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Awards and Honours

Topic	Details
IIFA Digital Awards 2026 	• **Edition & Scope:** 26th edition; honors excellence in OTT streaming films and series. • **Hosts:** Pankaj Tripathi and Ali Fazal. • **Best Digital Film:** Baramulla • **Best Web Series:** The Bads of Bollywood. • **Best Director (Film):** Karan Tejpal (Stolen). • **Best Director (Series):** Aryan Khan (The Bads of Bollywood). • **Best Actor - Film (Male):** Abhishek Banerjee (Stolen). • **Best Actor - Film (Female):** Sanya Malhotra (Mrs.). • **Best Actor - Series (Male):** Jaideep Ahlawat (Paatal Lok Season 2). • **Best Actor - Series (Female):** Tillotama Shome (Paatal Lok Season 2). 

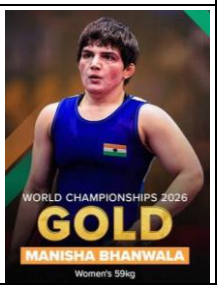
Appointments & Persons in News

Topic	Details
New VCAS Appointed	• **Appointee:** Air Marshal Inderpal Singh Walia. • **Designation:** Vice Chief of the Air Staff (VCAS), effective 1 November 2026. • **Previous Role:** Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief (AOC-in-C), Eastern Air Command. 

Government Schemes, Policies & Welfare Initiatives

Topic	Details
PM-KISAN – 24th Instalment	• **Disbursed Amount:** Over ₹18,690 crore transferred to 9.34 crore farmers. • **Released By & Venue:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi at Banaskantha, Gujarat.
Digital Life Certificate Campaign 5.0	• **Duration & Reach:** 1–30 November 2026 across 2,000 cities/districts. • **Target:** 2.30 crore total certificates, including 1.50 crore via Face Authentication. 

Sports & Games

Topic	Details
Historic Wrestling Gold	• **Athlete:** Manisha Bhanwala. • **Feat:** First Indian woman to win a senior Wrestling World Championships gold. • **Category & Venue:** 59 kg category, held in Astana, Kazakhstan. • **Opponent Defeated:** Abigail Elizabeth Nette (USA) by a score of 8–6. 

Science, Space & Technology

Topic	Details
ISRO Launches NVS-03	• **Mission:** Launch of the NVS-03 second-generation navigation satellite. • **Launch Vehicle & Base:** GSLV-F18 from SDSC, Sriharikota. • **Feature:** Fitted with an indigenous atomic clock to strengthen India's NavIC constellation. 

Summits, Bills & International Affairs

Topic	Details
14th International Tourism Mart	• **Location:** Concluded key ministerial sessions at Tawang, Arunachal Pradesh. • **Focus:** Deliberations among tourism ministers from North-Eastern states. 
CGIAR Science and Partnership Week 2027	• **Host Country & City:** India (New Delhi). • **Schedule & Scale:** 12–17 April 2027; expected participation of over 5,000 delegates.

Books, Authors & Important Days

Topic	Details
October 31	Death anniversary of former Prime Minister of India, Indira Gandhi. 

Banking Affairs

Topic	Details
Viksit Bharat Banking Panel	• **Committee:** High-Level Committee constituted by the Government of India. • **Head:** Former Central Vigilance Commissioner (CVC) Suresh N. Patel. • **Mandate:** Submit banking sector reform recommendations for Viksit Bharat 2047 within six months. 
UPI Expansion	• **Implementation Body:** NPCI International Payments Limited (NIPL). • **New Locations:** Enabled online UPI payments for At the Top at Burj Khalifa (UAE) and Resorts World Sentosa (Singapore).

Defence Update

Topic	Details
INS Tarkash Mauritius Deployment	• **Arrival:** Reached Port Louis, Mauritius on 30 October 2026. • **Purpose:** Enhance bilateral naval ties through joint training exercises and professional exchanges. 

Miscellaneous

Topic	Details
PAVAN-I3C	• **System:** Integrated Command and Control Centre by the Commission for Air Quality Management (CAQM). • **Review:** Reviewed by Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav. • **Capacity:** Integrates 30+ real-time environmental data streams to tackle Delhi-NCR air pollution. 
Piprahwa Relics of Lord Buddha	• **Exposition:** Public veneration in Arunachal Pradesh across Tawang, Bomdila, and Namsai. • **Dates:** 31 October to 21 November 2026. 

West Bengal Specific Current Affairs

Topic	Details
Buxa Tigress Relocation	• **Event:** A 3-year-old tigress relocated from Valmiki Tiger Reserve (Bihar) crossed the Sankosh River from Buxa Tiger Reserve into Raimona National Park (Assam). • **Action:** West Bengal Forest Department coordinating joint retrieval efforts with Assam authorities. 
West Bengal Festive Firecracker Norms	• **Regulator:** West Bengal Environment Department & WBPCB (dedicated helpline set up). • **Rule:** Only certified green crackers allowed. • **Permitted Timings:** 8:00 PM – 10:00 PM on Kali Puja; 6:00 AM – 8:00 AM on Chhath Puja. • **Police Action:** Heightened patrols and inspections to enforce noise rules and guard silence zones. 
Central Projects	• **Directive:** West Bengal Government instructed senior bureaucrats to visit New Delhi at least once a month. • **Objective:** Expedite pending central projects, release of funds, and clear administrative hurdles.
Glossy Ibis Arrival	• **Local Name:** Khoyra Kastechera. • **Destination:** Wetlands of Ghatal (Garhprotabpur, Samat, and Dalpatipur). • **Migration Details:** Arrived after flying over 4,000 km from regions including the Caspian Sea. 

Practice Questions

1. Who became the first Indian woman to win a gold medal at the senior Wrestling World Championships, held in Astana, Kazakhstan?

A) Vinesh Phogat
B) Manisha Bhanwala
C) Antim Panghal
D) Sakshi Malik
Answer: B) Manisha Bhanwala

2. Which rocket was successfully used by ISRO to launch the NVS-03 navigation satellite from Sriharikota?

A) PSLV-C57
B) LVM3-M4
C) GSLV-F18
D) SSLV-D2
Answer: C) GSLV-F18

3. Who has been appointed as the new Vice Chief of the Air Staff (VCAS) effective November 1, 2026?

A) Air Marshal Vikram Gaur
B) Air Marshal Ashutosh Dixit
C) Air Marshal Inderpal Singh Walia
D) Air Marshal Amar Preet Singh
Answer: C) Air Marshal Inderpal Singh Walia

4. What is the name of the high-level committee constituted by the Indian government to recommend banking reforms for Viksit Bharat 2047?

A) Suresh N. Patel Committee
B) N. S. Vishwanathan Committee
C) Shirish Chandra Murmu Committee
D) Padmaja Chunduru Committee
Answer: A) Suresh N. Patel Committee

5. Which naval ship arrived at Port Louis, Mauritius, on October 30, 2026, to enhance bilateral naval cooperation?

A) INS Shivalik
B) INS Tarkash
C) INS Chennai
D) INS Sahyadri
Answer: B) INS Tarkash

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