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Appointments & Persons in News

National Appointments & Security Commands



- **Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Eastern Air Command (IAF):** Air Marshal Mehtab Singh Deswal assumed operational command as the Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief (AOC-in-C) of the Eastern Air Command (EAC) at Shillong, Meghalaya, overseeing strategic air readiness across India's northeastern frontiers.
- **Foreigners Regional Registration Offices (FRRO) Capital Expansion:** The Ministry of Home Affairs announced a blueprint under the modernised immigration framework to establish dedicated Foreigners Regional Registration Offices (FRROs) across all State Capitals by 2027 to decentralize foreigner monitoring, visa regulations, and border security tracking.

Persons in News & Notable Demises



- **Ved Rahi (Sahitya Akademi Laureate & Filmmaker):** Renowned Dogri and Hindi writer, novelist, screenwriter, and filmmaker Ved Rahi passed away at the age of 93 in Thane, Maharashtra. He won the Sahitya Akademi Award in 1983 for his Dogri short-story collection *'Aale'*, was honoured with the Sahitya Akademi Fellowship (2024), and directed the acclaimed TV series *'Gul Gulshan Gulfam'* on Doordarshan.
- **Rahul Dravid and Saina Nehwal (2030 CWG Committee):** Former Indian cricket team captain Rahul Dravid and Olympic badminton medallist Saina Nehwal were nominated by the Union Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS) as athlete representatives to the proposed Organising Committee for the 2030 Commonwealth Games (CWG) in Ahmedabad, Gujarat.

Government Schemes, Policies & Welfare Initiatives

Central Government Schemes & National Policies

- **Northern Bullet Train Corridor (Delhi–Guwahati via Siliguri):** The Union Government approved the landmark 1,500-kilometre High-Speed Rail (Bullet Train) corridor connecting New Delhi to Guwahati via Siliguri (West Bengal), designed to reduce travel time between the national capital and Northeast India to under 6 hours while boosting multi-modal economic logistics.



- **3 Million Farmers Empowered via Solar Energy (Agri-PV):** Union Minister for New and Renewable Energy Pralhad Joshi announced that over 3 million farmers across India have been empowered through solar power and Agri-photovoltaics (Agri-PV) under PM-KUSUM, generating green electricity while ensuring dual farm-income generation.
- **Rehabilitation of Rescued Bonded Labourers (Supreme Court Directive):** The Supreme Court of India directed the Union and State Governments to enforce time-bound statutory disbursement of funds and complete

rehabilitation packages for rescued bonded labourers under the Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, mandating district-level compliance oversight.

- **Airfare Regulation Powers under Bharatiya Vayuyan Adhiniyam, 2024:** The Ministry of Civil Aviation clarified that the Central Government retains statutory authority to intervene and cap commercial airline fares during "extraordinary situations" (emergencies, natural calamities, and excessive surge pricing) while mandating fare-transparency norms via the DGCA.

State Government Welfare Initiatives



- **BRICS Sustainable Lifestyle Week 2026 (Manipur):** Chief Minister of Manipur Yumnam Khemchand Singh launched the 'BRICS Sustainable Lifestyle Week 2026' (1–7 November) and flagged off a mass cyclothon at Khuman Lampak Sports Complex, Imphal, advancing eco-conscious living under the global LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment) movement .
- **BharatNet Optical Fibre Expansion (Tamil Nadu):** Digital Bharat Nidhi (Universal Service Obligation Fund) signed a formal agreement with the Government of Tamil Nadu to expand high-speed optical fibre BharatNet connectivity across all remaining aspirational blocks and rural local bodies.

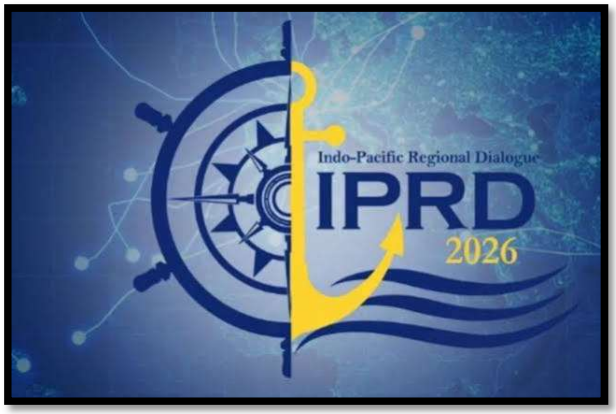
Sports & Games



Formula 1, Shooting & Multi-Sport Events

- **Commonwealth Kabaddi Championship 2026 (Ahmedabad, Gujarat):** India achieved a double title victory at the Veer Savarkar Sports Complex in Ahmedabad. The Indian Men's team defeated Sri Lanka 54–20 to clinch the gold medal, while the Indian Women's team defeated Uganda 35–15 to secure the championship under the official slogan ***"One Breath. One Raid. One Commonwealth."***

Science, Space & Technology



Defense Technology, Biotechnology & Health Innovations & Exercise

- **Indo-Pacific Regional Dialogue 2026 (IPRD-2026):** The Indian Navy's apex-level annual international strategic conference commenced in New Delhi under the overarching theme **"Translating Scientific Advancement into Regional Cooperation"**, focusing on maritime domain awareness, ocean science, and multilateral maritime security.

- **ISRO Kulasekarapattinam Spaceport Maiden Launch Timeline:** ISRO Chairman announced that India's second dedicated spaceport at Kulasekarapattinam in Thoothukudi district, Tamil Nadu, is scheduled for its inaugural orbital rocket launch in March–April 2027, purpose-built for Small Satellite Launch Vehicles (SSLV) to access polar sun-synchronous orbits directly without fuel-consuming dogleg maneuvers.



- **BIMSTEC Maritime Security Exercise 2026 Conclusion:** The joint exercise bringing together naval and coast guard assets from all 7 BIMSTEC member states successfully concluded under the operational aegis of the Andaman and Nicobar Command (ANC), finishing both Tabletop and Harbour sea phases.

Summits, Bills & International Affairs

International Affairs & Bilateral Agreements

- **SEBI Extends FPI KYC Review Periodicity to 8 Years:** The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) issued a circular extending the mandatory Know Your Customer (KYC) review period for eligible Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) from 3 years to 8 years, significantly lowering compliance hurdles for global institutional capital entering India.
- **India–Vietnam Strategic & Defence Bilateral Talks:** National Security Advisor (NSA) Ajit Doval held strategic discussions in Hanoi with Vietnam's Defence and Public Security ministers to strengthen maritime security cooperation, defence capacity building, and intelligence exchange in the Indo-Pacific.



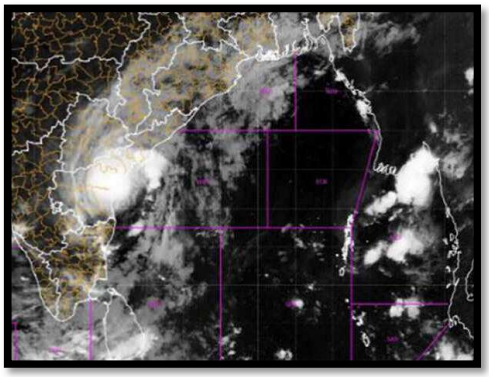
Books, Authors & Important Days

Important Days & Themes

- **International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists (Global Plenary Review):** International media watchdogs and UN bodies reviewed compliance mechanisms; India reiterated statutory legal protections and judicial recourse available for media personnel.

Environment

- **Severe Cyclone Murasu Landfall near Ongole, Andhra Pradesh:** The India Meteorological Department (IMD) confirmed that Severe Cyclonic Storm 'Murasu' completed its landfall process near Ongole (Prakasam district, south Andhra Pradesh) with sustained winds of 100–110 kmph, prompting multi-agency disaster operations, coastal evacuations, and inter-state power grid restoration.



- **SC Permits Green Crackers for Two Days in Delhi-NCR:** The Supreme Court permitted a regulated two-day operational window for certified eco-friendly green firecrackers (NEERI-approved) during specified evening hours in Delhi-NCR, balancing festive traditions with ambient air quality controls.
- **Cryosphere 2026 Climate Assessment Report:** Released by global cryospheric research organizations, warning that the Hindu Kush Himalaya is warming at 1.8–2.2°C for every 1.5°C of global average temperature rise, accelerating glacial retreat and Glacial Lake Outburst Flood (GLOF) risk.

Reports and Indexes

- **SEBI FPI Compliance & Market Inflow Digest:** SEBI and the Ministry of Finance reported that structural deregulation—including the 8-year KYC extension—has accelerated institutional foreign investment flows into India's capital markets during the second half of the fiscal year.

Practice Questions

Q1. The 1,500 km Northern Bullet Train Corridor approved by the Union Government connects New Delhi to which northeastern city via Siliguri?

(A) Agartala

(B) Guwahati

(C) Imphal

(D) Shillong

Answer: (B) Guwahati

Q2. Which country won both the Men's and Women's titles at the inaugural Commonwealth Kabaddi Championship 2026 held in Ahmedabad?

(A) Sri Lanka

(B) Uganda

(C) India

(D) Kenya

Answer: (C) India

Q3. Ved Rahi, who passed away in November 2026 at the age of 93, was a renowned author and Sahitya Akademi Award winner in which language? (A) Maithili

(B) Kashmiri

(C) Dogri

(D) Konkani

Answer: (C) Dogri.

Q4. Where is India's second dedicated spaceport being developed by ISRO, scheduled for its maiden rocket launch in March–April 2027?

(A) Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh

(B) Kulasekarapattinam, Tamil Nadu

(C) Thumba, Kerala

(D) Wheeler Island, Odisha

Answer: (B) Kulasekarapattinam, Tamil Nadu

Q5. What is the overarching theme of the Indo-Pacific Regional Dialogue 2026 (IPRD-2026), the Indian Navy's apex international strategic conference which commenced on 3rd November 2026?

(A) Safe Seas for Sustainable Future

(B) Translating Scientific Advancement into Regional Cooperation

(C) Maritime Partnerships in a Contested Ocean

(D) Strategic Autonomy in Indo-Pacific

Answer: (B) Translating Scientific Advancement into Regional Cooperation

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