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Awards and Honours

- Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine 2026: Karl Deisseroth, Peter Hegemann and Georg Nagel received the prize for discoveries concerning light-gated ion channels and optogenetics, which uses light to control cell activity.

Appointments and Persons in News

- Supreme Court Judges: The President of India appointed Sunita Agarwal, Devendra Kumar Upadhyaya and Aparesh Kumar Singh, the respective Chief Justices of the Gujarat, Delhi and Telangana High Courts, as Supreme Court judges.
- Guy Parmelin: The President of the Swiss Confederation met Prime Minister Narendra Modi in New Delhi, and India and Switzerland exchanged five agreements, including a Migration and Mobility Partnership and an arrangement for exchanges involving 300 young professionals annually.

Government Schemes, Policies and Welfare Initiatives

- Pradhan Mantri Skilling and Employability Transformation through Upgraded Industrial Training Institutes: The ₹60,000-crore programme aims to upgrade 1,000 government industrial training institutes; by October 2026, 850 institutes had been identified and 14 clusters approved.
- Urban Housing Awards: The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs recognised high-performing states and Union Territories under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana–Urban and its second phase.
- Sanchar Saathi Portal: The Department of Telecommunications reported more than 30 crore visits, recovery of over 14 lakh lost or stolen mobile phones, and prevention of suspected cyber-fraud losses exceeding ₹5,000 crore through its Financial Fraud Risk Indicator.

Sports and Games

- Mountain Guardian 2026: The joint India–United Arab Emirates military exercise began at Chaubatia, Uttarakhand, on 5 October and was scheduled to continue until 18 October, focusing on mountain warfare.

Science, Space and Technology

- National Household Travel Survey: The National Statistical Office reported that 42.6 per cent of workers travelled to work by two-wheeler and buses accounted for 55.8 per cent of overnight household trips during the survey period from July 2025 to June 2026.
- Indian Telecom Services Annual Performance Report: The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India reported 1,092.79 million internet subscribers and overall tele-density of 93.26 per cent at the end of March 2026.
- Indigenous Vision Chip: The Technology Development Board agreed to provide ₹130 crore from the Research, Development and Innovation Fund to Bengaluru-based BigEndian Semiconductors for Project VeerAI, an indigenous vision system-on-chip for camera-based applications.

Summits, Bills and International Affairs

- 153rd Inter-Parliamentary Union Assembly: The assembly opened in Arusha, Tanzania, with an Indian parliamentary delegation led by Rajya Sabha Deputy Chairman Harivansh.
- Dibrugarh–Dhaka Cargo Voyage: Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal flagged off a barge carrying 540 tonnes of methanol from Bogibeel Terminal in Dibrugarh to Dhaka through National Waterway-2 and the Indo-Bangladesh Protocol Route, marking the reported first international cargo movement from upper Assam to a foreign port since Independence.
- India Chem 2026: Union Minister of State Anupriya Patel launched the fourteenth edition of the chemicals and petrochemicals event, scheduled for 22–24 October in Mumbai under the theme "Advantage Bharat: An Emerging Global Hub".

Books, Authors and Important Days

- World Habitat Day 2026: Observed on 5 October under the theme "Adequate Housing for All", highlighting access to adequate shelter and sustainable settlements.
- World Teachers' Day: Observed annually on 5 October to recognise teachers' contributions and the importance of their professional status.

Miscellaneous

- Cheetah Births at Kuno National Park: Female cheetah KJP21 gave birth to five cubs, bringing India's reported cheetah population to 60, including 41 Indian-born cheetahs.
- Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Social Bond: NABKISAN Finance Limited listed India's first social bond dedicated exclusively to water, sanitation and hygiene projects on the National Stock Exchange, raising ₹180 crore with 1.8-times subscription.

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