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Awards & Honours



- **National Sports Awards 2026:** President Droupadi Murmu presented Arjuna Awards to 17 sportspersons; no Khel Ratna was awarded for the first time since 2014.
- **Infosys Prize 2026:** Six researchers under 40 received the award in six categories, each carrying USD 100,000.
- **Swachh Survekshan Awards 2025–26:** President Droupadi Murmu presented 60 National Awards across five categories at the 10th edition.



- **Mukhyamantri Shiksha Puraskar:** Odisha CM Mohan Charan Majhi honoured 375 teachers, students and educational institutions, with ₹139 crore allocated for incentives.

Appointments & Persons in News



- **ICC Chairman:** Jay Shah was reappointed unopposed for a second three-year term (December 2027–December 2030).
- **Fino Payments Bank:** Pratap Singh was appointed MD and CEO for three years with RBI approval.
- **NVIDIA:** CFO Colette Kress was appointed Interim CEO following Jensen Huang's resignation.



- **Obituary:** Social activist and Barefoot College founder Sanjit “Bunker” Roy (81), a Padma Shri awardee, passed away in Rajasthan; he was born in Burnpur, West Bengal.

Government Schemes & Initiatives



- **Tribal Development Projects:** PM Narendra Modi launched projects worth ₹3,000 crore in Gadchiroli, Maharashtra, including 19 Eklavya Model Residential Schools and 12 Tribal Multipurpose Marketing Centres.
- **Lakhpati Didi Initiative:** 3.76 crore SHG women achieved Lakhpati Didi status, with a revised target of 6 crore by March 2029 under DAY-NRLM.
- **CM Apna Parivar Sukhi Parivar Yojana:** Himachal Pradesh approved ₹1,500 monthly assistance for eligible women and 300 units of free electricity per beneficiary household.



- **Shatayu Initiative:** The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment launched a digital caregiver directory and dashboard listing 30,151 trained caregivers for elderly citizens.
- **UPI Vyapaar Saksham Scheme:** NPCI launched a three-year initiative to subsidise QR codes and soundboxes for small merchants in Tier-III to Tier-VI cities and special regions.

Sports & Games

- **Khelo India Youth Games 2026:** Telangana unveiled mascot **Neelamani** for the 8th edition (11–22 December), featuring 29 sports, with softball making its competitive debut.

- **Dakar Summer Youth Olympics 2026:** India won 10 medals (2 Gold, 3 Silver and 5 Bronze); Lairenlakpam Ambekar Meetei and Gunjan won India's first-ever Youth Olympic boxing gold medals.
- **Men's U-19 Asia Cup 2026:** India defeated Pakistan to win the title for the ninth time.



Science, Space & Technology

- **COSMOS-Mysuru Planetarium:** PM Narendra Modi inaugurated India's first tilted LED dome planetarium at the University of Mysore, developed by IIA.
- **Skyroot Aerospace:** Hyderabad-based Skyroot Aerospace signed a two-year MoU with Brazil's Concert Technologies to explore launch vehicles carrying at least 100 kg payloads into LEO.



- **NCCDFI 2026:** NIELIT organised the 3rd National Conference on Cyber Security, Digital Forensics and Intelligence in New Delhi (16–17 November) under the theme "Cyber Secure Bharat".
- **New Plant Species:** Researchers discovered *Disporopsis crispata* in Arunachal Pradesh, marking the first Indian record of the genus *Disporopsis*.



- **New Frog Species:** Scientists discovered five new horned frog species of the genus *Jingophrys* in Arunachal Pradesh, including India's first documented snail-eating frog, *Jingophrys tanogogo*.



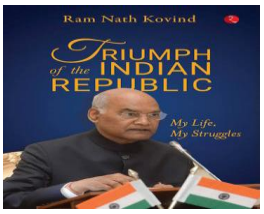
Summits, Bills & International Affairs

- **San Francisco Declaration on AI Supply Chains:** India, the USA and eight other nations signed the declaration under the US-led Pax Silica initiative on 15 November 2026.
- **7th India–Egypt Joint Trade Committee:** Both countries agreed to form a Joint Working Group for a Preferential/Free Trade Agreement and reaffirmed the USD 12 billion trade target.
- **23rd ASEAN–India Summit & 21st East Asia Summit:** PM Narendra Modi visited Manila, Philippines (16–17 November), to attend the summits under the theme "Navigating the Future".
- **India–Sri Lanka Innovation Forum:** Launched in Colombo to promote startup cooperation; Sri Lanka's first Atal Tinkering Lab was established at Nalanda College.
- **Odisha Bovine Breeding (Regulation) Bill 2026:** Odisha approved the bill to establish the Odisha Bovine Breeding Authority.
- **8th UAE National Festival of Tolerance:** India participated as the Country Guest of Honour under the theme "Growing in Unity".



Books, Authors & Important Days

- **16 November:** International Day for Tolerance – observed by UNESCO.



- **Triumph of the Indian Republic: My Life, My Struggles:** Autobiography of former President Ram Nath Kovind.
- **Apnapan:** Written by Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan.
- **The Sage who Reimagined Hinduism:** Written by Dr. Shashi Tharoor on Sree Narayana Guru.
- **Tides of Time: Bharat's History through Murals in Parliament:** Written by Sudha Murty.
- **Operational Risk Management: A Practical Guide to Urban Co-operative Banks:** Written by former RBI DGM G. P. Mistry.
- **Taiwan Travelogue:** Written by Yáng Shuāng-zǐ and translated by Lin King; winner of the International Booker Prize 2026.

Miscellaneous

- **Yuge Yugeen Bharat Museum:** The Cabinet approved a ₹3,230 crore project to convert North and South Blocks, New Delhi, into the world's largest museum with over 1 lakh sq. metres of display space.
- **Raniwas Mound:** The Buddhist archaeological site in Kesariya, Bihar, was declared a protected monument of national importance under the AMASR Act, 1958.
- **WHO Global TB Report 2026:** India recorded a 38% decline in TB mortality and a 94% treatment success rate.
- **CCPI 2027:** India ranked 28th with 85 points, dropping five positions in the Climate Change Performance Index.
- **Export Milestone:** Japan placed its first commercial order for Indian-manufactured electronic train propulsion systems.
- **Migratory Birds:** Rare Willow Warbler was spotted at Kanger Grasslands, Karnataka, while Water Rail was recorded at TS Chanakya wetland, Navi Mumbai.



West Bengal Specific Current Affairs



- **Buxa Tiger Reserve:** West Bengal planned to translocate two additional tigers from Assam and Bihar to Buxa Tiger Reserve, Alipurduar.
- **West Bengal Awas Scheme:** The state set 30 November as the deadline for ineligible beneficiaries to return funds and released ₹4,201 crore as second instalments to 7,00,171 verified beneficiaries.
- **Bhawaiya Literature:** *Sanskritir Ratna Bhandar: Bhaowaiyar Itibritto* highlights the folk music heritage of North Bengal.

Defence Updates

- **Exercise Mitra Shakti 2026:** The 12th India–Sri Lanka joint military exercise commenced at Maduru Oya, Sri Lanka, on 13 November with 170 Indian personnel.



- **AMCA Project:** India's fifth-generation stealth fighter project entered bid evaluation for its ₹15,000 crore prototype development contract.
- **Exercise IMNEX-26:** The 8th India–Myanmar bilateral naval exercise was conducted off Visakhapatnam from 10–14 November 2026.
- **IAF Indigenous AI Suite:** Defence Minister Rajnath Singh unveiled AI applications developed by the Indian Air Force's UDAAN unit.

Banking, Economy & Finance



- **RBI Domestic Money Transfer Directions 2026:** RBI prescribed cash pay-in limits of ₹50,000 per transaction at branches and ₹5,000 per transaction through BCs/ATMs, with monthly limits of ₹25,000; cash pay-out is capped at ₹10,000 per transaction and ₹25,000 monthly.
- **Paytm Payment Services:** Received RBI's in-principle approval to issue and operate PPIs and digital wallets.
- **Arihant Capital Markets:** SEBI granted in-principle approval to establish a mutual fund business, AMC and Trustee Company.
- **GIFT City:** The Ministry of Finance recognised commodity trading contracts as financial products under the IFSCA Act, 2019.
- **WPI Inflation (October 2026):** Wholesale inflation increased to 12.29%; inflation stood at 9.24% for Primary Articles, 32.84% for Fuel & Power and 8.58% for Food.
- **HDFC Bank:** Launched the Flexi Electric Car Loan, offering separate financing for the vehicle body and battery.

Practice Questions

1. In the National Sports Awards 2026, which of the following statements regarding the Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award is correct?

(a) Conferred jointly to Tejaswin Shankar and Divya Deshmukh

(b) Conferred to 5 sportspersons across Olympic disciplines

(c) Not awarded to any sportsperson this year

(d) Conferred posthumously to I. Arumainayagam

Answer: (c)

2. On 16 November 2026, Jay Shah was reappointed unopposed as the Chairman of the International Cricket Council (ICC). When will his second term conclude?

(a) December 2028 (b) December 2029

(c) December 2030 (d) November 2032

Answer: (c)

3. Under the updated targets of the Lakhpati Didi Initiative announced in November 2026, the Government of India aims to create 6 crore Lakhpati Didis by which deadline?

(a) March 2027 (b) December 2028

(c) March 2029 (d) August 2030
Answer: (c)

4. What is the official mascot for the 8th Khelo India Youth Games (KIYG 2026) scheduled to be hosted by Telangana?
(a) Veera (b) Neelamani
(c) Ujjwala (d) Asha
Answer: (b)

5. India's first tilted Light-Emitting Diode (LED) dome planetarium, COSMOS-Mysuru, was inaugurated at which institution's campus?
(a) Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru
(b) University of Mysore, Karnataka
(c) Raman Research Institute, Bengaluru
(d) National Institute of Technology, Surathkal
Answer: (b)

6. The 'San Francisco Declaration', signed in November 2026 by India, the US, and eight other partner nations to secure critical mineral and semiconductor supply chains, was launched under which initiative?
(a) Pax Silica
(b) Chip 4 Alliance
(c) Mineral Security Partnership (MSP)
(d) Indo-Pacific Economic Framework (IPEF)
Answer: (a)

7. The 7th India-Egypt Joint Trade Committee (JTC) meeting held in November 2026 reaffirmed a bilateral trade target of:
(a) USD 8 Billion (b) USD 10 Billion
(c) USD 12 Billion (d) USD 15 Billion
Answer: (c)

8. In West Bengal, which tiger reserve is slated to receive two additional tigers translocated from Assam and Bihar under the NTCA's reintroduction project?
(a) Sundarban Tiger Reserve
(b) Buxa Tiger Reserve
(c) Jaldapara National Park
(d) Gorumara National Park
Answer: (b)

9. The 12th edition of the bilateral joint military exercise 'Mitra Shakti 2026' between India and Sri Lanka commenced at which location?

(a) Belagavi, Karnataka
(b) Aundh, Pune
(c) Diyatalawa, Sri Lanka
(d) Maduru Oya, Sri Lanka
Answer: (d)

10. Renowned social activist and Barefoot College founder Sanjit "Bunker" Roy, who passed away in November 2026, was born in which place in West Bengal?
(a) Siliguri
(b) Burnpur
(c) Medinipur
(d) Chandannagar
Answer: (b)

11. Which two Indian boxers clinched India's first-ever Youth Olympic boxing gold medals at the 2026 Summer Youth Olympic Games in Dakar, Senegal?
(a) Sachin Siwach and Nitu Ghanghas
(b) Lairenlakpam Ambekar Meetei and Gunjan
(c) Nishant Dev and Preeti Pawar
(d) Shiva Thapa and Pinki Rani
Answer: (b)

12. Who was awarded the Infosys Prize 2026 in the category of Mathematical Sciences?
(a) Gautam Bhatia
(b) Karthik Sastry
(c) Riddhipratim Basu
(d) Manoj Kumar Joshi
Answer: (c)

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