanidhi Classical Tamil Award for 2025	Thayammal Aravanan	-	Tamil scholar

ICC Cricket Hall of Fame 2025	MS Dhoni	–	International Cricket Council (ICC)
Digital Payments Award 2024–25	India Post Payments Bank (IPPB)	–	Its role in expanding digital payments and financial inclusion.
National Award	Kuppadam silk sarees of Chirala, Bapatla district, Andhra Pradesh	–	Won under the Centre's "OneDistrictOne Product" (ODOP) initiative
Thagaisal Thamizhar Award	K.M. Khader Mohideen	–	Indian Union Muslim League (IUML) leader
Tamil Wikki Suran Award	V. Vedhachalam	–	Epigraphist and Archaeologist
The 2025 United Nations Population Award	Varsha Deshpande	–	Indian Women's Rights Activist
Swachh Survekshan Awards 2024–25	–	–	Indore – India's cleanest city. Surat – second position, Navi Mumbai – third position. Vijayawada – fourth position. Ahmedabad, Bhopal and Lucknow – the new generation of top clean cities. Prayagraj – the Best Ganga Town. Visakhapatnam, Jabalpur, and Gorakhpur – Best Safai Mitra Surakshit Shehars. Ahmedabad – first position in the category of cities with a population of over 10 lakhs.

Swachh Survekshan Survey 2024/25	–	–	Tiruchi Corporation has achieved the 49 th rank, out of 95 cities with a population between 3 lakh and 10 lakhs. Coimbatore ranked 28 th (10 lakh+ category) Madurai ranked 40 th (bottom of the list) Trichy ranked 49 th (3–10 lakh category)
World's Best Consumer Bank 2025	SBI	–	Global Finance magazine
Rashtriya Krishi Vigyan Puraskar – 2025'	ICAR–Sugarcane Breeding Institute, Coimbatore	–	Under the category 'Innovation & Technology in Agriculture & Allied Sciences'.
Handloom Awards 2024	Lakka Sreenivasulu Karnati Murali and Jujare Nagaraju	–	–
World Police and Fire Games 2025	V. Dinesh, S. Arjun, B. Harikrishnan, V. Saranya and K. Elavarasi	–	Personnel from Tamil Nadu Police
71st National Film Awards 2023	–	–	12 th Fail – Best Feature Film. Flowering Man – Best Non-Feature Film God Vulture and Human – Best Documentary award. Shah Rukh Khan for Jawan and Vikrant Massey for 12 th Fail – Best Actor in a Leading Role.

			<p>Rani Mukerji – Best Actress (Mrs Chatterjee Versus Norway).</p> <p>Vijayaraghavan and Muthupettai Somu Bhaskar – Best Supporting Actor award.</p> <p>Urvashi and Janki Bodiwala – Best Supporting Actress award.</p> <p>Hanu Man – Best Film in the Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming and Comic (AVGC) category.</p> <p>Giddh The Scavenger – Best Short Film.</p> <p>Tamil Movie ‘Parking’ – Best Actor in Supporting Role, Best Screenplay and Best Tamil Film category.</p> <p>G.V. Prakash Kumar – Best Music Director (Songs) category.</p>
M.S. Swaminathan Award for Food and Peace	Dr. Arenare	Nigerian Scientist	First recipient for his efforts in reducing hunger.
Equator Prize 2025	–	–	Bibifathima Swa Sahaya Sangha from Karnataka
Thagaisal Thamizhar Award	IUML leader K.M. Kadhar Mohideen	–	–
Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Award	ISRO Chairman V. Narayanan	–	–
Kalpana Chawla Award	Thulasimathi Murugesan	–	–
Vir Chakra	BSF Sub-Inspector Mohd Imteyaj and Constable Deepak Chingakham	–	–

Sarvottam Yudh Seva Medals	Lieutenant General Rajiv Ghai and Air Marshals Narmdeshwar Tiwari, Nagesh Kapoor, Jeetandra Mishra, and A.K. Bharti	–	–
Miss Universe India 2025	Rajasthan's Manika Vishwakarma	–	–
Chief Minister's State Youth Award 2025	M. Khazima Carrom World Champion	–	–
National Teacher Award 2025.	Revathy Parameswaran Vijayalakshmi	–	The New Development Bank (NDB) has appointed as its vice president and chief risk officer.
Ramon Magsaysay Award 2025	Educate Girls	–	–
Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan Awards	Indore	–	–
P.V. Narasimha Rao Memorial Award for Economics	Dr. Manmohan Singh	–	–
Dadasaheb Phalke Award 2023	Mohanlal	–	He has won five National Film Awards in his career.
Kalaimamani Awards 2021/2023	Actors Sai Pallavi, S.J. Suryah, Vikram Prabhu, K. Manikandan, Jaya V.C. Guganathan, and M. George Maryan	–	–
National e-Governance Awards 2025	–	–	Gold: Rohini Gram Panchayat, Maharashtra Silver: West Majilishpur Gram Panchayat, Tripura Jury Awards: Palsana Gram Panchayat, Gujarat & Suakati Gram Panchayat, Odisha

2025 Young Champions of the Earth award	Jinali Mody	—	—
Best state award for silk development	Andhra Pradesh	—	—
National Geoscience Awards 2024	Lifetime Achievement Award 2024 was given to Shyam Sundar Rai	—	—
Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari Award	Bidar district of Karnataka	—	—
M.S. Swaminathan Award 2025	Sahaja Samrudha from Mysuru Veerappan, a Irular fisherman from Kalaignar Nagar	—	—
Global Tourism Award 2025	Andhra Pradesh Tourism Department	—	—
Mrs Universe 2025	Sherry Singh	—	—
Bharathiya Award 2025	Professor N. Murugesa Pandian	—	—
M.S. Subbulakshmi Award 2025	Singer K.J. Yesudas	—	—
Balasaraswathi Award 2025	Muthukannammal	—	—
BRICS Young Innovator Prize	Sakthi Jaya Sundar Rajasekar	—	—
Vaikom Award for social justice	Thenmozhi Soundararajan,	—	—
The Vigyan Ratna	Prof. Jayant Vishnu Narlikar	—	—
Best Tourism Villages For 2025	Pochampalli in Telangana and Dhordo in Gujarat		
The Bal Sahitya Puraskar 2025	Writer Vishnupuram Saravanan	Sahitya Akademi	Creative talents of children's literature authors

Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace 2024	Michelle Bachelet	Former Chilean President	Disarmament and Development
Ilakkiya Maamani Award	T. Gnanasundaram (Traditional Tamil), R. Kamarasu (Research Tamil), and K. Somasundaram “Kalapriya” (Creative Tamil)	–	To honour leading Tamil scholars - Tamil Development Department
2025 Booker Prize	David Szalay – A Hungarian-British author	–	For his sixth novel, Flesh
Chevalier de L'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres (Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters) French government	Veteran Indian film art director Thota Tharani	–	–
Oscar Award	American actor Tom Cruise	–	–
Miss Universe 2025	Fatima Bosch – Mexican woman	–	–
The Plant Genome Saviour Awards	–	–	Marked the Silver Jubilee of the Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers' Rights (PPV&FRA) Act, 2001, and the 21 st Foundation Day of the Authority
India's 26th Woman Grandmaster (WGM) 2025	Sarayu Velpula (Telangana)	–	–
ICFT-UNESCO Gandhi Medal	“Safe House” – The Norwegian film	–	–
Dr Paulos Mar Gregorios Award 2025	Tessy Thomas – India's 'Missile Woman'	–	For her pioneering contributions to defence science
Kamla Bhasin Award 2025	Mohana Sundari- An auto driver from Chennai	First recipient from Tamil Nadu	For promoting gender equality

Kalaignar Ezhuthukol Award 2024	T.E.R. Sukumar	Managing Editor of Daily Thanthi	-
2025 UN Population Award- Institutional Category	International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP)	-	It recognizes contributions to population research, evidence-based policymaking, and global collaboration
Ramoji Excellence Awards 2025	Amla Ashok Ruia	Water Mother	For rural development
World Athlete Awards 2025	Armand Duplantis of Sweden and Sydney McLaughlin-Levrone	-	For their dominant performances at the World Championships in Tokyo, Japan
FIFA's first Peace Prize	President Donald Trump	-	For promoting global peace and unity
The World Book of Records	Nitish Kumar	-	First Indian Chief Minister to take oath ten times
Sanctuary Wildlife Service Award 2025	BNHS scientist Parveen Shaikh	-	For her work conserving the endangered Indian Skimmer
Sanctuary Wildlife Service Award 2025	Parveen Shaikh	A scientist from the Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS)	-
Global Humanitarian Award	Anant Ambani	-	Youngest and first Asian honouree
2025 Champions of the Earth award	Supriya Sahu	TN Additional Chief Secretary, Environment, Climate Change and Forests	-

Turner Prize 2025	Nnena Kalu	–	First artist with a learning disability to win the prize
Global Bank of the Year 2025	DBS Bank	–	–
India's Best Health Technology Assessment (HTA) Institute award	Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER) second consecutive year	–	–
6th Lokmat Parliamentary Awards	Senior DMK leader and MP T.R. Baalu	–	Lifetime Achievement Award (Lok Sabha)
40 Under 40 Lawyer Award 2025	Shubham Awasthi	A lawyer at the Supreme Court of India	–
2025 Tata Transformation Prize	Padubidri V. Shivaprasad (National Centre for Biological Sciences), Balasubramanian Gopal and Ambarish Ghosh (Indian Institute of Science)	–	They are recognised for research in food security, sustainability, and healthcare, respectively
Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar 2025	Aishi Prisha Borah (Assam)		Promoting sustainability and waste reduction.

Honours received by Prime Minister Modi	
Countries	Name of the Honour
Ethiopia	Great Honour Nishan of Ethiopia
Namibia	The Order of the Most Ancient Welwitschia Mirabilis
Brazil	Grand Collar of the National Order of the Southern Cross
Trinidad & Tobago	The Order of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago
Ghana	The Officer of the Order of the Star of Ghana
Cyprus	The Grand Cross of the Order of Makarios III
Sri Lanka	The Mitra Vibhushana

Mauritius	The Grand Commander of the Order of the Star & Key of the Indian Ocean
Kuwait	The Order of Mubarak Al Kabeer
Guyana	The Order of Excellence
Barbados	The Order of Freedom
Nigeria	Grand Commander of the Order
Dominica	Dominica Award of Honour
Russia	Order of St. Andrew the Apostle
Greece	Grand Cross of the Order of Honour
France	Grand Cross of the Legion
Egypt	Order of the Nile
Republic of Palau	Honour Ebakl Award
Papua New Guinea	The Order of Logohu
Fiji	Companion of the Order of Fiji
Bhutan	Order of the Druk Gyalpo
US Government	Legion of Merit
Bahrain	King Hamad Order of the Renaissance
Maldives	The Order of the Distinguished Rule of Nishan Izzuddin
United Arab Emirates	Order of Zayed Award
Palestine	The Grand Collar of the State of Palestine Award
Afghanistan	The State Order of Ghazi Amir Amanullah Khan
Saudi Arabia	Order of King Abdulaziz

EVENTS AND SUMMITS

- ❖ The 18th Elephant and Tourism Festivals was held in Sauraha, Nepal.
- ❖ The 18th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas Convention is being held in Bhubaneswar, Odisha under the theme of “Diaspora’s Contribution to a Viksit Bharat”.
- ❖ The 10th edition of the Tamil Nadu International Balloon Festival (TNIBF) was held in Pollachi.
- ❖ The 55th World Economic Forum (WEF) Annual Meeting was held with the theme “Collaboration for the Intelligent Age”, at Davos, Switzerland.

- ❖ The first Raisina Middle East Conference was held in Abu Dhabi, UAE.
- ❖ The 4th No Money for Terror (NMFT) Conference was held in Germany and India proposed a permanent NMFT Secretariat at New Delhi.
- ❖ The 17th edition of the International Defence Exhibition - IDEX and 8th edition of the Naval Defence and Maritime Security Exhibition – NAVDEX was held in Abu Dhabi, UAE.
- ❖ The T.N. Climate Summit 3.0 was held in Chennai.
- ❖ The third edition of the AI Action Summit was held in Paris.
- ❖ The 61st Munich Security Conference (MSC) was held in Munich, Germany.
- ❖ The Mission 300 Africa Energy Summit was held in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.
- ❖ The 14th Asian Fisheries and Aquaculture Forum (14AFAF) on the “Greening the Blue Growth in Asia-Pacific” was held in Delhi.
- ❖ The first-ever Conference for Women Peacekeepers, themed ‘Women in Peace keeping: A Global South Perspective,’ took place in New Delhi.
- ❖ India hosts the first-ever Regional Dialogue on Social Justice under the Global Coalition for Social Justice in New Delhi.
- ❖ The 9th National Summit on Good & Replicable Practices and Innovation in the Public Healthcare System was held in Puri, Odisha.
- ❖ The four-day Mobile World Congress (MWC) 2025 was held in Barcelona, Spain under the theme “Converge, Connect, Create.”
- ❖ The third “International Symposium on Health Technology Assessment (ISHTA 2025)” was recently held in New Delhi.
- ❖ The 30th Session of the International Seabed Authority (ISA) commenced in Jamaica.
- ❖ Kathak Kendra, a unit of Sangeet Natak Akademi, has hosted the 37th Kathak Mahotsav 2025 in New Delhi.
- ❖ The 150th Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) Assembly was held in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.
- ❖ India, USA, and 13 other countries are participating in the International Maritime Defence Exhibition (IMDEX) Asia 2025 in Singapore.
- ❖ The 9th BRICS Industry Ministers’ Meeting was held in Brasilia, Brazil, under the theme “Strengthening Global South Cooperation for More Inclusive and Sustainable Governance.”
- ❖ The World Hydrogen Summit 2025 was held in Rotterdam, Netherlands.
- ❖ The Third United Nations Ocean Conference (UNOC3) is being scheduled in Nice, France in June 2025.

- ❖ The 78th World Health Assembly is held in Geneva, Switzerland under the theme of 'One World for Health'.
- ❖ The 11th Sea trade Maritime Logistics Middle East (SMLME) conference was held at the Dubai World Trade Centre, UAE.
- ❖ India co-chaired the 4th Ministerial Conference of the Regional Integrated Multi-Hazard Early Warning System (RIMES) in Colombo, Sri Lanka.
- ❖ Ambubachi Mela, a religious festival, was held at Kamakhya Temple in Guwahati, Assam.
- ❖ The 2025 World Para Athletics Championships will be held in New Delhi.
- ❖ The June Climate Meetings of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) held in Bonn, Germany.
- ❖ Indian Prime Minister participated in the G7 Summit in Kananaskis, Canada.
- ❖ The first Assembly of the International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) was held in New Delhi.
- ❖ The Third UN Ocean Conference (UNOC3) 2025 was held in Nice, France.
- ❖ The 4th meeting of India–Central Asia Dialogue was held in New Delhi with the Participation of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan.
- ❖ India has hosted the 3rd International Telecommunication Union (ITU-T) Focus Group on AI-Native for Telecommunication Networks (FG-AINN) in New Delhi
- ❖ The seventh year of the International Conference on Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (ICDRI) was held in Nice, France.
- ❖ The Second session of the United Nations Habitat Assembly was held in Nairobi, Kenya.
- ❖ The 8th Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction (GPDRR) 2025 was organized by the UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR) in Geneva, Switzerland.
- ❖ Prime Minister inaugurated the Chenab railway bridge, the world's highest rail bridge in Jammu & Kashmir.
- ❖ The International Air Transport Association's (IATA) 81st annual general meeting was held in Delhi.
- ❖ The 26th edition of the Asian Athletics Championships was held in Gumi, the Republic of Korea.
- ❖ The 2025 G7 Summit will be hosted by Canada in Alberta from June 15–17.
- ❖ The 2nd ASEAN– The Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) Summit was held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- ❖ The 2026 Asian Weightlifting Championships will be held in Ahmedabad, India.

- ❖ The 15th Conference of the Contracting Parties (COP15) to the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands was held in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe.
- ❖ India's millet standards and its role in Codex committees received recognition at the 88th Codex Executive Committee (CCEXEC88) held in Rome.
- ❖ The 66th International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO) 2025 is being held at the Sunshine Coast in Australia.
- ❖ India has hosted the 2nd BIMSTEC Ports Conclave in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.
- ❖ The 17th annual BRICS summit 2025 was the, held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
- ❖ India hosts its first ASEAN-India Cruise Dialogue in Chennai to boost maritime ties and tourism.
- ❖ The 4th International Conference on Financing for Development (FfD4) was held in Sevilla, Spain.
- ❖ India presented a resolution on promoting sustainable lifestyles for the wise use of wetlands at Ramsar CoP15 in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe.
- ❖ The second United Nations Food Systems Summit Stocktake (UNFSS plus four) was held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, co-hosted by Ethiopia and Italy.
- ❖ The Third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries was held in Awaza, Turkmenistan.
- ❖ The second edition of the United Nations (UN) Women's SheLeads II programme was held in New Delhi.
- ❖ Mumbai hosted the 18th International Olympiad on Astronomy and Astrophysics at the Homi Bhabha Centre for Science Education.
- ❖ The 4th Tamil Nadu International Kite Festival will take place from 14 to 17 August 2025, at East Coast Road, Mahabalipuram.
- ❖ A three-day Muthuvan tribal convention was held at Chempakathozukudy near Suryanelli in Munnar.
- ❖ The first-ever Khelo India Water Sports Festival (KIWSF) will be held at Dal Lake, Srinagar.
- ❖ The 25th Heads of State Council Summit of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) was held in Tianjin, China, on August 31, 2025.
- ❖ India's largest lithium-ion (Li-ion) battery manufacturing plant was inaugurated in Sohna, Gurgaon, Haryana on September 5, 2025.
- ❖ The second Tamil Nadu Rising Summit was held in Hosur during September 2025.
- ❖ India unveiled the UPI-UPU integration project at the 28th Universal Postal Congress in Dubai.

- ❖ CJI B.R. Gavai inaugurated the Bombay High Court's circuit bench at Kolhapur on August 17, 2025.
- ❖ Chennai will host the fifth Coast Guard Global Summit in 2027, after India won the bid announced at the fourth summit in Rome on September 12, 2025.
- ❖ The 44th meeting of the Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure (RATS) of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation was held in Cholpon Ata, Kyrgyz Republic.
- ❖ India and Norway held their inaugural Maritime Security, Disarmament, and Non-Proliferation Dialogue in Oslo, Norway.
- ❖ The Prime Minister laid the foundation stone of India's first Pradhan Mantri Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM MITRA) Park in Dhar district, Madhya Pradesh.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister inaugurated the Tamil Nadu State Highways Authority (TANSHA) on September 19, 2025, in Chennai.
- ❖ The Union Ministry for Commerce and Industry launched Logistics Ease Across Different States (LEADS) 2025 in New Delhi on 20 September 2025.
- ❖ Union Ministry of Commerce and Industry launched Logistics Data Bank (LDB) 2.0 in New Delhi.
- ❖ A tidal mangrove nursery has been established at Killai near Pichavaram in Cuddalore district.
- ❖ India's first Central Tissue Bank was launched at the Maulana Azad Institute of Dental Sciences (MAIDS) in Delhi.
- ❖ The 69th International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) General Conference was held in Vienna, Austria.
- ❖ India participated in the 2nd Global Conference on Sustainable Livestock Transformation at the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) in Rome, Italy.
- ❖ Tata Advanced Systems Limited (TASL) is set to establish India's first private-sector helicopter Final Assembly Line in Vemagal, Karnataka.
- ❖ The 11th World Green Economy Summit (WGES) was held at the Dubai World Trade Centre, UAE.
- ❖ The 68th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference (CPC) began in Bridgetown, Barbados.
- ❖ India's first cooperative multi-feed Compressed Biogas (CBG) plant was inaugurated in Kopargaon, Ahilyanagar, Maharashtra.
- ❖ The annual Mera Hou Chongba festival was held at Kangla Fort in Imphal, Manipur.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu Global Startup Summit (TNGSS) 2025 was held in Coimbatore.
- ❖ The 8th International Solar Alliance (ISA) Assembly will be held in New Delhi.

- ❖ India participated in the IUCN World Conservation Congress held in Abu Dhabi, Capital of the United Arab Emirates.
- ❖ The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) World Conservation Congress 2025 began in Abu Dhabi.
- ❖ The 4th edition of the IUCN World Heritage Outlook was launched at the IUCN World Conservation Congress in Abu Dhabi.
- ❖ Ahmedabad has been recommended as the host city for the 2030 Centenary Commonwealth Games by the Commonwealth Sport's Executive Board.
- ❖ The 16th International Railway Equipment Exhibition-2025, Asia's largest and the world's second-largest railway exhibition was held in New Delhi.
- ❖ 22nd ASEAN-India Summit held in Kuala Lumpur.
- ❖ India participated in the 19th Mid-Term Ministerial Meeting of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) held in Kampala, Uganda.
- ❖ PM of India addressed the International Arya Maha Sammelan 2025 at New Delhi, marking the 150th anniversary of the Arya Samaj and the ongoing bicentenary celebrations of Maharshi Dayanand Saraswati.
- ❖ The Indian Navy hosted the 7th Indo-Pacific Regional Dialogue (IPRD) 2025 in New Delhi.
- ❖ The 17th GRIHA (Green Rating for Integrated Habitat Assessment) Summit was held in New Delhi with a theme of "Innovate to Act for a Climate Resilient World".
- ❖ The Embassy of India in Riyadh has launched the third edition of Pravasi Parichay, a week-long cultural festival (first established in 2023).
- ❖ The Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh Pakhwada (November 1–15, 2025), a celebration which marks the 150th birth anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda, a leading tribal freedom fighter, began nationwide to honour tribal heroes and their contributions.
- ❖ The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy will host the International Conference on Green Hydrogen 2025 in New Delhi.
- ❖ The 30th Conference of Parties (COP30) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) is being held in Belém, Brazil.
- ❖ The 37th Meeting of the Parties (MOP-37) to the Montreal Protocol was held in Nairobi, Kenya.
- ❖ Ethiopia is set to host the 32nd Conference of the Parties (COP32) under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in 2027.
- ❖ The Prime Minister inaugurated the South India Natural Farming Summit 2025 in Coimbatore.
- ❖ COP31 (Conference of the Parties 31) is expected to be hosted by Turkey in 2026.

- ❖ Earthshot Prize ceremony held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, to promote global climate solutions.
- ❖ India hosted the 12th edition of the Global Space Exploration Conference (the GLEX 2025) under the theme of “Reaching New Worlds: A Space Exploration Renaissance.”
- ❖ The World Telecommunication Development Conference (WTDC) 2025 was held in Baku, Azerbaijan.
- ❖ The 60th All India Conference of Directors General of Police (DGP) and Inspectors General of Police (IGP) was held in Raipur, Chhattisgarh, under the theme “Viksit Bharat: Security Dimensions”.
- ❖ Meghalaya held its first Northeast India Organic Week to promote organic farming in the region.
- ❖ Chanakya Defence Dialogue 2025 was held in New Delhi under the theme of “Reform to Transform: Sashakt, Surakshit aur Viksit Bharat” (Empowered, Secure and Developed India).
- ❖ The 26th Hornbill Festival started on 1 December 2025 at the Naga Heritage Village, Kisama, in Kohima, Nagaland.
- ❖ World Summit on Disaster Management 2025 was held in Dehradun, Uttarakhand with the theme of “Strengthening International Cooperation for Building Resilient Communities.”
- ❖ The 23rd India-Russia Annual Summit was held in New Delhi.
- ❖ The 24th meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention (COP 24) took place in Cairo, Egypt.
- ❖ The EARTH (Empowering Agriculture, Rural Transformation and Holistic) Summit 2025 was held in Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
- ❖ The Global Energy Leaders’ Summit (GELS) 2025 was inaugurated in Puri, Odisha.
- ❖ India International Science Festival (IISF) 2025 was held in Panchkula, Haryana.
- ❖ India is hosting the 20th session of the UNESCO Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) 2025 in New Delhi.
- ❖ The Seventh UN Environment Assembly (UNEA-7) was held under the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) in Nairobi, Kenya.
- ❖ The Sixth International Conference on Bacteriophage Research and Antimicrobial Resistance concluded at Banaras Hindu University in Varanasi.
- ❖ IIT Madras and the India AI Mission hosted the Global AI Conclave in Chennai.
- ❖ CITES marked its 50th anniversary at CoP20 in Samarkand, Uzbekistan, where major new species-protection decisions were adopted.

- ❖ India hosted the 3rd Council Session of the International Organization for Marine Aids to Navigation (IALA) in Mumbai.
- ❖ Majuli in Assam is hosting the Charaichung Festival, to revive Asia's first protected Royal Bird Sanctuary, Charaichung.
- ❖ Bhartiya Bhasha Utsav 2025 was held in New Delhi on Mahakavi Subramania Bharati's birth anniversary.
- ❖ India hosted the 20th Session of the Intergovernmental Committee (IGC) of UNESCO for the first time at the Red Fort, New Delhi.
- ❖ The Dandami Madia tribe performed the traditional Bison Horn Maria dance at Judiya Para in Jagdalpur, Jagdalpur, Chhattisgarh.
- ❖ The 11th United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC) Forum meeting was held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

DEFENCE EXERCISES AND OPERATIONS

Name	Countries/ Organization Involved	Venue
Operation Sard Hawa 2025	Border Security Force (BSF)	Jaisalmer
Operation Devil Hunt	—	Bangladesh
Theatre Level Operational Readiness Exercise (TROPEX-25)	India	Karwar, Karnataka, India
Ekuverin	India, Maldives	Maldives
Winged Raider	India (Army and IAF)	Eastern Theatre, India
Multilateral Naval Exercise Komodo	Over 15 countries including Russia, China, India, US	Indonesia
Dharma Guardian	India, Japan	Mount Fuji, Japan
Sagar Kavach	Indian Coast Guard	West Bengal, India
Cyclone 2025	India and Egypt	Rajasthan
Exercise Desert Hunt 2025,	Tri-Service Special Forces exercise of India	Jodhpur
Sea Dragon 2025 Naval Exercise	India, Japan, Australia and Republic of Korea	Western Pacific Ocean

Joint Military Exercise Khanjar – XII	India and Kyrgyzstan	Tokmok, Kyrgyzstan
4th edition of Bilateral Exercise – BONGOSAGAR-23	Indian Navy and Bangladesh Navy	Northern Bay of Bengal
Maritime Security Belt 2025 Naval Exercise	Russia, Iran, and China	Gulf of Oman
Bilateral Naval Exercise 'Varuna' – 23rd edition	India and France	Goa coast
INDRA	Indian - Russia	Chennai
Tiger Triumph 2025	India-US Tri-Service	Andhra Pradesh
INIOCHOS-25	Indian Air Force (IAF) is participating in multinational air exercise along with USA, France, Spain, Israel and others	Greece
Prachand Prahaar2025	Indian Army's Kolkata, West Bengal-based Eastern Command	
Dustlik	India-Uzbekistan	Pune
ARMEX-24	Indian Army	Sikkim
Balikatan joint military exercise	United States, Australia and Japan	Philippines
Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) exercise	India–Maldives	Maldives
Golden Dragon joint military exercise	Cambodia, China	Cambodia
Nomadic Elephant	India– Mongolia	Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia.
Passage Exercise (PASSEX)	Indian Navy and UK Royal Navy	North Arabian Sea
22nd edition of Khaan Quest – multinational military exercise	Indian Army	Mongolia
Tiger Claw	Indian Air Force and US Air Force	Chandigarh, Uttar Pradesh
Shakti-2025	India and France	France

BALTOPS 25	–	Latvia
Jaa Mata	The Indian Coast Guard and the Japanese Coast Guard	Chennai
Bold Kurukshtera 2025	Indian Army and Singapore Armed Forces	Rajasthan's desert
Operation Mahadev	–	Jammu and Kashmir
Exercise Drone Prahar	Indian Army	Arunachal Pradesh's East Siang district
Exercise Divya Drishti	Indian Army	East Sikkim
Operation 'Shiv Shakti'	Indian Army	J&K's Poonch
Operation Akhal	Army, J&K Police, and CRPF	Kulgam's Akhal area of South Kashmir
bilateral joint naval exercise	India and the Philippines	South China Sea
Operation Muskaan XI initiative.	Telangana Police	–
Operation Falcon	launched jointly by police and forest department curbed poaching of one-horned rhinos.	Assam
SLINEX-25	India and Sri Lanka	Colombo, Sri Lanka
Exercise Samanvay Shakti 2025	–	Laipuli in Assam's Tinsukia district
Exercise Maitree	India–Thailand	Umroi, Meghalaya
Super Garuda Shield 2025	Indonesia, the United States, and allied nations	–
19th edition of Exercise Bright Star 2025'	43 countries	Egypt
Achook Prahar	The Indian Army's Spear Corps and the Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP)	Central Arunachal Pradesh
Yudh Kaushal 3.0	The Indian Army	Arunachal Pradesh
Yudh Abhyas	India & United States	–

Operation Rahat	Indian Army	Scale relief mission under in flood-affected Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, and Jammu & Kashmir
ZAPAD 2025	Indian Army	Nizhniy, Russia.
Sagarmatha Friendship	Nepal and China's People's Liberation Army	China
Siyom Prahar	Indian Army	Arunachal Pradesh.
Freedom Edge	South Korea, the United States, and Japan	near Jeju Island.
Jal Shakti	Indian Army	Patiala, Punjab
Amogh Fury	The Army's South-Western Command	Rajasthan's Thar Desert
Bilateral Naval Exercise	India-Greece	Mediterranean Sea
Jal Prahar 2025'	Indian Navy the Indian Army	Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.
Exercise Kavach	The Spear Corps of Eastern Command, Indian Army	Eastern Arunachal Pradesh,
Pacific Reach 2025	Republic of Singapore Navy, featuring over 40 nations, including India	Singapore
KONKAN-2025	Indian Navy and the Royal Navy of UK	The western coast of India.
NATPOLREX-X 2025	Biennial oil spill response drill	Chennai's coast
Operation HAECHI-VI	Targeting transnational cyber-enabled financial crimes.	–
ReSAREX-25	The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) Karnataka unit	Mangaluru
Operation Golden Sweep	–	The Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) in Mumbai arrested 13 people, in a gold smuggling bust named
AUSTRAHIND 2025	India and Australia	Australia
IN-RoKN	India-South Korea	South Korea

Operation Chakra-V	–	The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) arrested three individuals across Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, and Kerala in a transnational cyber fraud case
Samudra Shakti-2025	Indian Navy	Visakhapatnam
Operation Fire Trail	–	Illegal import of Chinese-origin fireworks and firecrackers into India under
JAIMEX 25	India and Japan conducted	Japan
Ocean Sky 2025	The Indian Air Force (IAF)	Spain
Trishul 2025	Army, Navy, Air Force	India
Vayu Samanvay-II	The Southern Command	–
Sudarshan Vayu Sanchar	India's Southern Command	–
Exercise Malabar 2025	–	Guam in the Northern Pacific Ocean
Poorvi Prachand Prahar-tri-service exercise	Eastern Command of the Indian Armed Forces	Arunachal Pradesh
11th Mitra Shakti 2025 Exercise	India and Sri Lanka	Foreign Training Node in Belagavi, Karnataka
Exercise Brahmarshira	Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, and Border Security Force	Rann and Creek sector of Gujarat
Exercise VINBAX	Vietnam and India	Hanoi, Vietnam
Operation Bullion Blaze	The Directorate of Revenue Intelligence	Mumbai
Garuda-2025	India and France	France
Exercise Akhand Prahaar	Southern Command of the Indian Army	Desert Sector in Rajasthan
8th joint military exercise Ajeya Warrior-25	India and UK	Rajasthan

Operation Chhatru	Indian Army and Jammu & Kashmir Police	Kishtwar
19th Joint Military Exercise SURYAKIRAN	India and Nepal	Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand
Operation White Cauldron	The Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI)	Dismantled a multi-state drug network in Valsad, Gujarat.
Operation Southern Spear	–	A military campaign in the Caribbean and South America to target narco-terrorists and disrupt cocaine trafficking networks.
SAREX -22	The Indian Coast Guard	Chennai
Tabletop exercise	Quad countries	Hawaii
Bharat NCX 2025	Rashtriya Raksha University	Gujarat
Teesta Prahar	Indian Army	West Bengal
Exercise Raahat	Indian Army and the National Disaster Response Force	Assam
Operation MED MAX	Narcotics Control Bureau	10 countries across Asia, North America, Europe, and Oceania
Operation SHIVA 2025	Indian Army	To safeguard Shri Amarnath Yatra in Jammu and Kashmir.
Operation Sindhu	India	To evacuate Indian nationals from Iran
Operation Nader	Indian Army and Jammu, Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) and Kashmir Police	Counter terrorism joint operation in Jammu & Kashmir
Operation Black Forest	CRPF and Chhattisgarh police	Against Naxals in Chhattisgarh
Operation Keller	Indian Army	Against terrorists called in Kashmir
Operation Abhyas	–	Civil defence mock drill for emergency preparedness

Mission Sankalp	—	anti-Naxal operation in Chhattisgarh–Telangana border
Operation Bihali	Indian Army and J&K Police	Basantgarh (Kashmir) against terrorist
Operation Gideon's Chariots	Israel	Gaza Strip
Operation Kagar	Indian Govt	To eradicate Naxals
Operation Spider Web	Ukrainian drones attacked military airbases	Russia's borders
Operation Midnight Hammer	USA	Iran's key nuclear sites— Fordow, Natanz, and Isfahan
Operation Rising Lion	Israel	Iranian Nuclear Sites
Operation Kalanemi	Uttarakhand Police	Against religious figures/saints
Operation Eagle Force	Eagle Force Telangana, the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB), the Delhi Police Crime Branch, and the Noida Police	—
Operation Sagar Bandhu	India	To support cyclone Ditwah hit Sri Lanka
Exercise Ekuverin	India and Maldives	Thiruvananthapuram
Exercise GARUDA SHAKTI	India– Indonesia	Baklo, Himachal Pradesh
Harimau Shakti 2025	India–Malaysia	Rajasthan
Operation Hinterland Brew	Directorate of Revenue Intelligence	Wardha, Maharashtra
Operation Thunder 2025	INTERPOL in partnership with the World Customs Organization (WCO)	—
Exercise Ekatha 2025	Indian Navy and the Maldives National Defence Force	Maldives
Desert Cyclone-II	India and the United Arab Emirates (UAE)	Abu Dhabi

Exercise AviaIndra-2025	Indian Air Force and Russian Federation Aerospace Force	–
Operation Hawkeye Strike	United States	Syria
First Field Training Exercise (FTX)	The Quad partners (Australia, India, Japan, and the US)	Andersen Air Force Base in Guam
Regional Level Pollution Response Exercise (RPREX-2025)	Indian Coast Guard (ICG)	Off the Mumbai coast

SPORTS

- ❖ West Bengal claim a record 33rd title of the Santosh Trophy, India's top state-level football competition.
- ❖ The 1st edition of Kho-Kho World Cup 2025 game was hosted by India.
- ❖ The fifth edition of the Khelo India Winter Games (KIWG) 2025 concluded in Leh, Ladakh.
- ❖ In the 37th edition of the National Games, held in Goa in 2023, Kalaripayattu was included in the competition section.
- ❖ The Prime Minister has inaugurated the 38th National Games in Dehradun, Uttarakhand.
- ❖ The Odisha Warriors became the first-ever Women's Hockey India League champion 2025 in Ranchi, Jharkhand.
- ❖ Australia women's cricket team has won the ICC Women's Championship 2025 for the third consecutive time.
- ❖ Meghalaya has been selected as the host for 39th National Games 2027.
- ❖ The 2025 Para Archery Asia Cup - World Ranking Tournament was held in Bangkok, Thailand
- ❖ The 38th edition of the National Games was held in Uttarakhand with 28 states, the eight union territories and the Services Sports Control Board (SSCB).
- ❖ The 9th Asian Winter Games were held in Harbin, China.
- ❖ India's Pankaj Advani secured the 2025 Asian Snooker Championship men's title, defeating Iran in the final at Doha, Qatar.
- ❖ Pranav Venkatesh from India has secured the first position in the World Junior Chess Championship in the under-20 category held in Montenegro.

- ❖ The New Delhi World Para Athletics Grand Prix was the first international para event hosted by India.
- ❖ India secured 12 medals on the concluding day of the Special Olympics World Winter Games in Turin, Italy.
- ❖ Haryana once again finishing on top of the team standings with 34 gold medals in the second edition of the Khelo India Para Games 2025.
- ❖ India finished the Asian Wrestling Championships 2025 in Amman, Jordan, with 10 medals- 1 gold, 3 silver, 6 bronze.
- ❖ Indian athletes won 11 medals - one gold, five silver and five bronze - at the Asian U18 Athletics Championships 2025 in Dammam, Saudi Arabia.
- ❖ Indian shooters finished third at the ISSF World Cup in Lima, Peru.
- ❖ The 2nd Asian Yogasana Championships was held in New Delhi.
- ❖ The Khelo India Youth Games 2025 is being held in Bihar for the first time.
- ❖ Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu had hosted the first Khelo India Beach Games.
- ❖ Hockey India (HI) and the Tamil Nadu Government signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for hosting the FIH Hockey Men's Junior World Cup 2025 in Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ Jasprit Bumrah became the first Asian player to claim 150 Test Cricket wickets in the SENA countries (South Africa, England, New Zealand, and Australia), surpassing Wasim Akram.
- ❖ Neeraj Chopra has won the Paris Diamond League 2025 with an 88.16m long throw, by defeating Julian Weber.
- ❖ South Africa have clinched their first ICC title in 27 years by beating Australia in the World Test Championship (WTC) final 2025, held at London.
- ❖ The England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) and BCCI have decided to rename the trophy after James Anderson and Sachin Tendulkar.
- ❖ Defending champion Carlos Alcaraz of Spain once again clinched the French Open 2025 men's singles final.
- ❖ Carlsen claimed the Norway Chess title for the seventh time in his career.
- ❖ The World Champion D Gukesh has defeated the World No. 1 Magnus Carlsen in Norway Chess 2025 tournament.
- ❖ The Royal Challengers Bengaluru won their maiden IPL title by defeating Punjab Kings in the 2025 season finale held at Ahmedabad, Gujarat.
- ❖ India's Mahendra Gurjar set a world record in the men's javelin F42 category with a throw of 61.17m at the Nottwil World Para Athletics Grand Prix in Switzerland.

- ❖ Portugal's Cristiano Ronaldo became the first player in the world to score 800 club goals in his career.
- ❖ Srihari Nataraj of Karnataka broke his own 'Best Indian Performance' timing in the men's 200m freestyle swimming.
- ❖ India's student team has won two gold and two silver medals in the International Chemistry Olympiad 2025 in Dubai.
- ❖ Polish tennis star Iga Swiatek won her first Wimbledon against American Amanda Anisimova, marking a historic victory.
- ❖ Italian world No. 1 Jannik Sinner has claimed his first Wimbledon men's title by defeating Spain's Carlos Alcaraz.
- ❖ A Ra Harikrishnan of Chennai became India's 87th Grandmaster recently at the La Plagne International Chess Festival in France.
- ❖ Indian chess player D. Gukesh won the rapid title at the 2025 Grand Chess Tour in Zagreb, Croatia.
- ❖ Magnus Carlsen of Norway clinched the title at the first-ever Chess Esports World Cup by defeating Russia's Ian Nepomniachtchi in the final.
- ❖ India's Annu Rani won gold in women's javelin throw with 62.59 meters at the International Wiesław Maniak Memorial in Poland.
- ❖ Rishabh Yadav won bronze in compound men's individual archery at the World Games 2025 in Chengdu, China.
- ❖ Rohith Krishna S, a 19-year-old from Chennai, has become India's 89th Grand master.
- ❖ India's U20 women's football team defeated Myanmar to qualify for the AFC U20 Women's Asian Cup 2026 after 20 years.
- ❖ India secured 27 medals at the Asian Under-19 (U19) and Under-22 (U22) Boxing Championships 2025 held in Bangkok, Thailand.
- ❖ India will host the Asian Open Short Track Speed Skating Trophy 2025 for the first time in Dehradun, Uttarakhand.
- ❖ Indian shooter Elavenil Valarivan won gold in the women's 10m air rifle at the 16th Asian Championships in Shymkent, Kazakhstan.
- ❖ Rayansh Gupta from Ludhiana won a gold and a silver at the 18th International Earth Science Olympiad (IESO 2025) 2025 in Jining, China.
- ❖ China hosts inaugural World Humanoid Robot Games in Beijing to highlight AI and robotics.
- ❖ Indian shooter Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar won the gold medal in the men's 50m rifle 3 positions competition at the Asian Shooting Championship held in Shymkent, Kazakhstan.

- ❖ Indian weightlifter Mirabai Chanu won a gold medal in the women's 49 kg category at the 2025 Commonwealth Weightlifting Championships in Ahmedabad.
- ❖ India won 50 gold medals at the 16th Asian Shooting Championship held in Shymkent, Kazakhstan.
- ❖ Carlos Alcaraz (Spain) defeated Jannik Sinner (Italy) to win the 2025 US Tennis Open men's singles title, while Aryna Sabalenka (Belarus) secured her second consecutive women's singles championship.
- ❖ India's men's compound archery team made its first-ever gold medal win at the World Championships in Gwangju (South Korea) by defeating France.
- ❖ The 11th Asian Aquatics Championship will be held for the first time in India from 28 September to 11 October 2025 in Ahmedabad, Gujarat.
- ❖ India beat Korea 4-1 to win the Men's Asia Cup Hockey tournament for the fourth time in Rajgir, Bihar.
- ❖ India won the bronze medal at the CAFA Nations Cup 2025 with a historic first-ever victory over Oman at Hisor Central Stadium in Tajikistan.
- ❖ American chess prodigy Abhimanyu Mishra made history by defeating World Champion D Gukesh at the FIDE Grand Swiss 2025.
- ❖ R Vaishali won the FIDE Women's Grand Swiss 2025 title by drawing against Tan Zhongyi in the final round, held in Samarkand, Uzbekistan.
- ❖ India won four medals at the 2025 World Boxing Championships, including two golds, one silver, and one bronze.
- ❖ Anandkumar Velkumar won India's first-ever gold medal at the Speed Skating World Championships held in Beidaihe, China.
- ❖ China defeated India 4-1 in the Women's Hockey Asia Cup 2025 final held in Hangzhou, clinching their third title.
- ❖ Sarvesh Kushare becomes the first Indian high jumper to reach a World Championships final, securing a historic sixth-place finish.
- ❖ Anish Giri won the 2025 FIDE Grand Swiss tournament in Samarkand (Uzbekistan) and secured his place in the 2026 Candidates Tournament.
- ❖ Marium Fatima from Bihar has achieved a remarkable milestone by becoming the state's first Woman FIDE Master (WFM).
- ❖ America's Sydney McLaughlin Levrone won gold in the women's 400 metres at the world championships, running 47.78 seconds.
- ❖ Anish Raj won bronze in the Junior Men's One-Lap Road Sprint at the 73rd Inline Speed World Championships 2025 in China.

- ❖ India won its seventh South Asian Football Federation Under-17 (SAFF U-17) Championship title in Colombo (Sri Lanka) at the Racecourse International Stadium.
- ❖ India is hosting the 12th World Para Athletics Championships 2025 at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in New Delhi.
- ❖ Grandmaster P. Iniyan from Tamil Nadu won the 62nd National Chess Championship held in Guntur, Andhra Pradesh.
- ❖ Indian weightlifter Mirabai Chanu won silver in the 48kg category at the 2025 World Weightlifting Championships in Forde, Norway.
- ❖ Nishad Kumar won his first World Para Athletics Championships gold in the high jump T47 in New Delhi.
- ❖ The BWF (Badminton World Federation) World Junior Championships returned to India after 17 years and are being held in Guwahati, Assam.
- ❖ The World Para Athletics Championships 2025 concluded in New Delhi.
- ❖ Jasprit Bumrah becomes the first Indian fast bowler to play 50 Tests across all formats, achieving the milestone in the second Test against the West Indies.
- ❖ The 5th edition of the Khelo India University Games (KIUG) will be held in Rajasthan.
- ❖ Cape Verde has secured its first-ever qualification for the FIFA World Cup by defeating Eswatini.
- ❖ India won the boys' kabaddi gold medal at the 3rd Asian Youth Games 2025 in Manama, Bahrain.
- ❖ Odisha weightlifter Preetismita Bhoi won the gold medal in the 44 kg category at the 3rd Asian Youth Games held in Bahrain.
- ❖ FIFA announced the launch of a new ASEAN Cup during the Association of Southeast Asian Nations summit in Malaysia.
- ❖ Indian chess grandmasters D Gukesh and Divya Deshmukh won individual gold medals at the European Chess Club Cup 2025.
- ❖ India beat South Africa and won, claiming their first-ever ICC Women's Cricket World Cup.
- ❖ The 4th South Asian Athletics Federation Senior Athletics Championships 2025 was held at Morabadi Football Stadium in Ranchi, Jharkhand.
- ❖ The Viswanathan Anand Trophy (symbol of India's chess revolution), named after the five-time world champion and India's first Grandmaster, was unveiled at the 2025 FIDE World Chess Cup commenced in Goa.
- ❖ India won a record 48 medals at the 2025 Asian Youth Games in Manama, Bahrain, including 13 gold, 18 silver, and 17 bronze.

- ❖ India celebrated 100 years of hockey with special events across the country.
- ❖ Samrat Rana made history by winning the men's 10-meter air pistol gold at the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) World Championship in Cairo, becoming the first Indian shooter to win an individual air pistol world title.
- ❖ Bhubaneswar's Kalinga Stadium is set to host the inaugural National Indoor Athletics Championships in January 2026.
- ❖ India topped the 2025 Asian Archery Championships held in Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- ❖ Tiny Caribbean Island country Curacao qualified to the 2026 World Cup as the smallest nation by population ever to qualify for the marquee event in men's football.
- ❖ India won the WFDF World Beach Ultimate Championship, organized by World Flying Disc Federation, in Portimão, Portugal, by defeating Germany.
- ❖ India won the inaugural Blind Women's T20 World Cup by defeating Nepal in the final at Colombo, Srilanka.
- ❖ Indian women's kabaddi team won their second successive World Cup title in Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- ❖ The 5th Khelo India University Games started in Jaipur, Rajasthan.
- ❖ The Abujhmadiya tribe's members are joining the Bastar Olympics sports tournament.
- ❖ Ahmedabad is officially confirmed as the host city for the 2030 Commonwealth Games.
- ❖ Indian athlete Giovanna de Sequeira won bronze at the World Professional Jiu-Jitsu Championship in Abu Dhabi.
- ❖ The 25th Summer Deaflympics 2025 was held in Tokyo, Japan.
- ❖ India participated for the first time in the World Skills Asia Competition (WSAC) 2025.
- ❖ Luke Littler became the youngest-ever world number one in darts at age 18 after winning the Grand Slam of Darts final.
- ❖ The 5th edition of Khelo India University Games (KIUG 2025) was held across seven cities in Rajasthan.
- ❖ India won six medals at the 2025 ISSF (International Shooting Sport Federation) World Cup Final in Doha, Qatar.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu's L. Keerthana won the gold medal in the women's singles event at the 7th Carrom World Cup held in the Maldives.
- ❖ The FEI (International Federation for Equestrian Sports) Asian Equestrian Championships 2025 were held in Pattaya, Thailand.

- ❖ India secured their first-ever bronze medal at the 2025 FIH Men's Junior Hockey World Cup, held in Chennai.
- ❖ Chandigarh University became the first university in India to win the Khelo India University Games (KIUG) title for two consecutive years.
- ❖ India will host the first Commonwealth Kho Kho Championship in March 2026, following the first Kho Kho World Cup held in New Delhi.
- ❖ Jammu and Kashmir is hosting its first International Indian Style Wrestling (Dangal) event along with the Rustam-e-Jammu Kashmir Title 2025.
- ❖ Jharkhand won their first Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy title in the 2025–26 season, defeating Haryana in the final in Inter-State Twenty-20 final.
- ❖ Sukhman Singh, a golfer from Noida, Uttar Pradesh, won the 124th Amateur Golf Championship of India, world's longest-running amateur matchplay tournament.
- ❖ Indian women's cricketer Smriti Mandhana became the first Indian woman to score more than 4,000 runs in Women's Twenty20 International (T20I) cricket.
- ❖ The fifth edition of the Asian Youth Para Games 2025 was held in Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE).
- ❖ East Bengal FC won the inaugural SAFF Women's Club Championship 2025, defeating Nepal and claimed India's first international women's club title.
- ❖ Team Alpine SG Pipers clinched the 3rd edition of the Global Chess League (GCL) 2025, also known as Tech Mahindra Global Chess League (TechM GCL) 2025.

IMPORTANT DAYS

Date	Important Day	Theme
January 09	Pravasi Bharatiya Divas	“The Diaspora’s Contribution to a Viksit Bharat”
January 10	World Hindi Day	“Hindi: A Global Voice of Unity and Cultural Pride”
January 11 to 17	National Road Safety Week	Be a Road Safety Hero
January 12	National Youth Day	
January 15	77 th Indian Army Day	
January 24	National Girl Child Day	“Empowering Girls for a Bright Future”
January 24	International Day of Education	“AI and education: Preserving human agency in a world of automation”

January 25	National Voters Day	“Nothing Like Voting, I Vote for Sure”
January 25	Tamil Language Martyrs' Day	—
January 29	Indian Newspaper Day	“Role of Print Media in the Digital Age”
January 30	Martyrs' Day 2025	—
February 02	World Wetlands Day 2025	Protecting Wetlands for Our Common Future
February 01	Indian coast guard day	—
February 11	International Day of Women and Girls in Science 2025	Unpacking STEM Careers: Her Voice in Science
February 11	World Unani Day 2025	Innovations in Unani Medicine for Integrative Health Solutions' Together for a Better Internet
February 13	National Women's Day 2025	—
February 20	World Day of Social Justice 2025	Empowering Inclusion: Bridging Gaps for Social Justice
February 24	Central Excise Day 2025	—
February 27	World NGO Day 2025	Empowering Grassroots Movements for a Sustainable Future
February 28	National Science Day 2025	Empowering Indian Youth for Global Leadership in Science and Innovation for Viksit Bharat'
March 03	World Wildlife Day 2025	The Wildlife Conservation Finance: Investing in People and Planet
March 04	National Safety Day 2025	Safety & Well-Being Crucial for Viksit Bharat
March 07	Jan Aushadhi Diwas 2025	—
March 08	International Women's Day 2025	For ALL Women and Girls: Rights. Equality. Empowerment
March 10	International Day of Women Judges	—
March 10	Commonwealth Day 2025	Together We Thrive
March 15	World Consumer Rights Day 2025	A Just Transition to Sustainable Lifestyles

March 16	National Vaccination Day 2025	–
March 21	World Day for Glaciers 2025	–
March 21	International Day of Forests 2025	Forest and Food
March 21	World Puppetry Day 2025	Robots, AI and the dream of the puppet?
March 22	World Water Day 2025	Glacier Preservation
March 23	World Meteorological Day 2025	Closing the early warning gap together
March 24	World Tuberculosis (TB) Day 2025	Yes! We Can End TB: Commit, Invest, Deliver
April 05	National Maritime Day 2025	–
April 07	World Health Day 2025	Healthy Beginnings, Hopeful Futures
April 10	World Homeopathy Day 2025	–
April 14	National Fire services' Day 2025	–
April 18	World Heritage Day 2025	Heritage under Threat from Disasters and Conflicts: Preparedness and Learning from 60 years of ICOMOS Actions
April 21	National Civil Service Day 2025	–
April 22	Earth Day 2025	Our Power, Our Planet
April 24	National Panchayati Day 2025	–
April 24	International Girls in ICT Day 2025	Girls in ICT for inclusive digital transformation
April 24/30	World Immunization Week 2025	Immunization for All is Humanly Possible
April 25	World Malaria Day 2025	Malaria ends with us: Reinvest, Reimagine, Reignite
April 26	International Chernobyl Disaster Remembrance Day 2025	–
April 26	World Intellectual Property Day 2025	Intellectual property and music: Feel the beat of IP
May 01	May Day 2025	–

May 03	International Leopard Day 2025	—
May 06	World Asthma Day 2025	Make Inhaled Treatments Accessible for ALL
May 08	World Red Cross Day 2025	“Keeping Humanity Alive”
May 08	World Thalassaemia Day 2025	Together for Thalassaemia: the Uniting Communities, and Prioritising Patients
May 10	World Migratory Bird Day 2025	Shared Spaces: Creating Bird-Friendly Cities and Communities
May 11	National Technology Day 2025	—
May 12	International Nurses Day 2025	Our Nurses. Our Future. Caring for nurses strengthens economies
May 16	National Dengue Day 2025	Act Early, Prevent Dengue: Clean Surroundings, Healthy Living.
May 18	World AIDS Vaccine Day 2025	—
May 18	International Museum Day 2025	‘The Future of Museums in the Rapidly Changing Communities.’
May 20	World Bee Day 2025	Bee inspired by nature to nourish us all
May 20	World Metrology Day 2025	Measurements for all times, for all people
May 21	International Tea Day 2025	Tea for Better Lives
May 22	International Day for Biological Diversity 2025	Harmony with Nature and Sustainable Development
May 23	World Turtle Day 2025	—
May 24	Commonwealth Day in India 2025	‘Together we thrive’
May 28	World Dugong Day 2025	—
May 28	World Hunger Day 2025	—
May 29	International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers 2025	The Future of Peacekeeping
May 31	World Anti-Tobacco Day 2025	“Unmasking the Appeal: Exposing the Industry Tactics on Tobacco and Nicotine Products”.

June 01	World Milk Day 2025	“Let’s Celebrate the Power of Dairy.”
June 05	World Environment Day 2025	“Putting an End to Plastic Pollution”
June 07	World Food Safety Day 2025	“Food safety – science in action”.
June 08	World Oceans Day 2025	Wonder: Sustaining what sustains us
June 09	Coral Triangle Day 2025	One Triangle, Infinite Beauty
June 14	World Blood Donor Day 2025	‘Give blood, give hope: together we save lives’.
June 15	World Wind Day 2025	Day of Community Action
June 16	International Domestic Workers Day 2025	“Recognizing Care, Advancing Dignity and Rights for the Domestic Workers”
June 17	World Crocodile Day 2025	–
June 17	World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought 2025	Restore the land. Unlock the opportunities
June 19	World Sickle Cell Awareness Day 2025	“A Global Action, Local Impact: Empowering Communities for Effective Self-Advocacy”.
June 20	World Refugee Day 2025	“Solidarity with Refugees”.
June 21	International Yoga Day 2025	“Yoga for One Earth, One Health”.
June 22	World Rainforest Day	Forests and Foods
June 23	International Olympic Day 2025	“Let’s Move?”.
June 23	United Nations Public Service Day 2025	Five Years to 2030: Accelerating Public Service Delivery for a Sustainable Future”.
June 25	Samvidhan Hatya Divas	50th anniversary of the imposition of the Emergency
June 27	MSME Day 2025	Enhancing the role of MSMEs as the drivers of Sustainable Growth and Innovation.”
June 29	National Statistics Day 2025	‘75 Years of National Sample Survey’.
June 30	International Day of Parliamentarianism 2025	‘Achieving gender equality, action by action’.

June 26	National Electrical Safety Day	Smart Energy, Safe Nation
July 01	Goods and Services Tax Day 2025	–
July 05	International Day of Cooperatives 2025	“Cooperatives: Driving Inclusive and Sustainable Solutions for a Better World.”
July 07	World Bioproduct Day 2025	The BioE3 Way
July 10	National Fish Farmers Day 2025	–
July 11	World Population Day 2025	“Empowering young people to create the families they want in a fair and hopeful world.”
July 12	International Day of Malala 2025	–
July 15	World Youth Skills Day 2025	Youth empowerment through AI and digital skills”.
July 16	World Snake Day 2025	Respect, Don’t Fear: Protecting Nature’s Silent Guardians
July 20	International Moon Day 2025	“One Moon, One Vision, One Future.”
July 22	National Flag Day 2025	One Nation, One Flag: United in Sacrifice, Committed to Peace.”
July 22	World Brain Day 2025	“Brain Health for All Ages”.
July 23	National Broadcasting Day 2025	–
July 24	Income Tax Day 2025	–
July 26	World Mangrove Day 2025	Protecting Wetlands for Our Future
July 26	Kargil Vijay Diwas 2025	–
July 31	World Ranger Day	“Rangers, Powering Transformative Conservation”
August 01/07	World Breastfeeding Week 2025	Invest in breastfeeding, invest in the future.
August 07	National Javelin Day	–
August 07	National Handloom Day 2025	Weaving Innovation into Tradition

August 09	International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples 2025	“Indigenous Peoples and Artificial Intelligence (AI): Defending Rights, Shaping Futures”
August 10	World Lion Day 2025	–
August 12	International Youth Day 2025	Local Youth Actions for the SDGs and Beyond.”
August 12	World Elephant Day 2025	“Matriarchs & Memories.”
August 12	National Librarian's Day 2025	–
August 13	World Organ Donation Day 2025	Answering the Call
August 19	World Orangutan Day 2025	–
August 20	World Mosquito Day 2025	‘Accelerating the Fight Against Malaria for a More Equitable World’
August 23	ISRO Day/National Space Day 2025	“Aryabhatta to Gaganyaan: Ancient Wisdom to Infinite Possibilities”
August 27	World Lake Day 2025	–
August 29	National Sports Day 2025	‘Ek Ghanta, Khel ke Maidan Main’.
September 01/07	National Nutrition Week 2025	Eat Right for a Better Life”.
September 02	World Coconut Day 2025	“Uncovering Coconut’s Power, Inspiring Global Action”
September 06	Vulture Awareness Day 2025	–
September 08	International Literacy Day 2025	“Promoting literacy in the digital era”.
September 10	World Suicide Prevention Day 2025	“Changing the Narrative on Suicide”.
September 11	National Forest Martyrs Day 2025	“Remembering Martyrs, Protecting Forests.”
September 12	UN Day for South-South Cooperation 2025	“New Opportunities and Innovation through South-South and Triangular Cooperation”.
September 14	Hindi Diwas 2025	–
September 15	International Day of Democracy 2025	‘Achieving gender equality, action by action’.

September 16	World Ozone Day 2025	“From science to global action”.
September 18	World Bamboo Day 2025	‘Next Generation Bamboo: Solution, Innovation, and Design.’
September 22	World Rhino Day 2025	—
September 23	Ayurveda Day 2025	‘Ayurveda for People & Planet’.
September 24	NSS Day 2025	“Empowering Youth for a Sustainable India.”
September 25	World Maritime Day 2025	“Our Ocean, Our Obligation, Our Opportunity”.
September 26	World Environmental Health Day 2025	“Clean Air, Healthy People”.
September 27	World Tourism Day 2025	‘Tourism and Sustainable Transformation’.
September 28	World Rabies Day 2025	“Act now: you, me, communities”.
September 28	World Rivers Day 2025	—
October 01	International Coffee Day 2025	“Embrace Collaboration for Collective Action – More Than Ever.”
October 01	NPS Diwas 2025	“Inclusive Pensions, Innovative Solutions: Strengthening Retirement Security in India”
October 02	International Day of Non-Violence 2025	—
October 04	World Animal Welfare Day 2025	“Save Animals, Save the Planet”
October 05	World Teachers’ Day 2025	“Recasting Teaching as a Collaborative Profession”
October 2/8	National Wildlife Week 2025	—
October 4/10	World Space Week 2025	“Living in Space”
October 07	World Nilgiri Tahr Day 2025	—
October 07	World Cotton Day 2025	“Cotton 2040: Technology, Climate & Competitiveness”
October 08	Air Force Day	—
October 6/10	National Postal Week 2025	“Post for People: Local Service. Global Reach”

May 10th and October 11th	World Migrant Bird Day 2025	“Shared Spaces: Creating Bird-Friendly Cities and Communities.”
October 09	World Post Day 2025	Post for People: Local Service. Global Reach”
October 10	World Egg Day	—
October 10	World Mental Health Day 2025	“Access to Services – Mental Health in Catastrophes and Emergencies”
October 10	National Post Day 2025	—
October 11	International Day of the Girl Child 2025	“The girl I am, the change I lead: Girls on the frontlines of crisis.”
October 15	Global Handwashing Day	“Be a Handwashing Hero!”
October	National Cyber Security Awareness Month (NCSAM)	“Cyber Jagrit Bharat”
October 20	World Statistics Day 2025	“Driving Change with Quality Statistics and Data for Everyone.”
October 23	International Snow Leopard Day 2025	—
October 24	World Polio Day 2025	“End Polio: Every Child, Every Vaccine, everywhere”
October 24	United Nations Day 2025	“Building Our Future Together”
October 31	National Unity Day 2025	“Ek Bharat, Aatmanirbhar Bharat”
October 27	Infantry Day 2025	—
27-31 October 2025	India Maritime Week 2025	Uniting Oceans, One Maritime Vision
November 03	World Jellyfish Day 2025	The beautiful threat beneath the waves
November 03	International Day for Biosphere Reserves 2025	—
November 05	World Tsunami Awareness Day 2025	Be Tsunami Ready: Invest in Tsunami Preparedness
November 07	National Cancer Awareness Day 2025	—

November 08	World Radiography and Radiology Day 2025	Radiographers: Seeing the Unseen
November 09	National Legal Services Day 2025	Justice for All: Through the Lens of Legal Aid
November 10	World Immunization Day 2025	Immunization for All is Humanly Possible
November 11	National Education Day 2025	AI and Education – Preserving Human Agency in a World of Automation
November 12	World Pneumonia Day 2025	Child Survival
November 10/14	World Quality Week 2025	Quality: think differently
November 16	National Press Day 2025	Reporting in the Brave New World – The Impact of Artificial Intelligence on Press Freedom and the Media
November 16	Audit Diwas	Guardian of the Public Purse
November 17	National Epilepsy Day 2025	Understanding Seizures, Symptoms, and Treatment Options
November 18	Naturopathy Day 2025	Ni-Sar-Gam – Healing & Wellness Festival 2025
November 19	World Toilet Day 2025	Sanitation: Collective Responsibility for Dignity and Planet
November 18/24	World AMR Awareness Week (WAAW) 2025	Act Now: Protect Our Present, Secure Our Future
November 20	World Children's Day 2025	“My Day, My Rights” and “For Every Child, Every Right”
November 19/25	World Heritage Week 2025	Heritage under Threat from Disasters and Conflicts: Preparedness and Learning from 60 Years of ICOMOS Actions
November 21	World Fisheries Day 2025	Theme in India: India's Blue Transformation: Strengthening Value Addition in Seafood Exports
November 23	National Cashew Day	–
November 26	National Milk Day 2025	–

November 26	Constitution Day of India 2025	“Hamara Samvidhan – Hamara Swabhiman” (Our Constitution – Our Pride)
December 01	World AIDS Day 2025	–
December 02	National Pollution Control Day 2025	Sustainable Living for a Greener Future
December 03	International Day of Persons with Disabilities 2025	Fostering disability inclusive societies for advancing social progress
December 04	Indian Navy Day	Combat Ready, Cohesive, Self-Reliant
December 04	International Cheetah Day 2025	–
December 05	World Soil Day 2025	Healthy Soils for Healthy Cities
December 09	International Anti-Corruption Day	Uniting with Youth Against Corruption: Shaping Tomorrow’s Integrity
December 10	Human Rights Day 2025	Our Everyday Essentials
December 11	UNICEF Foundation Day 2025	My day, My rights
December 14	National Energy Conservation Day 2025	–
December 20	Raising Day of Sashastra Seema Bal – SSB 2025	–
December 23	National Farmers Day 2025	Vikasit Bharat 2047 – The Role of FPOs (Farmer Producer Organisations) in Globalising Indian Agriculture
December 24	National Consumer Day 2025	Efficient and Speedy Disposal through Digital Justice
December 25	Good Governance Day 2025	Prashasan Gaon Ki Ore (Governance Towards Villages)
December 27	International Day of Epidemic Preparedness 2025	–

