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Person in News

Vasudev Devnani

- ❑ Current Speaker of the 16th Rajasthan Legislative Assembly.
- ❑ Represented the Rajasthan Legislative Assembly in the Indian delegation at the 68th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference held in the Caribbean country of Barbados from October 5-12, 2025.

Judge Arun Monga

- ❑ Transferred from the Delhi High Court to the Rajasthan High Court and was sworn in on October 29, 2025, by Acting Chief Justice of the Rajasthan High Court, Sanjiv Prakash Sharma.
- ❑ Total number of judges in the Rajasthan High Court = 40 (as of October 29, 2025)
- ❑ Transfer of two Rajasthan judges to Delhi (by the Government of India after the recommendation of the Supreme Court)
 - i. Justice Dinesh Mehta
 - ii. Justice Avinash Jhingan

Adman-Piyush Pandey

- ❑ **Born** - 1955, Jaipur
- ❑ **Died** - October 24, 2025
- ❑ Veteran of the Indian advertising industry and former Executive Chairman of Ogilvy India.
- ❑ He was the first jury president in Asia for the inaugural Cannes Lions Festival.
- ❑ **Award** - Padma Shri (2016)
- ❑ He was the creator of the BJP's famous slogan for the 2014 Lok Sabha elections: "Ab ki baar, Modi sarkar."

Appointments

- ❑ Governor and Chancellor Haribhau Kishanrao Bagde issued separate orders on **October 18, 2025**, appointing Vice-Chancellors to seven universities in Rajasthan.

- ❑ **Appointment orders** - Issued in consultation with the State Government
- ❑ **Term** - Three years or until attaining the age of 70 years.

S.No.	Name of University	Vice Chancellor
1.	Agricultural University, Kota	Dr. Bimla Dunkwal
2.	Agricultural University, Jodhpur	Dr. Virendra Singh Jetawat
3.	Shri Karan Narendra Agricultural University, Jobner	Prof. Pushpendra Singh Chauhan
4.	Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture and Technology, Udaipur	Dr. Pratap Singh
5.	Jai Narayan Vyas University, Jodhpur	Prof. Pawan Kumar Sharma
6.	Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan Ayurveda University, Jodhpur	Prof. Govind Sahay Shukla
7.	Rajasthan Technical University, Kota	Prof. Nimit Ranjan Chaudhary

Places In News

Udaipur

Rajasthan's First Kangaroo Mother Care Lounge

- ❑ Inaugurated by Tribal Development Minister Babulal Kharadi on October 11, 2025, at the Community Health Center, Udaipur.
- ❑ **KMC Lounge Model** - Enhancement of newborn and maternal health programs, especially identification and proper care of high-risk pregnancies, through.

Jaipur

Rajasthan State Legal Services Authority (RLSA)

- ❑ **Program** : organized by RALSA on October 12, 2025, at the Rajasthan High Court Complex, Jaipur Bench, Jaipur
- ❑ **Chaired by** Supreme Court Justice Ahsanuddin Amanullah
- ❑ **Subject**: "Strategizing and Monitoring, Outreach & Awareness at the Grassroots Level"
- ❑ **Objective**: All District Legal Services Authorities should connect with local people and provide necessary assistance in accordance with the Indian Constitution.

Bikaner

INDRA-2025: India-Russia Joint Military Exercise

- ❑ **Location :** Mahajan Field Firing Range, Bikaner
- ❑ **Duration :** from October 7-15, 2025
- ❑ The objective is counter-terrorism operations.

Jaisalmer

Military Commanders' Conference

- ❑ **Date :** October 23-25, 2025
- ❑ **Location :** Tanot and Longewala on 24, October, 2025
- ❑ **Attended by :** Chief of Defence Staff General Anil Chauhan, Chief of Army Staff General Upendra Dwivedi.
- ❑ **Inaugurated by :** Rajnath Singh at the Edge Data Centre in Konark and the Indian Army's Fire and Fury Corps.
 - Launch of 'Sainik Yatri Mitra' app.
 - Inauguration of the 'Shaurya Park' and 'Cactus Park'.
 - To be released the 'Defense Millet Recipe Collection' compiled by the Army Service Corps Centre and College, Bengaluru.
 - **Naman Kendra** - For the convenience of ex-serviceman and their families.
 - **Chandpuri Hall** - Inaugurated the audio-visual room in memory of Major (later Brigadier) Kuldeep Singh Chandpuri, who led the Battle of Longewala in 1971.

Operation Thar Shakti-2025

- ❑ **Event :** By Bhairav Commandos, an elite unit of the Indian Army, at the Longewala border near the Indo-Pak border.
- ❑ The infantry, artillery, and Army Air Defense units also participated.
- ❑ **Objective :** To develop future warfare skills using modern technology and artificial intelligence. (Ator N1200, robot dog)

Books

Unheard

- ❑ **Author :** Bhavini Bhargava, a resident of Jaipur.
- ❑ **Award Winner :** 'Unheard' was honored with Australia's 'World Best Book Award.'
- ❑ **Special :** 'Unheard' competed for the award with renowned books like 'Atomic Habits,' 'When Breath Becomes Air,' 'Milk and Honey,' and the Bhagavad Gita.
- ❑ **Subject :** Based on untold stories in which courage, silence, and self-discovery give voice to emotions and experiences that are often left unheard or unspoken.



A View from Within - Author: Rajendra Bhanawat

Agneepath Nahi Janpath - Author: Dr. Satish Poonia

Schemes/Programs/ Campaigns

PM-Setu Yojana

- ❑ **Launch -** By Prime Minister Narendra Modi in New Delhi on October 4, 2025.
- ❑ **Bharatpur** will become the ITI hub in Rajasthan, with four other ITI spoke institutes.
- ❑ Transform India's ITI ecosystem to a "government-owned, industry-managed" model.

- ❑ The Rajasthan government submitted proposals for **two proposed industry clusters** under the pilot phase of the PM-Setu Yojana (ITI Upgradation). Cluster 1 covers the districts of Bharatpur, Dholpur, Karauli, Kaman (Deeg), and Bayana within the Bharatpur region.

Pradhan Mantri Dhan-Dhanya Krishi Yojana

- ❑ **Cabinet Approval** - July 16, 2025
- ❑ **Launch** - October 11, 2025 (by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in New Delhi)
- ❑ **State-Level Program of the Scheme** -
 - **Date** - October 11, 2025
 - **Event** - At the Agricultural Research Institute, Jaipur
 - Chaired by Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma.
 - **Coverage Area** - At least one district from each state will be included. 100 districts across the country will be covered.
 - These include **eight districts from Rajasthan** -

1. Barmer	2. Jaisalmer
3. Pali	4. Nagaur
5. Jodhpur	6. Bikaner
7. Churu	8. Jalore

Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY)

- ❑ **Launch** - January 1, 2017.
- ❑ **Ministry** - Ministry of Women and Child Development (a key component of the Government of India's 'Mission Shakti')
 - Rajasthan ranked **first** nationwide under this scheme in September 2025.
 - The Integrated Child Development Services Department achieved 85.36% enrollment and made DBT payments to 74.12% beneficiaries.

- ❑ **Benefits** - 5,000 is transferred in two installments to a first-time pregnant woman, and 6,000 is transferred to a second-time pregnant woman upon the birth of a girl child and completion of vaccination, as a one-time conditional benefit transfer to their Aadhaar-linked bank/post office account.

Chief Minister Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana

- ❑ **Launch** - June 30, 2024
- ❑ **Fourth installment** - Transferred to farmers' accounts by Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma at a state-level event held in Nadbai (Bharatpur) on October 18, 2025.
- ❑ An amount of 717.96 crore was transferred to farmers' accounts as the fourth installment.
- ❑ 1,000 was provided to each farmer.
- ❑ Announcement to increase to amount to 9,000 per year from the financial year 2025-26.

State Sewerage and Wastewater Policy-2025

- ❑ **Effective** : August 31, 2025
- ❑ **Timeframe** : Initial 5-year period (until 2030)
- ❑ **Amendment** : In the 'State Sewerage and Wastewater Policy-2016' through the 2025 policy
- ❑ **Committee constituted:**
 - City Level Committee Chaired by District Collector
 - State Level Committee (Minimum five members mandatory)
- Chaired by Additional Chief Secretary/ Principal Secretary/Secretary, Local Self-Government Department
- ❑ **Vision-**
 - All cities in Rajasthan will be covered by wastewater management services.
 - Focus will be on health, sustainability, and a circular economy.
 - Optimize resource utilization through reuse and recycling of treated wastewater for agricultural, industrial, urban uses, and natural ecosystems. All local bodies will be required to prepare a 30-year "City Sanitation Plan."
- ❑ **Objective:** Enhance groundwater by managing wastewater, achieving 100% coverage of every household, all cities, and urban/industrial areas in the state.

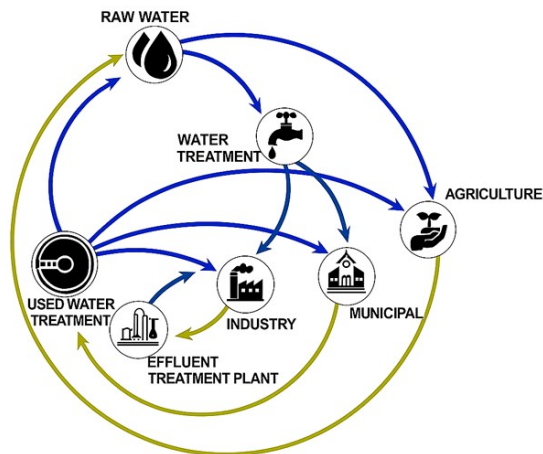


Fig: Circular Economy in Waste Water Management

Rajasthan Land Revenue (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2025

- ❑ Passed by the Rajasthan Legislative Assembly on September 10, 2025
- ❑ Signed by the Governor on October 3, 2025
- ❑ Amendment to the "Rajasthan Land Revenue Act, 1956."
- ❑ **Objective:** To simplify, justify, and legitimize the processes of land management, regulation, and land conversion under RIICO.
- ❑ **Amendments that will be within the jurisdiction of RIICO**
 - The land parcels granted to it will be deemed to be under RIICO. They will be valid for all purposes.
 - It will exercise all powers for the development of industrial areas and the disposal of land.
 - **Exception** - This Bill will not apply to land parcels whose lease was allotted for industrial purposes on or before September 18, 1979, and which has been cancelled before the date of passage of the Bill.

Motor Vehicle Aggregator Policy-2025

- ❑ **Announcement :** By Deputy Chief Minister Dr. Premchand Bairwa
- ❑ **Basis :** This policy will be brought in compliance with the 'Motor Vehicle Aggregator Guidelines 2025' issued by the Union Ministry of Road Transport and Highways on July 1, 2025.

Hybrid Annuity Model (HAM)

- ❑ **Objective** - As part of the progress of the 'Jal Jeevan Mission', **five** mega water supply projects will be launched for the first time in Rajasthan on the HAM model (PPP-Public Private Partnership).
- ❑ **Investment** -
 - 40%=Public Health Engineering Department
 - 60% = Private Contractor (The contractor will be repaid his investment amount through annuity payments in 20 installments over 10 years.)

Water Supply Project	Districts	Area Covered
Chambal River	Karauli-Sawai Madhopur	1,426 villages
Kalitir	Alwar-Bharatpur	1,237 villages
Kalitir	Dhaulpur-Bharatpur along the Chambal River	470 villages
Jakham Dam	Chittorgarh, Pratapgarh, Rajsamand, Udaipur	1,473 villages
Indira Gandhi Canal Project	Sikar-Jhunjhunu	Remaining villages of Sikar-Jhunjhunu

Consumer Care Campaign

- ❑ **Duration** - October 13-19, 2025, across the state
- ❑ **By** - Department of Consumer Affairs, Government of Rajasthan
- ❑ **Objective** - To motivate traders to use correct weights and measures in the larger interest of consumers, to inform them of their fundamental rights, and to protect consumer interests.
- ❑ **Complaints** can be lodged on the State Consumer Helpline numbers - 18001806030 and 14435, and WhatsApp number - 7230086030
- ❑ **Law** - Inspection proceedings were conducted under the Legal Metrology Act, 2009, and the Packaged Commodities Rules, 2011.

Cooperative Membership Campaign

- ❑ **Launch** - October 2, 2025, from the Constitution Club, Jaipur.
- ❑ **Duration** - October 2-15, 2025
- ❑ **Objective** - To engage women and youth in innovation in the cooperative sector.
- ❑ **Goal:** To increase the number of cooperative societies by 10%.
- ❑ Minister of State for Cooperation (Independent Charge) = Gautam Kumar Dakh

- ❑ Due to the success of innovations by the Central Cooperative Department, Rajasthan is among the top five states in the country.
- ❑ The new Cooperative Act proposed by the state government will replace the currently in force Rajasthan Cooperative Act, 2001.
- ❑ The new Act proposes a fine of 50,000 for misuse of the word "cooperative."
- ❑ To facilitate the holding of general meetings of cooperative societies, the new Act also proposes informing members via WhatsApp and email, and imposing a fine of 5,000 on anyone responsible for failing to hold a general meeting.
- ❑ Rajasthan is the **only state** in the country where the state government provides **100% grant** for warehouse construction.

Operation Khushi

- ❑ **Period** : October 1-31, 2025
- ❑ Objective: To find missing children and reunite them with their families.

Sardar Patel @ 150 Campaign

1. **State level Unity March (Padyatra)-**
 - **When** : October 31, 2025 in Jaipur.
 - **Route** : Gandhi Circle to Amar Jawan Jyoti
2. **National Padyatra** = From Karamsad (Gujarat) to Kevadiya from 26 November - 6 December, 2025.

Duration of 'Give Up' campaign extended

- ❑ **New last date** : October 31, 2025
- ❑ **Start date** : November 1, 2024
- ❑ **Earlier last date** : August 30, 2025
- ❑ Department: Food and Civil Supplies Department
- ❑ **Objective** : To motivate ineligible families included in the food security list to voluntarily remove their names.
- ❑ **Ineligible Categories:**
 - Government/Semi-Government Employees
 - Annual Income/Pension Over 1 Lakh
 - Private Four-Wheeler Vehicle Owners, Income Tax Payers
- ❑ **Penalty Provision** : Recovery at the rate of 27 per kilogram (plus interest) = The Food and Civil Supplies Department will impose fines/penalties/punitive action against ineligible individuals who remain on the Food Security List after October 31, 2025.

- ❑ Approximately 2,70,725 people have been removed from the list in Jaipur district so far.

Saksham Jaipur Abhiyaan-2025

- ❑ **Event** : October 1, 2025 (International Day of Older Persons)
- ❑ **Venue** : Social Justice Complex, Jamdoli, Jaipur.
- ❑ **Objective** : Distribute assistive devices to senior citizens under the Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana.

Awards/Honors

Dr. Arun Chaturvedi

- ❑ **In News** - The Chairman of the Rajasthan State Finance Commission was honored with the "Rajasthan Ratna Award-2025" on October 13, 2025, in Dubai.
 - **Contribution** - Contribution to social service, public welfare, and the overall development of Rajasthan.

- ❑ According to Amra Ram Jangid, President of the Rajasthan Foundation, Vasu Shroff, who has been helping people of Rajasthan origin in Dubai for the past 75 years, Ankur Agarwal chartered accountant and owner of BNW Developers and were honored with the "**Pravasi Samman Award-2025**" for their outstanding contributions.

Kunji Lal Meena

- ❑ **Award** - Presented to Kunji Lal Meena, Additional Chief Secretary of the State's Tribal Development Department, for Rajasthan's **first-place** finish in the country in the Dharti Aaba Janjati Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan (DAJGUA).
- ❑ **When** - October 17, 2025, at the National Conclave of 'Adi Karmayogi Abhiyan' organized by President Smt. Draupadi Murmu at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.
- ❑ **Contribution** - For development work in tribal areas, timely delivery of government services, making the grievance redressal system fully effective, and strictly enforcing the rights of the tribal community.

Dr. Anita, Jodhpur

- ❑ **Award** - Iron Lady Award, 2025
- ❑ **Given by** - International Harmony Forum and Indo Nepal Harmony Organization.

Dr. Ruma Devi, Barmer

- ❑ She was Social Entrepreneur and Handicraft Designer.
- ❑ **Award :** The Dynamite 'Young India Country Award 2025'.
- ❑ **Presented by :** Union Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal on October 16, 2025, at a ceremony organized by Dynamite News on the occasion of its 10th Foundation Day.

“Mati ka Laal” Award

- ❑ The Shri Yade Mati Kala Board will organize a state-level ceremony in December 2025.
- ❑ **Board Chairman** - Prahlad Rai
- ❑ **Objective** - To provide a global platform for encouragement, protection, and promotion of clay artists.
- ❑ **Selection** - Two outstanding clay art artists will be selected from each district, and from among them, I, II, III, and seven consolation prizes will be awarded at the state level.

Yogesh Bhawra (Bayana-Bharatpur)

- ❑ Winner - The 9th Shraavan Kumar Subhash Lakhotia Award for the year 2025 held on October 29, 2025, in New Delhi.
- ❑ This award is given to deserving sons and daughters who are capable of serving their parents like Shraavan Kumar.

Nidhi Saxena, Jaipur

- ❑ Writer-director Nidhi Saxena's film "Secret of a Mountain Serpent" won the prestigious "New Voice" Award at the Bangkok International Film Festival (trophy + \$10,000).

Dr. Kalu Khan Deshwali

- ❑ Deshwali, a resident of Merta, Nagaur, was awarded the "**Rajasthani Bhasha Sahityakaar Samman**" on October 16, 2025, by Punjab Governor Gulab Chand Kataria for his outstanding work in the Rajasthani language.

Rashtriya Chetna Award

- ❑ Brahma Kumaris Institute (Abu Road, Sirohi) presented it to Rajasthan Patrika Editor-in-Chief **Gulab Kothari** and **Om Gaur** of Dainik Bhaskar Group.
- ❑ **Global Summit :** October 10-13, 2025, was also held at Brahma Kumaris Institute, Sirohi.

Sawai Jaipur Award

- ❑ **Occasion :** Birth Anniversary of Brigadier Sawai Bhawani Singh.
- ❑ The event was held on October 22nd at the City Palace, Jaipur. The Maharaja Sawai Mansingh-II Museum Trust honoured individuals and organisations in 25 different categories.

Awards	Winners	Role
Raja Dulha Rai	Rajasthan Women's Welfare Board	Outstanding Social Service
Raja Kakil Dev	Junhihan	Promotion of Culture
Raja Panjvan Dev	Dr. Hemant Malhotra	Excellence in Medical Service
Raja Bhagwant Das	Meenakshi Rathore	In Traditional Crafts
Raja Mansingh I	Martyr Subedar Prabhat Gaur	For Courage and Bravery
Mirza Raja Jai Singh I	Colonel Deb Chandan Das	Distinguished Service in the Armed Forces
Mirza Raja Ram Singh I	Satyabhan Singh	Environmental Balance
Maharaja Vishan Singh	Sita	Excellence in Travel and Tourism
Maharaja Sawai Jai Singh II	Dr. Virendra Nath Sharma	In the Field of Astronomy
Maharaja Sawai Ishwari Singh	Dhamendra Jha of Dainik Bhaskar	Excellence in Journalism
Maharaja Sawai Madho Singh I	Retired IAS Sunil Arora	Social Service and Philanthropy
Maharaja Sawai Pratap Singh	Rajendra Singh Khangarot	In Literature and Education
Maharaja Sawai Jagat Singh	Rajendra Mishra	Art, Painting and Sculpture
Maharaja Sawai Ram Singh II	Dinesh Dabi	Photography
Maharaja Sawai Madho Singh II	Abhishek Mudral	Theatre, Film and Television

Science & Technology

Rajasthan Breaks Records in Healthcare

- ❑ Rajasthan has secured **third place** nationally for its outstanding performance and best practices in palliative care services.
- ❑ Rajasthan was honored at a national-level event held in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.
- ❑ State Nodal Officer Dr. Nirmala Sharma received the award.

IIT Jodhpur Research

- ❑ **Significance** - Scientists at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Jodhpur are working on projects that will transform our travel, spaceflight, safety, and lifestyle in the future.
- ❑ The research is being conducted in the Shock Waves and High-Speed Flow (SWAHS) Lab, under the guidance of Dr. Arun Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering and Space Science and Technology Interdisciplinary Research Division.

1. Hypersonic Propulsion Technology-

- While conventional rockets carry heavy oxygen tanks, IIT Jodhpur is developing scramjet engines that will take oxygen directly from the air for flight.
- This will make rockets lighter, more economical, and faster.
- This work is supported by DRDO and ARDB.
- It is related to India's hypersonic cruise missile program.

2. Solar Energy-Based Combined Seawater Purification and Cooling System -

- This project is supported by ANRF and ARG.
- A technology has been developed that will provide pure drinking water and cooling at the same time.

Malaviya National Institute of Technology, Jaipur

- ❑ The **9th India Mobile Congress (IMC)**, Asia's largest telecommunications, media, and technology event, was organized by the Department of Telecommunications (DOT) and the Cellular Operators Association of India (COAI) in New Delhi from October 8-11, 2025, under the theme "**Innovate to Transform.**"
- ❑ At the event, Dr. Pemmasani Chandrashekar, Union Minister of State for Communications and Rural Development, presented the **second runner-up** award to the mobile security solution developed by the Indian Air Force team led by Group Captain Vinay Bhardwaj in the Startup/MSME/R&D Organization category of the 5G Innovation Hackathon 2025 competition.
- ❑ The team received a Certificate of Accreditation and 1.5 lakh.

Solar Energy Initiatives in Rajasthan

- ❑ Kolada and Ramsinghpura villages in Sawai Madhopur district.
- ❑ **Project** : A 2.94 MW solar power plant was installed under the PM-KUSUM scheme.
- ❑ **Beneficiaries:**
 - More than 250 farmer families will benefit.
 - Farmers will have access to solar-based irrigation electricity during the day.
- ❑ **Objective** : To make Rajasthan a leader in solar energy, promote energy self-sufficiency, and the use of green energy in agriculture.
- ❑ **Sawai Madhopur's contribution:**
 - A 1.82 MW solar plant was installed in the Kolada (33/11 kV sub-station) area of the Bauli sub-division of the district (this is the 956th solar plant in the state).
 - 1.12 MW plant was commissioned in the Ramsinghpura (33/11 kV sub-station) area.
 - Both plants combined have developed a total solar power generation capacity of 2.94 MW.

Rajasthan's National Position -

- Rajasthan ranks first in the country in Component A (decentralized solar plants) of the PM-KUSUM scheme.
- Rajasthan ranks third in Component (solar pump scheme), after Maharashtra and Gujarat.
- Decentralized solar plants with a capacity of over 2,000 MW have been installed in the state so far.

MoU signed between IIT Jodhpur + Idea Forge

- MoU signed on October 24, 2025, between the Indian Institute of Technology, Jodhpur and Idea Forge Technology Limited, India's leading unmanned aerial systems company.
- **Term** - Effective for three years
- **Objective** - To foster indigenous self-reliant innovations in unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) and emerging skills.

World's Top 2% Scientists

- Three scientists from the state are included in the list of the world's top 2% scientists released by Stanford University, California:
 1. Prof. Priyanka Sharma
 2. Prof. Dr. Pankaj Dadhich
 3. Prof. Puran Koli- Department of Chemistry, Jodhpur

Battery Energy Storage Project - Bikaner

- Rajasthan's largest battery energy storage project in Bikaner.
- Capacity = 2500 MW/hour, coverage = 4000 acres

Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)

- It stores excess energy from solar panels/wind turbines.
- This energy is stored in battery modules (typically lithium-ion batteries).
- The storage process is controlled by a battery management system (BMS), which ensures battery safety and lifespan by regulating its temperature and voltage. Finally, an inverter/converter converts the stored DC electricity into AC electricity, which can be sent to the grid when needed.

Sports Activities

Advika Sharma, Bhilwara

- Won the Rajasthan Under-15 State Badminton Championship.
- Won two gold and one bronze medals at the prestigious Yonex-Sunrise Rajasthan State Sub-Junior Under-15 Badminton Championship held in Jodhpur from October 10-15, 2025.
- Will represent Rajasthan at the national-championship to be held in Bhubaneswar, Odisha from December 1-6, 2025.

Kukkiwon Taekwondo Cup

- **Event** - October 9-12, 2025
- **Venue** - Indira Gandhi Stadium, NewDelhi
- **Rajasthan's Performance** -
 - Won five medals (3 gold and 2 bronze)
 - **Gold medals** - Riya Yenendra, Anay Jaswani, Samaira Singh (U-17)
 - **Bronze medals** - Shaurya Maheshwari, Suryansh Sharma (U-8)

Divisional T-20 Cricket Tournament

- **Organizer** : Rajasthan Home Guards Department
- **Duration** : October 6-8, 2025
- **Winner** : Home Guards, Jaipur
- **Runner-up** : Alwar
- **Man of the Series** - Banwari Lal Captain (Jaipur)

World Para Athletics Championship: Rajasthan

- **Medal winners from Rajasthan:**
 1. **Sundar Gurjar** won the silver medal in the javelin throw F-46 event with a throw of 64.76 meters.
 2. **Sandeep** won the silver medal in the javelin throw F-44 event with a throw of 62.76 meters.

16th Asian Shooting Championship

- ❑ **Location** : Shymkent (Kazakhstan)
- ❑ Performance of Rajasthan athletes - Total 25 medals (Gold medals - 13, Silver medals - 8, Bronze medals - 4)

❑ **Most successful shooters-**

- **Abhinav Chaudhary** : 3 gold and 1 silver medal
- **Anushka Singh Bhati** : 2 gold medals
- **Girish Gupta** : 2 gold medals

Gold Medal Winners	
Anibhav Chaudhary	50m Free Pistol Junior Team + 25m Sports Pistol Junior Team + 25m Rapid Fire Pistol Junior Team
Anushka Singh Bhati	Shotgun Double Trap Individual + Senior Team
Girish Gupta	10m Air Pistol Mixed Junior Team + Individual Junior
Yashasvi Rathore	Skeet Junior Mixed Team
Uddhav Singh Rathore	Trap Junior Team
Umesh Chaudhary	50m Free Rifle Prone Junior Team
Kushagra Singh Rajawat	50m Rifle Prone Junior Team
Dhirendra Singh Bhati	10m Air Rifle Youth Men
Mohini Singh	10m Air Pistol Junior Team
Silver Medal Winners	
Yashasvi Rathore	Skeet Individual Junior
Rajveer Rathore	Skeet Individual Youth
Yogesh Kumar	50m Free Pistol Individual Senior
Abhinav Chaudhary	25m Sports Pistol Individual Junior
Manini Kaushik	50m Rifle Prone Senior Team
Mohd. Hatim Khan	Double Trap Individual Junior
Pankaj Jat	10m Air Pistol Junior Team
Bronze Medal Winners	
Manini Kaushik	50m Rifle Prone Individual Senior
Harshvardhan Singh Kaviya	Double Trap Senior Team
Bhanu Pratap Singh	Double Trap Senior Team
Yadavendra Chundawat	Double Trap Individual Junior

Recent famous players from Rajasthan		
Players	Sports	Achievements
Lavanya Kanwar, Jaipur	Shooting	Won a silver medal in the 25m pistol event at the 44 th North Zone Shooting Championship held in Dehradun, Uttarakhand, from October 3-17, 2025.
Vishnu Sharma (Silver) Yash Yadav (Bronze)	Judo	Won medals for Rajasthan at the National Ranking Judo Tournament (September 29-October 2, 2025, in New Delhi).
Krishna Nagar	Badminton	Won a silver medal in the men's LB6 event at the China Para Badminton International in September 2025.
Sindhvi Pandit, Jaipur	Taekwondo	Achieved the Korean International Black Belt.
Mahavir Saini, Jaipur	Para-Coach	Chief Coach of the Indian Team at the World Championships in Athletics held in New Delhi from September 25-October 5.
Jungjeet Singh Kajla	Badminton	Janjeet Singh of Rajasthan won the bronze medal with J. Ramesh of India in the mixed doubles No. 17 event at the Asian Junior Badminton Championships (October 21-26, China).
Deependra Singh Shekhawat	Shooting	Won a silver medal at the 34th All India GV Mavalankar Shooting Championship held in Bhopal.
Krishna Verma, Sikar	Boxing	Won a gold medal in the 60kg weight category in the boxing competition at the Indo-Nepal Youth Games Championship held in Pokhara.
Arkeshwar and Rajat Prakash Gupta	Wushu	The 10th World Wushu Kung Fu Championship was held in Emeishan, China from October 14-20, 2025, in which Jaipur's Arkeshwar Medatwal and Rajat Prakash Gupta won bronze medals.
Padmaja Shekhawat, Jaipur	Taekwondo	The 3rd India National Taekwondo Championship was held in Jaipur in October 2025, in which Jaipur won the gold medal in the U-58 kg weight category.
Kunal, Bharatpur	Cricket	Left-arm spinner took 6 wickets (4 maiden overs) for just 1 run in the state-level U-16 cricket tournament.
<p>Note: 1. 22nd Senior National Rollball Championship:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Held: October 3-6, 2025, Indore, Madhya Pradesh • The Rajasthan Senior Women's Rollball Team won the silver medal. <p>2. 44th Sub-Junior National Shootingball Championship:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Held: August 22-24, 2025, Bodhgaya, Bihar • The Rajasthan Boys' team won the gold medal by defeating Punjab. 		

Miscellaneous

Pravasi Rajasthani Meet

- ❑ **October 8** - Surat, Gujarat
- ❑ **Organized by** - Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)
- ❑ **Objective**- To promote industrial investment in pharmaceuticals, textiles, ceramics, and petrochemicals in the state.
- ❑ **December 10** - This is being organized in the wake of the 'Pravasi Rajasthani Diwas' to be held in Jaipur. The first event was held in Hyderabad on September 26.
- ❑ The aim is to further strengthen the connection with the Pravasi Rajasthanis by moving forward on the principle of '**Connect, Collaborate, and Contribute**' in Rajasthan's development journey.
- ❑ The **first** 'Pravasi Rajasthani Diwas' will be celebrated in Jaipur on December 10.
 - An important initiative to connect with the state's global diaspora.
 - **Theme:** 'The State's Historical and Glorious Heritage'
 - **Organized by** - Industries Department and Rajasthan Foundation
 - **Objective** - To strengthen cultural and economic ties with the Pravasi Rajasthani community.

Rajasthan Digifest TIE Global Summit

- ❑ **Event** : in Jaipur on January 4-6, 2026 (The summit will be held in a non-metropolitan city for the first time.)
- ❑ **Theme:** 'Sustainable Entrepreneurship in the AI Age - New Ideas, Impact, and taking everyone together'
- ❑ **Target Areas** : AI, Fintech, Agritech, AR/VR, Mediatech, Proptech, Higher Education Sectors.

Aapni Bus - Rajasthan Roadways

- ❑ **Launch** : on October 5, 2025 by Bhajanlal Sharma from Amar Jawan Jyoti, Jaipur.
- ❑ RSRTC launched 128 modern and well-equipped Blue Line buses, along with rural transport services and catering facilities on AC buses.

- ❑ **RSRTC's 62nd Foundation Day:** Celebrated on October 1, 2025. (Established on October 1, 1964)
- ❑ These buses were allocated to 23 depots across the state.
- ❑ **Aapni Bus** - Rajasthan Roadways will provide transportation facilities to 169 Gram Panchayats - The buses will provide better connectivity to 169 Gram Panchayats located on 25 rural routes.
- ❑ Rajasthan State Road Transport Corporation Chairperson = Mrs. Shubhra Singh

Nav Vidhan-Nyay Ki Nayi Pehchan

- ❑ **Inauguration** - October 13, 2025 by Union Home and Cooperation Minister Amit Shah, in the presence of Chief Minister Bhajanlal Sharma and Acting Chief Justice of the Rajasthan High Court, Sanjeev Prakash Sharma.
- ❑ **Venue** - Jaipur Exhibition and Convention Centre (JECC), Sitapura (Jaipur)
- ❑ Bhartiya Nyay Sahita, Bhartiya Nagrik Suraksha Sahinta & Bhariya Sakhya Adhinyam Full implementation of these laws will bring about a major change in the criminal justice system.
- ❑ A six-day state-level exhibition (October 13-18) on new criminal laws, titled "New Legislation - Nav Vidhan Nyay ki Nayi Pehchan.
 - The Union Home Minister groundbreaking announcement of investments worth 4 Lakh crore from investment proposals received under the Rising Rajasthan Global Investment Summit 2024.
 - Transferred 240 crore for uniforms to approximately 40 Lakh students in Uttar Pradesh and 364 crore for milk subsidy to milk producers.
 - Under the **Rising Rajasthan Global Investment Summit, 2024**, agreements worth Rs 35 lakh crore were signed, with Rs 7 lakh crore worth of agreements being implemented in such a short span of time.
 - The layout of the exhibition focuses on the **principle of Justice First**, which simplified and made accessible the complexities of the justice system.

- ❑ A live demonstration of the judicial process, from crime to justice, in 10 models, demonstrating the principle of 3-stage process.
- ❑ **Stage 1: Complaint and Initiation of Investigation**
 - **Model 1: Control Room:** Depicts how calls are received on emergency numbers like 112 and how the police respond promptly. This demonstrates police preparedness and communication systems.
 - **Model 2 : Scene of Crime (SoC):** A replica of a crime scene was created. Forensic science teams were shown live collecting evidence, emphasizing the importance of videography.
 - **Model 3: Police Station:** This zone demonstrated the process of filing e-FIRs and Zero FIRs, helping ordinary citizens understand how simple and transparent filing a complaint has become.
- ❑ **Stage 2: Scientific and Legal Verification**
 - **Model 4: Hospital :** Focused on the process of gathering medical evidence. It included the medical examination of victims and the preparation of legal reports.
 - **Model 5: FSL :** Explained the process of analyzing scientific evidence. Mandatory FSL testing helps increase conviction rates based on scientific evidence.

- **Model 6 : Public Prosecution Office:** After receiving the FSL report, it demonstrated how the prosecution department reviews evidence and charge sheets and prepares them for presentation in court.
- ❑ **Stage 3: Justice and Reforms**
 - **Model 7 : District Court :** A demonstration of a court proceeding was provided. Time-bound trials and electronic evidence presentation are key to ensuring speedy justice.
 - **Model 8 : Prison :** A focus was placed on prison reforms. The digitization of prison management and prisoner rehabilitation programs, which emphasize reform rather than punishment, were presented.
 - **Model 9 : High Court :** The process of higher judicial appeals and review, leading to the final stage of a case, was demonstrated.
 - **Model 10 : Overview of the New Criminal Laws :** The final zone provides information explaining the key provisions of the three new laws, such as M/s CrPC, community service, and the trial of fugitive offenders, in simple language.

Union Home Minister Inaugurates Development Works Worth Rs. 9,300 Crore

- ❑ Union Home Minister Amit Shah laid the foundation stone and inaugurated development works worth approximately Rs. 9,300 crore in the state on October 13, 2025.

Inauguration	Foundation Stone Laying
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brackishwater Aquaculture Laboratory, Churu • Luv Kush Vatika, Jorma (Udaipur) • Minor Forest Produce Training Centre, Udaipur • Government Tribal Girls' Ashram Hostel, Bilia Badgama (Sagwara) • Biogas Plant Installation - Udaipur and Pali (Gaushala) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rajasthan Rural Water Supply and Fluorosis Mitigation Project Phase-2, Narmada Canal-Based Mega Drinking Water Project. • Nagaur Lift Project under Jal Jeevan Mission, Phase I, to provide pumping machinery and door-to-door drinking water to 179 villages and 1001 hamlets.

One State-One Global Tourism Destination

- ❑ **Event:** National Tourism Conference in Udaipur on October 14-15.
- ❑ **Organized by:** Union Tourism Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat under the auspices of the Ministry of Tourism.

- ❑ **One State One Global Destination:** To develop at least one global tourism destination in each state.
- ❑ In the World Tourism Index (WTI), India currently ranks 39th Of the WTI parameters, 18-20% are central government-level, with the remaining state-level.

- ❑ **India's goal =**
 - To be among the top 10 countries in the WTI (World Tourism Index)
 - To increase the contribution of tourism to GDP from 5-6% to 10%

❑ Rajasthan Tourism Secretary Rajesh Yadav and Rajasthan Tourism Commissioner Rukmini Riyad presented a presentation on developing the three places, known as the confluence of valor, culture, and spirituality, as global destinations.

1. Maharana Pratap Tourist Circuit Udaipur
2. Jaisalmer
3. Pushkar, presented for developing the above three places as global destinations.

CAZRI, Jodhpur 67th Foundation Day

- ❑ **When** - October 1, 2025 Central Arid Zone Research Institute (CAZRI) (Established October 1, 1959)
- ❑ **Chief Guest** - Dr. Laxman Singh Rathore, former Director General of the Indian Meteorological Department.
 - **'Best Research Paper' Award** - Dr. V.S. Rathore
 - **'Best Employee of the Year'** - Bahadur Singh Hinch, Arvind S. Tetarwal, Praveen Kumar.
- ❑ CAZRI has developed two new varieties of henna (Mehndi) -
 1. CZ-RSPH8
 2. CZ-RSPH9

Vikshit Rajasthan Vision@2047

- ❑ **Approval** - Union Home Minister Amit Shah and Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma on October 13, 2025, in Jaipur.
- ❑ **Released** - By the State Government on October 15, 2025.
- ❑ **Approved** - By the State Cabinet on August 23, 2025
- ❑ Based on four key themes and 13 sectors - public welfare, rapid development, future-oriented Rajasthan, and integrated policy and governance.
- ❑ **Draft prepared by** - Rajasthan Institute for Transformation and Innovation (RITI) and NITI Aayog.
- ❑ **Main Pillars** - GYAN (Garib, Yuva, Anna-data, Nari)
- ❑ Rajasthan's economy is envisioned to be worth \$4.3 trillion by 2047, with agriculture, industry, tourism, and renewable energy as its primary focus.
- ❑ The vision document bases the state's development goals on parameters achieved in various sectors in developed countries across the world.
 - **Example** - Germany's area and population are almost equal to that of Rajasthan.
 - If the manufacturing sector's share in Germany's gross state value added is considered, it will be 19.7% in 2024.

Developed Rajasthan @ important Goals in 2047		
S.No.	Sectors	Goal
1.	Economy	Create a \$4.3 trillion economy.
2.	Employment	Create over 1 crore direct and indirect jobs.
3.	Energy	Increase renewable energy production to 290 gigawatts (from 33 gigawatts).
4.	Manufacturing	Increase state share in gross value added to 20%.
5.	Education	100% school enrolment.
6.	Health	Reduce maternal mortality rate to 15, increase life expectancy to 77 years.
7.	Women's Empowerment	Increase women's workforce participation to over 60%.

National Nutrition Month-2025

- ❑ **Schedule** - September 17 - October 16, 2025
- ❑ Rajasthan Ranked Second in the Country

- ❑ **Achievement Rate** - Rajasthan recorded 8,893,346 achievements against the target of 8,101,730, resulting in an achievement rate of 114.12%.

- ❑ **Top Performing Districts** - Jodhpur district ranked first with an achievement rate of 134.9%, while Kota, Bikaner, Churu, and Hanumangarh districts achieved more than 125%.
- ❑ **National Ranking**
 1. Gujarat 115.74%
 2. **Rajasthan** 114.12%
 3. Chhattisgarh 108.30%

Rankings released by the National Commission for Indian System of Medicine (NCISM)

- ❑ Rajasthan Institute of Ayurveda (Deemed to be University) has secured first place in the Grade 'A' category for the second consecutive year.

Top Institute (Grade 'A')	Other prominent institutions (Grade 'B')
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rajasthan Institute of Ayurveda (Deemed to be University), which ranked first in the evaluation based on rigorous parameters such as quality of education, patient safety, and research. • This evaluation was conducted jointly by NCISM and the Quality Council of India (QCI). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two institutions from Rajasthan have been ranked in the NCISM's Grade 'B' category: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jyotirao Phule Ayurveda College, Chomu: 88th rank ▪ Government Ayurveda College, Udaipur: 93rd rank

Special Intensive Revision (SIR) Program

- ❑ **Duration** : October 28, 2025 - February 7, 2026
- ❑ **Objective** : Comprehensive verification, updating, and transparent revision of the state voter list.
- ❑ Phase 2 begins in 12 states, including Rajasthan.
- ❑ **Digital Convenience and Citizen Participation**
 - All state-wise voter lists are available on the ECI Net app/website (<https://voters.eci.gov.in>).

- The 'Book a Call with BLOs (Booth Level Officers)' feature allows direct contact with the BLO.

- ❑ **Rajasthan Voter Status: 2025**
 - **Approximate Total Voters:** 54,884,827
 - Voters over 40 years of age: Approximately 2.61 crore (77% mapping completed)
 - Voters under 40 years of age: Approximately 2.88 crore (mapping is ongoing)
 - Number of BLOs: 52,469

Action taken on irregularities in seed production

- ❑ Agriculture and Horticulture Minister Dr. Kirori Lal cancelled the registration of two organizations after irregularities were found in seed production.
- ❑ **Organizations:**
 1. Star Agri Seeds Pvt. Ltd. = Sri Ganganagar
 2. Suraj Agro Cooperative Society Ltd. = Hanumangarh
- ❑ **Reason:**
 - No certified seed production program undertaken in the past year (Kharif 2024, Rabi 2024-25, Kharif 2025).
 - As per seed certification rules
 - 40 hectares in a season
 - 100 hectares in a year is mandatory.

Indian Institute of Materials Management (IIMM) Workshop

- ❑ **Held** : Ajmer (October 25, 2025)
- ❑ **Theme:** 'Cost Reduction and Better Logistics Management'
- ❑ India can become an economic superpower by adopting indigenous technologies and reducing costs.
- ❑ The Government of India's 'PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan' and National Logistics Policy aim to reduce the country's logistics costs from 13-14% to 8-9%.

Organic Food Market and Krishi Gyan Dhara 2.0

- ❑ **Inaugurated by** Agriculture and Horticulture Minister Dr. Kirori Lal on October 16, 2025, in Durgapura, Jaipur.

- ❑ A Organic Food Market (Promotion of Organic Products)
- ❑ Krishi Gyan Dhara 2.0 (Solving Agricultural Problems Through Modern Information Technology)
- ❑ Agricultural Innovation and Training Center (Harit Darpan Patrika)

Rana Baghji Cattle Fair-2025

- ❑ **Organized by :** Kotda Village, Shiv (Barmer)
- ❑ **Duration :** October 9-15, 2025
- ❑ **Organizer :** Rana Baghji Research and Service Committee officer was appointed Jaipur Police Commissioner.
- ❑ **Occasion :** This fair is organized in memory of Rana Baghji. (Bagha Bharmali Ra Duha - Poet Asha Nand)
- ❑ **Horse Racing Competition :** Khara resident Roop Singh Rathore's horse Baj won first place in the Badi Rewal Chaal, MadhariChaal race and a cash prize of Rs. 25,000.



Police Department - Creation of Two New Posts

- ❑ Special Police Commissioner Operations Jaipur Range, PL Rahul Prakash
- ❑ **DG Operations** Anand Shri Vastav
- ❑ Note-Sachin Mittal - 1996 Batch IPS Officer appointed as Jaipur Police Commissioner

Two ordinances come into effect: October 27, 2025

1. Rajasthan Shops and Commercial Establishments (Amendment) Ordinance

Subject:	1958 Provisions	New provision in the 2025 amendment
Child Labor (Minimum Age)	• Children under 12 years of age could not be employed.	• Children under the age of 14 will not be employed.
Minimum Age of Trainee	• 12 years	• 14 years
Definition of Juvenile	• Adolescents between 12 and 15 years of age	• Adolescents aged 14-18
Working Hours of Juveniles	• Maximum 3 hours per day	• The new amendment explicitly restricts working hours and prohibits night work for those aged 14-18.
Night Work	• Adolescents between 12 and 15 years of age could not work at night.	• Adolescents aged 14 to 18 will no longer be able to work at night.
Daily Working Hours	• Maximum 9 hours per day	• Maximum 10 hours per day
Overtime Limit	• 90 hours per quarter (on average)	• Up to 144 hours per quarter
Objective	• General protection of workers' rights	• Increases workplace productivity while ensuring the safety of children and adolescents

2. Rajasthan Factories (Amendment) Rules: 2025

- ❑ The following amendments are made under the Compliance Reduction and De-regulation Docket of the Government of India:
 - Women are permitted to work in specific factories.
 - Safety equipment is mandatory for women other than pregnant and lactating women.
 - Quality and safety training is ensured at the workplace.

Various MoUs signed by Rajasthan Rural Livelihoods Development Council (Rajivikas) in October, 2025

Institutes	Signature	Main Objectives	Key Provisions
ARCH College of Design and Business	October 8, 2025	Strengthening product design, development, and market relevance for rural artisans and SHG women members.	Unnati Incubation Hubs: Collaboration in research, design concept prototyping, branding, and capacity building.
Ruma Devi Foundation	October 8, 2025	Skill development and entrepreneurship promotion for rural and tribal women.	Unnati Incubation Hubs: Collaboration in skills development, entrepreneurship promotion, and strengthening market access.
Center for Catalyzing Change (C3)	October 9, 2025	Strengthening gender integration and strengthening institutional mechanisms (under DAY-NRLM)	C3 provides technical and institutional support for the operation of Gender Resource Centers at the block level.

4. Note: Rajivika and Indian Institute of Crafts and Design

- MoU - October 14, 2025 Rajivika has signed an MoU with the Indian Institute of Crafts and Design, Jaipur (IICD) under its new initiative 'Unnati' Incubation Hub.
- Objective - To promote skill development, innovation, product diversification, and marketing empowerment of rural women through design-based interventions and capacity building.

Important one liners

Rajasthan's First Namu Biodiversity Park

- ❑ **Inauguration** - October 5, 2025, at Pratap Dam, Alwar. By Union Minister of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change. Bhupendra Yadav.

National Crime Records Bureau, Rajasthan

- ❑ Recently, the National Crime Records Bureau released the country's crime statistics. The data is for the years 2021, 2022, and 2023.
- ❑ In the last two years, there has been a 19.45% decline in crimes in Rajasthan.
- ❑ In the last two years, there has been a 9.24% decrease in cases of atrocities against women.

Sindoor Memorial Garden

- ❑ **Inauguration** - October 13, 2025, by Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Forests and Environment, Sanjay Sharma, at the Shrimati Pana devi Morijawala Government Girls College campus in Kotputli.

Stakeholder Conclave, Chittorgarh

- ❑ On the occasion of World Standards Day (October 14, 2025), the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), Jaipur Branch Office, is organizing a Stakeholder Conclave in Chittorgarh on October 9, 2025.
- ❑ 2025 Theme: "Shared Vision for a Better World Spotlight on SDG 17-Partnerships for the Goals"

The state's first e-bus manufacturing plant

- ❑ will be established in Kotputli-Belvor district.

19th Jaipur Literature Festival 2026

- ❑ This grand Kumbh of literature and art will be held in Amer, Jaipur from January 15-19, 2026.

Thar Mahotsav

- ❑ **Held:** October 8-9, 2025, in Barmer.
- ❑ **Organized:** The event was organized on the theme "Colors of the Desert" in collaboration with the Rajasthan Tourism Department and the District Administration.
- ❑ Nakshatri Chaudhary was chosen as Than Sundari and Dharmendra Dabi as Than Shri.

Three cities from Rajasthan included in the list of 10 best cities in the country for Diwali celebrations

- ❑ Travel portal Stay Vista released a list of 10 cities in the country in October 2025 where Diwali celebrations are worth celebrating.
- ❑ Three cities from Rajasthan Jaipur, Udaipur, and Pushkar were included.
- ❑ Jaipur was ranked second, Udaipur fifth, and Pushkar ninth.

Pushkar Mela-2025

- ❑ **Event** - Pushkar, Ajmer
- ❑ Duration October 30 November 5, 2025
- ❑ Theme "Experience the Saga of Culture, Color, and Spirituality"

Raktkosh Foundation

- ❑ Rajasthan's Raktkosh Foundation' was honored with the Bharat Excellence Award 2025' by the Bharat Book of World Records - India for its outstanding contribution in the field of blood donation and humanitarian service.
- ❑ The organization received the award for organizing the largest blood donation drive nationwide, setting a national record by collecting over 1.5 Lakh units of blood.

The Palace School

- ❑ The Palace School, Jaipur, has been ranked first nationwide in the Design Thinking and Experiential Learning Leadership category in the Education World India School Grand Jury Rankings 2025-26.
- ❑ The same school has been ranked third in Jaipur and Rajasthan in the Day Co-ed School category.

State's First Flatted Factory Complex

- ❑ The Rajasthan State Industrial Development and Investment Corporation (RIICO) has built the state's first flatted factory complex (Plug & Play) for micro-enterprises in the Sitapura Industrial Area of Jaipur.

Jain CPR Training Center

- ❑ **Objective:** Launched in Jaipur in October 2025 to prevent deaths due to road accidents and sudden cardiac arrest.
- ❑ The country's first free public service center will provide free CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation) training to the public, doctors, and paramedics.
- ❑ Founder Dr. V.K. Jain

Junior Model United Nations

- ❑ The first Junior Model United Nations (Junior MUN), exclusively for children aged 7-10, was organized at the Rajasthan Legislative Assembly (Constitutional Club) on October 13, 2025.
- ❑ Developing critical skills such as diplomacy, leadership, and a global perspective in children.

Dhuwala, Bhilwara

- ❑ A new industrial area will be developed in Dhuwala village of Mandal tehsil.
- ❑ The Chief Minister has approved the allocation of 82.60 hectares of land to RIICO.

Mayur School, Jaipur

- ❑ In the Education World India School Rankings 2025-26, Mayur School in Jaipur has secured the 5th position nationally in the Student Leadership and Life Skills Development category.
- ❑ This school ranked first in Jaipur and Rajasthan.

Possible Objective Questions

- ❖ Rajasthan's first electric bus plant - Ghiloth (Neemrana)
- ❖ Rajasthan's first turtle (Tortoise) conservation center is proposed to be opened in Dholpur.
- ❖ **Limestone** : The Central Government's Ministry of Mines recently issued a notification classifying limestone as a major mineral. Rajasthan produces the largest amount of limestone (29%) in the country.

- ❖ **First e-library :** On October 17, 2025, the Jaipur Greater Corporation inaugurated an e-library in front of Rajasthan University. This is the first library operated by an urban body.
- ❖ Knowledge Enhancement Program Three ministers of the Rajasthan government, Otaram Dewasi, Jawahar Singh Bedham, and Zoraram Kumawat, along with 38 progressive farmers, visited Denmark to learn about new agricultural and animal husbandry techniques and innovations.
- ❖ Rambagh Palace Jaipur's Rambagh Palace was named India's Best Hotel in the Conde Night Traveler UK Readers' Choice Awards 2025,
- ❖ Where was the foundation stone of the world's first cow and cow corridor laid by Sikkim Governor Om Prakash Mathur on October 29, 2025? Nandgaon, Sirohi
- ❖ Which dairy was selected by the International Dairy Federation for the Dairy Innovation Award 2025? and is India's first dairy sector plant to recycle 6.6 lakh liters of water per day?
Saras Dairy, Jaipur
- ❖ The Indian Army's Sapta Shakti Command conducted an integrated firepower exercise called Amogha Fury from September 19-20, 2025, at -
Mahajan Field Firing Range, Bikaner
- ❖ **The 132nd National Dussehra Fair 2025:** A 222-foot tall statue of Ravana installed in Kota earned a place in both the AsiaBook of Records and the India Book of Records.
- ❖ **Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs):** The Central Government has approved the establishment of 57 new Kendriya Vidyalayas across the country. Of these, two will be opened in Rajasthan. (Sirohi, Didwana)
- ❖ The 6th Annual Conference of the Indian Heart and Lung Transplant Society was held from October 3-5, 2025, at the Rajasthan International Centre, Jaipur.
- ❖ The International Conference and Exhibition of the Society of Petroleum Geophysicists (SPE-India) was held in Jaipur in October 2025, with the theme: "From Rock to Cloud: Geo-exploration Empowers Energy Development."
- ❖ The National Architecture Students Association (NASA) Conference was organized by Vivekananda Global University Jaipur, from October 9-12, 2025, with the **theme:** "Catalysts A Path to Change through Architecture."



Person in News

Justice Surya Kant

- ❑ CJI B.R. Gavai recommended the appointment of Justice Surya Kant, the senior-most judge, as the 53rd Chief Justice of India.
- ❑ CJI B.R. Gavai will retire on November 24, 2025.
- ❑ Justice Surya Kant's tenure will be till February 9, 2027.
- ❑ **Key Judicial Contributions :** Was a member of the benches that dealt with the abrogation of Article 370 of the Constitution, the declaration of the electoral bond scheme as unconstitutional, the Pegasus spyware, and the suspension of the sedition law.

Lieutenant General Virendra Vats

- ❑ Appointed Director General of the National Cadet Corps (NCC).

Justice Pratibha M. Singh

- ❑ Justice Pratibha M. Singh of the Delhi High Court was appointed Chairperson of the Judges Advisory Board of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) for the term 2025-27.

Mr. Shirish Chandra Murmu

- ❑ Assumed charge as Deputy Governor of the Reserve Bank of India on October 9, 2025.

Padma Vibhushan Pandit Chhannulal Mishra

- ❑ The renowned singer of the Banaras classical music gharana passed away on October 2, 2025.
- ❑ He was associated with semi-classical styles such as Thumri, Chauti, and Kajri.
- ❑ He was renowned for his distinctive style of Purba Ang Thumri.
- ❑ He was awarded the Padma Bhushan in 2010 and the Padma Vibhushan in 2020.

Rani Chennamma

- ❑ A year-long nationwide programme commemorating the 200th anniversary of Rani Chennamma's 1824 victory over the British forces at Kittur concluded in New Delhi on October 24.
- ❑ Union Culture and Tourism Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat released a **Rs. 200 commemorative coin**.
- ❑ **Born:** October 23, 1778, in Kagati village (Belagavi, Karnataka) into a Lingayat family.
- ❑ She was married to Mallasaraja, the king of Kittur.

Schemes/Programs/ Campaigns

Mission for Atma Nirbharta in Pulses

- ❑ **Launch** - October 11, 2025, at the Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi.
- ❑ **Announcement:** In the Union Budget 2025-26.
- ❑ **Budget :** 11,440 crore.
- ❑ **Timeframe :** 6 years (2025-26 to 2030-31)
- ❑ **Objective :** To make the country self-sufficient in pulses, to improve nutrition and farmers' income, and to reduce import dependence.
- ❑ **Target :** To increase pulse production to 35 lakh tonnes by 2030-31.
 - Expand pulse area to 310 lakh hectares.
 - Increase yield to 1130 kg/hectare.
- ❑ **Features :**
 - 1,000 processing units will be established to reduce post-harvest losses and enhance value.
 - Maximum subsidy of Rs. 25 lakh will be provided for setting up a processing/packaging unit.
 - Procurement of pigeon pea, black gram, and lentils at 100% per annum for the next four years under the Price Support Scheme (PSS) of PM-AASHA.

- Expansion of pulse cultivation to an additional 35 Lack hectares on paddy fallow and diversification-worthy lands.
- 126 Lakh quintals of certified seeds will be produced and distributed.
- 88 Lack seed kits will be distributed free of cost to farmers.
- Special production and enhancement program implemented in 416 districts. (Cluster-based approach)
- ❑ **Note :** India is the largest producer and consumer of pulses in the world.

PM-SETU Scheme

- ❑ **PM-SETU** = Pradhan Mantri Skilling and Employability Transformation through Upgraded ITIs
- ❑ **Launch :** October 4, 2025, by the Prime Minister.
- ❑ **Objective :** Transform 1,000 government ITIs in India into modern, industry-relevant training institutes.
- ❑ **Budget :** Rs. 60,000 crore
- ❑ Centrally Sponsored Scheme.
- ❑ **Implementation Model:** Hub-and-spoke, connecting 200 ITI hubs and 800 ITI spokes.
 - Each hub will be connected to an average of four spokes.
- ❑ **Features -**
 - Launching new, demand-driven courses and improving existing courses in collaboration with industry.
 - Establishing Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs) with credible anchor industry partners to manage clusters and ensure outcome-oriented training.
 - Developing 5 National Skill Training Institutes as Centers of Excellence with global partnerships.
 1. Bhubaneswar-Odisha
 2. Chennai-Tamil Nadu
 3. Hyderabad-Telangana
 4. Kanpur-Uttar Pradesh
 5. Ludhiana-Punjab

- ❑ **First Phase :** 15 hub-and-spoke ITI clusters have been identified.

Pradhan Mantri Dhan-Dhanya Krishi Yojana (PM-DDKY)

- ❑ **Launched :** October 11, 2025, by Prime Minister Modi from New Delhi.
- ❑ **Announced :** Union Budget 2025-26
- ❑ **Duration :** 6 years (2025-26 to 2030-31)
- ❑ **Ministry :** Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India
- ❑ **Expenditure :** 24,000 crore per year
- ❑ The scheme is inspired by the success of NITI Aayog's Aspirational Districts Programme (2018).
- ❑ **Objectives:** Increase agricultural productivity, encourage crop diversification, improve irrigation and storage capacity, and ensure credit access to farmers.
- ❑ **Features**
 - Coordinated model for agricultural development by integrating 36 central schemes from 11 ministries.
 - collaborative implementation of the state and private sectors.
 - 100 low-performing agricultural districts were included.
 - Basis for selection of target districts: low agricultural productivity, low cropping intensity, low loan repayment rates.
 - At least one district selected from each state.
 - Progress of the schemes will be tracked through 117 key performance indicators on a central dashboard.
 - Committees have been formed at the district, state, and national levels for effective planning, implementation, and monitoring of the scheme.

Pradhan Mantri Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme

- ❑ **Launched -** June 29, 2020
- ❑ **Ministry -** Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI)
- ❑ **Nature -** Centrally Sponsored Scheme (60:40 - Centre : State)
- ❑ Under this scheme, the following ODOP have been identified for 33 districts of Rajasthan.

- ❑ (Note : ODOP approved for 713 districts in 35 States/UTs with 137 specific products)
- ❑ **Features-**
 - Assistance to individual/group category micro enterprises: 35% credit /linked capital subsidy of the eligible project cost, maximum Rs. 10 lakh per unit.
 - Assistance to self-help groups for seed capital : Initial capital of 40,000 rupees (maximum Rs. 4 lakh)
 - Assistance for general infrastructure: 35% loan-linked capital subsidy (maximum Rs. 3 crore)
 - Branding and marketing assistance: Grant up to 50% Capacity building: Support for training and product-specific skill development.

Rajasthan		
S.No.	District	One District, One Product (ODOP)
1.	Alwar	Onion-Based Products
2.	Ajmer	Rose-Based Products
3.	Banswara	Mango-Based Products
4.	Baran	Garlic-Based Products
5.	Bharatpur	Mustard-Based Products
6.	Barmer	Pomegranate-Based Products
7.	Bhilwara	Maize-Based Products
8.	Bikaner	Moth (Bhujija, Namkeen, Papad)
9.	Bundi	Rice-Based Products
10.	Chittor	Jaggery
11.	Churu	Groundnut Products
12.	Dausa	Wheat-Based Products
13.	Dhaulpur	Potato-Based Products
14.	Dungarpur	Mango-Based Products
15.	Ganganagar	Kinnow-Based Products
16.	Hanumangarh	Wheat-Based Products
17.	Jalore	Psyllium
18.	Jaipur	Tomato-Based Products
19.	Jaisalmer	Nutritious Xerophyte Fruit (Kair Sangri)
20.	Jhalawar	Orange-Based Products

21.	Jhunjhunu	Fruit-Based Products (Lemon)
22.	Jodhpur	Cumin-Based Products
23.	Karauli	Sesame-Based Products
24.	Kota	Coriander-Based Products
25.	Nagaur	Fenugreek-Based Products
26.	Pali	Milk-Based Products
27.	Pratapgarh	Garlic-Based Products
28.	Rajsamand	Minor Forest Produce (Amla, Jamun, Custard Apple, etc.)
29.	Sawai Madhopur	Guava-Based Products
30.	Sikar	Onion-Based Products
31.	Sirohi	Fennel-Based Products
32.	Tonk	Mustard-Based Products
33.	Udaipur	Minor Forest Produce (Amla, Jamun, Custard Apple, etc.)
Total		33

Fourth Anniversary of PM GatiShakti Scheme

- ❑ The fourth anniversary of the scheme was celebrated on October 13, 2025.
- ❑ On this occasion, the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, launched various initiatives.

Logistics Excellence, Advancement and Performance Shield (LEAPS)-2025

- ❑ **Objective :** To establish a benchmark for logistics excellence in India, strengthen the country's global competitiveness, and align with the National Logistics Policy (NLP) and the holistic vision of PM GatiShakti.
- ❑ It includes a wide range of air, road, sea, and rail freight operators, warehousing service providers, multimodal transporters, MSMEs, startups, and educational institutions.
- ❑ The initiative places special emphasis on sustainability, ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) systems, and green logistics.

PM GatiShakti Public Platform

- ❑ A query-based web platform powered by the Unified Geospatial Interface (UGI).
- ❑ **Aim:** To provide controlled access to selected non-sensitive datasets from the NMP.
- ❑ **Development:** Platform developed by Bhaskaracharya National Institute for Space Applications and Geo-informatics (BISAG-N).
- ❑ **Operational responsibility:** National Geospatial Data Registry (NGDR)

PM GatiShakti - Offshore Initiative

- ❑ **Aim :** To enable integrated planning and management of offshore development.
- ❑ The platform provides an Integrated Geospatial Interface.
- ❑ The platform integrates datasets from various ministries, such as the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, the Department of Fisheries, the Ministry of Mines, and the Ministry of Power.

PM GatiShakti Initiative

- ❑ **Launch :** October 13, 2021
- ❑ **Objective :** To integrate the planning, coordination, and implementation of infrastructure projects in India.
- ❑ **Participating Institutions:** Over 57 Central Ministries, Departments, States, and Union Territories.

Unified Ombudsman Scheme, 2021

- ❑ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) decided to bring State Cooperative Banks and Central Cooperative Banks under the ambit of the scheme.
- ❑ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) took this decision under Section 35 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.
- ❑ **Regulated institutions covered under the scheme:**
 - All commercial banks, regional rural banks, state cooperative banks, central cooperative banks, scheduled primary (urban) cooperative banks, and non-scheduled primary (urban) cooperative banks (deposits 50 crore and above).

- All non-banking financial companies (excluding housing finance companies) - accepting deposits, customer interface (deposits 100 crore and above).

Gyan Bharatam Initiative

- ❑ The Ministry of Culture signed Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) with 17 leading institutions on October 25 under the initiative.
- ❑ **Institutions involved :** Asiatic Society (Kolkata), University of Kashmir (Srinagar), Hindi Sahitya Sammelan (Prayagraj), Government Oriental Manuscripts Library (Chennai), etc.

Gyan Bharatam Initiative

- ❑ **Objective :** To identify, document, preserve, digitize, and promote India's manuscript heritage.
- ❑ **Nodal Ministry :** Ministry of Culture
- ❑ **Announcement :** Union Budget 2025-26.
- ❑ Archiving manuscript knowledge in the **National Digital Repository (NDR)** and sharing it globally through digital platforms.
- ❑ Institutions will be classified as cluster centers and independent centers.
- ❑ **Gyan Bharatam Cell :** A cell will be formed in each center. This cell will ensure collaboration, coordination, and smooth implementation.

Amnesty Scheme 2025

- ❑ **Issuer :** Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC)
- ❑ **Duration :** October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2026
- ❑ **Main objective :** To reduce the backlog of pending cases in courts and simplify compliance under the ESI Act.

National Pension System (NPS) for drivers in Goa

- ❑ **Launch -** September 30, 2025
- ❑ **Objective :** To strengthen the social security of informal workers.

- ❑ The Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) launched this initiative in collaboration with GoaMiles and HDFC Pension Fund (POP).
- ❑ The initiative strengthens PFRDA's mission of making "**One Profession, One Pension**" a reality and spreading the message that **NPS is essential**.

National Green Hydrogen Mission (NGHM)

- ❑ The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy has recognized three major ports as Green Hydrogen Hubs under the NGHM.
 - Deendayal Port Authority (Gujarat)
 - V.O.Chidambaranar Port Authority (Tamil Nadu)
 - Paradip Port Authority (Odisha)

National Green Hydrogen Mission (NGHM):

- **Target :** To produce 5 MMT of green hydrogen per year by 2030.
- **Objective :** To make India a global hub for the production, use, and export of green hydrogen and its derivatives.

'Per Drop More Crop' - Per Drop More Crop Scheme

- ❑ **Objective :** To encourage optimal water use and increase farmer productivity and income.
- ❑ **Key Amendments**
 - Under 'Other Interventions', states/ union territories can plan micro-level water management activities, such as pond construction and water harvesting systems, based on local needs.
 - Water harvesting systems can also be developed for community use, along with benefiting farmers.
 - Earlier, the allocation for each state/UT was limited to 20% (general) and 40% (Northeast, Himalayan states, and J&K and Ladakh) of the total allocation.
 - States/UTs have been given the flexibility to spend beyond these limits.

Scheme for Innovation and Technology Association with Aadhaar (SITAA)

- ❑ **Launched by :** Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI).
- ❑ **Objective :** To strengthen India's tech ecosystem by enabling startups, academia, and industry to co-develop with UIDAI.
- ❑ **Key focus areas :** Biometric devices, authentication frameworks, data privacy, artificial intelligence, secure identity applications.

- ❑ **MoU :** The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology Startup Hub and NASSCOM have signed a Memorandum of Understanding with UIDAI: SITAA will serve as key partners to further the objectives of the scheme.

'Learn and Earn' Initiative

- ❑ **Launched by :** Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPWD), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
- ❑ **Objective:** To promote student participation and dedication towards the empowerment of persons with disabilities.

'Fare Se Fursat' Initiative

- ❑ **Launched :** October 13, 2025
- ❑ Initiated by **Alliance Air**, India's state-owned regional airline.
- ❑ **Objective:** To relieve travelers of the stress of fluctuating airfares and simplify flying within the country.
- ❑ This initiative was implemented on a pilot basis on select routes from October 13 to December 31, 2025.

Maha MedTech Mission

- ❑ **Full Name :** The Mission for Advancement in High-Impact Areas (MAHA) & Medical Technology
- ❑ **Launched by :** Initiated by the Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF).
- ❑ In collaboration with Indian council of medical research and gates foundation.

- ❑ **Objective:** To accelerate India's medtech innovation by reducing dependence on expensive imports and increasing access to affordable, high-quality, and inclusive medical technologies.
- ❑ To provide financial support to various organizations, including innovative medical devices and in-vitro diagnostics, academic and R&D institutions, hospitals, startups, MSMEs, the medtech industry, and collaborations between various organizations.
- ❑ To support national initiatives such as Patent Mitra, Medtech Mitra, and Clinical Trial Network.

AgriEnics Program

- ❑ The Union Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) has announced technology transfer under the AgriEnics Program.
- ❑ The AgriEnics Program is a national program of MeitY.
- ❑ It is concerned with research and development of technologies in the field of agriculture and environment, and their implementation, demonstration, and commercial use.
- ❑ **Nodal Agency:** Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC), Kolkata.

The 'Modal Youth Gram Sabha' (MYGS) Initiative

- ❑ **Launched:** October 30, New Delhi.
- ❑ **Partners:** A joint initiative of the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Ministry of Education (Department of School Education and Literacy), and Ministry of Tribal Affairs.
- ❑ **Objective:** To develop democratic values, civic responsibility, and leadership skills among youth, in line with the National Education Policy 2020.
- ❑ Launched the **MYGS Portal** for training and interaction.

Vikasit Bharat Buildathon 2025

- ❑ **Launched :** September 23, 2025, by the Ministry of Education in collaboration with the Atal Innovation Mission (NITI Aayog).
- ❑ **Objective:** To encourage youth to innovate and strengthen the spirit of a self-reliant and developed India@2047.

- ❑ A nationwide innovation drive for students in grades 6-12.
- ❑ Participating students will work on **four themes** : Self-Reliant India, Swadeshi, Vocal for Local, and Prosperity.

We Rise

- ❑ **We Rise - Women Entrepreneurs Reimagining Inclusive and Sustainable Enterprises.**
- ❑ A joint initiative of NITI Aayog's Women Entrepreneurship Platform and DP World.
- ❑ Powered under WEP's Award to Re-Ward (ATR) initiative.
- ❑ **Objective :** To ensure global reach for businesses run by women entrepreneurs in India.
- ❑ **Key Features:**
 - DP World's global logistics network and trade expertise will be leveraged to create interventions that enhance the export-readiness of 100 women entrepreneurs.
 - Selected entrepreneurs will have the opportunity to showcase their products at India MART (the Jebel Ali Free Zone - Jafza) in Dubai.

WEP (Women Entrepreneurship Platform)

- ❑ **Established:** Launched as an aggregator platform at NITI Aayog in 2018. Became a public-private partnership in 2022.
- ❑ **Role:** Empowering the women entrepreneurship ecosystem as a national aggregator.

'Your Capital, Your Rights' Campaign

- ❑ **Launched :** Launched by the Union Finance Minister from **Gandhinagar, Gujarat.**
- ❑ To be held in all states and union territories during October-December 2025.
- ❑ **Objective :** Digital showcases and helpdesks will help citizens easily locate and claim their unclaimed financial assets.
- ❑ **Administered by:** Department of Financial Services (DFS), Ministry of Finance.

People's Plan Campaign (PPC)/Jan Yojna Abhiyan 2025-26

- ❑ Formally launched at special Gram Sabhas held on October 2.
- ❑ Ministry: Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India.
- ❑ Objective: To initiate a nationwide process for preparing Panchayat Development Plans (PDPs) for the financial year 2026-27.
- ❑ The People's Plan Campaign was launched on October 2, 2018, under the **theme** : “Sabki Yojna Sabka Vikas”

Swadeshi Campaign of the Ministry of Textiles

- ❑ **Slogan** - "Swadeshi Kapda, Desh ki Shan, Yahi Hai Bharat Ki Pehchan"
- ❑ **Objective** : To re-establish Indian textiles as a symbol of pride, style, and heritage among youth and urban consumers.
- ❑ **Target** : To boost domestic demand for handloom, handicrafts, and textile products.

Special Campaign 5.0 of the Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances

- ❑ **Objective:** To reduce backlogs in government offices, institutionalize cleanliness, and increase efficiency in administrative processes.
 - Implementation in two phases
 - Initial Phase: September 16-30, 2025
 - Second Phase: October 2-31, 2025
- ❑ **Main Objectives**
 - Expedient disposal of public grievances, appeals, and inter-ministerial references.
 - Review and close pending physical and e-files.
 - Promote cleanliness in offices and public places.
 - Scientific disposal of e-waste (under the E-Waste Management Rules, 2022).

- ❑ **LIMBS-PFMS Integration** : Under the Special Campaign 5-0, the Department of Legal Affairs (DLA), Ministry of Law and Justice, has integrated the Legal Information Management and Briefing System (LIMBS) with the Public Financial Management System (PFMS).

Tobacco-Free Youth Campaign 3.0 (TFYC 3.0)

- ❑ **Launch** : October 9, 2025 (running for 60 days).
- ❑ **Implementation** : Ministry of Education, Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, etc.
- ❑ **Prioritizes six enhanced strategies** - public awareness campaigns, implementation of tobacco control laws, expanding the Tobacco-Free Villages initiative, and increasing social media outreach.

Events/Conferences/Meetings

9th India Mobile Congress (IMC) 2025

- ❑ **Organized:** October 8-11, 2025, in New Delhi.
- ❑ **Organized by:** Department of Telecommunications (DOT) and Cellular Operators Association of India (COAI).
- ❑ **Theme:** Innovate to Transform
- ❑ Asia's largest telecommunications, media, and technology event.
- ❑ **Organized six major global summits:** International India 6G Symposium, International AI Summit, Cyber Security Summit, Satcom Summit (discussing satellite-based communication services in India), IMC Aspire Program, Global Startup World Cup.
- ❑ Department of Telecommunications, National Academy of Communications, and GSMA signed an MoU.

23rd India Telecom 2025

- ❑ **Organized:** Telecom Equipment and Services Export Promotion Council (TEPC)
- ❑ Held simultaneously with the India Mobile Congress (IMC).

"Samarth" Incubation Program

- ❑ Launched in March 2025 by the Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DOT).

- ❑ **Field:** Startups and various telecom applications, cybersecurity, 5G/6G, AI, IoT, quantum, and various telecom applications.
- ❑ **Implementing Partners:** Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) and The Indus Entrepreneurs (TiE)
- ❑ **Cohort Structure:** Two cohorts, each of 6 months duration, supporting 18 startups per cohort (maximum 36 startups).
- ❑ The first grant tranche was distributed to 18 Aspire Startups selected from Cohort-II during IMC 25.

Fourth Kautilya Economic Conclave (KEC 2025)

- ❑ **Held:** October 3 in New Delhi.
- ❑ **Inaugurated by:** Union Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman.
- ❑ **Organized by:** Institute of Economic Growth (IEG) in partnership with the Ministry of Finance.
- ❑ **Theme:** "Seeking Prosperity in Turbulent Times"

National Conference on 'Adi Karmayogi Abhiyan'

- ❑ **Held:** October 17, 2025, in New Delhi.
- ❑ **Organized by:** Ministry of Tribal Affairs.
- ❑ Pradhan Mantri Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha Abhiyan (PMJANMAN) - Awards
 - At the conference, the Ministry of Women and Child Development received an award from the President of India for its outstanding contribution in the implementation of PMJANMAN.
 - The Ministry made more than 2,000 Anganwadi centers functional in Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (PVTG) areas under the Pradhan Mantri Janman Yojana.

- ❑ **Tribal Business Summit 2025**
 - The Ministry of Tribal Affairs announced during the conference.
 - Held on November 12, 2025, in New Delhi.
 - In collaboration with the Ministry of Culture and the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

Biennial Naval Commanders' Conference 2025

- ❑ **Held:** October 22-24, New Delhi.
- ❑ Launch of the 'Nipun' portal (Naval Intellectual Portal for Unified Knowledge) A unified platform for naval knowledge and resources.
- ❑ 'Sagar Manthan' event was held on October 22 during the conference.

Vigilance Awareness Week-2025

- ❑ **Start:** Organized by the Central Vigilance Commission in New Delhi
- ❑ **Duration:** October 27 to November 2, 2025
- ❑ **Theme:** "Vigilance: Our Shared Responsibility"
- ❑ Workshop on "AI and Emerging Technologies for Ethical Governance" to be organized on October 31

2nd National Conference on Corporate Social Responsibility (NCCSR-2025)

- ❑ **Held:** October 6-7 in New Delhi
- ❑ **Theme:** "Leveraging CSR Excellence for Tribal Development."
- ❑ **Objective:** Showcasing innovative CSR models for inclusive and sustainable development.
- ❑ Organized by the Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA).
- ❑ Conference based on the observation of IICA CSR Day (October 2).

6th Global Fintech Fest (GFF) 2025

- ❑ **Held:** October 7 to 9 in Mumbai.
- ❑ **Theme:** Empowering Finance for a Better World Powered by AI
- ❑ **Organizing Bodies:** Payments Council of India (PCI), National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), and Fintech Convergence Council (FCC).

Wildlife Week Celebrations 2025

- ❑ **Held** : on October 6 at the Forest Research Institute (FRI) campus in Dehradun, Uttarakhand.
- ❑ **Theme** : "Human-Wildlife Coexistence."
- ❑ Organized by the Union Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
- ❑ **Five National Level Programmes were started** : Implementation of the action plan for Project Dolphin (Phase-II), Project Sloth Bear, Project Gharial, the Centre of Excellence for Human-Wildlife Conflict Management (CoE-HWC) at SACON, and a campaign for tigers outside tiger reserves.

CCSCH (Codex Committee on Spices and Culinary Herbs) Session

- ❑ **Inauguration** : The 8th session was inaugurated by Assam Governor Laxman Prasad Acharya in Guwahati.
- ❑ New standards for vanilla, coriander, and large cardamom were finalized at the conference.
- ❑ The Committee has finalized standards for 19 spices so far.

National Adoption Awareness Month

- ❑ November every year.
- ❑ **Organized By** : Central Adoption Resource Authority, (Ministry of Women and Child Development).
- ❑ **Theme** - Non-Institutionalized Rehabilitation of Children with Special Needs

National Conference on "Opportunities for Defence Manufacturing in the Country"

- ❑ **Held on** : October 7 in New Delhi.
- ❑ **Objective** - To bring together senior officials from industry departments from all states and union territories and discuss their important role in advancing the country's defense manufacturing ecosystem.

- ❑ Launch of the Defence EXIM Portal, the digital repository Creation DEEP (Defence Establishments and Entrepreneurs Platform) Portal.
- ❑ **Release of two major publications:**
 - 'Aerospace and Defence Sector Policy Compendium of States and Union Territories'
 - IDEX Coffee Table Book 'Shared Horizons of Innovation'

Third National Conference on e-Vidhan Applications (NeVA)

- ❑ Scheduled: October 30, 2025, in New Delhi.
- ❑ Organizer: Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs
- ❑ NeVA is one of the 44 Mission Mode Projects under the Digital India program of the Government of India.

7th Indo-Pacific Regional Dialogue 2025

- ❑ Held: October 28, New Delhi.
- ❑ Theme: "Promoting Inclusive Maritime Security and Development: Regional Capacity Building and Capability Enhancement."
- ❑ Indian Navy's top-level international strategic outreach dialogue.
- ❑ The Indian Army, in collaboration with the Centre for Land Warfare Studies (CLWS), organized the Young Leaders Forum - "Veer Yuva: Empowering Youth for India's National Security and Development" on October 31, 2025, at the Manekshaw Centre, New Delhi.

Fourth India Maritime Week 2025 (IMW 2025)

- ❑ **Held:** October 27-31, 2025, Mumbai.
- ❑ Inaugurated by Amit Shah, Union Minister of Home Affairs and Minister of Cooperation.
- ❑ **Organized by:** Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways.
- ❑ **Theme:** "Integrating Oceans, a Maritime Perspective."
- ❑ The **Global Maritime Leaders Conclave** was held during this period.

3rd India Research Yatra 2025

- ❑ Formal launch from the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi.
- ❑ **Organized by:** Springer Nature, Collaborator: Ministry of Education.
- ❑ **Objective:** Promote comprehensiveness, inclusiveness, and innovation in research.
- ❑ **Coverage:** 15 cities, 7 states, 29 institutions visited.
 - **Key institutions:** IIT-Khadagpur, Kanpur, Guwahati, IIM Calcutta, Lucknow, Bodhgaya, and Maulana Azad Medical College (New Delhi).
- ❑ **Key pillars:**
 - Promoting Open Access (OA) - Awareness on One Nation, One Subscription (ONOS).
 - Exploring the role of AI in research integrity and publication
 - Diversity and inclusion - initiatives like For Our Research, Our Future
 - Contribution to UN SDGs through universal access to knowledge

India-AI Impact Summit 2026

- ❑ Government of India released the official logo for the Summit (Designer: Ajit P. Suresh)
- ❑ Held: February 19-20, 2026, Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.
- ❑ A research symposium on artificial intelligence and its impact will be held alongside the conference on February 18, 2026.



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Uttarakhand AI Impact Summit 2025

- Held on October 17, 2025, in Dehradun
- The Government of Uttarakhand, in collaboration with the India AI Mission of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India
- This is a pre-summit event for the India-AI Impact Summit 2026.

Bhashini Rajyam Workshop: Kerala

- ❑ **Organizer:** Digital India BHASHINI Department (DIBD), Ministry of Electronics and IT in collaboration with Kerala State IT Mission.
- ❑ **Theme:** Voice-First Digital Governance and Linguistic Empowerment of Malayalam
- ❑ **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU):** Between the Government of Kerala and DIBD.
 - **Objective:** Develop robust AI models, speech recognition systems, and multilingual applications for the Malayalam language.

Fourth 'Silent Dialogue: From the Margins to the Center' Event/Maun Samvad : Hasiya se Kendra Tak

- ❑ Tribal Art Exhibition
- ❑ **Inaugurated:** October 9, 2025, in New Delhi by former President Ram Nath Kovind.
- ❑ **Organizer:** Sankala Foundation
- ❑ **Collaborator:** National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) and International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA)
- ❑ **Objective:** Raise awareness on conservation principles among tribal communities and forest dwellers living around forests, especially in India's tiger reserves.

National Conference on "Tribal Arts and India's Conservation Ethos: Living Knowledge"

- **Organized by** Sankala Foundation on October 10.
- **Collaborated by:** Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Manav Sangrahalaya, Bhopal and CIL, New Delhi.
- Inaugurated by Gajendra Singh Shewat, Union Minister of Culture and Tourism.

National Homeopathy Conference

- ❑ October 10-11, 2025, Kottayam (Kerala).
- ❑ **Organizing Institute:** National Institute of Homeopathy Research in Mental Health (NHRIMH), Kottayam.
- ❑ On the occasion of World Mental Health Day 2025
- ❑ **Theme:** "Access to Services - Mental Health in Catastrophes and Emergencies"

FICCI HEAL 2025 (19th Edition)

- ❑ **Organized by:** FICCI, in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and NITI Aayog.
- ❑ **Theme/Subject:** Care@25 - A Breakthrough Moment in Healthcare

'Svanidhi Sankalp Abhiyaan'

- ❑ **Duration:** November 3 to December 2, 2025
- ❑ **Objective:** To improve access to street vendors by ULBs and banks and expedite the application process.

Ekta Nagar Bharat Parv

- ❑ **Held:** November 1-15, 2025, in Ekta Nagar (Gujarat).
- ❑ Cultural performances from various states and a Food Festival
- ❑ The festival will conclude on November 15 with special events related to the birth anniversary of Lord Birsa Munda.
- ❑ **Objective:** To highlight the glorious culture of tribal communities.

Third 'Purple Fest'

- ❑ **Organized:** In Panaji, Goa, by the Government of Goa.
- ❑ **Partnering Institutions:** Ministry of Social Justice and the United Nations.
- ❑ It encourages persons with disabilities in the country to showcase their artistic and creative talents.

New 'Sugamya Bharat App': Launched by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities at Purple Fest.

- The app has been redesigned with a user-first and accessibility-first approach.
- It is envisioned as India's digital accessibility hub - bringing information, schemes, and services directly to persons with disabilities.
- Developed in collaboration with SBI Foundation
- Features: Screen reader, voice navigation, multilingual, intuitive interface.
- ❑ **IELTS Training Manual:** Developed by Believe in the Invisible (BITI) in collaboration with the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPWD).

Important One-Liners

- ◆ The Indian Navy organized a symposium on 'Impact of Cyber Attacks on the Maritime Domain and its Implications for National Security and International Relations' in New Delhi on October 16, 2025.
- ◆ The CBI organized a conference on 'Extradition of Fugitives : Challenges and Strategies' in New Delhi.
- ◆ The closing ceremony of the eighth National Nutrition Month 2025 was held in Dehradun on October 17, 2025.
- ◆ The Diabetes Conference titled 'TREAT-DM 2025 - Translational Research, Adiposopathy, Technology for Diabetes and Metabolic Diseases' was held in Bengaluru.

Agreements

- ❑ **The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) signed a pact with Thermo Fisher Scientific (TFS):**
 - **Aim:** To promote innovation in India's biotechnology sector and foster an effective incubation process for high-growth startups.
 - **Bioverse Challenge:** TFS will launch this initiative in collaboration with the Bharat Startup Grand Challenge (BSGC), an initiative of DPIIT.

- The National Institute of Food Technology Entrepreneurship and Management, Kundli (NIFTEM-K), Ministry of Food Processing Industries signed nine strategic Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs)
 - During World Food India 2025.
 - MoUs were signed with the Quality Council of India, The Good Food Institute, Almond Board California, Danone India, Clear Meat Private Limited, Government Institute of Medical Sciences (Greater Noida), Institute of Bioresources and Sustainable Development (Imphal), Rejuvom Therapeutics (Bangalore), and Institute of Liver and Biliary Sciences (New Delhi) to promote collaborative efforts.
 - Transfer of seven innovative technologies developed by the Institute:

Company	Transferred Technologies
RD's Bakery	• Instant Composite Millet-Based Kheer Premix
Hexagon Nutrition Limited	• High-Nutrient Ready-to-Eat Bars for Dietary Management of High-Altitude Metabolic Disorders and Probiotic Products.
ARF Life Sciences	• Rapid Cattle Pregnancy Kit and Rapid Paneer Mixing Kit.
Crop Pure Private Limited	• Eggless Cake Premix Technology.
Yes Bee Foods Private Limited	• Millet Puffs
Interlink Foods Private Limited	• Saksham Anganwadi and Mission Poshan 2.0 Initiatives
Jeevanmitra Nutraceuticals Private Limited	• Unfermented Mayo

- **Open Market Sale Scheme (Domestic) / OMSS (D) Based FCI Stall:**
 - Food Corporation of India at World Food India 2025, New Delhi.
 - Theme - "Food for All, Life for All"
 - The initiative plays a vital role in ensuring widespread availability of food grains in the open market, controlling prices, and providing direct access to small/bulk consumers and sellers across the country.
- Tripartite MoU between Railway Protection Force (RPF), National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) and Indian Railway Institute of Disaster Management (IRIDM), Bengaluru
 - **Objective:** To create an institutional framework for integrated relief operations and capacity building in railway accidents, with special emphasis on saving lives during the golden hour.
 - **Key roles:** RPF (Nodal Center), NDRF (Hosting battalion-level sensitization, participation in IRIDM joint courses), IRIDM (Design, regular updating, and documentation of advanced, scenario-based training courses)
- **FICCI + Indian Institute of Creative Technology (IICT) + Netflix India Partnership -**
 - **Announcement:** At the 25th FICCI Frames
 - **Objective:** To nurture and empower India's AVGC-XR (animation, VFX, gaming, comics, extended reality) talent.
 - Netflix will provide scholarships to selected students through the Fund for Creative Equity.
- **MoU between BPCL-Oil India-Numaligarh Refinery (NRL)**
 - **Objective:** To facilitate the evacuation of petroleum products following the expansion of NRL from 3 MTPA to 9 MTPA.
 - This includes the joint construction of a 700-km pipeline from Siliguri to Mugalsarai.

- ❑ **Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) and Russian company United Aircraft Corporation (UAC) signed a Memorandum of Understanding.**
 - For the production of the SJ-100 civilian commuter aircraft.
 - The SJ-100 is a twin-engine aircraft.
 - Useful for flight planning for short-haul connectivity in India.
 - The SJ-100 will be the first fully-fledged passenger aircraft to be manufactured in the country.
- ❑ **MoU between the National e-Governance Division (NeGD), Digital India Corporation, and Sahakar Taxi Cooperative Limited (brand: Bharat Taxi)**
 - **Objective:** To provide strategic advice and technical support in the areas of platform integration, cybersecurity, privacy, compliance, and governance.

Bharat Taxi - a cooperative-powered national ride-hailing initiative - will launch in December 2025.

- Promoting Institutions (Jointly): NCDC, IFFCO, Amul, KRIBHCO, NAFED, NABARD, NDDB, NCEL
- ❑ Atal Bihari Vajpayee Disabled Sports Training Centre (ABVT-CDS), Gwalior, under the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, signed two MoUs with the Physical Education Foundation of India (PEFI) and Equibeing Foundation, Bangalore - to make India a global leader in inclusive sports.
- ❑ **Dr. Ambedkar Foundation (Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment) signed MoUs with three universities** - University of Mumbai, Jaipur National University, and GB Pant Technical and Agricultural University - to establish three new Dr. Ambedkar Chairs.

MoUs	Objectives/Other Features
1. Between the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) and NABARD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To build awareness and capacity among farmer members through 45,000 Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) and increase access to agriculture and rural areas.
2. Between the Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation (DDWS) and the Bhaskaracharya National Institute for Space Applications and Geo-informatics (BISAG-N) (MEITY)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To develop a GIS-integrated decision-support platform for the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) and Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) [SBM(G)].
3. MoU between the Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India, and IIT Palakkad (Kerala, Palakkad)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For the skill development project under the Pradhan Mantri Visakhapatnam Vikas Yojana (PM-VIKAS).
4. MoU between the Ministry of Labour and Employment and Zomato	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To increase access to flexible and technology-enabled livelihood opportunities through the National Career Service (NCS) platform.
5. Coal India Limited (CIL) and IIT Madras	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This centre will serve as a hub for cutting-edge research and development and capacity-building initiatives in sustainable energy technologies. • To establish a 'Centre for Sustainable Energy' at IIT Madras.
6. Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) with Primus Partners Pvt.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To enhance collaboration towards strengthening India's startup and innovation ecosystem.
7. Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) with Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To enhance financial and non-financial support for startups in the country.

8. Telecommunication Engineering Centre (TEC) with the Indian Institute of Technology Hyderabad (IIT Hyderabad)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To collaborate on joint studies, research, and technical contributions to advanced telecommunications technologies and global standardization activities.
9. Startup Accelerator WaveX with T-Hub	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To promote India's creative, content, and media-technology startup ecosystem.
10. MoU between Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) and Oil India Limited (OIL)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To support the proposed greenfield refinery and petrochemical complex in Nellore district, Andhra Pradesh.
11. Department for Social Justice and Empowerment with M/s Persolkelly India Private Limited	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To increase employment opportunities for candidates from Scheduled Caste and Backward Class communities.
12. MoU between the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC) and the International Centre for Automotive Technology (ICAT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To advance technological strength in the automotive sector based on indigenous innovation.
13. MoU between the Telecommunications Engineering Centre (TEC) and the International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT), Naya Raipur	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To jointly advance research, innovation, and standardization in next-generation telecommunications technologies.

Awards

International Social Security Association (ISSA) Awards

- India has been honored for 'Outstanding Achievement in Social Security'.
- At the World Social Security Forum (WSSF) 2025 held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- India was given this prestigious award by the International Social Security Association (ISSA).
- Achievements: Social security coverage has increased from 19% in 2015 to 64.3% in 2025.
 - Launch of e-Shram Portal, National Career Service (NCS) Portal.

Rajbhasha Kirti Awards

- In relation to the year 2024-25
- For best performance in the official language Hindi, by the Department of Official Language, Ministry of Home Affairs.
- Rajbhasha Kirti (First) Award-** Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances. (For the second consecutive year)
- Rajbhasha Kirti (Third) Award:** Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare.

Mai Bharat - National Service Scheme Awards:

Presented by President Smt. Draupadi Murmu on October 6 for the year 2022-23.

S. No	Categories	Number of awards	Award Value
1.	NSS Units and Their Program Officers	10-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each NSS unit will receive Rs. 2,00,000/- along with a trophy (for NSS program development) Each Program Officer will receive Rs. 1,50,000/- along with a certificate and a silver medal
2.	NSS Volunteers	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each volunteer will receive Rs. 1,00,000/-, a certificate, and a silver medal.

- Established in 1993-94 by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
- Objective** - To honor youth who have made outstanding contributions in the field of social service, community development, and nation-building.

- ❑ Lalit Tiwari (Vivekananda Global University) from Rajasthan was honored.

- ❑ **Mai Bharat - National Service Scheme (NSS):** Launched in 1969 during the birth centenary celebrations of Mahatma Gandhi
 - **Motto:** "Not me, but you" (You before yourself).
 - **Objective:** To develop the personality and character of youth through voluntary community service.

Fortune Leadership Awards 2025

- ❑ Telecommunications Consultants India Limited (TCIL) was awarded the Human Resource Excellence Award.

70th Filmfare Awards 2025:

- ❑ The 70th Hyundai Filmfare Awards 2025 were held on October 11, 2025, in Ahmedabad, Gujarat.
- ❑ **Most awards:** "Laapta Ladies," directed by Kiran Rao.

- The film won 13 awards, equaling the record set by "Gully Boy" in 2020.

❑ **Major winners:**

- Best Film: Laapta Ladies.
- Best Actor: Kartik Aaryan (for "Chandu Champion") and Abhishek Bachchan (for "I Want to Talk") are joint winners.
- Best Actress: Alia Bhatt (for "Jigra").
- Best Director : Kiran Rao (Laapta Ladies).
- Best Supporting Actor: Ravi Kishan (Laapta Ladies).

Critics Awards

- Best Film: I Want to Talk - Shoojit Sircar.
- Best Actor: Rajkummar Rao (for "Srikanth").

Lifetime Achievement Award:

- Zeenat Aman.
- Shyam Benegal (posthumously)

National Vigyan Awards 2025

- ❑ Established by the Government of India to recognize and encourage pioneering research and inspiring achievements.
- ❑ Awarded in four categories and 13 fields:

Vigyan Ratna (VR):	For lifetime achievements in any field of science and technology.	Prof. Jayant Vishnu Narlikar (Physics) - Posthumously
Vigyan Shree (VS):	For distinguished contributions.	Dr. Gyanendra Pratap Singh (Agricultural Sciences), Dr. Yusuf Mohammed Sheikh (Atomic Energy), Dr. K. Thangaraj (Biological Sciences), Prof. Pradeep Thalappil (Chemistry), Prof. Aniruddha Bhalchandra Pandit (Engineering Sciences), Dr. S. Venkat Mohan (Environmental Sciences), Prof. Mahan M.J. (Mathematics and Computer Science), Mr. Jayan N. (Space Science and Technology)
Vigyan Yuva-Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar (VY-SSB):	For exceptional contributions by young scientists up to 45 years of age.	Dr. Jagadis Gupta Kapuganti (Agricultural Sciences), Dr. Satendra Kumar Mangarothia (Agricultural Sciences), Mr. Debarka Sengupta (Biological Sciences), Dr. Deepa Agashe (Biological Sciences), Dr. Dibyendu Das (Chemistry), Dr. Valiur Rahman (Earth Sciences), Prof. Arkaprava Basu (Engineering Sciences), Prof. Sabyasachi Mukherjee (Mathematics and Computer Science), Prof. Shweta Prem Agarwal (Mathematics and Computer Science), Dr. Suresh Kumar (Medicine), Prof. Amit Kumar Agarwal (Physics), Prof. Surhud Shrikant More (Physics), Mr. Ankur Garg (Space Science and Technology), Prof. Mohanshankar Sivaprakasam (Technology and Innovation)
Vigyan Team (VT)	For exceptional contributions by teams of three or more members.	Aroma Mission CSIR (Agricultural Sciences)

Environment

'Breathable Art'

- ❑ Developed in New Delhi under the Environmental Education, Awareness, Research and Skill Development (EEARSD) scheme.
- ❑ Part of the "Breath of Change - Clean Air, Blue Skies" campaign.
- ❑ Living structures made from air-purifying plants and sustainable materials.

Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP)

- ❑ The Commission for Air Quality Management (CAQM) has implemented Phases I & II of GRAP in the National Capital Region (NCR).
- ❑ Implemented a 12-point action plan in accordance with GRAP Phase II (very-poor scenario) in the NCR.
- ❑ **Objective** : Implement immediate, coordinated, and stringent measures to prevent further deterioration in air quality and protect the health of citizens.

Resurgence of the Kurinji Flower

- ❑ Purple flowers of *Strobilanthes sessilis* (Kurinji) have bloomed again in Gudalur (Nilgiris district), Tamil Nadu, after eight years.
- ❑ This species blooms once every eight years, while *Strobilanthes kunthiana* (Neelakurinji) blooms once every 12 years.
- ❑ Both species are native to the grasslands of the Western Ghats. Found in
 - nilakurinji: at altitudes above 1300 meters.
 - sessilis: in areas with relatively lower altitudes.

Loktak Lake (Manipur)

- ❑ Nagaland University study report - Land use changes are degrading the water quality of the rivers feeding the lake, threatening its biodiversity and the livelihoods of local communities.

Portal/App

JanSamarth Portal

- ❑ The entire Pradhan Mantri Surya Ghar Mufat Bijli Yojana loan disbursement process is completed through the JanSamarth Portal.
- ❑ The JanSamarth Portal is linked to the national portal (pmsuryaghar-gov-in).

Coal Shakti and CLAMP Portal

- ❑ The Ministry of Coal has launched the 14th round of commercial coal mine auctions.
- ❑ Coal Land Acquisition, Management and Payment (CLAMP) Portal: An integrated digital platform developed to streamline and make transparent the land acquisition, compensation, rehabilitation, and resettlement processes in the coal sector.
- ❑ Coal Shakti Dashboard: Integrating the entire value chain in the coal sector and promoting data-driven governance.

e-NAM Platform

- ❑ The Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare expanded the scope of e-NAM by including nine additional commodities.
- ❑ The total number of commodities currently tradable on e-NAM has reached 247.
- ❑ The Directorate of Marketing and Inspection is responsible for developing tradable parameters for commodities traded on e-NAM.

"DRAVYA" Portal

- ❑ Digitized Retrieval Application for Versatile Yardstick of Ayush (DRAVYA)
- ❑ An initiative of the Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS).
- ❑ **Objective (Phase1)**: To catalog information on 100 major medicinal substances.
- ❑ Launched by the Ministry of AYUSH on September 23, during the 10th Ayurveda Day celebrations held in Goa.

Miscellaneous

System-based automated approval for EFSC code registration

- Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs Launched by the Central Board of Control for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (CBIC).
- Objective:** Streamlining customs procedures and enhancing ease of doing business.

Namchik-Namphuk Coal Block

- Inaugurated by Union Coal and Mines Minister G. Krishna Reddy.
- The state's first commercial coal mine, located in Changlang district of Arunachal Pradesh.
- Coal reserves = approximately 1.5 Crore tonnes.

Cooperative Multi-Feed Compressed Biogas (CBG) Plant

- Maharshi Shankarrao Kolhe Cooperative Sugar Factory, launched in Kopergaon, Ahilyanagar district, Maharashtra.
- The country's first compressed biogas plant and potash granules manufacturing unit.
- India's first sugarcane-based ethanol plant was also established here.

Diethylene Glycol (DEG) Case

- Recently, 22 children died after consuming contaminated cough syrup containing diethylene glycol (DEG) and ethylene glycol (EG).
- Coldrift syrup manufactured by Srisan Pharmaceuticals (Tamil Nadu) was found to contain 48.6% of the toxic contaminant diethylene glycol, while the maximum acceptable limit is 0.1%.

India's Total Installed Energy Capacity

- By September 30, 2025, the total installed energy capacity has crossed 500 GW, reaching 500.89 GW.

- By Energy Potential Details

Sources	Installed Capacity	Energy
Non-fossil fuels	256.09 GW (over 51% of total energy)	
(renewable energy, hydroelectricity, and nuclear power)	244.80 GW (about 49% of total)	
Note: In renewable energy: Solar power - 127.33 GW Wind power - 53.12 GW		

Tribal Village Vision 2030

- Formally released on October 2, 2025, during special Gram Sabhas by tribal villages.
- Key Features:** Community-led development, village-level priority setting, integration with government schemes, establishment of Aadi Seva Kendras, technology-enabled governance (AI-powered Aadi Vani app).

- Aadi Seva Kendra** - Established as a single window citizen service centre in each village where villagers will contribute 1 hour of voluntary service per week (Aadi Seva Time).

Makhana Festival 2025

- Location :** in Patna, Bihar
- Release of Makhana Culture to Prosperity Report
- Makhana Board: Announced by the Central Government in Budget 2025-26.

Second Special Intensive Revision (SIR)

- Initiated by :** Election Commission of India (ECI).
- Objective :** To conduct an in-depth revision of voter lists.
- Duration :** To be conducted between November 2025 and February 7, 2026
- Will cover approximately 51 crore voters in 12 states and union territories.
 - States :** Chhattisgarh, Goa, Gujarat, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal.

- **Union Territories:** Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep, Puducherry
 - The first phase was held in Bihar.
- In exercise of its constitutional powers under Article 324, Section 21 of the Constitution of India,
 - Issued the order of the Government of India under the relevant provisions of the Representation of the People Act, 1950 and the Voters' Registration Rules, 1960.

Payment Regulatory Board (PRB)

- **Constitution:** Under Section 3(2) of the Payment and Settlement Systems (PSS) Act, 2007.
- Replaced the erstwhile Board for Regulation and Supervision of Payment and Settlement Systems (BPSS).
- It is the body responsible for the regulation, supervision, and development of payment and settlement systems in India.
- **Composition:** The six-member Board consists of the Chairman, two additional representatives of the RBI, and three members nominated by the Central Government.
 - Chairman - RBI Governor
 - Two representatives of the RBI - Deputy Governor and Executive Director in charge of Payment and Settlement Systems.
 - Government nominated members - Secretary, Department of Financial Services, Secretary, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, and former Telecom Secretary Aruna Sundararajan.

Monetary Policy Report

- Released by the Reserve Bank of India at its 57th meeting of the Monetary Policy Committee.
- RBI maintains neutral stance with repo rate unchanged at 5.50%.
- RBI changes for FY 2025-26
 - India's GDP growth forecast raised to 6.8% from 6.5%.
 - CPI inflation forecast lowered to 2.6% from 3.1%.

A special committee for transgender persons

- Two-judge bench headed by Supreme Court Justice J.B. Pardiwala constituted a committee to formulate an Equal Opportunity Policy.
- **Committee Chairperson** - Asha Menon (former Delhi High Court judge)
- Members - Sanjay Sharma, Akai Prashali, Grace Banu, Vaijayanti Vasant Mogli, Gaurav Mandal, Nitya Rajasekhar

NH-715 (old NH-37)

- The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs approved the widening and construction of an elevated corridor for its Kaliabor-Numaligarh section.
- It passes through Kaziranga National Park.
- It connects NH-127 and NH-129.

Border Roads Organisation infrastructure project

	Project Swastika	Project Arunanak
State	Sikkim	Arunachal Pradesh
Discussion	Celebrated its 65 th Foundation Day on October 1.	Celebrated its 18th Foundation Day on October 24, 2025, in Naharlagun.
Start	In 1961	In 2008.
Objective	To ensure year-round connectivity to remote valleys and forward areas of the States and to meet the operational requirements of the Armed Forces.	

Working papers and reports released by NITI Aayog

- **"Towards India Transformation: Decriminalization and Trust-Based Governance"** - the second document in the Tax Policy Working Paper series.
 - **First:** Enhancing certainty, transparency, and uniformity in the establishment of permanent establishments and profit allocation for foreign investors in India.
- "Roadmap for Job Creation in the AI Economy"

- ❑ "India Blue Economy: Strategy for Harnessing Deep Sea and Offshore Fisheries Report"
- ❑ "India's Services Sector: Insights from GVA Trends and State-Level Dynamics"
- ❑ "India's Services Sector: Insights from Employment Trends and State-Level Dynamics"
- ❑ "Reimagining Manufacturing: India's Roadmap for Global Leadership in Advanced Manufacturing" (by Frontier Tech Hub)

Naxalism (Left Wing Extremism)

- ❑ The most affected districts have been reduced from six to three: bijapur, Sukma, and Narayanpur (Chhattisgarh).
- ❑ The number of affected districts has also been reduced from 18 to just 11.
- ❑ The government aims to completely eradicate Naxalism by March 31, 2026.

The 16th International Railway Equipment Exhibition (IREE)-2025

- ❑ Inaugurated by Union Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnav in New Delhi.
- ❑ Theme: 'Railways Ready for the Needs of the Future'
- ❑ Asia's largest and the world's second-largest railway exhibition.

State Mining Readiness Index (SMRI)

- ❑ **Objective:** SMRI and state rankings released by the Ministry of Mines to encourage states to undertake reforms in the mining sector.
- ❑ In line with the announcement in the Union Budget 2025-26.
- ❑ **Key indicators:** Auction performance, speedy mine operations, emphasis on exploration, sustainable mining in non-coal minerals.
- ❑ Top States (Classified by Mineral Reserves)

Category	States (Top 3)
Category A	Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Gujarat
Category B	Goa, Uttar Pradesh, Assam
Category C	Punjab, Uttarakhand, Tripura

NMDC Steel Limited (NSL) and IS 18384 : 2023 Certification

- ❑ NMDC Steel Limited (NSL) is the first company in India to receive an Indian Standard (IS) license for "Hot Rolled Steel Strip, Sheet, and Plates for Welded Steel Pipes for Pipeline Transportation Systems - General Requirements (IS 18384 : 2023)."
- ❑ The certification was awarded by the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), Raipur, at the World Standards Day 2025 celebrations.
- ❑ Scope of the Standard: IS 18384 : 2023 is used to define the quality and requirements for steel products designed for pipeline transportation systems in the petroleum and natural gas industry.

Rajya Sabha Elections in Jammu and Kashmir:

- ❑ The ruling National Conference (NC) won three seats, while the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) won one.
- ❑ Elected MPs: NC Chowdhary Mohammad Ramzan and Sajjad Ahmed Kichloo, and Gurvinder Singh Oberoi.
- ❑ BJP state president Sat Sharma won the fourth seat, defeating NC candidate Imran Nabi Dar.

Cyclonic Storm Montha

- ❑ **Origin:** Bay of Bengal (tropical cyclone)
- ❑ **Name:** Thailand (meaning: fragrant flower)
- ❑ **Landfall:** Andhra Pradesh

Mig La Pass

- ❑ The Border Roads Organisation (BRO) constructed the world's highest motorable road at Mig La Pass in Ladakh, 19,400 feet above sea level, under Project Himank.
- ❑ This surpassed the previous record set at Umling La (19,024 feet) in 2021.

8th Central Pay Commission

- ❑ The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has approved the terms of reference of the 8th Central Pay Commission.

- ❑ **Objective:** The Commission will recommend changes in the salaries, service conditions, and retirement benefits of central government employees.
- ❑ The Pay Commission is constituted every 10 years.
- ❑ Recommendations effective: January 1, 2026.
- ❑ The Commission will consist of a Chairperson, a Member (part-time) and a Member-Secretary.
 - **Chairperson:** Justice Ranjana Prakash Desai
 - **Chairperson:** Professor Pulak Ghosh
 - **Chairperson:** Pankaj Jain

Balod, Chhattisgarh

- ❑ Balod district has officially become India's first child marriage-free district.
- ❑ This significant achievement was achieved under the 'Child Marriage-Free India Campaign' launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on August 27, 2024.

Sabarimala Temple

- ❑ President Smt. Draupadi Murmu offered prayers at the Lord Ayyappa Temple in Kerala's famous Sabarimala on October 22, 2025.
- ❑ She became the first woman President to offer prayers at the Sabarimala Temple.
- ❑ She is the second Indian President to visit the temple. (First - President V.V. Giri)

President flies in Rafale aircraft

- ❑ President Smt. Draupadi Murmu flew in a Rafale aircraft from Ambala Air Force Station in Haryana on October 29, 2025.
- ❑ President Murmu became the first President of India to fly in a Rafale fighter aircraft.
- ❑ Smt. Murmu is the first President of the country to fly in two fighter aircraft of the Indian Air Force.
- ❑ Earlier, she flew in a Sukhoi 30 MKI in 2023.

Chemical Emergencies: Public Health Management Module

- ❑ Developed by the National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, with technical support from the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) and the World Health Organization (WHO India).
- ❑ **Module Structure**
 - **Module 1:** Preparedness, Surveillance, and Response for Public Health Management.
 - **Module 2:** Pre-Hospital Management.
 - **Module 3:** Medical Management.

Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)

- ❑ The UPSC celebrated its 99th Foundation Day on October 1, 2025, and entered its centenary year.
- ❑ Unveiling of the "My UPSC Interview" portal and the UPSC and Centenary Logo.

My UPSC Interview Portal

- **Title:** My UPSC Interview: From Dream to Reality.
- Retired and serving civil servants will be able to share their UPSC interview experiences.

India's First DNA-Based Elephant Census

- ❑ **Title of Report:** Status of Elephants in India: DNA-based Synchronous All-India Population Estimation of Elephants (SAIEE 2021-25)
- ❑ Estimated number: 22,446 elephants
- ❑ In 2017, the number of elephants in the country was 29,964.
- ❑ States with the highest elephant population (Top 3)
 - Karnataka: 6,013 elephants (highest in the country)
 - Assam: 4,159 elephants
 - Tamil Nadu: 3,136 elephants
- ❑ According to the new census, the elephant population has declined by approximately 25% in the last 8 years (2017-2025).
- ❑ Central India and the Eastern Ghats witnessed the sharpest decline in elephant numbers.
- ❑ Jharkhand has recorded a decline of approximately 68% compared to the 2017 estimate.

Important One Liner

- ❑ The 56th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) will be held in Panaji, Goa from November 20-28, 2025.
- ❑ The Railway Goods Shed (Sonic, Lucknow Division) as an Integrated Logistics Hub: Union Minister of Railways, Information and Broadcasting, and Electronics and Information Technology, Shri Ashwini Vaishnav, virtually inaugurated it on October 14, 2025.
- ❑ The Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Amit Shah, inaugurated the 'Deep Sea Fishing Boats' under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana at Mazgaon Dock, Mumbai.
- ❑ The Union Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Minister, Shivraj Singh Chouhan, inaugurated the newly established state-of-the-art vegetable and flower seed processing plant and packing unit of the National Seeds Corporation (NSC) at the Pusa campus, New Delhi.
- ❑ The Conference of Heads of United Nations Troop Contributing Countries 2025 was held in New Delhi.
- ❑ Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the first phase of Navi Mumbai International Airport (NMIA) Ulwe, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra on October 8, 2025.
- ❑ Headquarters Integrated Defence Staff celebrated its 25th Raising Day on October 1, 2025. (Established in 2001)

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Mongolia's first Presidential visit to India

- ❑ **When** : President Khurelsukh Ukhnaa paid a state visit to India from October 13-16, 2025.
- ❑ **Occasion** : 70th anniversary of political relations (postage stamp issued by India) and 10 years of strategic partnership.
- ❑ **Agreement** - 10 MoUs signed (mineral resources, heritage conservation, digital solutions, humanitarian cooperation).
- ❑ **Defense Agreement** - India-Mongolia will launch a capacity building program for the Border Security Force.
- ❑ **Cultural** - Prime Minister Modi announced free e-visas for Mongolian citizens.
- ❑ Sacred relics of Lord Buddha's disciples, Sariputra and Maudgalyayana, will be sent to Mongolia in the coming years.
- ❑ **Defines India-Mongolia relations** - Strategic Partner, Third Neighbor, Spiritual Neighbor

Sri Lankan Prime Minister's Visit to India -

- ❑ **When** : Prime Minister Dr. Harini Amara Surya paid a state visit to India from October 16-18, 2025.

- ❑ This is her first visit to India after assuming office as Prime Minister and is also an alumnus of Hindu College, Delhi University.

Key Agreements and Partnerships

- **Discussion on fishermen's issues** - reclaiming Kachchativu Island, releasing arrested fishermen and boats.
- **Academic cooperation** - Visit to IIT Delhi and NITI Aayog for innovation in education and technology.

UK Prime Minister's Visit to India

- ❑ **When**: British Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer paid a state visit to India from October 8-9, 2025.
- ❑ This was Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer's first official visit to India.
- ❑ Implementing the India-UK Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) and working towards Vision 2035.
- ❑ **Key Agreements and partnerships**

Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nine UK universities will open campuses. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Queen's, Coventry, Bristol, Surrey University - Gift City, Gandhinagar, Gujarat ▪ York and Everdene University - Mumbai ▪ Liverpool and Lancaster Universities - Bengaluru ▪ University of Southampton - Delhi, Gurugram ▪ University of Bengaluru - Lancaster University ▪ University of Gift City - Surrey
Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Missile Supply Agreement - A \$350 million deal between the two countries will provide the Indian Army with the Lightweight Multirole Missile (LMMR).
Climate & Health Research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Launch of the third phase of the Biomedical Research Career Programme • Launch of a Letter of Intent between the ICMR and the NIHR, UK on Health Research • Establishment of an Offshore Wind Task Force
Commerce & Investment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reconstitution of the India-UK Joint Economic Trade Committee (JETC) • New investment in a Climate Technology Startup Fund (agreement between the UK and State Bank of India)

Hitesh Kumar S. Makwana

- ❑ India has been elected as the Co-Chair of the United Nations Regional Committee for Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM-A) for Asia and the Pacific.
- ❑ **Elected Person:** Surveyor General Hitesh Kumar S. Makwana
- ❑ **Term:** Three years (2025-2028)
- ❑ **Elected:** During the 14th meeting of the UN-GGIM-AP, held in Goyang-si, Korea, from 24-26 September 2025.

Nobel Prize Winner - 2025

Category	Winners	Contributions
Physics	1. John Clarke (UK) 2. Michel H. Devoret (France) 3. John M. Martinis (USA) Prize share = 1/3 Each	For the discovery of macroscopic quantum mechanical tunneling and energy quantization in an electric circuit.
Chemistry	1. Susumu Kitagawa (Japan) 2. Richard Robson (UK) 3. Umar M. Yaghi (Jordan) Prize share = 1/3 Each	For the development of metal-organic frameworks useful in gas storage and sustainable development.
Physiology or Medicine	1. Mary E. Brunko (USA) 2. Fred Ramsdell (USA) 3. Shimon Sakaguchi (Japan) Prize share = 1/3 Each	For his discoveries related to peripheral immune tolerance.
Literature	1. Laszlo Krasznahorkai (Hungary)	For his visionary literary work, which reaffirms the power of art in the midst of terrible terror.
Peace	1. Maria Corina Machado (Venezuela)	For his tireless work promoting democratic rights in Venezuela and his struggle to bring about a peaceful transition from dictatorship to democracy.
Economics	1. Joel Mokyr (Netherlands) 2. Philippe Aghion (France) 3. Peter Howitt (USA)	For his theory of sustainable development through creative destruction

Ceasefire in Gaza

- ❑ A ceasefire agreement came into effect on October 10, 2025, ending the two-year violent conflict between Israel and Hamas.
- ❑ This is the first phase of US President Donald Trump's 20-point peace plan.
- ❑ **First Phase - Trump's 20-Point Peace Plan**
 - Immediate ceasefire implemented
 - Prisoner exchange: Hamas released Israeli hostages, and Israel released approximately 1,900 Palestinians.
- ❑ **Humanitarian aid - Troop withdrawal -** Israeli troops withdrew from Gaza's urban areas back to the Yellow Line.

Sharm el-Sheikh Summit

- **When:** October 13, 2025, in Egypt
- **Part:** Several leaders, including US President Trump, signed the "Trump Declaration for Enduring Peace and Prosperity."

Palau Island Country

- ❑ Palau, an island country in the Pacific Ocean, hosted the world's first live underwater interview in October 2025.

- ❑ **Palau's President**, Surangel Whips Jr., was interviewed underwater with Estonian Olympic swimmer and ocean activist Mele Levand.
- ❑ **Technology Used : LiFi Talking Mask :** This technology uses light to transmit sound underwater.

UN Human Rights Council and India

- ❑ **Unopposed Member** - India was elected unopposed to the UN Human Rights Council (UNHRC) for a three-year term from 2026-2028.
- ❑ **Selection** - India secured a seat in the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) under the Asia Pacific Group in the elections held on October 14, 2025.

Other elected members from the Asia-Pacific Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pakistan, Vietnam, Iraq
Retiring countries (December 31, 2025)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kyrgyzstan, Bangladesh, Maldives, Vietnam
India, three-year term, 2026-2028	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will begin January 1, 2026 • This will be India's seventh term • Previously served in 2006-2007, 2008-2010 • Also served in 2012-2014, 2015-17, 2019-21, 2022-2024
India's Permanent Representative to the United Nations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P. Harish

Henley Passport Index 2025

- ❑ Released by Henley & Partners in October 2025
- ❑ **Basis:** Based on data from the International Air Transport Association (IATA) on the number of destinations a passport holder can travel to without a prior visa.
- ❑ **Top of the index:**

Rank	Passport Countries	Visa Free Score
1 st	Singapore	193
2 nd	South Korea	190
3 rd	Japan	189
4 th	Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Spain	188
5 th	Belgium, Austria, Denmark, Finland, France, Ireland, Netherlands	187

- ❑ **India's position (as of October 2025)**

Ranking	Visa-Free Access
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • India ranked 85th • Down 5 places from 80th in January 2024 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indian passport holders can now travel visa-free to 57 countries.

IUCN World Conservation Congress: 2025

- ❑ **Held** - October 9-15, 2025
- ❑ **Venue** - Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Centre
- ❑ **Host Country** - United Arab Emirates (UAE)
- ❑ **Theme** - Powering Transformative Conservation
- ❑ **Objective** - Determine future global priorities for nature conservation and sustainable climate change
- ❑ Six new member countries join: Armenia, Tajikistan, Marshall Islands, Gabon, Tuvalu, Zimbabwe.
- ❑ **India Represented by** -
 1. Union Minister of State for Environment, Forest and Climate Change Kirti Vardhan Singh
 2. India launched the 'National Red List Roadmap and Vision 2025-2030'.
 - **The institutions:** Zoological Survey of India (ZSI), Botanical Survey of India (BSI),
 - **The collaboration:** IUCN-India and Centre for Species Survival, India.
 3. **Goal** - To assess the threat to the habitat of approximately 11,000 species in India according to IUCN global standards.
 4. **Palk Bay, Tamil Nadu** - India's first dugong conservation reserve recognized as a global model.
 5. **Tanuj Samudra** - Young environmentalist from Kamrup, Assam, selected to represent India at the IUCN World Conservation Congress 2025.
 6. **Sonali Ghosh** - Director of Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve, received the prestigious IUCN Kenton Miller Award for innovations in national parks on October 10, 2025.

Abu Dhabi Call to Action	A 20-year vision for nature conservation.
Motion 42	Fossil fuel production has been identified as a clear threat to nature for the first time.
Motion 108	Regulation of the pet trade.
IUCN World Heritage Outlook: 2025 ↓	Approximately 43% of the world's natural resources are severely affected by climate change.
1. Critically Concerned →	Manas National Park, Sundarbans, Western Ghats
2. Least Concern + Satisfactory →	Great Himalayan National Park, Kaziranga, Nanda Devi, Keoladeo, Valley of Flowers
3. Satisfactory →	Only Kanchenjunga National Park (positive rating)

Global Forest Resources Assessment (GFRA) Report

- ❑ **Issuer** - Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
- ❑ **Date** - October 22, 2025
- ❑ **First place** - Russia
- ❑ India moved from 10th to 9th position globally in terms of total forest area.
- ❑ India maintained its third-highest rank globally in terms of net annual forest area growth.

M3M Hurun India Rich List: 2025

- ❑ **Edition** - 14th
- ❑ **Released** - October 1, 2025
- ❑ **Objective** - To showcase the country's growing wealth and entrepreneurial success rate, including individuals with assets of 1,000 crore or more.

Top Rank	Mukesh Ambani family (net worth Rs. 955,410 crore)
Second Rank	Gautam Adani (net worth Rs. 814,720 crore)
Richest Woman	Roshni Nadar Malhotra (HCL)
Youngest Billionaire	Arvind Srinivas (Preplexity AI)

India EFTA Trade Agreement

- ❑ **Effective** - October 1, 2025.
- ❑ The agreement is India's first free trade agreement (FTA) with four developed European countries - Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, and Switzerland.
- ❑ The agreement was signed in New Delhi on March 10, 2024.

- ❑ **Investment and Employment** - Article 7.1 of the TEPA includes a binding commitment to invest \$100 billion in India over 15 years and create 1 million direct jobs.
- ❑ **Market Access** - The agreement covers 92.2% of product entries on EFTA's official customs list, representing 99% of Indian exports.

48th Universe 2025 Title

- ❑ **Held:** Manila, Philippines, October 1-9, 2025
- ❑ **Winner:** Sherry Singh of India, a resident of Noida, Uttar Pradesh, holds a Masters in Fashion Designing.

47th ASEAN Summit

- ❑ **Held:** Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, October 26-28, 2025.
- ❑ India represented by External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar
- ❑ **Theme:** 'Inclusiveness and Sustainability'
- ❑ The year 2026 declared as the 'ASEAN-India Year of Maritime Cooperation'
- ❑ Timor Leste became the 11th member of ASEAN.

Exercises/Operations

India-Indonesia

- ❑ 5th Sea Power Naval Exercise
- ❑ Duration - October 14-17, 2025

- ❑ **Location** - Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
- ❑ **Indian Navy** - Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW) frigate INS Kavaratti, Integrated Helicopter
- ❑ Indonesian Navy - Corvette KRI John Lie.

4th Austra-Hind 2025

- ❑ Event - October 13-26, 2025
- ❑ Host Country - Perth, Australia
- ❑ India - Led by the Gorkha Rifles
- ❑ Objective - Counter-terrorism operations

JAIMEX-25

- ❑ Duration - October 16-18, 2025
- ❑ India-Japan Maritime Exercise

First IN-RoKN-2025

- ❑ Between the navies of India and South Korea.
- ❑ Commencement - October 13, 2025 from Busan Naval Base, South Korea.
- ❑ Objective: To enhance maritime cooperation and interoperability between the two countries.

Konkan-2025

- ❑ Between the Indian and British navies in India.

- ❑ **Duration** : 5-12 October 2025

- ❑ **Objective** : For the first time, India's indigenous aircraft carrier INS Vikrant and the British Carrier Strike Group, led by the aircraft carrier HMS Prince of Wales, participated together.

10th NATPOLREX Exercise

- ❑ **Full Form** : National Pollution Response Exercise
- ❑ Conducted by the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) in Chennai.
- ❑ **Duration** : 5-6 October 2025
- ❑ Objective : To prepare Indian defense agencies for rapid, efficient, and safe response to marine oil spill disasters.

Important One Liner:

- ❑ The Kalmyk State University of Russia has signed an agreement with Nalanda University, Bihar, one of the world's oldest centers of learning, in October 2025.
- ❑ Uruguay: Euthanasia legalized - The Senate of the South American country of Uruguay passed a law decriminalizing euthanasia, giving legal recognition to euthanasia.



ASW Shallow Water Craft 'Mahe'

- ❑ 1st ship of the series of eight anti-submarine warfare shallow water craft (ASW SWC).
- ❑ Delivered to the Indian Navy on October 23, 2025.
- ❑ Design and construction: Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL)
- ❑ Named after the port city of 'Mahe' in the Union Territory of Puducherry.
- ❑ Weapons and sensors: Equipped with advanced radar and sonar, torpedoes/ASW rockets.
- ❑ It is the largest warship powered by a diesel engine-waterjet combination.
- ❑ Useful for enhancing underwater area awareness, anti-submarine warfare capability, and minelaying capabilities.

BY 528 'Magdala'

- ❑ 6th ship of the series of eight anti-submarine warfare shallow water craft (ASW SWC).
- ❑ Launched in Kochi on October 18, 2025.
- ❑ **Design and Construction:** Indigenously designed and built by Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL).
- ❑ **Propulsion:** Using three diesel engine-powered water-jet systems.
- ❑ **Sensors and Weaponry:** Equipped with Low-Frequency Variable Depth Sonar (LFVDS)_ Torpedoes, Anti-Submarine Rockets_ NSG-30 Gun and 12-7 mm Stabilized Remote-Controlled Gun (SRGC).

ICGS Ajeet and Aparajit

- ❑ Two high-speed patrol boats for the Indian Coast Guard will be commissioned on October 24, 2025, in Goa.
- ❑ **Design and Construction:** Built entirely indigenously by Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL).

- ❑ These are the 7th and 8th vessels in a series of eight patrol vessels.

- ❑ **Length:** Approximately 52 meters.

- ❑ **Propulsion:** The first boats of this class in India to be equipped with Controllable Pitch Propellers (CPP).

- ❑ **Use:** Boats for fishermen protection, coastal patrol, anti-smuggling, anti-piracy, and search and rescue operations.

Indian Coast Guard Ship 'Akshar'

- **Commissioning:** 4 October 2025, at Karaikal (Puducherry).
- **Meaning of :** 'Akshar' means permanent
- Second ship of the 'Adamyia' class fast patrol vessel (FPV) series.
- **Builder:** Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL)
- **Length:** 51 metres, Speed: Maximum 27 knots
- **Propulsion:** Two 3,000 kW diesel engines
- Armed with a 30 mm CRN-91 cannon and two 12.7 mm stabilized remote-controlled guns (SRCG).
- The vessel is equipped with modern systems such as Integrated Bridge System (IBS), Automated Power Management System (APMS), and Integrated Platform Management System (IPMS).

Namo Semiconductor Laboratory

- ❑ Ashwini Vaishnav, Union Minister for Electronics and Information Technology, has approved its establishment.
- ❑ To be located at IIT Bhubaneswar.
- ❑ Funding: Under the MP-LAD scheme.

Google AI Hub

- ❑ **Location:** Visakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh)
- ❑ **Investment:** Approximately \$15 billion over five years (2026-2030).

- ❑ This is Google's largest investment in India to date.
- ❑ This will be a data center complex with gigawatt-scale computing capacity.

Chandrayaan-2 (First Direct Observation of the Lunar Exosphere)

- ❑ This observation was made by the CHACE payload (Chandra's Atmospheric Composition Explorer-2) on board the Chandrayaan-2 orbiter.
- ❑ This was the first direct observation of the effects of a solar coronal mass ejection (CME) on the lunar exosphere.
- ❑ According to the observation, when a solar coronal mass ejection (CME) struck the lunar surface, the total pressure of the lunar exosphere increased during the daytime.

IRSA 1.0 (Indian Radio Software Architecture)

- ❑ Released on October 7.
- ❑ Collaboration between the DRDO Integrated Defence Staff (IDS) and the three services.

INS Abhay and INFAC T-82 Decommissioned

Base	INS Abhay	INFAC T-82
	Soviet Pauk II-class anti-submarine corvette	Israeli Super Dvora Mk II class
Commission	1989, Poti (then Soviet Union, Georgia).	2003, Naval Dockyard, Mumbai.
Role/Service	Anti-submarine surveillance/patrol, coastal defense operations; effective use of ASW sensors and weapon suites.	Active in search and rescue, submarine escort, and coastal interception operations.

Indigenous Customized TMJ Implants

- ❑ The clinical team at Maulana Azad Institute of Dental Sciences (MAIDS), New Delhi, successfully performed customized TMJ (Temporo-Mandibular Joint) implants on four patients.
- ❑ MAIDS functions as an Advanced Research Centre of the Indian Council of Medical Research.
- ❑ The TMJ implants were indigenously developed at the ICMR-DHR-MedTech Product Development Acceleration Gateway of India (m-PRAGATI) – a state-of-the-art facility coordinated by MAIDS at IIT Delhi.

- ❑ **Objective:** To enable interoperability in military communications.
- ❑ IRSA is a comprehensive software specification for software-defined radios (SDRs).
 - Defines a standardized interface, API, Execution Environment, and Waveform Portability mechanism.
- ❑ Software-Defined Radio It became India's first national specification defining a standardized software architecture for the Navy.

LSAM 25 (Yard 135)

- ❑ Delivery of the 11th Ammunition cum Torpedo cum Missile (ACTCM) Barge.
- ❑ Built by M/s Suryadipta Projects Pvt. Ltd., Thane (an MSME shipyard).
- ❑ **Benefits:** Facilitates transportation, loading and unloading of goods/ammunition to and from jetties and naval platforms at outer ports.

Two New CoEs Recognized at NCMM

- ❑ Two new institutions recognized as Centers of Excellence (CoEs) under the National Critical Mineral Mission (NCMM).
 - **Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore**
 - **Centre for Materials for Electronics Technology (C-MET), Hyderabad**
- ❑ Each CoE will operate on a hub-and-spoke model.
- ❑ The total number of accredited centers increased to 9.

Trinetra

- ❑ A state-of-the-art static firing facility for testing naval weapon systems.
- ❑ Inaugurated near Naval Station Bheemunipatnam, Visakhapatnam.

Military Combat Parachute System (MCPS)

- ❑ The MCPS was successfully tested by DRDO in a combat freefall jump from an altitude of 32,000 feet.
- ❑ Developed by: DRDO's Aerial Delivery Research and Development Establishment (ADRDE), Agra.
 - By: Defence Bioengineering and Electromedical Laboratory (DEBEL), Bengaluru.
- ❑ It is the only parachute system in operational use by the Indian Armed Forces that is capable of operating at altitudes above 25,000 feet.

Advanced Night Vision Factory: Nimmaluru, Andhra Pradesh

- ❑ Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated the factory to the nation on October 16.
- ❑ It will enhance India's capabilities in manufacturing night vision equipment, missile sensors, and drone guard systems.
- ❑ Established by: Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL).

Naphthromycin

- ❑ First indigenous antibiotic
- ❑ Developed by India's Department of Biotechnology in collaboration with private pharmaceutical company Wockhardt.
- ❑ Effective against resistant respiratory infections – especially useful in cancer patients and those with poorly controlled diabetes.

Indigenous 7 nm Processor

- ❑ Being developed by IIT Madras (under the Shakti project).
- ❑ Based on the open-source RISC-V architecture.

- ❑ India has made a foray into advanced semiconductor design with the development of the 7 nanometer processor.

LCA Tejas Mk-1A

- ❑ Defence Minister Rajnath Singh unveiled the first LCA Tejas Mk-1A fighter aircraft at the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) Nashik production unit.
- ❑ Also inaugurated the third production line of the LCA Tejas Mk-1A and the second production line of the Hindustan Turbo Trainer-40 (HTT-40).

Gaganyaan Mission

- ❑ Unmanned Test Flight (G-1): Launch scheduled for the first week of December 2025.
 - **Vyommitra:** Will be flown on the unmanned Gaganyaan mission, flying in low Earth orbit.

Defence Procurement Manual (DPM) 2025

- ❑ **Released:** October 23, 2025, by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh in New Delhi.
- ❑ The Manual came into effect from November 1, 2025.
- ❑ It will facilitate procurement worth approximately 1 lakh crore by the tri services and Ministry of Defence establishments.
- ❑ **Key Features**
 - Maximum 10% Liquidity Damages LD only for extreme delays
 - LD in indigenization is only 0.1% per week (was 0.5% for other items).
 - Orders for indigenously developed items can be received for a period of five years or more.
 - No Objection Certificate (NOC) requirement abolished
 - PAC (Proprietary Article Certificate) based procurement will have a validity of two years.

Defence Acquisition Council Approval

- ❑ The Defence Acquisition Council, chaired by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, on October 23, 2025, approved proposals for various military services worth a total of approximately 79,000 crore.

- ❑ **Indian Army:** Nag Missile System Mk-II (NAMIS), a Ground Based Mobile ELINT System (GBMES), High Mobility Vehicles (HMs).
- ❑ **Indian Navy:** Landing Platform Docks (LPDs), 30mm Naval Surface Gun (NSG), Advanced Light Weight Torpedo (ALWT), Electro Optical Infra-Red Search and Track System.
- ❑ **Indian Air Force:** Allied Long Range Target Saturation/Destruction System (CLRTS/DS)

India's First Semiconductor Innovation Museum

- ❑ **Location :** Hyderabad, Telangana.
- ❑ **Inauguration:** October 12, 2025
- ❑ **Established:** By the Technology Chip Innovation Programme (T-Chip).
- ❑ **Objective:** To showcase revolutionary research and technological advancements in chip manufacturing.

Indigenous Anti-Drone Grid 'SAKSHAM' Unveiled

- ❑ The Indian Army has launched a new, indigenous anti-drone grid, SAKSHAM, to intercept enemy drones.
- ❑ **SAKSHAM:** Situational Awareness for Kinetic Soft and Hard Kill Assets Management
- ❑ **Development:** Jointly developed by the Indian Army and Bharat Electronics Limited, Ghaziabad.

- ❑ **Range:** Covers airspace up to 3,000 meters (10,000 feet) in the Tactical Battlefield Space (TBS).

Burevestnik Cruise Missile

- ❑ Russian President Vladimir Putin announced the successful test of the unlimited-range nuclear-powered Burevestnik cruise missile.
- ❑ The 9M730 Burevestnik is also known as the Storm Petrel and the SSC-X-9 Skyfall by NATO.

Important One Liner:

- ❑ **INS Sahyadri:** Arrived at Kemaman Port, Malaysia on October 2, 2025, as part of an operational deployment in the South China Sea and the Indo-Pacific region.
- ❑ **INS Sutlej:** INS Sutlej, a specialized hydrographic survey vessel of the Indian Navy, completed the 18th Joint Hydrographic Survey in Mauritius.
- ❑ **Titanium and Superalloy Materials Plant:** Defense Minister Rajnath Singh dedicated the PTC Industries plant in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, to the nation.
- ❑ **Indian Space Station:**
 - First base module to be launched by 2028
 - ISRO's goal: Established by 2035



Mirabai Chanu

- ❑ The 2025 World Weightlifting Championships held in Førde, Norway, from October 2-11, 2025, organized by the International Weightlifting Federation.
- ❑ Indian weightlifter Mirabai Chanu won the silver medal in the 48 kg category.
 - She lifted a total of 199 kg (84 kg in the snatch and 115 kg in the clean and jerk).
 - She won the gold medal in 2017 and the silver medal in 2022.

Abhinav Bindra

- ❑ Indian Olympic gold medalist shooter Abhinav Bindra has been selected as the torchbearer for the 2026 Winter Olympic Games in Milana Cortina.
- ❑ He was also a torchbearer at the 2024 Paris Olympics.
- ❑ He is the first Indian individual athlete to win a gold medal in the men's 10m air rifle event at the 2008 Beijing Olympics.

Winter Olympic Games

- Duration - February 6-22, 2026
- Where - Milan, Cortina d'Ampezzo (Italy)
- The torch will be lit in Olympia (Greece) on November 26, 2025.

Jyothi Surekha Vennam

- ❑ Won a bronze medal in the final of the Archery World Cup 2025 held in Nanjing (China).
- ❑ Became the first Indian female compound archer to achieve this feat.

Joshna Chinappa

- ❑ Indian squash player Joshna Chinappa won the women's singles title at the Open 2025 squash tournament held in Yokohama (Japan) on October 13, 2025.

- ❑ It was her 11th career PSA (Professional Squash Association) Tour title.

Neeraj Chopra

- ❑ Olympic medalist and javelin thrower
- ❑ Awarded the honorary rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the Territorial Army.

Magnus Carlsen

- ❑ Country - Norway, Sport - Chess
- ❑ Won the Club Chess Champions Showdown held in St. Louis, USA on October 30, 2025.
 - 2nd Winner - Fabiana Caruana - 16.5 points
 - 3rd Winner - Hikaru Nakamura - 14 points
 - 4th Winner - D. Gukesh (India - 10 points)

Sultan Johor Cup : 2025

- ❑ **Held** - October 11-18, 2025.
- ❑ **Host City** - Johor Bataan (Malaysia)
- ❑ Participating Teams - Total 6 (India, Australia, Great Britain, Malaysia, New Zealand, Pakistan)
- ❑ **Winner** - Australia (won the title for the third time)
- ❑ **Runner-up** - India Junior Men's Hockey Team (record 8th appearance in the final)
- ❑ **Final Score** - Australia defeated India 2-1.

India-West Indies Test Series

- ❑ **Held** - October 2-14, 2025, in India.
- ❑ **First Test (Ahmedabad)** - India defeated West Indies by an innings and 140 runs.
- ❑ Player of the Match (Ravindra Jadeja)
- ❑ **Second Test (Delhi)** - India defeated West Indies by 7 wickets. Player of the Match (Kuldeep Yadav)
- ❑ Player of the Series - Ravindra Jadeja
- ❑ Indian Team Captain - Shubman Gill

30th Senior Women's National Football Championship

- ❑ **Location** - Ramakrishna Mission Ashram Ground, Narayanpur (Chhattisgarh)
- ❑ **Duration** - September 4 - October 15, 2025
- ❑ **Winner** - Manipur (won the title for the 23rd time)
- ❑ **Runner-up** - West Bengal

Women Cricketers Honored

- ❑ The Andhra Cricket Association (ACA) honored two legendary Indian women cricketers on October 12, 2025, at the Dr. Y.S. Rajasekhara Reddy ACA-VDCA Cricket Stadium in Visakhapatnam:
 1. **Ravi Kalpana** - Former Indian wicketkeeper-batsman The 'Ravi Kalpana Gate' was installed.
 2. **Mithali Raj** - The 'Mithali Raj Stand' was installed.

Junior Shooting World Cup: 2025

- ❑ **Schedule** - September 24 - October 2, 2025
- ❑ **Venue** - Dr. Karni Singh Shooting Range, New Delhi
- ❑ **Host** - India (first time)
- ❑ 208 shooters from 19 countries participated in the competition.
- ❑ **India's Performance-**
 1. Top position in the medal table
 2. Total medals won - 26 (8 gold, 10 silver, 8 bronze)
 3. Gold medalists
 - **Men's Junior** -
 - Himanshu (10m Air Rifle)
 - Jonathan Gavin Antony (10m Air Rifle)
 - Nelavalli Mukesh (25m Pistol)
 - **Women's Junior** -
 - Ojaswi Thakur (10m Air Rifle)
 - Anushka Thakur (50m Rifle 3 Positions)
 - Anushka Thakur (50m Rifle Prone)
 - **Mixed Team**
 - Isha Anil and Himanshu (10m Air Rifle)
 - Rashmika Sehgal and Kapil (10m Air Rifle)

12th World Para Athletics Championships

- ❑ Held in India for the first time from September 27-October 5, 2025 at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, New Delhi.
- ❑ **Participation** - Over 1,000 athletes from 104 countries competed in 186 events.
- ❑ **Indian Team** - 73 members (54 men, 19 women)
- ❑ **Results** -
 - **Top finish** : Brazil (15 gold, 20 silver, 9 bronze)
 - **Second place** : China (13 gold, 22 silver, 17 bronze)
- ❑ **India's performance:** Medal table: 10th
 - Best performance so far
 - Total medals won: 22 (6 gold, 9 silver, 7 bronze)
- ❑ Medal-winning Indian athletes

Gold Medal	Men: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nishad Kumar - High Jump T47 • Shailesh Kumar - High Jump T63 • Sandeep Sanjay Sargar - Javelin Throw F44 • Rinku Hooda - Javelin Throw F46 • Sumit Antil - Javelin Throw F46 Women: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simran Sharma - (100m Race T12)
Silver Medal	Men: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yogesh Kathuniya - Discus Throw F56 • Navdeep Singh - Javelin Throw F41 • Sandeep Chaudhary - Javelin Throw F44 • Sunder Singh Gurjar - Javelin Throw F46 • Dharamveer Nain (Club Throw F51) Women: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preetipal (100m Race T35) • Simran Sharma (200m Race T12) • Deepti Jivanji (400m Race) T20) • Ekta Bhayan (Club Throw T51)
Bronze Medal	Men <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandeep - 200m T44 • Varun Kumar Bhati - High Jump T63 • Praveen Kumar - High Jump T64 • Soman Rana - Shot Put F57 • Atul Kaushik - Discus Throw F57 • Pardeep Kumar - Discus Throw F64 Women <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pritipal (200m Race T35)

BWF World Junior Badminton Championships 2025

- ❑ **Location:** Guwahati, Assam (2nd time in India - 1st in 2008)
- ❑ **Date:** October 6-11 (Mixed Team)
October 13-19 (Individual Team)
- ❑ **Indian Performance**
 - **Mixed Team (Suhandinata Cup)** - India's junior team won the bronze medal in this event for the first time.
 - **Women's Singles (Silver Medal)** - Indian young shuttler Tanvi Sharma won the silver medal.

3rd Youth Asian Games: 2025

- ❑ **Hosted:** Manama, Bahrain
- ❑ **Duration:** October 22-31, 2025
- ❑ **Top Rank:** China (147 Medals)

- ❑ **India's Performance:** 6th in the Medal Tally
 - Total Medals: 48 Won
 - (13 Gold, 18 Silver, 17 Bronze)

Gold medalist	
Beach Wrestling	Phoolmali Saini Subhash - 60 kg Ruhil Arjun - 90 kg Anjali - 55 kg
Boxing	Khushi Chand - 46 kg Ahana Sharma - 50 kg Anshika - +80 kg
Kabaddi	Indian Boys Team - Gold Indian Girls Team - Gold Note: Rajasthani players included in the Indian team: Nikita Devanda, Lakshita Gurjar, Akshita Devanda, Krishna, Sachin Chaudhary
Weightlifting	Bhoi Pritismita - 44 kg Clean and Jerk



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Important Days

Date	Day	Theme
October 1	International Day of Older Persons	
October 1	NPS Day 2025	Theme: 'Inclusive Pensions, Innovative Solutions: Strengthening Retirement Security in India'
October 2	Gandhi Jayanti	The 156th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, the Father of the Nation, was celebrated. The 121st birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri was celebrated.
October 4	World Animal Day	
October 5	World Teachers' Day	
October 6	World Cerebral Palsy Day	Theme: 'Urban Solutions in Crisis'.
October 7	World Cotton Day	Theme: 'Cotton, the Fabric of Our Lives'.
October 8	Indian Air Force Day	The Indian Air Force celebrates its 93rd anniversary in 2025. Theme: 'Indian Air Force: Unwavering, Invulnerable, and Precise'.
October 10	World Mental Health Day 2025	Theme: 'Access to Services - Mental Health in Disasters and Emergencies'.
October 11	International Day of the Girl Child	
October 12	World Arthritis Day (World Rheumatism Day)	
October 13	International Disaster Reduction Day	Theme: 'Raise Funds for Resilience, Not Disasters'.
October 15	World Student Day	
October 16	World Food Day	Theme: 'Hand in Hand for Better Food and a Better Future'.
October 21	Police Commemoration Day	It is celebrated in memory of the 10 brave policemen who were martyred in an ambush by heavily armed Chinese soldiers at Hot Springs in Ladakh on October 21, 1959.
October 24	World Polio Day	Theme: 'End Polio Now: Protect Every Child'
October 24	United Nations Day	
October 31	National Unity Day (Rashtriya Ekta Divas)	Celebrated to commemorate Sardar Patel's birth anniversary. The 150th birth anniversary is celebrated on October 31, 2025. Sardar Patel played a key role in the integration of 562 princely states.

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Important Books

S.No.	Book Title	Authors
1.	The Burning Earth: An Environmental History of the Last 500 Years (Winner of the British Academy Book Award 2025)	Sunil Amrit
2.	The Outsider : A Memoir for Misfits	Vir Das
3.	He Will Shoot You, Madam: My Life Through Conflict	Harinder Baweja
4.	'Ready, Relevant and Resurgent II: Shaping a Future Ready Force' <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Author - Chief of Defence Staff General Anil Chauhan • Release - Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, October 14, 2025 	
5.	Different But No Less	Anupam Kher
6.	The Chola Tigers: Avengers of Somnath	Amish Tripathi
7.	Three booklets released under the Artificial Intelligence 2030 initiative for India (powered by the Centre for the 4G Industrial Revolution) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farming the Future in India: An AI Playbook for Agriculture • Transforming Small Enterprises: An AI Playbook for MSMEs in India • Shaping an AI Sandbox Ecosystem for the Intelligent Age: White Paper 	Prof. Ajay Kumar
8.	Book: 'Prabhash Joshi of Jansatta' <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Launched: Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA) • Edited by: IGNCA President Ram Bahadur Rai 	
9.	Books based on Prime Minister Modi's speeches 1. Sabka Saath 2. Sabka Vikas 3. Sabka Vishwas 4. Sabka Prayas	
10.	I Conquered Cancer	Dr. Palvagenda Reddy
11.	Above and Beyond: Exploring the Amazing World of Aviation	Shiv Kumar Mohanka
12.	Modi's Mission	Barjis Desai
13.	Dr. K.C. Kandhari Book Award: 2024 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awarded to Dr. Ayush Jain of Jaipur 	

Objective Questions

- Pandit Chhannulal Mishra belonged to which classical music gharana?**
[a] Patiala [b] Banaras
[c] Agra [d] Gwalior
- Consider the following statements related to the Mission on Atmanirbhar in Pulses:**
 - It was launched on October 11, 2025.
 - Its goal is to increase pulse production to 35 million tonnes by 2030-31.
 - The mission was announced in the Union Budget 2024-25.**Select the appropriate option:**
[a] Both statements 1 and 2 are true
[b] Both statements 2 and 3 are false
[c] Both statements 1 and 3 are false
[d] Only statement 1 is true
- Select the incorrect statement(s) related to the PM Setu Yojana:**
 - Under this, 1000 government ITIs will be selected.
 - In the first phase, ITI Bharatpur will be developed as a spoke institute.
 - Six National Skill Training Institutes will be developed as Centers of Excellence.
 - 800 ITIs will be connected to the spokes.**Select the appropriate option:**
[a] 1 and 2 [b] 2 and 3
[c] 3 and 4 [d] 1 and 4
- Which of the following options is not a basis for selecting target districts for the Pradhan Mantri Dhan-Dhanya Krishi Yojana?**
[a] Low agricultural productivity
[b] Low loan repayment rate
[c] Low irrigated area
[d] Low cropping intensity
- The objective of the "Adarsh Yuva Gram Sabha" initiative is to:**
[a] Increase youth representation in Gram Sabhas.
[b] Establish an Adarsh Gram Sabha in each subdivision.
[c] Develop democratic values among youth, in accordance with the National Education Policy-2020.
[d] None of the above.
- The National Vigyan Ratna Award for 2025 was awarded to:**
[a] Prof. Jayant Vishnu Narlikar (Physics)
[b] Prof. Pradeep Thalappil (Chemistry)
[c] Prof. Jayant Vishnu Narlikar (Chemistry)
[d] Prof. Pradeep Thalappil (Physics)
- The theme of the National Conference on Corporate Social Responsibility 2025 was:**
[a] Leveraging CSR Excellence for Health Improvement
[b] Leveraging CSR Excellence for Tribal Development
[c] Leveraging CSR Excellence for Environmental Protection
[d] Leveraging CSR Excellence for Rural Development
- Consider the following statements related to the recently released IUCN World Heritage Outlook-4 report:**
 - Sundarbans National Park and Western Ghats included in the category of Critical Concern.
 - Kanchenjunga National Park and Kaziranga National Park are included in the Good with Some Concern category.**Select the incorrect statement(s):**
[a] Only 1 [b] Only 2
[c] Both 1 and 2 [d] Neither 1 nor 2
- Which initiative was not launched on the fourth anniversary of the "PM Gatishakti" initiative?**
[a] Logistics Excellence, Advancement and Performance Shield-2025
[b] PM Gatishakti Public Platform
[c] PM Gatishakti Offshore Initiative
[d] PM Gatishakti District Master Plan
- Where was the "Your Capital, Your Rights Campaign" launched by the Union Finance Minister?**
[a] Gandhinagar, Gujarat
[b] Gaya, Bihar
[c] Mumbai, Maharashtra
[d] Jaipur, Rajasthan

11. In which state was a cooperative multi-feed compressed-biogas plant established?
[a] Madhya Pradesh
[b] Maharashtra
[c] Uttar Pradesh
[d] Karnataka
12. Who has been appointed as the chairperson of a special committee constituted for transgender persons?
[a] Former Justice Asha Menon
[b] Former Justice Ranjana Prakash Desai
[c] Nitya Rajashekhar
[d] Chief Justice B.R. Gavai
13. The recently commissioned Namchik-Namphuk coal mine will be operated by which state? Located in the state of:
[a] Arunachal Pradesh
[b] Assam
[c] Odisha
[d] Chhattisgarh
14. Identify the false statement(s) regarding the recently constituted Payment Regulatory Board:
[a] It replaced the Payment and Settlement Systems Regulation and Oversight Board.
[b] It was constituted under the Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007.
[c] It will be chaired by the Deputy Governor of RBI.
[d] Three members of the six-member board will be nominated by the government.
15. The author of the book "Ready Relevant and Resurgent II: Shaping a Future Ready Force" is:
[a] CDS Anil Chauhan
[b] Air Chief Marshal AP Singh
[c] Admiral Dinesh Kumar Tripathi
[d] General Upendra Dwivedi
16. Select the true statement(s) regarding the Indian Coast Guard Ship "Akshar":
1. It is the first ship in the series of adamyra class fast patrol vessels.
2. It was built by Goa Shipyard Limited.
3. It was launched in Mahe (Puducherry).
Select the appropriate option:
[a] 1 and 2 [b] 2 and 3
[c] Only 2 [d] Only 1
17. The NaMo Semiconductor Laboratory will be established at:
[a] IIT Bhubaneswar
[b] IIT Mumbai
[c] IIT Guwahati
[d] IIT Hyderabad
18. The indigenous "7 nm processor" is being developed by which of the following institutions?
[a] IIT Jodhpur [b] IIT Madras
[c] IIT Kharagpur [d] IIT Kanpur
19. Consider the following statements regarding the recently launched fast patrol boats ICGS "Ajit" and "Aparajit":
1. They were built by Cochin Shipyard Limited.
2. They were launched in Goa.
3. They were equipped with controllable pitch propellers.
Select the true statement(s):
[a] 1 and 3 [b] Only 3
[c] Only 2 [d] 2 and 3
20. Select the incorrect statements regarding the anti-submarine warfare shallow water craft 'Magdala':
1. It is the first ship in a series of eight anti-submarine warfare shallow water crafts.
2. It was built by Cochin Shipyard Limited.
3. It uses two diesel engine-powered water jet systems.
Select the correct option:
[a] 1 and 2 [b] 2 and 3
[c] 1 and 3 [d] All of the above
21. With which institution did Rajivika sign an MoU for marketing empowerment on October 4, 2025?
[a] Khadi Board of India
[b] Indian Institute of Crafts and Design
[c] Indian Handloom Association
[d] Indian Institute of Management
22. Which public servant from Rajasthan was awarded by the President on October 17, 2025 for outstanding performance in the Dharti Aba Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan?
[a] Kirodi Lal Meena
[b] Dr. Manish Verma
[c] Chief Secretary - Sudhanshu Pant
[d] Kunji Lal Meena

23. Select the correct code for the districts of Rajasthan included in the PM-Dhan Dhanya Krishi Yojana by the Prime Minister on October 11, 2025:
1. Barmer, Jaisalmer, Nagaur, Jodhpur
 2. Bikaner, Pali, Jalore, Churu
 3. Sikar, Ganganagar, Bharatpur, Bikaner
- Codes:
- [a] Both 1 and 2 are correct
 [b] Both 2 and 3 are correct
 [c] 1 and 3 are correct
 [d] None of these
24. Select the correct statements regarding the Vikshit Rajasthan @ 2047 Vision:
1. Released - Union Home Minister Amit Shah on October 13, 2025
 2. Draft prepared - RITI and NITI Aayog
 3. Based on 13 sectors with four themes.
 4. To reach \$4.3 trillion in the state's economy.
 5. A target life expectancy of 77 years.
- Codes:
- [a] 1, 2, 3 are correct.
 [b] 1, 3 are correct.
 [c] Only 2 are correct.
 [d] All statements are true.
25. The following set of correct statements regarding the PM Suryaghar Chief Minister Free Electricity Scheme is:
1. Home Minister Amit Shah launched registration for the scheme on October 13, 2025.
 2. Solar rooftops will be installed to provide electricity for 150 units.
 3. Domestic consumers will be provided with solar panels of 1.1 kW capacity.
 4. In addition to the central government subsidy, the state government will provide a subsidy of Rs 17,000 per consumer.
- Codes:
- [a] 1 and 2 are correct
 [b] 1 and 3 are correct
 [c] 2 and 3 are correct
 [d] All statements are true
26. Which institution started the first 'community radio station' in Rajasthan?
- [a] Jai Narayan Vyas University - Jodhpur
 [b] Shri Karan Narendra Agricultural University - Jobner
 [c] Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture and Technology - Udaipur
 [d] Radhakrishnan Ayurveda University - Jodhpur
27. Select the incorrect statement regarding the 'Indra 2025' military exercise:
- [a] Organized at Pokhran Field Firing Range, Jaisalmer
 [b] Duration - October 7-15, 2025
 [c] It is a joint military exercise between India and Russia.
 [d] Target - Anti-Terrorist Operation
28. Where was Rajasthan's first Namo Biodiversity Park inaugurated by Union Minister Bhupendra Yadav (Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change)?
- [a] Dhoniya Village, Barmer
 [b] Pratap Dam, Alwar
 [c] Boranada, Jodhpur
 [d] Kalwad, Jaipur
29. Which medal did Vishnu Sharma of Rajasthan win in the 100 kg weight category at the Senior National Ranking Judo Tournament 2025 held in New Delhi?
- [a] Gold Medal
 [b] Silver Medal
 [c] Bronze Medal
 [d] Gold + Silver Medal
30. Name the book by renowned Jaipur author Bhavini Bhargava, which contains poignant and untold stories:
- [a] Not Agneepath, but Janpath
 [b] A View from Within
 [c] Unheard
 [d] Maila Aanchal

ANSWER KEY

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
B	A	B	C	C	A	B	B	D	A	B	A	A	C	A
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C	A	B	D	C	B	D	A	D	D	C	A	B	B	C

Topper's Talk



Parmeshwar Choudhary

- Father - Mr. Hariram Choudhary
Mother - Mrs. Bhuli Devi
10th - Green Rose Academy Higher Secondary School, Sanvatsar, Kishangarh
12th - Government Higher Secondary School, Kishangarh
Graduate - Samrat Prithviraj Chauhan Government College, Ajmer

Question: Congratulations on your achievement in the Civil Services Exam!

Parmeshwar Choudhary: Thank you! Thank you very much.

Question: Tell us about your family and educational background. What role did they play in your preparation?

Parmeshwar Choudhary: My parents are farmers. My aunt's contribution was crucial in my preparation, as I lived with her since 10th grade. My uncle is in the Railway Police, so he always motivates me.

Question: When did you start preparing for the RAS exam, and how much time do you think is sufficient to prepare for this exam?

Parmeshwar Choudhary: I started my initial preparation in 2017-18, but I began preparing as a RAS exam candidate in 2021. After gaining basic knowledge and attending coaching, 6-8 months is sufficient time.

Question: What study materials did you use during your preparation?

Parmeshwar Choudhary: The preparation process for RAS is lengthy and the syllabus is extensive. Coaching plays a crucial role in developing an understanding of the entire syllabus, providing relevant material, and preparing according to the exam pattern. I used Springboard Academy's authentic and comprehensive classroom notes and compared previous years' question papers.

Question: Was your goal from the beginning to join the civil services, and who were your sources of inspiration for preparing for the civil services exam?

Parmeshwar Choudhary: During your school days, career guidance programs were organized on the birth anniversaries of great personalities. Teachers shared information about various fields and provided guidance from eminent personalities working in those fields. This is where I developed an interest in joining the civil services, and teachers periodically shared inspirational stories of honest officers and their innovations.

Question: What is the utility of a monthly current affairs magazine for the RAS exam?

Parmeshwar Choudhary: Monthly current affairs magazines are very beneficial at all three levels: preliminary, main, and interview. Currently, Springboard's monthly current affairs magazines are in line with the changing exam pattern of the RPSC. They should be studied regularly.

Question: What is the role of coaching in the Civil Services Examination? Can self-study also lead to success in this exam?

Parmeshwar Choudhary: Undoubtedly, self-study is necessary, as no one succeeds without self-study. However, it may take a little more time, and coaching saves this time. There is nothing impossible, so success through self-study is also achievable.

Question: What should be the criteria for selecting a coaching institute? Have you prepared with any coaching institute?

Parmeshwar Choudhary: The institute's previous results, the curriculum and teachers, and the institute's dedication to the exam. I took online coaching from Springboard Academy, and my selection based on the above criteria has been vindicated by my results.

Question: What was your language medium in the exam? Tell us about the role of the language medium in succeeding in the civil services exam.

Parmeshwar Choudhary: The role of medium in the RAS exam is only in the main exam, and as far as I know, there is no issue in this exam that candidates from any particular medium have a higher success rate.

Question: What suggestions would you give to improve writing style in the main exam?

Parmeshwar Choudhary: After revising all the authentic study material available two or three times, try to write based on the exam pattern and take regular test papers.

Question: What is the role of short notes in the preliminary and main exams?

Parmeshwar Choudhary: My weakness was that I did not consider myself capable of making short notes. However, they play an important role in last-minute revision, so if there is enough time, one should make them.

Question: Tell us about the role of mock interviews and how was your interview experience at the Rajasthan Public Service Commission?

Parmeshwar Choudhary: I had the 4th RPSC interview for RAS-2023. I had previously appeared for the ACF/FRO, SI 2021, and RAS-2021 interviews, so I was confident, and I think this was my best interview.

Question: Tell us about the contribution of your teachers to your success?

Parmeshwar Choudhary: Vijay Shekhawat Sir of Springboard Academy played a significant role. I was very impressed with his teaching methods. I used to find subjects like Ethics and Economics difficult. He taught these subjects in such a simple and effective manner that they later became my most interesting subjects, and I scored very well in them in the main exam.

Question: What role did friends play during my preparation?

Parmeshwar Choudhary: My friends prepared with me, but they were connected online. They never made me feel the need to study offline. It was thanks to them that I achieved this success.

Question: What are your thoughts on Plan B?

Parmeshwar Choudhary: I'm a proponent of Plan B, and whether or not to have one depends on each candidate's circumstances. My family circumstances didn't allow me to prepare for competitive exams for a long time, so I first secured a permanent job and then moved toward Plan A.

Question: What changes will you work to bring about as an officer?

Parmeshwar Choudhary: My goal will be to break the perception that ordinary people think it's not easy to meet an officer or get work done. As public servants, I want to make them realize that it's our duty to serve them, and it's their right to get work done from us within our jurisdiction.

Question: What is the key to your success?

Parmeshwar Choudhary: Determination, honest effort, discipline, proper time management, acknowledging your shortcomings and improving upon them.

Question: How did you manage your time during your preparation?

Parmeshwar Choudhary: I previously worked as a laboratory assistant, so I had to utilize my time after school efficiently, and a supportive workplace environment makes time management easier. However, consistency in studies is more important than hours spent studying, and I didn't use any applications that didn't contribute significantly to my preparation, so I kept a safe distance from social media.

Question: We wish you a bright future as an administrative officer!

Parmeshwar Choudhary: Thank you! Thank you very much.