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NATIONAL EVENTS



71st National Film Awards 2023

August 1st, 2025 : The 71st National Film Awards for the year 2023 were officially announced on August 1, 2025, celebrating outstanding achievements in



Indian cinema. The prestigious awards recognized exceptional contributions by actors, filmmakers, and technicians across the country. This year was particularly historic as Shah Rukh Khan won his first-ever National Award for Best Actor, while Rani Mukerji clinched the Best Actress award for her powerful performance. Alongside mainstream stars, several regional films like HanuMan, Parking, and 12th Fail also made a remarkable impact.

NCERT to Introduce Curriculum Modules on Captain Shubhanshu Shukla and Operation Sindoor

July 28th, 2025 : In a landmark step to make school education more contextual, contemporary, and rooted in national identity, the National Council of Educational



Research and Training (NCERT) is set to introduce new curriculum modules highlighting Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla's space mission and India's Operation Sindoor, a decisive military action. These modules aim to educate students about India's growing strength in defence, diplomacy, space exploration, and sustainability.

Background of the Curriculum Push

The modules are being developed under the guidance of the Ministry of Education and will be included in the syllabi of Classes 3 to 12. Senior officials have confirmed that the content is currently under development and will be rolled out soon after completion.

Gujarat Launches India's First Tribal Genome Sequencing Project

July 17th, 2025: Gujarat has become the first Indian state to launch a Tribal Genome Sequencing Project, aimed at improving healthcare for tribal



communities through genetic research. The initiative focuses on early detection of hereditary diseases and development of personalised medical solutions using

India's First Digital Nomad Village Opens in Sikkim

July 15th, 2025 : Yakten village in the Pakyong district of Sikkim has been launched as India's first digital nomad village on July 15, 2025. This special initiative aims to



support remote workers by offering them modern facilities in a peaceful Himalayan setting. It also helps local families earn a steady income through homestays, especially during off-season months.

India's Maratha Forts Added to UNESCO World Heritage List

July 12th, 2025 : Maratha Military Landscapes of India were added to the UNESCO World Heritage List during the 47th session of the World Heritage



Committee in Paris. This important recognition covers 12 historic forts built by the Maratha rulers between the 17th and 19th centuries. The listing highlights their unique military design and the rich history of India's fort architecture.

PM Modi Inaugurates Chenab Rail Bridge, Completing Kashmir's Rail Link to India

June 6th, 2025 : On June 6, 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Chenab rail bridge, the world's highest railway arch bridge, in Jammu



and Kashmir. This marks the completion of the Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla Rail Link (USBRL), a 42-year-old project aimed at integrating the Kashmir Valley with the national railway network. The bridge, part of a fully electrified 272km rail corridor, not only overcomes one of the most difficult Himalayan terrains but also opens new doors for trade, tourism, and economic development in the region.





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Union Minister Pradhan Inaugurates Agritech Innovation Hub in Meerut



July 9th, 2025: In a landmark move to revolutionize agriculture through innovation and digital technology, Union Minister for Education, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, along with Minister of State for Education and Skill Development, Shri Jayant Chaudhary, inaugurated the Uttar Pradesh Agritech Innovation Hub and the Agritech Startup and Technology Showcase at Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel University of Agriculture and Technology (SVPUAT), Meerut, on July 9, 2025.

This initiative is envisioned as a collaborative platform that connects farmers, technologists, startups, and academia, aiming to deliver sustainable, region-specific agricultural solutions.

Haryana to Build Asia's Biggest Jungle Safari

July 8th, 2025 : The Haryana government has announced that it will build Asia's largest jungle safari in the Aravalli Hills. The project was shared on July 6,



2025, and it will cover around 10,000 acres of forest land. The main goal is to protect animals and nature, while also boosting tourism and creating new jobs for people. This is an important step for both environmental conservation and eco-tourism in India.

A Big Jungle Safari for Tourists and Nature

The planned jungle safari will be the largest in Asia, spread over 10,000 acres in the Aravalli Hills of Haryana. It will have many types of animals, birds, and plants, all kept safe in their natural homes. The safari will use modern technology and will be built in a green, eco-friendly way. This means care will be taken to not harm the forests, animals, or local people.

India's First Underwater Museum to Be Built Around INS **Guldar in Maharashtra**



June 12th, 2025: India is set to develop its first underwater museum and artificial coral reef around the decommissioned warship INS Guldar near Nivati Rocks, located off the coast of Vengurla in Sindhudurg district, Maharashtra. The project, supported by the Union Tourism Ministry with an outlay of ₹ 46.91 crore, aims to promote marine biodiversity conservation, eco-tourism, and underwater adventure tourism like scuba diving and submarine tours

CBSE Introduces Biannual Board Exams for Class 10 from 2026-27



June 26th, 2025: In a landmark move to make board examinations more student-centric and less stressful, the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has announced that Class 10 students will be allowed to appear for board exams twice a year starting from the 2026-27 academic session. While the first exam will remain mandatory, students who pass it will be given the option to improve their scores in up to three academic subjects through a second, optional examination. This significant shift aligns with the goals of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, which emphasizes fle.



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India Hosts First Assembly of the International Big Cat Alliance in New Delhi

June 18th, 2025 : India reaffirmed its global leadership in wildlife conservation by hosting the first Assembly of the International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) in New



Delhi. The event, chaired by Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav, gathered ministerial delegations from nine big cat range countries, laying the groundwork for an international alliance dedicated to the protection of seven major big cat species — Tiger, Lion, Leopard, Snow Leopard, Cheetah, Jaguar, and Puma. The assembly marked a significant step towards collaborative global efforts to safeguard biodiversity.

Delhi Government's Cash Rewards Boost for Olympic & **Paralympic Medalists**

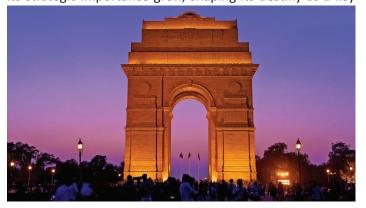
July 23rd, 2025 : The Delhi government has significantly increased cash rewards for Olympic and Paralympic medal winners to promote sports excellence and



youth empowerment. The decision was taken under the newly launched Mukhyamantri Khel Protsahan Yojana, aiming to recognize and reward sporting talent at the international level.

When and Why did Delhi Became the Capital of India?

January 10th, 2025: Delhi is a city with a rich history and cultural significance, playing a central role in India's past and present. It has been the heart of political powers for centuries, witnessing the rise and fall of empires. Over time, its strategic importance grew, shaping its destiny as a key



administrative center. Understanding how and when Delhi became the capital of India offers a glimpse into its fascinating journey.

When did Delhi Became the Capital of India?

Delhi became the capital of India on February 13, 1931. Before this, Kolkata was the capital of British India. The decision to move the capital from Kolkata to Delhi was announced in 1911 by King George V. This shift marked a significant moment in India's history, blending political strategy with grand architecture and shaping Delhi as the center of governance.

DRDO Launches Advanced Quantum Technology Research Centre in Delhi

May 28th, 2025: On May 27, 2025, the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) inaugurated the Quantum Technology Research Centre (QTRC) at Metcalfe House, Delhi, aiming to accelerate India's indigenous



research in quantum technologies for strategic and defence applications. Inaugurated by Dr. Samir V Kamat, Chairman of DRDO, the centre is equipped with cutting-edge infrastructure for developing quantum communication, sensing, and timekeeping technologies, placing India at the forefront of quantum innovation.

President Droupadi Murmu Inaugurates National Tribal Festival 'Aadi Mahotsav' in New Delhi



February 17th, 2025: The National Tribal Festival 'Aadi Mahotsav' was inaugurated by the President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu, in New Delhi on February 16, 2025. The festival, organized by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, is a celebration of India's rich tribal heritage, culture, and traditions. The event is being held at Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, New Delhi, from February 16 to 24, 2025.



INTERNATIONAL EVENTS 🖖



India Resumes Tourist Visas for Chinese Citizens After Five Years

July 25th, 2025 : India has officially resumed the issuance of tourist visas to Chinese nationals after a five-year pause, marking a significant diplomatic and people-



to-people development. This step reflects a cautious yet positive recalibration in India-China bilateral ties, especially in the realm of tourism, soft diplomacy, and regional engagement. The move also coincides with India's broader efforts to revive inbound tourism and follows the reopening of the Kailash Mansarovar Yatra, a symbolic spiritual pilgrimage that draws many Chinese-origin followers.

Historic Day! India-UK FTA Signed: ₹ Trillions to Be Gained - Here's What It Means

July 24th, 2025: On July 24, 2025, India and the United Kingdom signed a landmark Free Trade Agreement (FTA) during Prime Minister Narendra Modi's official



visit to the UK. This deal marks the culmination of over three years of negotiations, and is expected to significantly boost trade, create jobs, and deepen strategic ties across multiple sectors. As India's most comprehensive FTA to date and the UK's most important since Brexit, it signals a new era in bilateral relations.

China's Construction of the World's Largest Dam on Yarlung Tsangpo (Brahmputra)

July 24th, 2025 : China has initiated the construction of the world's largest hydropower dam on the Yarlung Tsangpo River in the Tibet Autonomous Region,



raising environmental and geopolitical concerns, particularly in India and Bangladesh, which lie downstream.

India Launches World's First Traditional Knowledge Digital

July 14th, 2025: India became the first country in the world to launch a Traditional Knowledge Digital Library (TKDL). This important step aims to



protect and promote India's rich traditional medicine systems using modern digital tools like Artificial Intelligence (AI). The World Health Organization (WHO) praised India's efforts, calling it a big moment for global healthcare innovation.

UN Declares 2026 as International Year of the Woman **Farmer**

June 18th, 2025 : In a landmark resolution, the United Nations General Assembly has declared 2026 as the International Year of the Woman Farmer



to acknowledge and amplify the crucial role played by women in global agriculture. The initiative aims to highlight gender disparities in land ownership, technology access, market participation, and agricultural policy benefits—especially in developing countries where women contribute significantly to food production and rural economies.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi Honoured with Brazil's **Highest Civilian Award**

July 9th, 2025 : Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been honoured with Brazil's highest civilian award, the Grand Collar of the National Order of the



Southern Cross. This recognition was presented by Brazilian President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva as a mark of respect for the growing diplomatic, economic, and cultural ties between India and Brazil.

This honour represents not just an individual achievement for the Prime Minister, but also reflects the international recognition of India's leadership and its growing influence on the global stage.

Saudi Arabia Launches TOURISE to Shape the Future of **Global Tourism**

May 24th, 2025 : On May 22, 2025, Saudi Arabia officially launched TOURISE, a global platform designed to connect leaders across tourism,



technology, investment, and sustainability sectors. Unveiled by Minister of Tourism Ahmed Al-Khateeb, TOURISE aims to unlock investment opportunities, address challenges facing the tourism industry, and shape future travel policies through collaboration and innovation. This initiative underscores Saudi Arabia's ambition to become a leading global tourism hub, supported by strategic infrastructure investments and policy reforms.

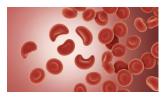


SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



India's Achieved 6 Crore Sickle Cell Anemia Screening under the National Mission

July 23rd, 2025 : India has achieved a major public health milestone by completing 6 crore screenings under the National Sickle Cell Anemia Elimination Mission, launched to combat



the genetic blood disorder predominantly affecting tribal populations. The mission is a cornerstone in India's health policy framework aimed at eliminating sickle cell anemia by 2047 through early detection, awareness, and comprehensive care strategies.

Which is the Lightning Capital of the World? Know the Name

July 23rd, 2025: Lightning is one of nature's most powerful and fascinating sights. While it can happen almost anywhere, there's one place on Earth that sees more lightning than any



other - and it might surprise you! Let's explore the place known as the "Lightning Capital of the World" and uncover what makes it so electrifying.

India Achieves 20% Ethanol Blending in Petrol Way Ahead of Targeted Year

July 25th, 2025 : India has reached a historic milestone in its energy transition journey by achieving 20% ethanol blending in petrol in 2025, five years ahead of its original 2030 target. This breakthrough, announced



by Union Petroleum and Natural Gas Minister Hardeep Singh Puri, marks a transformative shift in India's fuel strategy, enhancing energy security, promoting sustainability, and empowering rural economies.

Shubhanshu Shukla Returns to Earth

July 17th, 2025 : Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla, an Indian Air Force officer and astronaut, successfully returned to Earth on **15th July 2025**. He was part of the Axiom-4 mission, an international



human spaceflight mission organized by Axiom Space, a private space company based in the United States.

Shukla and his three crewmates spent 18 days aboard the International Space Station (ISS). During this time, they completed 288 orbits around Earth. Shukla carried out several scientific experiments aimed at supporting future space missions and benefiting life on Earth.

His return marks an important milestone in India's human spaceflight program and demonstrates India's growing capabilities in space research and technology.

Trinidad & Tobago Joins UPI Network for Indian Travelers

July 8th, 2025 : Trinidad and Tobago became the eighth country in the world—and the first in the Caribbean—to offer UPI (Unified Payments Interface) services for



Indian travelers. This move will allow Indian visitors to make payments directly in rupees using their mobile UPI apps. The launch was announced during Prime Minister Narendra Modi's recent visit to the country.

India Ranks Among Top Six Patent Filers in 6G Technology

May 15th, 2025: India has emerged as one of the top six countries globally in filing patents for 6G technologies, according to Union Minister of State for Communications and Rural



Development, Dr. Chandra Sekhar Pemmasani. Speaking at the Bharat 6G 2025 - 3rd International Conference and Exhibition in New Delhi on May 14, 2025, the Minister emphasized India's commitment to becoming a global leader in next-generation telecom, backed by its proactive research ecosystem and international collaborations.

Indian Army Inducts First Batch of Apache Helicopters from the United States

July 23rd, 2025: The Indian Army has officially received its first batch of Apache AH-64E attack helicopters from the United States. This induction marks a significant step in



enhancing the Army Aviation Corps' operational firepower and aligns with India's broader defense modernization agenda.





Deepika Sehrawat Wins Prestigious Poligras Magic Skill Award

July 17th, 2025: In a historic achievement for Indian sports, Deepika Sehrawat became the firstever Indian player to win the Poligras



Magic Skill Award for her extraordinary solo goal against the Netherlands during the 2024–25 FIH Hockey Pro League. This recognition reflects both her individual brilliance and India's growing impact in international women's hockey.

Harikrishnan A Becomes India's 87th Grandmaster

July 12th, 2025: Harikrishnan A. Ra., a 23-year-old chess player from Chennai, has officially become India's 87th Grandmaster. He earned his final



Grandmaster (GM) norm at the La Plagne International Chess Festival in France on July 11, 2025, completing a long seven-year journey from International Master (IM) to GM.

India Wins 11 Medals at World Boxing Cup 2025



July 7th, 2025: World Boxing Cup in Astana, Kazakhstan, Indian women boxers Sakshi, Jaismine, and Nupur won gold medals in their respective weight categories. India ended the event with its best-ever medal tally of 11 medals, showing the country's growing strength in international boxing. This is a proud moment for Indian sports and a big boost for women's boxing in the country.

Vijayawada Receives Top Award for Cleanliness Despite 2024 Floods



July 18th, 2025: Urban sanitation has become a key parameter of development in modern Indian cities, not only due to rising population density but also in light of increasing health and environmental concerns. Vijayawada's impressive ranking as the fourth cleanest city in India and its recognition as a 'Super Swachh League City' in the Swachh Survekshan 2024-25 is a noteworthy example of a city's transformation through disciplined administration, effective policy implementation, and active citizen participation. The city's success is even more remarkable considering the disruption caused by the September 2024 floods, showcasing exceptional resilience and commitment to sustainability.

Telangana Wins National Award for Battery Manufacturing



July 11th, 2025: Telangana has won the India Energy Storage Alliance (IESA) Industry Excellence Award 2025 in the State Leadership – Battery Manufacturing category. The award was given during the 11th India Energy Storage Week (IESW) 2025, held in New Delhi. This honour highlights Telangana's efforts in promoting battery manufacturing and clean energy solutions.





SPORTS

FIDE World Cup 2025 to Be Hosted in India

July 22nd, 2025: India will host the FIDE World Cup 2025, one of the most prestigious events in international chess, from October 30 to November 27, 2025. This edition brings



together 206 top players in a knockout format and will serve as a crucial qualification pathway to the 2026 FIDE Candidates Tournament.

India Launches Logo and Mascot 'Viraaj' for 2025 World **Para Athletics Championships**

June 23rd, 2025: With exactly 100 days to go, India unveiled the official logo and mascot of the 2025 World Para Athletics Championships at an event in New Delhi on June 20, 2025. This marks a significant moment as India is hosting the prestigious global para athletics event for the first



time, to be held from September 27 to October 5 at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium. The mascot, Viraaj, is a young elephant equipped with a blade prosthesis, symbolizing strength, resilience, and inclusive sports.

Srihari Nataraj & B. Benediction Rohit Set New Swimming **Benchmarks**

July 19th, 2025: India marked a significant milestone at the FISU World University Games 2025, held in Rhine-Ruhr, Germany, as swimmers Srihari Nataraj and B.



Benediction Rohit achieved record-breaking performances in their respective events. These achievements highlight India's growing presence in international swimming competitions and contribute to the country's expanding sports excellence profile.

Neeraj Chopra Wins First Neeraj Chopra Classic in Bengaluru

July 8th, 2025 : Olympic champion Neeraj Chopra won the first-ever Neeraj Chopra Classic 2025, held at the Sree Kanteerava Stadium in



Bengaluru. The event took place yesterday evening and is part of the World Athletics Gold-level series. Neeraj won the title with a throw of 86.18 metres, continuing his top form in international javelin competitions.

Union Cabinet Clears New National Sports Policy to Boost India's Sporting Ecosystem

July 2nd, 2025 : In a major push toward enhancing India's sporting culture and positioning the country as a global sports powerhouse, the Union Cabinet has





approved the National Sports Policy on July 1, 2025. The newly approved policy aims to integrate sports into daily life, fuel economic growth, and build a robust, athletecentric ecosystem. Developed through extensive stakeholder consultation, the policy emphasizes excellence, inclusivity, infrastructure accessibility, and community engagement across the country.

Rinku Singh to Join UP Education Department Under **Sports Quota Scheme**

June 26th, 2025 : In a remarkable transition from cricket field to public service, Indian cricketer Rinku Singh is set to join the Uttar Pradesh Basic Education Department



as a District Basic Education Officer (BSA). The appointment comes under the International Medal Winner Direct Recruitment Rules, 2022, a government policy recognizing and rewarding sportspersons who have brought glory to India at the international level. This announcement coincides with news that Rinku Singh's upcoming wedding with Samajwadi Party MP Priya Saroj has been postponed due to his cricketing commitments in November 2025.

Cristiano Ronaldo Named Global Ambassador for Esports World Cup 2025

June 14th, 2025 : Football icon Cristiano Ronaldo has been officially announced as the Global Ambassador for the Esports World Cup 2025 (EWC) by the Esports World Cup Foundation (EWCF). The



appointment marks a significant crossover between traditional sports and esports, as the five-time Ballon d'Or winner joins efforts to promote competitive gaming on a global scale. The tournament is set to take place in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, from July 7 to August 24, 2025, featuring elite players, global clubs, and record-breaking prize money.

