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- RBL Bank Sells Entire 8.16% Stake in DAM Capital Advisors.
- ❖ ISRO has successfully launched the PSLV-C60 mission, named SpaDeX, for a space docking experiment.
- China Unveils World's Fastest High-Speed Train 'CR450'.
- Denmark's Anders Antonsen clinched the title at the inaugural King Cup International Badminton Open 2024.
- ❖ "Mission MAUSAM Aims to Establish India as a Global Leader in Weather and Climate Sciences by 2026".
- ❖ SAIL Earns 'Great Place to Work' Certification for 2025-2026.
- ❖ India Ranks 123rd Out of 143 Countries in Readiness for an Aging Society.
- ❖ West Bengal won the 78th Santosh Trophy title in Hyderabad.
- Jyoti Sharma Appointed as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of NASSCOM Foundation.
- ❖ SBI Life Acquires 10% Stake in Bima Sugam India Federation.
- ❖ World Braille Day Observed on January 4, 2025.
- ❖ World Day of War Orphans Observed on January 6, 2024.
- ❖ India Observes 9th Armed Forces Veterans' Day on January 14.
- VP Jagdeep Dhankhar Unveils Book "Parliament: Powers, Functions & Privileges; A Comparative Constitutional Perspective".
- ❖ Bosnia's Sevdalinka, Known as the 'Balkan Blues,' Receives UNESCO Recognition.
- * "Haryana's Karnal Students Recognized by NASA for Asteroid Discovery".
- Sanjiv Ranjan Appointed Secretary General of the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA).
- ❖ Vitul Kumar has been appointed as the Director General (DG) of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF).
- ❖ Key Cabinet Approvals Announced on January 1, 2025.

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- CCI Approvals Announced on December 31, 2024.
- ❖ Renowned French Indologist and Padma Shri Awardee, Pierre-Sylvain Filliozat, has passed away.
- Shriram Housing Finance Renamed as Truhome Finance.
- ❖ Parakram Diwas: Subhash Chandra Bose is honoured on 23 January.
- ❖ Tripura Receives New State Emblem with MHA Approval.
- Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana Marks 10 Years of Transforming Lives.
- NIFT Hyderabad Unveils 'VisionNxt', a Fashion Forecasting Platform.
- Shaheed Divas (Martyrs' Day) was observed on 30 January 2025.
- RBI Issues New Guidelines for Closure of Dormant, Inactive, and Zero Balance Accounts Starting January 1, 2025.
- ❖ Former Indian wicket-keeper Syed Kirmani launched his autobiography in Karnataka.
- ❖ Sikkim recently celebrated the Annual Kagyad Dance Festival in Gangtok.
- Gujarat introduces the 'SWAR' platform to address language barriers.
- Ministry of Defence Proclaims 2025 as the "Year of Reforms".
- ❖ The Ministry of Jal Shakti (MoJS) released the Dynamic Ground Water Resource Assessment Report for the year 2024.
- Govt Forms Expert Panel to Revise WPI Base Year and Develop New PPI.
- DRDO Marks 67th Foundation Day Celebration in New Delhi.
- Discovery of New Species of Stellaria in West Bengal Named Stellaria bengalensis.
- Maharashtra's Noble Hospitals install India's first Made-in-India surgical robot, 'SSI Mantra'.
- RBI releases report on Trend and Progress of Banking in India 2023-24.

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- NPCI extends the deadline for market cap on UPI apps until 2026.
- Federal Bank introduces FedOne, a digital platform for corporate banking.
- ❖ Assam has signed a MoU with SBI and UBI to provide insurance benefits.
- Bhuvnesh Kumar has been appointed as the CEO of UIDAI.
- ❖ Anup Kumar Sinha has been reappointed as the Non-Executive Chairman of Bandhan Bank.
- ❖ MoE Launches ONOS Scheme to Improve Access to Scholarly Resources for Government Institutions.
- Renowned botanist and Padma Shri awardee Dr. K. S. Manilal has recently passed away.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurates multiple development initiatives in New Delhi.
- ❖ DFS Secretary launches revamped 'BAANKNET' e-auction portal for e-auction of properties as one-stop destination.
- ❖ The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) and AIIMS Delhi have signed a MoU to improve medical training for ICG officers.
- India has submitted its fourth Biennial Update Report (BUR) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).
- SBI launches two new schemes: Har Ghar Lakhpati RD and SBI Patrons FD.
- ❖ The Ministry of Defence (MoD) has signed contracts worth Rs 2,867 crore with MDL and Naval Group to enhance submarine capabilities.
- ❖ Kaamya Karthikeyan Sets Record as the Youngest Female to Conquer the Highest Peaks Across All Seven Continents.
- ❖ NeGD Signs MoU with IPA to Boost Digital Transformation in India's Maritime Sector.
- ❖ DPIIT Signs MoU with boAt to Support Startups in Manufacturing and D2C Sectors.
- ❖ 18th Edition of India-Nepal Joint Military Exercise 'Surya Kiran' Kicks Off in Nepal.

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- ❖ YES Bank and FICCI FLO unveiled 'YES PowherUp' to empower and support women entrepreneurs.
- RBI Enables UPI Transactions via Full-KYC Prepaid Payment Instruments (PPIs).
- Swiggy Partners with NSE to Empower Delivery Partners through Financial Literacy
- Rajat Verma has been appointed as the Chief Executive Officer of DBS Bank India.
- ❖ Haryana Steelers clinched their first-ever 'PKL Title' with a 32-23 victory over Patna Pirates.
- Cherukumalli Srinivasa Rao Appointed as Director of IARI.
- NaBFID Invests ₹745 Crore in Long-Term Bonds of NDR InvIT.
- ❖ Cosmea Financial Holdings (CFH) Private Limited Receives SEBI Approval to Start Mutual Fund Operations.
- ❖ POWERGRID Signs Green Loan Agreement with SMBC to Support Renewable Energy Transformation.
- ❖ TATA AIG General Insurance Company appoints Amit Ganorkar as its Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO).
- ❖ SwetchaSAT-VO and VYOM 2U Successfully Launched on ISRO's PSLV-C60.
- ❖ Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurates and lays the foundation stone for infrastructure and metro expansion projects worth Rs 12,200 crore in Delhi.
- * RBI releases Financial Stability Report for December 2024.
- ❖ Union Minister Piyush Goyal Unveils '6th LEADS Report' and 13 States and UTs Recognized as Achievers.
- ❖ EPFO Successfully Implements Centralized Pension Processing System (CPPS) Across All Regional Offices.
- * "Maldives Foreign Minister Abdulla Khaleel Visits India to Strengthen Bilateral Ties in Maritime Security, Trade, and Investment".
- ❖ All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) Unveils NEAT 4.0 for Online Learning.

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- * RBI Removes Business Restrictions on Arohan Financial Services Limited.
- ❖ Nomura predicts India's GDP growth will decline to 6% in FY25.
- SBI report: Rural poverty ratio falls below 5% for the first time in FY24.
- ❖ IRFC signs an MoU with REMCL to finance renewable energy projects for Indian Railways.
- ❖ The RBI has granted approval for the merger of National Co-operative Bank with Cosmos Co-operative Bank.
- NASA has unveiled a new Mars design, the "Mars Chopper," which will serve as the successor to the Ingenuity helicopter.
- ❖ Vandana Agrawal has launched two FPVs (Fast Patrol Vessels), named GSL YARD Amulya and Akshay, for the Indian Coast Guard (ICG).
- * KKFI Reveals Trophies and Mascots for Inaugural Kho Kho World Cup 2025.
- PM Narendra Modi Inaugurates and Lays Foundation Stone for Railway Projects in Jammu & Kashmir, Telangana, and Odisha.
- ❖ Government Launches PLI Scheme 1.1 for Specialty Steel to Enhance Domestic Production.
- ❖ MHA Introduces 'e-Student Visa' and 'e-Student-X Visa' for International Students.
- ❖ Union Minister Rajiv Ranjan Singh presided over the "Northeast Region States Meet 2025," which took place in Guwahati, Assam.
- ❖ FIU-IND has signed a MoU with IRDAI to strengthen cooperation in the fight against money laundering.
- CSIR-NPL celebrated its 79th Foundation Day, highlighting its contributions to advancing metrology for the nation's development.
- ❖ Indonesia has become the 10th full member of BRICS.
- ❖ A new ant species, Tapinoma onaele, has been discovered in the Western Ghats.
- Former Greek Prime Minister Costas Simitis has passed away.

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- Renowned Kannada novelist and writer Na D'Souza has passed away at the age of 87.
- ❖ The Chief Minister of Odisha inaugurates the Adivasi Mela 2025 and launches the Shahid Madho Singh Scheme.
- ❖ Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw Inaugurates NIELIT Deemed University in Assam.
- Chhattisgarh Becomes India's First State to Include Forest Ecosystems in Green GDP.
- ❖ Union Home Minister Amit Shah Unveils 'BHARATPOL' Portal to Transform International Crime Investigations.
- ❖ Titagarh Rail delivers India's first "Make-in-India" driverless trainset to Bengaluru Metro.
- ❖ GEAPP partners with ISA to drive India's green energy future.
- RBI issues Master Direction on Credit Information Reporting.
- ❖ SEBI Eases Settlement Norms for Inactive Brokerage Accounts.
- ❖ "MFIN Postpones New Rule to Limit Lenders to 3 per Borrower, Effective April 1, 2025.
- ❖ SBI Revises India's GDP Growth Projection to 6.3% for FY25.
- ❖ Coal India Limited (CIL) and Indian Rare Earths Limited (IREL) Join Forces for Critical Minerals Development.
- ❖ Tata Elxsi Collaborates with CSIR-NAL to Develop Advanced Air Mobility (AAM) Solutions.
- ❖ CCI Approves Key Proposals on January 7, 2025, Boosting Business Developments in India.
- ❖ Australia Defeats India 3-1 to Clinch Border-Gavaskar Trophy After a Decade.
- ❖ Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah launched the KSRTC Arogya Scheme, offering cashless medical services.
- ❖ BDL Collaborates with Ultra Maritime to Provide Sonobuoys for the Indian Navy.
- Union Minister Nitin Gadkari Launches 'Cashless Treatment' Scheme for Road Accident Victims.

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- MeitY Collaborates with IITs to Enhance Skill Development in the Semiconductor Sector.
- ICAR Launches Kisan Samriddhi Portal to Promote Efficient Agricultural Marketing.
- ❖ Henley Passport Index 2025 Singapore Reclaims Title of World's Most Powerful Passport and India Ranks 85th.
- ❖ WEF Future of Jobs Report 2025 Predicts 78 Million New Job Opportunities by 2030.
- ❖ KredX Gets RBI Approval to Function as TReDS Platform.
- ❖ The RBI has introduced a new 15-day credit reporting rule, effective from January 1, 2025.
- Exim Bank has raised USD 1 billion by issuing 10-year bonds.
- ❖ Mumbai's CSMIA becomes the first airport in India to receive Level 5 accreditation from ACI.
- ❖ V Narayanan has been appointed as the 11th Chairman of ISRO.
- ❖ The Ministry of Finance (MoF) has appointed C S Setty and Uday Kotak as members of the Governing Council of NIIFTL.
- Former shot putter Bahadur Singh Sagoo has been appointed as the President of AFI.
- ❖ PM Modi Launches ₹2 Lakh Crore Projects in AP, Odisha and Inaugurates Green Hydrogen Hub and Pravasi Bharatiya Divas Convention.
- ❖ UJALA Scheme and SLNP Program Celebrate 10 Years of Advancing Energy-Efficient Lighting.
- * Renowned writer, filmmaker, and Padma Shri awardee Pritish Nandy has passed away.
- ❖ Union Minister Piyush Goyal Unveils 8th Edition of National Programme for Organic Production (NPOP) in New Delhi.
- ❖ Union Minister of State Dr. Jitendra Singh unveiled the Indian Genomic Data Set and the IBDC Portals.
- ❖ The World Bank has approved a funding of USD 35 million to improve education in Meghalaya.

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- ❖ Tamilnad Mercantile Bank (TMB) has partnered with Bajaj Broking to launch a 3-in-1 account solution.
- ❖ GSEDP has secured a loan of Rs 21.28 billion from IREDA for the Smart Meter Project in Uttar Pradesh (UP).
- RBIHub has partnered with IIM-A to launch 'Swanari TechSprint 3.0' aimed at promoting women's financial inclusion.
- "Anju Bobby George Named Chairperson of AFI Athletes Commission, Neeraj Chopra Joins as Member".
- ❖ Austrian Foreign Minister Alexander Schallenberg will serve as the country's interim leader.
- ❖ MDL hands over the 6th Scorpene Submarine, 'INS Vagsheer,' to the Indian Navy.
- Renowned playback singer P. Jayachandran has passed away.
- ❖ Pravasi Bharatiya Divas 2025 was celebrated on January 9.
- AICTE has declared 2025 as the 'Year of AI' to position India as a global leader in artificial intelligence.
- ❖ DSP Asset Managers Launches India's First BSE Sensex Next 30 Index Fund and ETF.
- SEBI Issues License to Strata for SM REIT Approval.
- Groww Asset Management introduces India's first Groww Nifty India Railways PSU ETF.
- RBI Removes Restrictions on Ashirvad Micro Finance Limited (AMFL) and DMI Finance Private Limited (DFPL).
- ❖ According to UN-DESA's WESP 2025 Report India's Economy Projected to Grow 6.6% in 2025.
- * Kerala's Kappad and Chal Beaches Receive 'Blue Flag' Certification.
- ❖ Nicolas Maduro Moros Takes Oath as President of Venezuela for a 3rd Consecutive Term.
- ❖ Joseph Khalil Aoun Recently Elected as Lebanon's 14th President.

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- Brijendra Pratap Singh Appointed as CMD of NALCO.
- New Zealand Cricketer Martin Guptill Announces Retirement from International Cricket.
- ❖ Veteran Soldier Havaldar Baldev Singh, Who Fought Four Wars, Passes Away at 93 in Jammu and Kashmir.
- ❖ Amitabh Kant's Book 'How India Scaled Mt G20: The Inside Story of the G20 Presidency' Released in January 2025.
- ❖ National Road Safety Week Day Observed from January 11 to 17,2025.
- ❖ India has become a member of the UN-CEBD (United Nations Committee of Experts on Public Administration).
- Union Minister Piyush Goyal has launched the Bharat Cleantech Manufacturing Platform in New Delhi.
- ❖ Pixxel has announced a partnership with SIIS to provide Hyperspectral Satellite Data in South Korea.
- Karnataka has launched the 'Garudakshi' portal for forest protection.
- ❖ IBBI Mandates eBKray Platform for Auctioning Assets in Liquidation Process.
- "Microsoft CEO Satya Nadella Visits India to Propel AI Leadership and Investments".
- Google Cloud and Uttar Pradesh (UP) have partnered to launch the Open Network for Agriculture.
- ❖ Bihar Sports University has received recognition from the UGC and is set to offer academic courses in sports and physical education.
- Justin Trudeau Resigns as Prime Minister of Canada.
- ❖ Zoran Milanović has been re-elected as the President of Croatia for a second consecutive term.
- ❖ DRDO Successfully Concludes User Trials of HIMKAVACH Clothing System for Cold Weather Military Operations.
- ❖ H. Lakshmanan, the former Executive Director of TVS, has passed away.

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- National Youth Day was celebrated on 12 January 2025.
- ❖ Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Mohan Yadav has launched the PARTH Yojana.
- PM Narendra Modi Inaugurates Z-Morh Tunnel in Jammu and Kashmir.
- ❖ C-DOT Collaborates with IIT Mandi and IIT Jammu to Develop Spectrum Efficiency Chip.
- ❖ 28th Conference of Speakers and Presiding Officers of Parliaments of Commonwealth Countries (CSPOC) to be Hosted in India in 2026.
- ❖ Indichip Semiconductors to Set Up India's First Private Semiconductor Manufacturing Facility in Andhra Pradesh.
- ❖ India-Nepal IGC on Trade, Transit, and Unauthorised Trade Cooperation Held in Kathmandu in January 2025.
- ❖ IDBI Bank Introduces 'Chiranjeevi-Super Senior Citizen FD' Scheme.
- ❖ PNB Launches Its First 'Cybersecurity Hackathon 2024-25' to Tackle Malware Threats.
- ❖ BHEL and ONGC Sign MoU to Collaborate on New and Renewable Energy Projects.
- ❖ APSSDC Joins Hands with Infosys to Bridge Skill Gaps in Andhra Pradesh.
- ❖ PV Sindhu Names PUMA India as Her Brand Ambassador.
- ❖ FC Barcelona Defeats Real Madrid 5-2 to Win 41st Spanish Super Cup in Saudi Arabia.
- Senior Advocate Iqbal M Chagla Has Passed Away.
- Jharkhand CM Hemant Soren Launches Maiyyaan Sampan Yojana.
- ❖ Odisha Becomes 34th State to Implement Ayushman Bharat PM-JAY Scheme.
- ❖ India Meteorological Department (IMD) Marks 150th Foundation Day.
- Union Minister Piyush Goyal Launches National Turmeric Board and Appoints Palle Ganga Reddy as Chairman.
- ❖ INROAD Project Receives Rs 100 Crore to Enhance Natural Rubber Quality in

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Northeast India.

- ❖ "Union Minister Kiren Rijiju Visits Saudi Arabia to Oversee Preparations for Haj Pilgrimage".
- ❖ CCI Approves Acquisition of 34% Shareholding in Ashoka Concessions by Ashoka Buildcon.
- ❖ Singapore Awards Honorary Citizen Title to Tarun Das for Strengthening India-Singapore Ties.
- RBI Appoints Deputy Governor M Rajeshwar Rao to Lead Monetary Policy.
- ❖ ACC Approves Ashok Chandra as MD & CEO of PNB and Binod Kumar as MD & CEO of Indian Bank.
- ❖ India Successfully Test Fires Its First Indigenous Micro-Missile System, 'Bhargavastra'.
- Indian Army Day Celebrated Globally on 15th January 2025.
- ❖ Madhya Pradesh CM Mohan Yadav Launches Swami Vivekananda Yuva Shakti Mission.
- ❖ Union Minister Rajiv Ranjan Singh recently inaugurated the 'Entrepreneurship Development Conclave' in Pune, Maharashtra.
- ❖ MNRE Recently Issued Operational Guidelines for Implementing Various Components under PMSGMBY.
- ❖ Ministry of Defence (MoD) and Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL) Sign ₹2,960 Crore Contract for MRSAM.
- ♦ MEITY and DSCI Launch Cyber Security Grand Challenge (CSGC 2.0) to Foster Cybersecurity Innovations.
- ❖ C-DOT Collaborates with IIT Delhi to Develop THz Communication Front Ends for 6G Technology.
- China has built the world's first 300 MW CAES plant connected to the grid at full capacity.
- ❖ The RBI has decided to conduct daily VRR operations to enhance banking liquidity amid the ongoing deficit.

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- Bank of Baroda Launches 'BoB Liquid FD Scheme'.
- ❖ According to PHDCCI India to Become 4th Largest Economy by 2026 and GDP Growth Projected at 6.8% in FY25.
- ❖ FICCI Projects India's GDP Growth at 6.4% for FY25, Down from 7.0% in FY24.
- ❖ L&T Unveils Second Multi-Purpose Vessel 'INS Utkarsh' for the Indian Navy.
- ❖ Pixxel, Backed by Google, Launches First Three Satellites of Firefly Constellation.
- Cabinet Approvals Announced on January 16, 2025.
- ❖ DPIIT Joins Forces with ITC to Strengthen India's Startup Ecosystem.
- C-DOT and IIT Bombay Sign Agreement to Develop Optical Transceiver Chipset for High-Bandwidth 6G Wireless Links.
- ❖ Government Launches Bharat Ranbhoomi Darshan App to Boost Battlefield Tourism.
- ❖ Indian Navy Joins 5th Edition of La Perouse 25 Multinational Naval Exercise.
- ❖ PFC Signs 120 Billion JPY Loan Agreement with JBIC for Renewable Energy Projects in India.
- ❖ World Bank Projects 6.7% Growth for Indian Economy Over the Next Two Fiscal Years.
- IREDA Collaborates with SJVN, GMR, and NEA for 900 MW Upper Karnali Hydropower Project in Nepal.
- ❖ BPCL has entered into a loan agreement with a consortium led by SBI for its expansion projects.
- ❖ Nawaf Abdallah Salim Salam Appointed as Lebanon's 53rd Prime Minister.
- ❖ Jeff Bezos' Blue Origin Successfully Launches 'New Glenn Rocket' on First Test Flight.
- ❖ SpaceX's Falcon 9 Rocket Launches Blue Ghost and Resilience Lunar Landers from Kennedy Space Center.
- ❖ Startup India Marks 9 Years with 1.59 Lakh Startups Recognized and 16.6 Lakh Jobs Created.

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- Union Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia Launches Sanchar Saathi App, NBM 2.0, and ICR Facility to Enhance Telecom Connectivity.
- Indian Armed Forces Conduct 'Exercise Devil Strike'.
- ❖ ISM, CG Power, and CSPL Sign Fiscal Assistance Agreement.
- ❖ FIU-IND and NHB Sign MoU to Strengthen Coordination and Information Sharing.
- ❖ ILO's WESO Report 2025 Highlights Global Unemployment Slowdown at 5%.
- ❖ EAM S. Jaishankar Visits Spain, Strengthens Bilateral Ties with Key MoUs and Cultural Initiatives.
- USA Removes BARC, IGCAR, and IREL from Restrictive Entity List.
- Shriram Life Insurance Introduces Sunishchit Laabh Savings Plan for Financial Security.
- CRISIL Projects India's GDP Growth to Rise to 6.7% in FY26.
- ❖ Government Extends Robert Jerard Ravi's Tenure as CMD of BSNL & MTNL.
- Amitav Ghosh's New Book "Wild Fictions" Explores Climate Change and Societal Issues.
- ❖ National e-Governance Division (NeGD) Introduces 'Entity Locker' for Streamlined Business Document Management.
- Singapore President Tharman Shanmugaratnam Visited India from January 14 to 18, 2025 and Focuses on Strengthening Bilateral Ties and Strategic Partnership.
- ❖ "UNICEF Report Highlights Climate Change, Conflict, and Digital Inequality Disrupting Children's Futures".
- ❖ Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh Inaugurated India's First-Ever CSIR Innovation Complex in Mumbai.
- * "RBI Releases NBFC Upper Layer List for 2024-25 under Scale-Based Regulation".
- ❖ "GlobalData Report: JPMorgan Chase Tops List of Global Banks by Market Cap with USD 674.9 Billion in Q4 2024".
- ❖ "IMF Projects India's GDP Growth at 6.5% for FY26 and FY27."

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- ❖ "Moody's Downgrades India's FY25 Economic Growth Forecast to 7% Amid Global Challenges and Inflation Control Measures".
- "CSE and NCDEX Sign MoU to Promote Commodities and Derivatives Trading".
- "Gyanendra Pratap Singh Appointed as Director General of CRPF."
- "Viktor Axelsen and An Se-Young Win Men's and Women's Singles Titles at India Open 2025."
- ❖ "India Claims Victory in Both Men's and Women's Titles at Inaugural Kho Kho World Cup 2025".
- ❖ According to the MoC&I India Becomes 7th Largest Coffee Producing Country in the World.
- "Seven Products from Andaman and Nicobar Islands Receive GI Tags".
- "Rubber Board of India Launches 'ISNR' and 'INR Konnect' to Enhance Rubber Production."
- "Union Minister Pralhad Joshi Announces Revisions to OMSS(D) Policy for 2024-25."
- "India and USA Sign MoU to Enhance Cooperation in Cybercrime Investigation."
- * RBI Rolls Out Revised Guidelines for ARC-Borrower Settlements.
- RBI Forms Five-Member Committee Led by MK Jain to Evaluate UB and SFB Applications.
- Bajaj Finance and Bharti Airtel Join Forces to Launch Digital Financial Services Platform.
- ❖ CCI Approves ATFL's Acquisition of DMFPL, Preferential Allotment to Bharti and DMPL India.
- ❖ Vijay Hazare Trophy 2024-25: Karnataka Clinches Record 5th Title with Victory Over Vidarbha.
- Wing Commander Dr. K. Ramchand, Founder of CABS and DRDO Pioneer, Passes Away Recently at 82.
- ❖ ISRO Successfully Demonstrates Restart Capability of Vikas Liquid Engine.

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- Union Cabinet, Chaired by PM Narendra Modi, Approves Key Proposals on January 22, 2025.
- India's First Edible Oil Consumption Survey Conducted by MoA&FW.
- ❖ India and France Strengthen Maritime Security Cooperation in the Indian Ocean Region (IOR).
- ❖ Tata Group Retains Top Position as Leading Indian Brand with \$31.6 Billion Value and Ranked 60th Globally".
- ❖ WMF 2025 Watch List Highlights 25 Endangered Cultural Sites, Includes Moon and Two Indian Heritage Sites.
- ❖ Skydo Obtains In-Principle Approval from RBI as a Payment Aggregator for Cross-Border Transactions.
- ❖ Alok Kumar Agarwal has been appointed as the MD and CEO of Zurich Kotak General Insurance.
- ❖ Digantara Launches SCOT, the World's First Commercial Satellite for Advanced Space Monitoring.
- ❖ DRDO Successfully Tests India's First Scramjet Combustor for Hypersonic Technology Advancement.
- ❖ Berhane Tesfay and Joyce Chepkemoi Tele Win Men's and Women's Elite Races at TATA Mumbai Marathon 2025.
- ❖ Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) Completes 10 Years of Successful Implementation.
- ❖ ICRIER Report Highlights India's Digital Economy to Contribute One-Fifth of GDP by 2030.
- ❖ India Achieves Remarkable Growth in Renewable Energy Capacity, Targets 500 GW by 2030.
- ❖ India and South Korea Sign Exchange of Notes for NCERT's Technical Cooperation Project.
- ❖ FIEO and Credlix Forge Partnership to Support Indian Exporters with Financial and Logistical Aid.

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- NITI Aayog and NASSCOM Foundation have joined forces to digitally empower one lakh individuals.
- ❖ PNB MetLife has partnered with Truhome Finance to provide Group Credit Life Insurance.
- ❖ Jio Financial Services and BlackRock are expanding into the stock broking sector.
- NTPC has partnered with Sri Lanka for a significant solar project.
- Elon Musk has been named the richest person in the 2025 Forbes Billionaires list.
- ❖ Amrit Mohan Prasad to Assume Additional Responsibility as BCAS Director General.
- ❖ Sarla Aviation Unveils India's First Air Taxi Prototype, 'Shunya,' Set for Launch by 2028.
- Researchers Discover Two New Goby Fish Species in Andhra Pradesh.
- ❖ Former El Salvador President Carlos Mauricio Funes Cartagena Passes Away at 65.
- India and UK Extend 5-Year Partnership to Bolster Health Sectors.
- ❖ Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) and The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) Sign MoU to Set Up CoEET in Hyderabad.
- ❖ IISc Bengaluru Ranked Among the Top 100 Institutes in Computer Science in the World University Rankings 2025 by Subject.
- ❖ According to UNCTAD Global Investment Trends Monitor 2024, FDI Increases by 11%, But Decreases by 8% When Excluding European Flows.
- ❖ TATA AIG Unveils 'CyberEdge' to Provide Cyber Insurance for Indian Enterprises.
- ❖ JK Tyre has secured a USD 100 million sustainability-linked loan from the International Finance Corporation (IFC).
- Michael Martin has been elected as the Prime Minister of Ireland.
- ❖ Janet E. Petro Appointed as NASA's First Woman Acting Administrator by U.S. President Donald Trump.
- ❖ GalaxEye Space Solutions Deploys GLX-SQ Payload on ISRO's PSLV POEM Mission.

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- National Tourism Day Observed Annually on January 25 to Promote Tourism in India.
- Dr. Arvind Panagariya Launches NITI Aayog's FHI 2025 Report Highlighting Top States Odisha, Chhattisgarh, and Goa.
- ❖ Uttarakhand Becomes the First State to Enforce Uniform Civil Code.
- ❖ DGS Collaborates with C-DAC to Boost Maritime Innovation.
- ❖ IIA Hosts International Conference in Bengaluru to Celebrate 125th Anniversary of KSO.
- Indore and Udaipur Become India's First Cities to Receive Wetland City Accreditation under Ramsar Convention.
- CheQ Unveils 'CheQ Wisor', India's First AI-Driven Credit Card Expert.
- ❖ Indian Short Film 'Anuja' Receives Nomination for 97th Academy Awards 2025.
- ❖ Padma Awards 2025: President Approves 139 Padma Awards Including 7 Padma Vibhushan, 19 Padma Bhushan and 113 Padma Shri.
- ❖ India's First eVTOL Certification Secured by The ePlane Company from DGCA.
- ❖ IDBI Bank Re-Appoints Rakesh Sharma as Managing Director & CEO for a Three-Year Term.
- ❖ Kotak Mahindra Bank Acquires StanChart's Personal Loan Portfolio for Rs 3,330 Crore.
- ❖ New Biography 'Soumitra Chatterjee and His World (Vintage)' Launched in West Bengal.
- Renowned Cardiac Surgeon & Padma Shri Awardee Dr. K.M. Cherian, Who Performed India's First CABG Surgery, Passes Away at 82.
- UN Observes International Day of Clean Energy on 26th January to Promote Awareness and Action.
- ❖ MoF Notifies Unified Pension Scheme for Central Government Employees, Effective from April 1, 2025.
- ❖ 55th Annual Meeting of World Economic Forum (WEF 2025) Held in Davos-Klosters, Switzerland, Focused on "Collaboration for the Intelligent Age.

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- ❖ WHO Designates Georgia as the 45th Malaria-Free Country.
- RBI Unveils Measures to Infuse Rs 1.50 Lakh Crore into the Banking System.
- ❖ iSPIRT Introduces Priority Sector Lenders Association of India (PSLAI) to Enhance MSME Financing.
- ❖ HSBC India Unveils 'HSBC TravelOne Credit Card' for Frequent Travelers.
- RBI Imposes Penalties on J&K Bank, Bank of India, and Canara Bank for Regulatory Non-Compliance.
- ❖ BIMTECH Introduces Blockchain-Backed Digital Currency "BIMCOIN".
- ❖ Three Indian Women Featured in Forbes 50 Over 50 Global List 2025 and Quarraisha Abdool Karim Securing First Place.
- ❖ Jannik Sinner and Madison Keys Clinch Men's and Women's Singles Titles at Australian Open 2025.
- ❖ Indian GM Iniyan Panneerselvam Clinches 9th Johor International Chess Title.
- ❖ International Day of Commemoration in Memory of Holocaust Victims Observed on January 27, 2025.
- ❖ India Celebrated its 76th Republic Day (R-Day) on 26 January 2025 with Great Patriotism.
- Union Ministers Ashwini Vaishnaw and Gajendra Singh Shekhawat Jointly Launch Various Initiatives Ahead of 1st WAVES in Delhi.
- ❖ Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) Unveils Upgraded 'eCoO 2.0 System' to Enhance Trade Efficiency.
- ❖ Tripura Becomes the First Northeastern State to Sign MoU with Bhashini for Multi-Lingual Governance.
- MobiKwik Becomes India's First Fintech Company to Launch CBDC in Collaboration with RBI and Yes Bank.
- ❖ RBL Bank and Piramal Finance Forge Partnership to Launch Co-Lending Business.

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- ❖ PNB Launches First-Ever Real-Time NCRP Solution to Combat Cybercrime.
- Paytm Unveils 'Receive Money QR Widget' for Android Users to Simplify Transactions.
- ❖ AlonOS India Signs MoU with Indosat to Accelerate AI Growth in Indonesia.
- ❖ India's Bumrah, Smriti, and Arshdeep Singh Win ICC Men's Cricketer, Women's ODI, and Men's T20I Cricketer of the Year Awards at ICC Awards 2024.
- Amitabh Bachchan Appointed as Brand Ambassador for KRBL's Indian Rice Brand 'India Gate'.
- Alexander Lukashenko Secures Seventh Consecutive Term as President of Belarus.
- ❖ ISRO Achieves Historic 100th Mission with Successful GSLV-F15 Launch from Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh.
- ❖ MeerKAT Telescope in South Africa Discovers New Galaxy 'Inkathazo'.
- ❖ Union Minister Giriraj Singh Inaugurates 'Handloom Conclave Manthan' in New Delhi and Launches e-Pehchaan Portal.
- ❖ ASER Report 2024 Shows Government Schools Outshine Private in Post-COVID Learning Recovery with Government Schools Enrolment Dropping to 66.8%.
- ❖ 100 Odisha Villages to Receive Direct Funding for Forest Protection under CFR Plans Approved by Ministry of Tribal Affairs (MOTA).
- RBI Takes Control of AIHFPL Board Amid Governance Issues and Payment Defaults.
- ❖ RBI Approves Establishment of NUCFDC to Boost UCBs.
- SEBI Launches 'iSPOT Portal' to Report Technical Issues.
- ❖ HDFC Securities Collaborates with KFin Technologies to Expand NPS Accessibility.
- ❖ Tata Steel Becomes India's First Company to Develop Hydrogen Transport Pipelines.
- ❖ RBI Grants Approval to RDCL to Revamp India's Mortgage-Backed Securitisation Market.
- * "76th Republic Day Parade 2025: MOTA Wins Best Tableau, J&K Rifles Secures Best

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Marching Contingent, Guinness World Record Set for Largest Indian Folk Dance"

- ♦ Odisha Warriors clinch their first-ever title in the inaugural Women's Hockey India League 2025.
- CUB wins 7 awards at the IBA Technology Awards 2024, marking their second consecutive year of recognition.
- ❖ World Neglected Tropical Diseases Day was observed on 30 January 2025.
- Romania and Bulgaria Attain Full Membership in the Schengen Border-Free Zone.
- Gol Announces USD 500,000 Relief Aid to Vanuatu After Devastating Earthquake.
- ❖ India's Koneru Humpy Wins Women's Rapid Title at 2024 FIDE World Rapid and Blitz Chess Championships.
- ❖ IIT Madras and MoA&FW collaborate on Project VISTAAR to digitize agricultural extension.
- SBI Introduces TAB-based Online Facility for Opening NRO and NRE Accounts.
- Hungarian gymnast and the world's oldest Olympic champion, Ágnes Keleti, passed away.
- ❖ Veteran nuclear scientist and Padma awardee Rajagopala Chidambaram has passed away.
- ❖ MoT Extends Deadline for Compliance with Medical Textile QCO until April 1, 2025.
- Faiz Ahmed Kidwai Appointed as Director General of DGCA by ACC.
- ♦ MoE Releases UDISE+ 2023-24 Report and School Enrollment Sees a Decline of Over 1 Crore Compared to 2018-19.
- ❖ The RBI has kept the FRSB interest rate unchanged for the period from January to June 2025.
- ❖ The 82nd Golden Globe Awards 2025 saw Jacques Audiard's film Emilia Perez winning 4 awards.
- ❖ The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has granted automatic approval for the

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Avenue-Mavco acquisition of MHM Holding GmbH.

- ❖ Telangana will observe Savitribai Phule's birth anniversary as 'Women Teacher's Day'.
- ❖ India and Malaysia hold their inaugural Security Dialogue to enhance bilateral cooperation.
- ❖ "India's GDP Projected to Grow by 6.4% in FY25 According to NSO's First Advanced Estimates".
- Earth's Rotation Day Celebrated on January 8,2024.
- ❖ WEP Unveils 'EmpowHER Biz' in Partnership with New Shop to Support Women Entrepreneurs.
- WhiteOak Capital Mutual Fund has launched India's first actively managed Quality Factor Theme Fund.
- The Government of India (GOI) has approved Suzuki Motor Corporation to acquire a 26% stake in NDDB Mirda Ltd.
- ❖ Union Minister G. Kishan Reddy inaugurated the "5G Use Case Test Lab" at CMPDI in Jharkhand.
- ❖ GHI and H2Carrier have signed a MoU to promote green hydrogen and ammonia solutions.
- ❖ The ONDC Initiative, launched by DPIIT under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MoC&I), is set to revolutionize digital commerce.
- ❖ World Hindi Day 2025 is celebrated on January 10.
- Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal Chairs 2nd IWDC Meeting in Assam.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin inaugurated India's first glass bridge in Kanniyakumari.
- PhonePe and ICICI Lombard Partner for Maha Kumbh Mela Insurance.
- ❖ ZSI Team Discovers New Pangolin Species in Arunachal Pradesh.
- ❖ RBI imposes a penalty of ₹5.50 lakh on four Karnataka cooperative banks for regulatory

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non-compliance.

- Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw has launched a One VEGA-based SoC and two DIR V VEGA processor-based development boards in Maharashtra.
- ❖ Devajit Saikia has been elected as the Secretary of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI).
- Bangladesh batsman Tamim Iqbal Khan announces his retirement from international cricket.
- ❖ Tracxn's Annual India Fintech Report 2024: India Secures 3rd Spot Globally in Fintech Funding.
- China Launches 'Shijian-25' Satellite to Experiment with Orbital Refueling in Space.
- ❖ TRAI Releases Draft Telecommunication Tariff (71st Amendment) Order, 2025 to Strengthen PM-WANI Scheme.
- ❖ NPCI International Collaborates with Magnati to Boost UPI Acceptance in UAE.
- DRDO Successfully Completes Field Trials of Nag Mark 2 Anti-Tank Guided Missile.
- ❖ India's 6th Astronomical Observatory and Eastern India's First Inaugurated in West Bengal.
- GOI Reconstitutes Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) with Ajith Kumar Mohanty as Chairman.
- * RBI Implements Changes to FEMA to Support Cross-Border Trade in INR.
- ❖ CEAT and HUL Recognized by WEF as Part of the Global Lighthouse Network.
- Uttarakhand has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Verkis of Iceland for the development of geothermal energy.
- Union Minister Manohar Lal Khattar Launches Toolkit for 9th Edition of Swachh Survekshan.
- ❖ Nigeria Becomes the 9th Partner Country to Join BRICS.
- ❖ National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) Raising Day 2025 Celebrated on January 19.

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- "IDFC FIRST Bank Launches 'FIRST EAN RuPay Credit Card".
- "Nidhi Khare Takes Additional Charge as Secretary of Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE)"
- ❖ "DARPG Launches Scheme and Portal for PM's Awards for Excellence in Public Administration 2024."
- Satya Nadella Tops HSBC Hurun Global Indians List 2024 with Microsoft.
- * Tata AIA Life Insurance has launched 'Shubh Muhurat' to make wedding savings easier.
- ❖ Department of Commerce Launches 'DIA Scheme' to Boost Global Competitiveness in Diamond Sector.
- India Becomes Observer State in Eurodrone Programme.
- ❖ Manchester United Legend and Ballon d'Or Winner Denis Law Passes Away at 84.
- ♦ Ministry of Defence Signs Rs 1,561 Crore Deal with Heavy Vehicles Factory for 47 T-72 Bridge Laying Tanks.
- ❖ ISRO Sends Crew Module for Gaganyaan's First Uncrewed Mission.
- Union Minister Rajnath Singh Launches 'SANJAY The Battlefield Surveillance System' in New Delhi.
- ❖ The RBI has revoked the registration of X10 Financial Services.
- ❖ National Voters' Day (NVD) Observed Annually on January 25 to Promote Voter Awareness and Participation.
- DFS Allocates Rs 500 Crore Capital Infusion to IFCI through Preferential Issue (PREF).
- ❖ Jay Shah, ICC Chairman, Elected as New Member of Marylebone Cricket Club.
- ❖ Indonesian President Prabowo Subianto Djojohadikusumo Visits India to Commemorate 75th Anniversary of Diplomatic Relations and Attends Republic Day as Chief Guest.
- ❖ YES Bank Launches Frictionless Finance Accelerator Program in Collaboration with RBIH and SPJIMR.

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- ❖ World Leprosy Day Observed on 26 January 2025.
- ❖ 55th Annual Meeting of the World Economic Forum (WEF 2025) Held in Davos-Klosters, Switzerland.
- ❖ SEBI Unveils 'Dharohar' Digital Knowledge Repository During India's 76th Republic Day Celebrations.
- ❖ Union Cabinet Approves National Critical Mineral Mission and Revision of Ethanol Procurement Price for 2024-25.
- * BHIM Joins Hands with Fintech Yatra to Boost Financial Inclusion and Digital Literacy.
- ❖ Indian athlete Jyothi Yarraji sets a new national record in the 60m hurdles.

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