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PM Narendra Modi's Visit to South Africa for the 20th G20 Summit

Prime Minister Narendra Modi's 2025 visit to Johannesburg marked a significant moment in India-Africa relations and the evolution of the G20. Hosted by South African President **Cyril Ramaphosa**, the summit focused on strengthening global solidarity, reforming financial institutions, and advancing sustainable development.

The visit also featured important announcements, new partnerships, and several bilateral meetings with world leaders.

PM Narendra Modi Arrived in South Africa

PM Modi arrived at **Waterkloof Air Force Base** on **November 21, 2025**, where he received a ceremonial welcome.

This was his **fourth official visit** to South Africa, following his **2016 bilateral visit** and participation in **BRICS Summits in 2018 and 2023**.

Highlights of the 2025 G20 Summit

◆ Theme and Participation

The 2025 G20 Summit, held on **November 22–23**, was based on the theme **"Solidarity, Equality, Sustainability."**

Leaders from **19 member countries**, the **European Union**, and major global bodies such as the **UN, IMF, World Bank, WTO, WHO, OECD, and ILO** attended the summit.

The **United States did not participate**.

PM Narendra Modi's Addresses at the Summit

◆ Opening Session: "Inclusive and Sustainable Economic Growth – Leaving No One Behind"

PM Modi highlighted:

- The need to reform development financing
- The importance of inclusive and sustainable growth
- Enhancing the voice of the Global South

◆ Second Session: "A Resilient World"

He called for:

- Stronger global climate action
- Safeguarding global food security

◆ Third Session: "A Fair and Just Future for All"

He proposed:

- A **Global Framework for Talent Mobility**
- Cooperation on critical minerals
- Decent work standards
- Responsible and inclusive expansion of AI

He also **announced** that India would host the **AI Impact Summit** in **February 2026** under the theme **"Sarvajanam Hitaya, Sarvajanam Sukhaya."**

Six Key Ideas Proposed by PM Modi

PM Modi **put forward** six major initiatives:

1. G20 Global Traditional Knowledge Repository

A global database to preserve and utilize traditional knowledge.

2. G20 Africa Skills Multiplier

Training **one million certified trainers** to build long-term skilling capacity across Africa.

3. G20 Global Health Response Team

A rapid-response team of experts for global health emergencies.

4. G20 Open Satellite Data Partnership

Sharing satellite data with developing countries for agriculture, disaster management, and fisheries.

5. G20 Critical Minerals Circularity Initiative

Promoting recycling, urban mining, and reuse to strengthen mineral supply chains.

6. G20 Initiative on Countering the Drug-Terror Nexus

A coordinated global effort to disrupt drug trafficking and terror financing.

G20 Adopted a 122-Point Joint Leaders' Declaration

G20 countries **adopted** a comprehensive **122-Point Leaders' Declaration** emphasizing:

- Climate Action and Sustainability
- Debt Relief and Development Financing
- Critical Minerals
- Trade and Multilateralism
- Peace and Security
- Support for Vulnerable Countries
- Reforms of Global Governance

Major Outcomes of the 2025 G20 Summit

◆ IMF Reform

The Summit **approved** a **25th IMF Executive Board seat** for **Sub-Saharan Africa**, enhancing the region's representation.

◆ Mission 300

Leaders **launched Mission 300**, aimed at providing electricity access to **300 million Africans by 2030**.



◆ **Renewable Energy Goals**

Members **agreed** to:

- Triple global renewable energy capacity by 2030
- Double global energy efficiency by 2030

◆ **Critical Minerals**

A **Critical Minerals Framework** was **adopted** for sustainable mining and resilient supply chains.

◆ **Food Security**

The **Ubuntu Approaches** on food security were **introduced**, supporting small farmers, local agriculture, and price stability.

◆ **AI for Africa**

The G20 **launched** the **AI for Africa Initiative**, strengthening digital talent, data access, and computing infrastructure.

ACITI Partnership Launched

India, Canada, and Australia **announced** the **ACITI Partnership** (Australia–Canada–India Technology & Innovation Partnership).

This trilateral initiative **focused on**:

- Critical and emerging technologies
- Green energy innovation
- Resilient supply chains, including critical minerals
- AI for public good

Bilateral Meetings Held by PM Modi

On the sidelines of the summit, PM Modi **met** several world leaders:

South Africa

He met President **Cyril Ramaphosa** and **reviewed** cooperation in trade, mining, skills, and investment.

Canada

He met Prime Minister **Mark Carney** and **discussed** expanding ties in defence, trade, space, and technology.

Both sides **agreed** to **resume CEPA negotiations**, aiming to double trade to **USD 50 billion by 2030**.

Japan

In his first meeting with PM **Sanae Takaichi**, both leaders **reviewed** progress under the **India–Japan Special Strategic and Global Partnership (SSGP)**.

Italy

PM Modi met Italy’s PM **Giorgia Meloni**, and both countries **adopted** the **India–Italy Joint Initiative to Counter Terror Financing**, strengthening cooperation in FATF and GCTF.

IBSA Leaders’ Meeting

PM Modi **attended** the **IBSA Leaders’ Meeting** with leaders from **Brazil** and **South Africa**.

He **proposed**:

- An **IBSA Digital Innovation Alliance** featuring UPI, CoWIN, cybersecurity exchanges, and women-led tech models.

- An **IBSA Fund for Climate-Resilient Agriculture** to boost South–South cooperation.

About the G20 (Quick Revision)

- **Established:** 1999
- **First Leaders’ Summit:** 2008
- **Members:** 19 countries + European Union + African Union
- **Represents:**
 - **85%** of global GDP
 - **75%** of world trade
 - **Two-thirds** of the global population

The **USA** will host the **2026 G20 Summit** in **Doral, Florida**.

Key Highlights of ISSF World Championship Rifle/Pistol 2025

Participation and Host

- **Venue:** Cairo, Egypt
- **Dates:** 6–18 November 2025
- **Participants:** 720 shooters from 70 NOCs
- **Organizer:** International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF)

Medal Tally – Top 5 Nations

Rank	Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	China	12	7	2	21
2	South Korea	7	3	4	14
3	India	3	6	4	13
4	Switzerland	3	5	4	12
5	Norway	3	4	3	10

World Records Set During the Championship

- **Men’s Target Sprint:** Jacob Hoffman (Germany) set a **new world record**.
- **Men’s 300m Rifle 3 Positions:** Tomasz Bartnik (Poland) **equalled** the world record.
- **Women’s 50m Pistol:** Yao Qianxun (China) set a **new world record** and won the first gold of the event.
- **Men’s 50m Rifle Prone Team:** China created a new team world record with **1881.3 points**.

India’s Performance at ISSF World Championship Rifle/Pistol 2025

India **secured 13 medals: 3 gold, 6 silver, and 4 bronze**, finishing **third overall**.

Gold Medals

- **Samrat Rana** – Men’s 10m Air Pistol
- **Ravinder Singh** – Men’s 50m Standard Pistol
- **Men’s 10m Air Pistol Team**

Silver Medals

- **Anish Bhanwala** – 25m Rapid Fire Pistol
- **Gurpreet Singh** – 25m Centre Fire Pistol
- **Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar** – 50m Rifle 3 Positions
- **Esha Singh** – Women’s 10m Air Pistol

- **Samrat Rana** – Mixed/Team events
- **Other team rifle/pistol events**

Bronze Medals

- **Esha Singh** – Women’s 10m Air Pistol
- **Elavenil Valarivan** – 10m Air Rifle
- **Varun Tomar** – 10m Air Pistol
- **Women’s 10m Air Rifle Team**

About ISSF World Shooting Championships – Quick Notes

- **Founded:** 1897
- **1st Edition:** Lyon, France, 1897
- **Governed by:** ISSF
- The last combined rifle–pistol–shotgun championship took place in **Baku, Azerbaijan, in 2023.**
- The **separate Rifle/Pistol World Championships** began in **2022**, also held in Cairo.

COP30 Summit Held from November 10 to 21, 2025, in Belem, Brazil: Part II

Representation

India was represented by:

- **Dinesh Bhatia**, Indian Ambassador to Brazil
- **Bhupender Yadav**, Union Minister, MoEF&CC

Key Engagements

- **November 17, 2025:** Bhupender Yadav addressed the **High-Level Ministerial Segment on the International Big Cats Alliance (IBCA)**, promoting “Big Cat Landscapes” as **Nature-Based Climate Solutions.**
- Delivered **India’s National Statement** and co-chaired the **LeadIT Industry Roundtable** with Sweden.
- Participated in the **11th JCM Partner Countries’ Meeting** (Japan).
- **November 19:** Addressed the **ISA SIDS Platform**, urging global cooperation for energy security.
- **November 20:** Addressed the **Baku High-Level Dialogue on Adaptation** and the **Third High-Level Roundtable on Just Transition.**



Major Announcements

- **Global Big Cats Summit 2026** to be held in **New Delhi.**
- Release of the Gol publication **“One Earth, One Family, One Future: A Decade of Climate Action.”**
- **India joined the Tropical Forests Forever Facility (TFFF)** as an observer.

Key Global Outcomes and Initiatives

1. Belem Package Adopted

COP30, with participation from **195 countries**, adopted the **Belem Package**, a set of **29 decisions** covering:

- Adaptation finance
- Just transition
- Technology support
- Gender and climate
- Trade, mitigation, and implementation

Commitment:

Countries agreed to **double adaptation finance by 2025** and **triple it by 2035.**

2. ARISE Programme Launched

The **Climate Investment Fund (CIF)** launched the **ARISE (Accelerating Resilience Investments and Innovations for Sustainable Economies)** initiative.

Aim:

Support **Least Developed Countries (LDCs)** and **Small Island Developing States (SIDS)** in integrating adaptation into development and mobilising large-scale climate finance.

Funding:

- Germany: **USD 63.25 million**
- Spain: **USD 36.8 million**
- **Total: ~USD 100 million**

3. DRC Launched National Digital Carbon Credit Registry

The **Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)** introduced a national digital registry to **record, verify, track, and regulate** all carbon-credit projects, helping the country protect its forests and generate carbon revenue.

4. Cambodia Joined Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty

Cambodia became the **18th country** to join the **Fossil Fuel Treaty**, a global campaign to:

- Stop new fossil-fuel projects
- Phase out coal, oil, and gas production

India has not joined the treaty.

5. 17 Countries Joined the Blue NDC Challenge

The **Blue NDC Challenge**, jointly launched by **Brazil and France**, aims to integrate **ocean-based climate solutions** into national climate commitments (NDCs).

Countries that Joined (17):

Brazil, France, Australia, Fiji, Kenya, Mexico, Palau, Seychelles, Belgium, Cambodia, Canada, Indonesia, Portugal, Singapore, Chile, Madagascar, United Kingdom.

Other Major Announcements at COP30

- **USD 1.3 trillion climate finance annually by 2035** committed for global climate action.
- Calls issued to **end and reverse global deforestation by 2030**.
- Initiatives such as the **Global Implementation Accelerator** and **Belém Mission to 1.5°C** were launched to track NDC progress.
- The **Just Transition Mechanism** supported fossil-fuel-dependent economies.
- Brazil introduced **roadmaps for equitable fossil-fuel transition and deforestation control**.
- The **Belém Health Action Plan** connected climate policies with public health.
- The TFFF highlighted financial rewards for countries protecting tropical forests.
- Climate-Trade Dialogue promoted alignment between trade rules and climate goals.
- The **Global Mutirão Agreement** reinforced multilateral climate cooperation.

Earthshot Prize 2025

The **Earthshot Prize 2025** was awarded in Brazil to:

- **re.green** (Brazil)
- **City of Bogota** (Colombia)
- **High Seas Treaty** (Global)
- **Lagos Fashion Week** (Nigeria)
- **Friendship** (Bangladesh)

Each winner received **€1 million**.

COP31 Host (2026)

The **31st UN Climate Change Conference (COP31)** will be hosted by **Turkey in 2026**.

Four New Labour Codes made effective to Simplify and Streamline Labour Laws

In **November 2025**, the **Government of India (GoI)** officially enforced **four major labour codes**—the **Code on Wages (2019)**, the **Industrial Relations (IR) Code (2020)**, the **Code on Social Security (2020)**, and the **Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions (OSHWC) Code (2020)**.

These codes came into effect on **21 November 2025**, replacing and consolidating **29 existing labour laws** into a unified and simplified framework.

The Code on Wages was earlier notified on **8 August 2019**, while the remaining three codes were notified on **29 September 2020**.

Key Highlights (Exam-Friendly)

- **What?** GoI enforced four major labour codes
- **Which Codes?** Wages Code (2019), IR Code, Social Security Code, OSHWC Code (all 2020)
- **Effective From:** 21 November 2025
- **Replaced:** 29 existing labour laws
- **Core Reforms:** Minimum wage right, gig worker coverage, fixed-term employment parity, 8-hour workday, appointment letters for transparency

Code on Wages, 2019 – Key Provisions

1. Consolidation of Four Laws

Merged:

- Payment of Wages Act, 1936
- Minimum Wages Act, 1948
- Payment of Bonus Act, 1965
- Equal Remuneration Act, 1976

2. Minimum Wage for All

A statutory **right to minimum wages** for all employees in both organised and unorganised sectors.

3. National Floor Wage

No state may fix wages below the *floor wage*, ensuring nationwide uniformity.

4. Wage Fixation Criteria

Skill level, location, and nature of work must guide minimum wage decisions.

5. Gender Equality

No discrimination based on gender—including **transgender** identity.

6. Wage Payment Rules Expanded

Timely wage payment and controls on deductions now apply to **all employees** (not limited to those earning below ₹24,000/month earlier).

7. Overtime

Overtime wages must be **at least 2x** the normal wage.

Industrial Relations (IR) Code, 2020 – Key Provisions

1. Fixed-Term Employment

Fixed-term workers get **equal pay and benefits** as permanent workers, including **gratuity after one year**.

2. Re-skilling Fund

A fund created for retrenched employees, with contributions equal to **15 days' wages per worker**.

3. Trade Union Recognition

A union with **51% membership** becomes the **Negotiating Union**; otherwise, a Negotiating Council forms.

4. Expanded Worker Definition

Includes journalists, sales promotion staff, and supervisors earning up to **₹18,000/month**.

5. Higher Threshold for Lay-off/Retrenchment/Closure

Approval threshold raised from **100 to 300 workers**.

6. Women’s Representation

Mandatory proportional representation of women in grievance committees.

7. Work-from-Home Provision

Permitted through mutual consent in service sectors.

8. Direct Tribunal Access

Allowed if conciliation fails within **90 days**.

9. Notice for Strikes/Lockouts

Mandatory **14-day notice**, bringing uniformity.

Code on Social Security, 2020 – Key Provisions

1. Expanded Social Security Coverage

Covers **unorganised, gig, and platform workers**.

2. ESIS Nationwide Coverage

ESIS became applicable across **all of India**, not just notified areas.

3. EPF Inquiry Timelines

Inquiries must begin within **5 years** and end within **2 years** (extendable by 1 year).

Appeals require only **25% deposit** of the disputed amount.

4. Gig & Platform Workers Included

New definitions added—*gig worker, platform worker, aggregator*.

Aggregators contribute **1–2% of turnover**, capped at **5% of payments to workers**.

5. Social Security Fund

Dedicated fund for life, disability, health, and old-age benefits for unorganised and gig workers.

6. Uniform Definition of Wages

“Wages” = basic pay + DA + retaining allowance (must be **50%** of total remuneration).

7. Gratuity for Fixed-Term Employees

Eligibility reduced to **one year** instead of five.

8. Compounding of Offences

- Fine-only offences: **50%** of maximum fine
- Fine/imprisonment offences: **75%** of maximum fine

OSHWC Code, 2020 – Key Provisions

1. Objectives

- Ensure **worker safety, health, and dignity**
- Create a **simplified and business-friendly** regulatory system

2. Unified Registration

Electronic registration required for establishments with **10+ employees**.

3. Mandatory Appointment Letters

All workers must receive appointment letters outlining job roles, wages, and benefits.

4. Wider Coverage of Workers

Definition of inter-state migrant workers expanded to include direct, contractual, and self-migrant workers.

Benefits Include:

- Annual travel allowance
- Portability of PDS & social security
- Toll-free helpline access

5. Expanded Journalist & Cine Worker Definitions

Covers all employees in electronic media and audio-visual content sectors.

6. Women’s Employment

Women permitted to work across sectors, including **night shifts**, with consent and safety measures.

7. Victim Compensation

At least **50% of fines** imposed on offenders to be paid to victims or their families.

8. Contract Labour Threshold

Raised from **20 to 50 workers**.

9. Safety Committees

Mandatory for establishments with **500+ workers**.

10. Working Hours

- **8 hours/day, 48 hours/week**
- Overtime at **2x wage**, with worker consent

11. Revised Factory Thresholds

- With power: **10 → 20 workers**
- Without power: **20 → 40 workers**

12. Annual Health Check-ups

Free yearly health examinations for employees.

53rd International Emmy Awards 2025

Highlights of the 2025 Winners:

The Academy awarded **16 Emmy statuettes**, recognizing storytelling across continents.

Best Arts Programming: *Ryuichi Sakamoto* for the *Last Days* (Japan, NHK (Nippon Hoso Kyokai))

Best Drama Series: *Rivals* (United Kingdom; Disney+)

Best Comedy Series: *Ludwig* (United Kingdom (UK) ; BBC (The British Broadcasting Corporation))

Best Performance by an Actress: *Anna Maxwell Martin* (UK) for *Until I Kill You*



Best Performance by an Actor: Oriol Pla (Spain)

Category	Winner
Best Arts Programming	Ryuichi Sakamoto (Japan)
Best Performance by an Actress	Anna Maxwell Martin (UK)
Best Performance by an Actor	Oriol Pla (Spain)
Non- Scripted Entertainment	Shaolin in Heroes (Denmark)
Sports Documentary	It's all over: The Kiss That Changed the Spanish Football
Short Form Series	La Mediatrice (The Mediator)
TV Movie/ Mini-Series	Lost Boys and Fairies
Comedy	Ludwig
Telenovela	The Good and The Bad
Documentary	Hell Jumper
Current Affairs	Dispatches: Kill Zone: Inside Gaza
Best News	Gaza, Search for Life
Drama Series	Rivals
International Emmy Directorate Award Gaumont	João Roberto Marinho,
International Emmy Founder's Award	Dana Walden

Kids

Live-Action	Fallen
Factual & Entertainment	Auf Fritzi's Spuren – Wie war das so in der DDR? [On Fritzi's Traces – What Was It Like in the GDR?]
Animation	Bluey

About International Emmy Awards:

Presented by: The International Academy of Television Arts & Sciences presents the International Emmy Awards annually in New York, USA honoring global TV (Television) excellence across categories like Drama, Comedy, and Documentary.

Awards: It also offers the above-mentioned Special Awards and hosts events for members from over 60 countries.

Australian Open 2025 Badminton held in Sydney, Australia

The Australian Open (AO) 2025 Badminton, officially titled the Sathio Group Australian Open 2025, is a Badminton World Federation (BWF) Super 500 tournament, held at the State Sports Centre in Sydney, Australia, from 18 to 23 November 2025.

- Indian badminton player **Lakshya Sen** (world Rank 11) clinched the men's **singles title** at the Australian Open 2025 by defeating **Japan's Yushi Tanaka** 21-15, 21-11, marking his first title of the 2025 season and the sixth BWF World Tour crown of his career.

- He became the second Indian to win a BWF World Tour title in 2025 after Ayush Shetty at the US (United States of America) Open Super 300 in June 2025.

Exam Hints:

- Event:** Australian Open 2025 Badminton
- When?** 18 to 23 November 2025
- Where?** Sydney, Australia
- Category?** BWF Super 500
- Men's Singles Winner:** Lakshya Sen (India)
- Women's Singles Winner:** An Se Young (Korea)
- Total Prize Money:** USD 4,75,000

Total Prize Money: The Australian Open 2025 had a total prize money pool of **USD 4,75,000**.

- Distribution:** Of this amount, **USD 35,625** was awarded to the men's and women's singles winners, while **USD 37,525** each was allocated to the men's doubles, women's doubles, and mixed doubles champions.

Australian Open 2025 Badminton Winners:

Category	Winner	Runner-Up
Men's Singles	Lakshya Sen (India)	Yushi Tanaka (Japan)
Women's Singles	An Se Young (Korea)	Putri Kusuma Wardani (Indonesia)
Men's Doubles	Raymond Indra (Indonesia) and Nikolaus Joaquin (Indonesia)	Fajar Alfian (Indonesia) and Muhammad Shohib Fikri (Indonesia)
Women's Doubles	Rachel Allesya Rose (Indonesia) and Febi Setianinfrum (Indonesia)	Febriana Dwipuji Kusuma (Indonesia) and Meilyssa Trias (Indonesia)
Mixed Doubles	Chen Tang Jie (Malaysia) and Toh Ee Wei (Malaysia)	Jafar Hidayatullah (Indonesia) and Felisha Alberta Pasaribu (Indonesia)

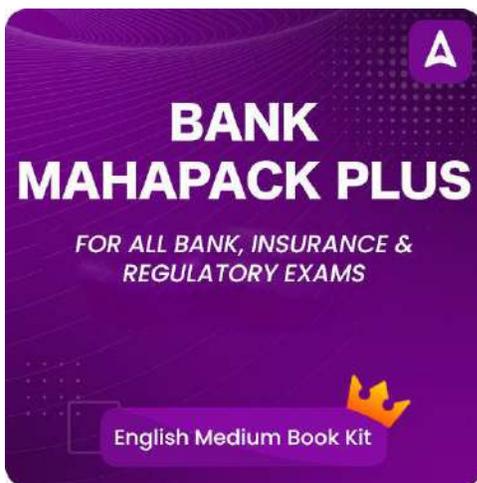
National Affairs

- PM Narendra Modi visited Puttaparthi, Andhra Pradesh** and paid tribute at the Mahasamadhi of **Sri Sathya Sai Baba** during the Centenary Celebrations.
- PM Modi released a ₹100 commemorative coin and stamps** in honour of Sri Sathya Sai Baba.
- India launched its first indigenous CRISPR-based gene therapy, BIRSA 101**, for Sickle Cell Disease, announced by **Dr. Jitendra Singh**.
- MHA abolished sign-on, sign-off and Shore Leave Passes** for crew of Indian-flag vessels operating within Indian waters.

- **Gol established four Quantum Fabrication & Central Facilities** under NQM at IIT Bombay, IISc Bengaluru, IIT Delhi, and IIT Kanpur.
- **India inaugurated its first Liquid Helium Facility** and showcased QMagPI and QDM at IIT Bombay.
- **MeitY launched the Cyber Security Innovation Challenge (CSIC) 1.0** under the ISEA Project in New Delhi.
- **NCW launched 24x7 short-code women's helpline '14490'** for nationwide emergency assistance.
- **PM Modi visited Kurukshetra, Haryana, for the International Gita Mahotsav 2025** and Guru Tegh Bahadur's 350th Shaheedi Diwas.
- **PM Modi inaugurated 'Panchjanya',** a 5.5-tonne, 5-metre conch at the Mahabharata Experience Centre.
- **PM Modi visited Mahabharata Anubhav Kendra,** built under Swadesh Darshan at a cost of ₹200 crore.
- **PM Modi performed Darshan–Pooja at Brahma Sarovar** during Gita Mahotsav.
- **PM Modi addressed the 350th Shaheedi Diwas of Guru Tegh Bahadur** and released a ₹350 silver coin and ₹5 stamp.
- **Gol released the coffee-table book** on Guru Tegh Bahadur published by Haryana Government.
- **MoAFW released 3rd advance estimates of horticulture production,** recording 369.05 MT, 4% higher than 2023–24.
- **Gol designated CISF as nodal safety and security regulator** for ~250 seaports in India.
- **MNRE Minister Pralhad Joshi inaugurated a 240 TPD biomass pellet plant** and laid foundation stone for a bio-ethanol plant in Rewari.
- **India Post released a commemorative cover for Dr. Ramdas Pai** on his 90th birthday at MAHE Convocation.
- **Cabinet approved Pune Metro Phase-2 (Lines 4 & 4A)** covering 31.636 km, costing ₹9,857.85 crore.
- **A Skill India Centre was inaugurated in Baraut, Uttar Pradesh,** by Ministers Ashwini Vaishnav and Jayant Chaudhary.
- **Commonwealth Games 2030 awarded to Ahmedabad, Gujarat,** defeating Abuja in the CGF vote.
- **Kashi Tamil Sangamam 4.0** scheduled from **December 2–10, 2025,** in Varanasi with 1,400 delegates.
- **Indian Railways crossed 1,020 MT freight loading** in FY 2025-26, with coal contributing 505 MT.
- **Electricity Amendment Bill 2025 introduced,** enabling multiple power distributors per area and cost-reflective tariffs.
- **Justice Surya Kant sworn in as 53rd Chief Justice of India,** with tenure till February 2027.
- **Government proposed Constitution (131st Amendment) Bill** to bring Chandigarh under **Article 240** framework.
- **India debuted at WorldSkills Asia** with a 23-member squad across 21 skill categories.
- **NCW launched the toll-free helpline 14490** for women's safety and cybercrime support.
- **Tribal Affairs Ministry's budget rose to ₹15,000 crore,** expanding EMRS network to 728 schools.
- **BIRSA 101 became India's first indigenous CRISPR therapy** for Sickle Cell Disease.
- **Indian Army to honour 1,171 Operation Pawan martyrs** on November 26, after 38 years.
- **Justice Vikram Nath appointed Executive Chairman of NALSA.**
- **India celebrated Constitution Day on November 26,** honouring Dr. Ambedkar's role in drafting the Constitution.
- **Assam passed the Prohibition of Polygamy Bill 2025,** criminalising polygamy except in Sixth Schedule and ST areas.
- **Election Commission completed 99.07% enumeration** with 47.35% digitisation of electoral rolls.
- **India celebrated National Milk Day** with 239.3 MT milk production in 2023-24, 25% of global supply.
- **NCC celebrated its 78th Raising Day** with 20 lakh cadets and new training modules in drones and cybersecurity.
- **PM Modi inaugurated Safran Aircraft Engine Services India (SAESI) MRO facility** in Hyderabad worth ₹1,300 crore.
- **Cabinet approved ₹7,280 crore scheme** for Rare Earth Permanent Magnet (REPM) manufacturing capacity.
- **CCEA approved ₹2,781 crore for railway multitracking,** including Okha-Kanals doubling and Badlapur-Karjat lines.
- **Sardar@150 Unity March** began from Anand, covering 180 km to the Statue of Unity.
- **EPFO formed a Cadre Restructuring Committee** led by BP Sharma with deadline March 31, 2026.
- **SEBI eased Investment Adviser/Research Analyst eligibility,** allowing graduates from any discipline.
- **Tribal crafts from 705 communities showcased** at IITF 2025 under 'Ek Bharat: Shreshtha Bharat'.
- **WII tracked migration of three Amur Falcons** flying 5,100–6,100 km non-stop to Africa.
- **India Internet Governance Forum (IIGF) 2025 held in New Delhi** with theme "Inclusive & Sustainable Viksit Bharat".
- **Cyclone Ditwah approached TN–Puducherry–AP coast** with orange alerts and heavy rainfall warnings.
- **India unveiled Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's bust at UNESCO Headquarters** on Constitution Day.
- **IFFI 56 released commemorative stamp** honouring filmmaker **K. Vaikunth** for five decades of contribution to cinema.

States in the News

- **ADB approved USD 400 million RBL programme for Maharashtra** to upgrade state highways and rural roads under the *Maharashtra Roads Connectivity for Inclusive Growth Program*.
- **Assam observed Lachit Divas on November 24**, honouring Lachit Borphukan and his 1671 Battle of Saraighat victory.
- **Haryana inaugurated a 240 TPD biomass pellet plant in Rewari** and laid foundation for the K2 Bio-Ethanol facility to support E20 and Net Zero 2070 goals.
- **A new Skill India Centre was inaugurated in Baraut, Baghpat (UP)** to train 600 youth and women in electronics and IT-ITeS under the hub-and-spoke model.
- **Punjab declared Anandpur Sahib, Talwandi Sabo, and Golden Temple Galiara as holy cities**, banning liquor, meat, and tobacco products.
- **Rajasthan hosted the 5th Khelo India University Games in Jaipur**, with 7,000+ participants and 5,000 athletes from 230 universities across 23 sports.
- **Andhra Pradesh approved three new districts—Polavaram, Markapuram, and Madanapalle—raising the total from 26 to 29** along with five new revenue divisions.
- **AP launched ‘Rythanna Meekosam’ farmer welfare programme (Nov 24–29)** focusing on water security, agri-tech, and demand-based farming.
- **Digital Connexion announced an USD 11 billion AI-native data centre campus** (1 GW capacity) on 400 acres in Visakhapatnam, to be completed by 2030.
- **Pune Metro Phase-2 (Lines 4 & 4A) worth ₹9,857.85 crore received Cabinet approval**, covering 31.636 km with 28 elevated stations.
- **ADB approved USD 400 million to upgrade 2,577 km rural roads and 350 km highways** in Marathwada and Vidarbha, benefiting 1.7 million people.
- **World Bank approved USD 776 million for two major projects—POISE (Punjab) and POCRA II (Maharashtra)—** supporting digital education and climate-resilient agriculture.



- **Assam passed the Prohibition of Polygamy Bill 2025**, criminalising polygamy with penalties up to 10 years while exempting Sixth Schedule tribal areas.

International Affairs

- **US President Donald Trump designated Saudi Arabia as a Major Non-NATO Ally**, making it the 20th country to receive MNNA status.
- **WHO declared Indonesia free from Type-2 cVDPV poliovirus**, with no cases reported since June 2024.
- **India championed climate justice at COP30 in Brazil**, demanding stronger finance commitments and opposing unilateral carbon border taxes.
- **India, Australia, and Canada launched the ACITI Partnership**, focusing on AI, clean energy, and critical minerals, with roadmap talks planned for early 2026.
- **G20 Johannesburg Summit adopted a 39-page consensus declaration** on climate action, multilateralism, debt relief, and digital inclusion, with AU participating as a full member.
- **PM Modi unveiled six global initiatives at G20**, including the Traditional Knowledge Repository, Africa Skills Program, Global Health Response Team, and satellite data sharing for development.
- **Dormant Hayli Gubbi volcano in Ethiopia erupted after 12,000 years**, sending ash 14 km high, leading DGCA to advise Indian airlines to modify routes.
- **Gavi and UNICEF secured malaria vaccine R21/Matrix-M price at USD 2.99 per dose**, saving USD 90 million and enabling 30 million extra doses.
- **USA celebrated Thanksgiving on November 27, 2025**, continuing the tradition based on the 1621 Pilgrims–Wampanoag harvest feast.
- **Antarctic ozone hole recorded its fifth-smallest size**, averaging 7.23 million sq miles, with peak 8.83 million sq miles on September 9, 2025.
- **Jakarta surpassed Tokyo with 42 million people**, becoming the world’s most populous city amid rapid Asian urbanisation.

Agreements/MoUs Signed

- **DRDO (India) and France’s DGA signed a Technical Agreement** to boost long-term defence research, innovation, and advanced technology collaboration.
- The agreement was signed by **Dr. Samir V Kamat (DRDO)** and **Lt Gen Gael Diaz de Tuesta (DGA-France)** at DRDO Bhawan, New Delhi.
- **GeM signed an MoU with UN Women** on November 20, 2025, to enhance women entrepreneurs’ participation in India’s public procurement ecosystem.

- **MSJE's DWBDNC and MoRD's DAY-NRLM signed an MoU** to empower De-Notified, Nomadic, and Semi-Nomadic (DNT) communities across India.
- **Asian Paints signed a three-year partnership with BCCI as the Official Colour Partner**, covering **110 Team India matches**.

Banking/Economy/Business News

- **Oman unveiled a unified currency symbol for the Omani Rial**, modernising its financial identity and aligning with global banking and digital payment systems.
- **Easebuzz received RBI approval as a full-fledged Payment Aggregator (PA)** under the PSS Act, 2007, strengthening India's fintech ecosystem.
- **RBI announced UPI-TIPS interlinking** to enable faster, cheaper cross-border payments between India and the EU under the G20 remittance roadmap.
- **IDFC FIRST Bank signed an MoU with FPSB India** as an Approved Corporate Partner to upgrade financial-planning skills of management and private banking teams.
- **Tata-owned Air India reinstated its codeshare with Air Canada** effective 2 December 2025, restoring seamless India-Canada connectivity.
- **ACC approved promotion of seven CGMs to Executive Directors in PSBs**, effective 24 November 2025, for a three-year tenure or till superannuation.
- **Key ED appointments included:** Amit Kumar Srivastava (PNB), Sunil Kumar Chugh (Canara Bank), Amresh Prasad (UBI), Prabhat Kiran (BoM), Mini T M (Indian Bank), E. Ratan Kumar (CBI), and Pramod Kumar Dwivedi (BoI).
- **FSIB conducted the selection process**, interviewing 80 candidates and recommending 11 names before government appointment of 7 EDs.
- **RBI granted post-facto approval to 1729 Capital**, an FPI, to raise its stake in Suryoday Small Finance Bank to 7.14% from 3.81%.
- **World Bank approved USD 776 million** for education reforms in Punjab (POISE) and climate-resilient agriculture in Maharashtra (POCRA-II).
- **BHIM UPI introduced a "Full Delegation" feature**, allowing trusted persons to make payments on a user's behalf with monthly limits and secure PIN validation.
- **Paytm Payments Services Ltd received RBI's COA to operate as a Payment Aggregator**, clarifying regulatory compliance under PSSA 2007.
- **CCI cleared three major acquisitions** across finance, power, and industrial manufacturing, indicating strong M&A activity.

- **SEBI replaced the ₹1,000 crore RPT threshold with turnover-based limits**, simplifying compliance while enhancing minority shareholder protection.
- **Jammu & Kashmir held its first-ever limestone block auction**, expected to boost mining investments and local employment.
- **Government reshuffled PSB leadership** with five new EDs appointed from November 24 to strengthen banking governance.
- **S&P projected India's GDP growth at 6.5% (FY26) and 6.7% (FY27)**, driven by domestic consumption and potential trade boosts.
- **RBI bulletin reported strong October festive demand**, with headline inflation falling to 0.3% and core inflation moderating to ~4.3%.
- **SEBI proposed excluding ZCZP bonds from BSDA valuation**, ensuring accurate portfolio value for small investors.
- **BHIM's UPI Circle Delegation enhanced digital inclusion**, supporting elderly and dependents through secure delegated payments.
- **India Ratings raised India's FY26 GDP forecast to 7%**, citing strong Q1 growth despite export contraction to the US.
- **RBI data showed private sector sales rising 8% in Q2 FY26**, driven by manufacturing, IT, and services, though raw material costs increased.
- **Rani Channamma Mahila Sahakari Bank won best profit-making bank award** in Belagavi for women-led financial inclusion achievements.
- **MapmyIndia and Zoho CRM launched India's first indigenous CRM-geospatial integration**, strengthening Aatmanirbhar tech capabilities.
- **Ramprasad Sridharan was appointed MD of PUMA India**, set to lead digital transformation and retail expansion from Dec 2025.
- **Asian Paints signed a 3-year partnership with BCCI** as Team India's Official Colour Partner for 110 matches.
- **Camikara pure cane-juice rum won Global Rum Brand of the Year 2025**, marking a milestone for Indian craft spirits.
- **India recorded 0.25% inflation with strong festive consumption**, rising PMI, and record services exports, showing macro-economic strength.
- **IMF projected India's GDP growth at 6.6% for FY26**, driven by infrastructure push, GST efficiencies, and consumption.
- **CBDT launched NUDGE**, a data-driven system prompting voluntary tax compliance, especially for foreign asset disclosures.
- **India Global Forum launched a USD 250 million global expansion fund**, backed by Ved Family Office and Ananta Capital, to help Indian brands scale globally.

Defence News

- **India and Nepal began the 19th edition of Exercise Surya Kiran 2025** on 25 November in Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand, to enhance counter-terrorism skills, jungle/mountain warfare, and joint operational interoperability.
- **The Surya Kiran 2025 exercise runs from 25 November to 8 December 2025**, with 334 troops each from the Indian Army's ASSAM Regiment and Nepal Army's DEVI DATTA Regiment.
- **BEL and France's Safran Electronics & Defence signed a Joint Venture Cooperation Agreement** in New Delhi to manufacture HAMMER smart precision-guided air-to-ground weapons in India.
- **The BEL-Safran JV will operate with 50:50 shareholding**, targeting up to **60% indigenisation**, supporting Rafale and LCA Tejas weapon integration.
- **Indian Army conducted "Op Drishti" eye-care outreach**, screening over **2,000 people** and performing **400 advanced surgeries** at Command Hospital, Udampur under Brig. S.K. Mishra.
- **INS Mahe, the first indigenous Mahe-class Anti-Submarine Warfare vessel**, was commissioned on 24 November 2025 in Mumbai, featuring advanced sonar and 80% indigenous content, built by Cochin Shipyard.
- **Exercise Surya Kiran XIX included training in UN-mandated sub-conventional operations**, drone-based ISR, disaster relief, and close-quarter battle drills.
- **Indian Army hosted CDD 2025 (Chiefs of Defence Doctrine/Transformation event)** unveiling a long-term transformation roadmap for a future-ready, digitised military by 2047.

Appointments/Resignations

- **Chitra Talwar was appointed Part-Time Chairperson of Jana Small Finance Bank**, with her term effective from **8 February 2026**, strengthening the bank's board leadership.
- **Jay Shah announced former India captain Rohit Sharma as the Tournament Ambassador** for the **ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026**, highlighting his global cricketing influence.
- **President Droupadi Murmu appointed Justice Vikram Nath as the new Executive Chairman of NALSA**, effective **24 November 2025**, as per the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987.

Awards and Recognitions

- **Mathura Zari Poshak and Meerut Bugle from Uttar Pradesh received GI tags** in November 2025, recognising their cultural heritage, craftsmanship, and economic significance.

- **IIM Ranchi earned the prestigious AMBA accreditation**, placing it among the **top 2% global B-schools**, and secured **4 Palmes of Excellence** in the Eduniversal Rankings.
- **Veteran Telugu author Velamala Simmanna was selected for the Lok Nayak Foundation Literary Award 2025**, carrying a **₹2 lakh prize**, to be presented on **18 January 2026** in Visakhapatnam.
- **Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar will assume the Chairship of International IDEA** (35-nation body) on **3 December 2025**, building on India's training support to 3,169 officials from 142 countries.
- **IITF 2025 concluded by honouring states such as Rajasthan, Jharkhand, and Odisha** for excellence in innovation, sustainable practices, and exhibition quality.

Ranks and Reports

- **Larry Page became the world's second-richest person** in Forbes' Real-Time Billionaires List (Nov 2025) with a **net worth of ~USD 255 billion**, surpassing Oracle co-founder **Larry Ellison**, who stood at **USD 247.4 billion**.
- **Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan released the First Advance Estimates of Kharif Crop Production 2025-26**, projecting a **3.87 MT increase** in output, taking total Kharif foodgrain production to **~173.33 million tonnes**.

Sports News

- **Max Verstappen (Red Bull Racing) won the 2025 Las Vegas Grand Prix**, earning his **125th career podium** in 231 races.
- **Verstappen's Las Vegas win cut Lando Norris's championship lead to 42 points**, with only two races left in the Formula 1 season.
- **Indian Women's Kabaddi Team won the 2nd Women's Kabaddi World Cup**, defeating Chinese Taipei **35-28** in the Dhaka final on 24 November 2025.
- **Italy won the Davis Cup 2025**, defeating Spain **2-0** in Bologna to claim their **fourth title** and **third consecutive win** (1976, 2023, 2024, 2025).
- **Lakshya Sen won his third BWF Super 500 title**, beating Japan's Yushi Tanaka **21-15, 21-11** to lift the Australian Open Super 500 trophy.
- **India won the inaugural Blind Women's T20 World Cup**, defeating Nepal by **seven wickets** at P Sara Oval, Colombo, chasing **115 in 12 overs**.
- **Italy's Matteo Berrettini and Flavio Cobolli secured the 2025 Davis Cup victory**, making Italy only the second nation after the USA to win three titles in a row.
- **Rohit Sharma was appointed Ambassador for the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026**, co-hosted by India and Sri Lanka (Feb 7-Mar 8, 2026).

- **India won its second consecutive Women's Kabaddi World Cup**, led by Captain **Ritu Negi**, Vice-Captain **Pushpa Rana**, and star raider **Sanju Devi**.
- **10-year-old Bodhana Sivanandan became UK Women's Blitz Champion**, winning 8 straight games and becoming the **youngest Woman International Master**, ranked among the top 50 global blitz players.
- **Javokhir Sindarov (Uzbekistan) won the FIDE World Cup 2025**, defeating Wei Yi in tiebreaks; Andrey Esipenko secured third place.
- **India suffered its biggest Test defeat**, losing to South Africa by **408 runs** in Guwahati, resulting in a **2-0 series whitewash**.
- **Deepti Sharma became the costliest player at the WPL 2026 auction**, reflecting rising investment in women's cricket.
- **10-year-old Giovanna de Sequeira won bronze at the World Jiu-Jitsu Championship 2025**, months after recovering from knee surgery.

Schemes and Committees News

- **MoF notified the Capital Gains Accounts (2nd Amendment) Scheme, 2025**, allowing taxpayers to temporarily park capital gains in designated bank accounts to retain tax-exemption eligibility while purchasing or constructing new property.
- **Ministry of Steel launched 'SARAL SIMS'**, a simplified online registration under the Steel Import Monitoring System, effective **21 November 2025**.
- **SARAL SIMS applies to steel and iron items under ITC-HS Chapters 72, 73, and 86**, allowing importers to declare **annual import quantity once** and use a single SARAL SIMS number for multiple consignments.
- **SARAL SIMS can be accessed through the dedicated portal** — www.sims.steel.gov.in/SARAL, making the import declaration process faster and more user-friendly.
- **Union Cabinet approved a ₹7,280-crore scheme to promote manufacturing of Sintered Rare Earth Permanent Magnets (REPM)**, including a **₹750-crore capital subsidy** for creating **6,000 MTPA manufacturing capacity** to reduce import dependence.
- **On 25 November 2025, MoAFW, MoRD, and MoWCD jointly launched 'Nayi Chetna—Initiative for Change' (4th edition)** in New Delhi to promote women's safety, dignity, economic empowerment, and gender-sensitive social behaviour.
- **Nayi Chetna 2025 focuses on gender-based violence awareness, safe mobility, self-reliance, and shared family responsibilities**, strengthening community-level support for women.

- **Government approved Tex-RAMPS**, a **₹305-crore scheme** aimed at boosting textile sector innovation, data systems, start-ups, and modern IT-enabled services to strengthen India's textile value chain.

Science and Technology News

- **ISRO successfully demonstrated the boot-strap mode start of its CE20 cryogenic engine**, a key advancement improving restart capability for future deep-space and long-duration missions.
- **IIT Kharagpur unveiled a ₹5 commemorative postage stamp** issued by India Post to mark the institute's **Platinum Jubilee (75 years)** of academic and research excellence.
- **Paras Defence & Space Technologies signed a ToT agreement with DRDO** to manufacture the **Driver Night Sight (DNS) system** for T-90 tanks, boosting indigenous defence production.
- **The 25th Summer Deaflympics 2025 were held in Tokyo (15–26 November 2025)**, celebrating the **100th anniversary** of the Deaflympics (first held in 1924, Paris).
- **Ukraine topped the 2025 Deaflympics medal tally with 100 medals** (32 gold, 39 silver, 29 bronze), followed by the USA (36 medals) and Japan (51 medals).
- **India achieved its best-ever Summer Deaflympics performance**, finishing **6th with 20 medals** — **9 gold, 7 silver, 4 bronze**.
- **Indian shooters contributed 16 out of India's 20 medals**, marking the nation's best shooting performance at any Deaflympics.
- **Mahit Sandhu emerged as India's top performer with 4 medals** (2 gold, 2 silver), while Dhanush Srikanth, Abhinav Deshwal and Pranjali Dhumal delivered record-breaking wins.
- **Golfer Diksha Dagar won gold in Women's Individual Golf**, securing her **second Deaflympics gold medal**, reinforcing India's rising global presence in deaf sports.
- **India won its first-ever Deaflympics medals in Wrestling and Karate**, marking historic breakthroughs in these disciplines.
- **The 2025 Deaflympics featured 21 sports**, including Athletics, Football, Shooting, Wrestling (Freestyle & Greco-Roman), Karate, Golf, Taekwondo, Judo, and others.
- **The Tokyo 2025 Deaflympics medals carried the theme "Spreading Our Wings"**, featuring an origami crane symbolizing aspiration and excellence, paired with traditional Japanese motifs.
- **Antarctic ozone layer recovery continued**, with monitoring showing ozone-depleting substances reduced by **one-third since 2000**, reflecting successful global action under the Montreal Protocol.

- **Indian researchers developed “OncoMark”, an AI-driven tool analysing 3.1 million single-cell datasets to enable highly personalised and precise cancer therapy.**

Important Days News

- **World Toilet Day was observed on 19 November 2025** with the theme **“Sanitation in a Changing World”,** promoting global access to safe sanitation.
- **World Toilet Day originated in 2001,** when the World Toilet Organisation (founded by Singaporean philanthropist **Jack Sim**) declared 19 November as WTD.
- **International Men’s Day was observed on 19 November 2025,** marking its **27th edition,** with the theme **“Celebrating Men and Boys.”**
- **National Integration Day was observed on 19 November 2025,** marking the **108th birth anniversary of Indira Gandhi,** and beginning **National Integration Week (19–25 November).**
- **World Heritage Week was celebrated in India from 19–25 November 2025,** promoting conservation and awareness of India’s UNESCO-recognised cultural and historical heritage.
- **Africa Industrialization Day was observed on 20 November 2025,** the **36th edition,** with the theme **“Transforming Africa’s Economy through Sustainable Industrialization, Regional Integration, and Innovation.”**
- **World Philosophy Day 2025 fell on 20 November (3rd Thursday),** highlighting the importance of philosophical dialogue across cultures for human development.
- **NCC Raising Day 2025 was celebrated on 23 November,** marking the **77th anniversary** of the world’s largest uniformed youth organisation.
- **World Conjoined Twins Day was observed on 24 November 2025,** marking the **second annual observance** to promote awareness, dignity, and inclusion.
- **International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women was observed on 25 November 2025,** the **26th edition,** under the theme **“UNiTE to End Digital Violence against Women and Girls.”**
- The observance marks the **start of the global 16 Days of Activism campaign** (25 November–10 December).
- **National Constitution Day (Samvidhan Diwas) was observed on 26 November 2025,** marking **76 years since the 1949 adoption** of the Constitution of India;
- **2025 Theme: “Humara Samvidhan, Humara Swabhimaan.”**
- **National Milk Day was celebrated on 26 November 2025,** honouring Dr. **Verghese Kurien,** the **“Father of India’s White Revolution.”**
- **World Sustainable Transport Day was observed on 26 November 2025,** marking its **3rd edition,** promoting safe, inclusive, and eco-friendly transport systems.

- **Guru Tegh Bahadur Shaheedi Diwas was observed on 24 November 2025,** remembering the 1675 martyrdom of the **“Hind Di Chadar”** who sacrificed his life for religious freedom.
- **International Day for Elimination of Violence Against Women (25 Nov)** was marked globally with the theme **“UNiTE to End Digital Violence Against Women.”**
- **Thanksgiving Day 2025 was observed in the United States on 27 November,** the traditional **fourth Thursday,** commemorating the 1621 Pilgrim–Wampanoag harvest feast with parades and family celebrations.

Obituaries News

- **Veteran Bollywood actor Dharmendra (Dharmendra Kewal Krishan Deol) passed away on 24 November 2025 at age 89** in Mumbai; born on **8 December 1935** in Nasrali, Punjab, he was celebrated as Bollywood’s **“He-Man”** with a six-decade career and 300+ films.
- **Dharmendra’s final film “Ikkis” was scheduled for release in December 2025,** marking the end of an iconic cinematic legacy.
- **Renowned Bharatanatyam exponent Kumari Kamala (Kamala Laxmi Narayanan) passed away in November 2025 at age 91** in California, USA; born **16 June 1934** in Mayuram (now Mayiladuthurai), she was a child prodigy who popularised Bharatanatyam globally.
- **Celebrated South Korean actor Lee Soon Jae died at age 91,** ending a prolific 70-year career spanning film, theatre, and television, with memorable roles in *Unstoppable High Kick* and *Dear My Friends*.
- **German cult actor Udo Kier passed away at age 81** in California; known for 250+ films—including *Blade*, *Suspiria*, and *Mark of the Devil*—he collaborated with auteurs like Lars von Trier, Fassbinder, and Werner Herzog.
- **Viola Ford Fletcher, the last survivor of the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre, died at age 111,** remembered globally as **“Mother Fletcher”** for her 2021 U.S. Congress testimony and her memoir *Don’t Let Them Bury My Story*.

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Static Takeaways

Organisation / State / Country	Key Details
Tamil Nadu (TN)	CM: M.K. Stalin • Governor: R.N. Ravi • Capital: Chennai • Tiger Reserves: Mudumalai TR, Sathyamangalam TR
France	President: Emmanuel Macron • PM: Sebastien Lecornu • Capital: Paris • Currency: Euro (EUR)
Miss Universe Organisation (MUO)	President: Raul Rocha Cantu • Established: 1952
Archaeological Survey of India (ASI)	DG: Yadubir Singh Rawat • HQ: New Delhi • Established: 1861
Ministry of Finance (MoF)	Union Minister: Nirmala Sitharaman • MoS: Pankaj Chaudhary
Ministry of Steel (MoS)	Union Minister: H.D. Kumaraswamy • MoS: Bhupathiraju Srinivisa Varma
National Security Council (NSC)	NSA: Ajit Kumar Doval • HQ: New Delhi • Established: 1998
S&P Global Ratings	President: Yann Le Pallec • HQ: New York, USA • Founded: 1860
Cochin Shipyard Ltd (CSL)	CMD: Madhu S. Nair • HQ: Cochin, Kerala • Established: 1972
Oman	PM: Sultan Haitham bin Tariq Al Said • Capital: Muscat • Currency: Omani Rial (OMR)
World Boxing (WB)	President: Gennady Golovkin • HQ: Lausanne, Switzerland • Established: 13 April 2023
GOLD (Global Initiative for COPD)	MD & Chair: Alvar G. Agusti • HQ: Fontana, Wisconsin, USA • Established: 1997
Ministry of Labour & Employment (MoL&E)	Union Minister: Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya • MoS: Shobha Karandlaje
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution (MoCAF&PD)	Union Minister: Pralhad Joshi • MoS: B.L. Verma; Nimuben Bambhaniya
UNFCCC	Executive Secretary: Simon Stiell • HQ: Bonn, Germany • Established: 1994
UNICEF	Executive Director: Catherine M. Russell • HQ: New York, USA • Established: 1946 (UN Permanent in 1953)
Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying (MoFAHD)	Union Minister: Rajiv Ranjan Singh • MoS: S.P. Singh Baghel; George Kurian
Indonesia	President: Prabowo Subianto • Capital: Jakarta • Currency: Indonesian Rupiah (IDR)
Financial Services Institutions Bureau (FSIB)	Part-time Chairman: Bhanu Pratap Sharma • HQ: New Delhi • Established: 2022

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International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF)	President: Luciano Rossi • HQ: Munich, Germany • Established: 1907
FIA (Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile)	President: Mohammed Ben Sulayem • HQ: Paris, France • Established: 1904
UNIDO	DG: Gerd Müller • HQ: Vienna, Austria • Established: 1966
UNESCO	Director-General: Khaled Ahmed El-Enany Ali Ezz • HQ: Paris • Established: 1945
South Africa	President: Cyril Ramaphosa • Capitals: Pretoria, Bloemfontein, Cape Town • Currency: South African Rand (ZAR)
Nepal	President: Ram Chandra Poudel • PM: Sushila Karki • Capital: Kathmandu • Currency: Nepalese Rupee (NPR)
Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL)	CMD: Manoj Jain • Established: 1954 • HQ: Bengaluru
Badminton World Federation (BWF)	President: Khunying Patama Leeswadtrakul • Established: 1934 • HQ: Kuala Lumpur
Saudi Arabia	PM: Mohammed bin Salman • Capital: Riyadh • Currency: Saudi Riyal (SAR)
Haryana	CM: Nayab Singh Saini • Governor: Prof. Ashim Kumar Ghosh • Capital: Chandigarh • WLS: Kalesar WLS, Nahar WLS
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (MoAFW)	Union Minister: Shivraj Singh Chouhan • MoS: Ram Nath Thakur; Bhagirath Choudhary
Gujarat	CM: Bhupendra Patel • Governor: Acharya Devvrat • Capital: Gandhinagar • ZP: Kamlu Nehru ZP, Pradyuman ZP
Punjab	CM: Bhagwant Singh Mann • Governor: Gulab Chand Kataria • Capital: Chandigarh • WLS: Bir Mehas WLS, Bir Gurdialpura WLS
International Committee of Sports for the Deaf (ICSD)	President: Ádám Kósa • HQ: Lausanne, Switzerland • Established: 1924
UN Department of Economic & Social Affairs (UNDESA)	Under-Secretary-General: Li Junhua • HQ: New York • Established: 1948
Ministry of Heavy Industries (MHI)	Union Minister: H.D. Kumaraswamy • MoS: Bhupathi Raju Srinivasa Varma
Ministry of Women & Child Development (MoWCD)	Union Minister: Annapurna Devi • MoS: Savitri Thakur

Organisation / State / Country	Key Details
Competition Commission of India (CCI)	Chairperson: Ravneet Kaur • HQ: New Delhi • Established: 2003
Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment (MSJE)	Union Minister: Dr. Virendra Kumar • MoS: Ramdas Athawale; B.L. Verma
India Meteorological Department (IMD)	DGM: Dr. Mrutyunjay Mohapatra • HQ: New Delhi • Established: 1875
FIDE (World Chess Federation)	President: Arkady Dvorkovich • HQ: Lausanne, Switzerland • Established: 1924
UNRWA	Commissioner-General: Philippe Lazzarini • HQ: Amman & Gaza • Established: 1949
World Health Organization (WHO)	DG: Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus • HQ: Geneva • Established: 1948

