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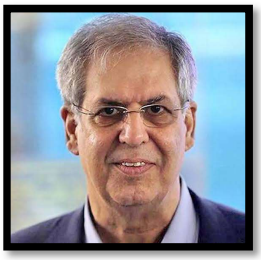
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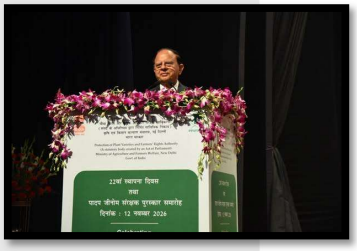
Appointments & Persons in News

National & International Appointments



- **Tata Group Board Transition — Noel Tata Becomes Chairman Emeritus :** Following Tata Group's mandatory retirement policy at age 70, Noel Tata stepped down from six Tata company boards and became **Chairman Emeritus** effective 12th November 2026; **T. V. Narendran** assumed charge as Chairman of **Tata International Limited**, while **Bahram Vakil** was appointed Chairman of **Tata Investment Corporation** .

Persons in News, Awards & Notable Demises



- **President Droupadi Murmu Interacts with Meritorious EMRS Students :** President Droupadi Murmu interacted with tribal students from Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) at Rashtrapati Bhavan, urging them to strive for excellence while staying rooted in their heritage .
- **Dr. P. K. Mishra Addresses 22nd Foundation Day of PPVFRA & Plant Genome Saviour Awards :** Principal Secretary to the PM Dr. P. K. Mishra addressed the 22nd Foundation Day of the Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers' Rights Authority (PPVFRA) in New Delhi—marking **25 years of the PPVFR Act, 2001**—and conferred the Plant Genome Saviour Awards .
- **India Makes Major Strides Towards TB Elimination :** Union Ministry of Health & Family Welfare highlighted a **38% decline in TB mortality** and a **94% treatment success rate** in India .

Government Schemes, Policies & Welfare Initiatives

Central Government Schemes & National Policies



- **PM Modi Participates in Kisan Tak Bharat Agriculture Conference 2026 :** Addressing the conference in New Delhi, Prime Minister Narendra Modi emphasized transforming farmers from *Annadatas* into *Urjadatas*, advancing *'Lab to Land'*, and empowering rural women through **Namo Drone Didis** alongside AI-led precision farming .
- **31st CII Partnership Summit 2026 Inaugurated in Visakhapatnam :** Held on 12–13 November 2026 under the theme ***"Navigating the New World Order: Trade | Technology | Trust | Thought Leadership"***, attended by Union Ministers Amit Shah and Piyush Goyal alongside Andhra Pradesh CM N. Chandrababu Naidu .
- **Ministry of Heavy Industries Receives 22 Bids for 10 GWh PLI-ACC Scheme :** MHI announced receiving 22 bids for 10 GWh Advanced Chemistry Cell (ACC) battery manufacturing capacity under the Production Linked Incentive (PLI-ACC) Scheme .

- **Union Education Minister Launches Three Flagship Digital Initiatives of KVS :** Launched three digital initiatives of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) to strengthen digital school governance and academic delivery .
- **Ministry of Tribal Affairs Launches Medicinal Plants Conservation Initiative Across 16 Tribal Hotspots :** Launched a national initiative for medicinal plant conservation and sustainable livelihoods across **16 tribal hotspots spanning 13 States/UTs** .



- **Union Jal Shakti Minister C. R. Paatil Addresses First Regional Conference on JJM 2.0 :** Addressed the First Regional Conference on **Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) 2.0** at Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu, while the Ministry extended the citizen feedback timeline for **Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari (JSJB) 2.0** .
- **Nasha Mukt Bharat Abhiyaan Reaches Over 35.88 Crore People :** Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment reported that the campaign has reached **35.88 crore citizens** (including **14.35 crore youth** and **11.33 crore women**) and operates **198 District De-Addiction Centres** nationwide .
- **57th IFFI Curtain Raiser in Goa (20–28 Nov) & 9th National Naturopathy Day Announcement :** I&B Ministry announced highlights of the **57th IFFI** in Goa (20–28 Nov) alongside the **WaveX Startup Pavilion**; Ministry of Ayush announced the **9th National Naturopathy Day** (18 Nov at Nagamangala, Karnataka; Theme: *'Prakrutik Chikitsa, Swasth Bharat'*) .
- **NPC Staff Club Announces Maiden Two-Wheeler Nuclear Awareness Rally :** Under the Department of Atomic Energy, NPC Staff Club announced a 60-km nuclear awareness rally in Mumbai (Anushakti Nagar to Khopoli on 21 Nov) .

State Government & Policy Portal Initiatives



- **NITI Aayog & IIM Ahmedabad Release 'Impact Assessment of PLI Schemes' Report :** Assessing all **14 PLI sectors** through March 2026, NITI Aayog reported **₹2.40 lakh crore** in investment attracted (76% of target), **₹22.66 lakh crore** in production/sales, **8,49,069 jobs** created, and **₹35,354 crore** (18.51% of ₹1.91 lakh crore outlay) in incentives disbursed .
- **CCRAS-CARI & University of Delhi Sign MoU on Medicinal Plant Diversity :** Signed an MoU to document the medicinal plant diversity of Delhi University's North Campus .

Sports & Games

Shooting, Boxing & Multi-Sport Events



- **Vivaan Kapoor Wins Men's Trap Silver at ISSF World Championship & Clinches India's 3rd LA 2028 Quota :** Indian shotgun shooter **Vivaan Kapoor** won the Silver medal in the Men's Trap event at the ISSF World Championship 2026 in Doha, Qatar (tying at 29/30 before narrowly losing the shoot-off 2–3 to Kuwait's Abdulrahman Alfaihan), securing India's **third shooting quota for the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics** (after Jaypal Malviya and Niraj Kumar) .

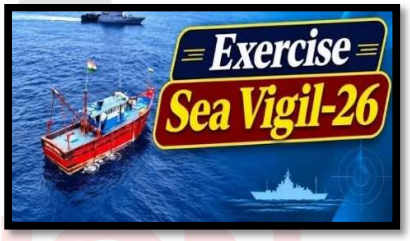
- **Lairenlakpam Ambekar Meetei & Gunjan Win Historic Boxing Gold Medals at Dakar 2026 Youth Olympics :** At the 2026 Summer Youth Olympic Games in Dakar, Senegal, **Lairenlakpam Ambekar Meetei** defeated Ireland's Kristian Jubani 3–2 in the Men's 50kg final to become the **first Indian boxer ever to win a Youth Olympics Gold medal**, followed minutes later by **Gunjan** defeating Algeria's Bouthaina Bensalah 5–0 in the Women's 48kg final to become India's first female Youth Olympic boxing champion .



Science, Space & Technology

Maritime Exercises & Defence News

- **Raksha Rajya Mantri Sanjay Seth Launches Revamped Gallantry Awards Portal :** Minister of State for Defence Sanjay Seth launched the revamped **Gallantry Awards Portal** in New Delhi alongside Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh, integrating *Veer Gatha* into a unified digital repository .
- **Defence Minister Rajnath Singh Addresses Air Force Commanders' Conference :** Addressing the IAF Commanders' Conference in New Delhi (Theme: *'The Year of Empowerment: Maximising Efficiency Through Decentralisation'*), Defence Minister Rajnath Singh emphasized the *'element of surprise'*, technological superiority, and tri-services jointness, while launching indigenous **AI applications** developed by the IAF
- **Indian Navy & State Agencies Prepare for Coastal Drill 'Sea Vigil-26' Along Goa Coast :** Ahead of the sea phase of the 5th pan-India coastal defence exercise **Sea Vigil-26**, the Indian Navy conducted coordinated coastal security readiness drills with state agencies along the Goa coast .



Space, Ocean Mission & Frontier Science

- **TDB-DST Signs ₹64.05 Crore Agreement with Astrome for Space-Based AI-ELINT Constellation :** Technology Development Board (TDB) under DST signed a financing agreement with Bengaluru-based **Astrome Technologies** providing **₹64.05 crore** RDI support (within a ₹128.11 crore project) to develop a sovereign low-Earth-orbit **AI-ELINT (Electronic Intelligence)** microsatellite constellation and inter-satellite communication links toward TRL-9 .
- **INSA Endorses G20 Science Academies' Joint Statement :** The Indian National Science Academy (INSA) endorsed the G20 Science Academies' Joint Statement, reaffirming commitment to science-led global policy solutions .

Summits, Bills & International Affairs

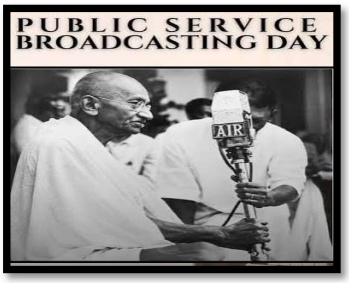
International Affairs, Summits & Bilateral Agreements

- **2nd Italy–India Science and Innovation Dialogue Held in Rome :** Union Science & Technology Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh met Italy's Minister of University and Research Anna Maria Bernini in Rome on 12th November 2026 to co-chair bilateral science and innovation deliberations following up on the Special Strategic Partnership.



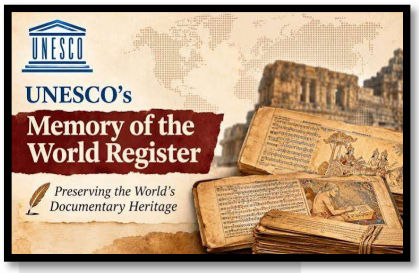
- **India Announces PM Modi's Visit to Philippines for ASEAN Summit (16–18 Nov):** Official announcement confirmed Prime Minister Narendra Modi will visit Manila, Philippines, from **16 to 18 November 2026** to attend the ASEAN–India Summit

Important Days & Observances



- **Public Service Broadcasting Day – 12th November:** Observed annually across India to commemorate **Mahatma Gandhi's** historic first and only visit to Broadcasting House (All India Radio), New Delhi, on **12th November 1947**, when he addressed displaced Partition refugees stationed at Kurukshetra (officially instituted in 2000) .
- **World Quality Day – 12th November (Second Thursday of November):** Observed globally during World Quality Week (9–13 November 2026) under the **2026 Theme: *"Quality: Powering Performance"***.

UNESCO



- **UNESCO Recognises Mahabharata Manuscript :** A **307-year-old palm-leaf manuscript of the Mahabharata**, preserved at **Visva-Bharati University, Santiniketan, West Bengal**, has been included in UNESCO's **Memory of the World Asia-Pacific Regional Register**. This is India's **7th** after **(Rajtarangini , Arthasastra , Mahabharata) in 2026 and (Ramcharitmanas , Panchatantra , Sahrdyaloka Lochana) in 2024.**

Environment

- **CPCB Deepavali Air Quality Analysis & Delhi AQI Update :** CPCB data revealed that **375 out of 551 reporting stations (~68%)** recorded hourly or higher during Deepavali, while Delhi's overall AQI stood at **307 ('Very Poor')** on 12th November .

Reports and Indexes

- **October 2026 Consumer Price Index (CPI) Inflation Data Released by MoSPI :** Released on the revised **Base Year 2024=100**, India's provisional retail inflation (CPI) for October 2026 stood at **6.09%** (up from 5.54% in September 2026), with Rural inflation at **6.63%** and Urban inflation at **5.41%**. Year-on-year food inflation (**CFPI**) stood at **8.94%** .
- **Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) 2027 — India Ranks 28th :** Released by **Germanwatch, NewClimate Institute, and Climate Action Network (CAN)** on the sidelines of COP31 in Antalya, Türkiye, India slipped 5 spots from 23rd to **28th rank** (score **60.85**, *'Medium'* rating) among 64 countries and the EU. Ranks 1–3 remained vacant; **Denmark** led at **4th** (score 84.05), while the **UK (7th)** was the only G20 country with a *'High'* rating .



Practice Questions

Q1. According to MoSPI's official Consumer Price Index (CPI) press release issued on 12th November 2026 (Base Year 2024=100), what was India's provisional retail inflation rate for October 2026?
(A) 5.41%
(B) 5.54%
(C) 6.09%
(D) 6.63%
Answer: (C) 6.09%

Q2. Which Indian shotgun shooter won the Silver medal in the Men's Trap event at the ISSF World Championship 2026 in Doha on 12th November 2026 to secure India's third shooting quota for the Los Angeles 2028 Olympics?
(A) Zoravar Singh Sandhu
(B) Vivaan Kapoor
(C) Prithviraj Tondaiman
(D) Bhowneesh Mendiratta
Answer: (B) Vivaan Kapoor

Q3. What rank did India secure in the Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) 2027 released on 12th November 2026 on the sidelines of COP31 in Antalya, Türkiye?
(A) 23rd
(B) 25th
(C) 28th
(D) 31st
Answer: (C) 28th

Q4. Who became the first Indian boxer in history to win a Gold medal at the Youth Olympic Games by clinching the Men's 50kg title at Dakar 2026 on 12th November 2026?
(A) Gunjan
(B) Lairenlakpam Ambekar Meetei
(C) Shiv Thapa
(D) Vikas Krishan
Answer: (B) Lairenlakpam Ambekar Meetei

Q5. What is the official theme of the 31st CII Partnership Summit 2026 inaugurated in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh, on 12th November 2026?
(A) Invest. Innovate. Inspire.
(B) Navigating the New World Order: Trade , Technology , Trust , Thought , Leadership
(C) Quality: Powering Performance
(D) Building Resilient Global Value Chains
Answer: (B) Navigating the New World Order: Trade , Technology , Trust , Thought , Leadership

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