

International

US Army marks 250th anniversary with parade.

The US Army celebrated its 250th anniversary with a festival and parade in Washington, DC.

The parade – which fell on Trump's 79th birthday, involved nearly 7,000 soldiers, fly pasts and fireworks. The event featured patriotic performances, fireworks, and a symbolic flag presentation to Trump.

Iran launches new wave of missiles at Israel.

Israel and Iran have escalated their deadly exchange of missile strikes as Iranian projectiles targeted major Israeli cities, while Israeli forces simultaneously conducted new attacks on military installations in Tehran.

Air raid sirens wailed across Israel as missiles streaked through the skies over Jerusalem and Haifa. Israelis are rushed to bomb shelters in northern Israel as Iranian missiles rained down on populated areas.

U.S.-Iran nuclear talks cancelled.

The sixth round of nuclear negotiations between the United States and Iran, scheduled in Muscat, has been cancelled.

Oman, which has been acting as a mediator, announced the cancellation following Israel's sweeping air offensive against Iran that targeted nuclear facilities and killed several senior commanders and scientists.

Vietnam officially joins BRICS as 'Partner Country'.

Vietnam has been officially admitted as a BRICS "partner country", as announced by Brazil, the bloc's chair in 2025.

This status grants Vietnam the ability to participate in BRICS summits and dialogue forums.

It is the tenth nation to gain this designation, joining others such as Kazakhstan and Nigeria.

Important Days

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day: 15th June.

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) is observed annually on June 15, designated by the UN to highlight the abuse, neglect, and exploitation of older adults.

In 2025, the UN theme focuses on “Addressing Abuse of Older Adults in Long-Term Care Facilities: Through Data and Action”, emphasizing the use of evidence-based strategies to identify, prevent, and respond to abuse in care settings.

National

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Union Minister Kamlesh Paswan inaugurated India's inaugural Agri-Drone Indigenization Hub in Chennai, under the Department of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare.

This facility aims to localize the production of agricultural drones,—supporting the Namo Drone Didi initiative that empowers women's SHGs by providing subsidized drone technology for tasks like spraying fertilizers and pesticides.

The hub will serve as a centre for manufacturing, pilot training, and maintenance bolstering India's push towards Atmanirbhar Bebharaat and revolutionizing agri-tech across the country.

Indian Navy undertakes daring aerial insertion of salvage team on MV Wan Hai 503.

Amid fierce monsoon weather and onboard fire, the Indian Navy deployed a Seaking helicopter to winch down a specialised salvage team onto the distressed container vessel MV Wan Hai 503, located approximately 44 nautical miles off Kerala's coast. The team connected tow lines to the Tug Offshore Warrior under extreme conditions and was safely extracted thereafter.

Five Global Universities get green light to set up campuses in Navi Mumbai.

India has issued Letters of Intent (LoIs) to five foreign universities to open full-fledged campuses in Navi Mumbai, offering programs at 25–30% lower fees than their overseas branches. The institutions include the University of Aberdeen, University of York (UK), University of Western Australia, Illinois Institute of Technology (US), and Istituto Europeo di Design (Italy).

They will retain autonomy over curriculum, fees, and admissions, with operations expected to commence within 18 months, under the NEP 2020 push to transform Mumbai into a global education hub.

Business and Economy

Cherrapunji Gin becomes northeast's first alcohol brand to enter global market.

Cherrapunji Gin has made history as the first alcohol label from Northeast India to be exported internationally.

Distilled in Meghalaya using indigenous botanicals and pristine spring water, the gin reflects the region's rich biodiversity. Its global debut marks a major milestone for local entrepreneurship and opens new avenues for artisanal products from the Northeast on the world stage.

Arunachal Pradesh declares 2025–35 as 'Decade of Hydropower'.

Arunachal Pradesh has declared 2025–2035 as the 'Decade of Hydropower', aiming to become India's leading clean energy powerhouse.

With vast untapped hydro potential, the state plans to accelerate infrastructure, attract investment, and generate thousands of jobs.

This initiative aligns with India's broader climate goals while boosting regional development and energy security in the Northeast.

Sports

Yajik Hillang bags Gold medal at South Asian Bodybuilding and Physique Sports Championships.

India's Yajik Hillang won Gold medal at the 15th South Asian Bodybuilding and Physique Sports Championships 2025 at Thimphu in Bhutan.

She secured the 1st position in the Women's Model Physique up to 155 cm event. Yajik hails from Arunachal Pradesh and she has become the first female Physique Sports athlete from the state to win a Gold medal at an international event.

BCCI constitutes committee to formulate guidelines for victory celebrations.

The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has decided to constitute a committee to formulate comprehensive guidelines aimed at preventing such incidents that occurred during the IPL victory celebrations of RCB in Bengaluru.

The committee will be led by Devajit Saikia as Chairperson, while it will also comprise of Prabhtej Singh Bhatia and Rajeev Shukla.

South Africa clinch WTC 2025.

South Africa have clinched their first ICC title in 27 years, beating Australia to win the World Test Championship (WTC) final 2025 at Lord's Cricket Ground, London. Aiden Markram slammed a memorable century, and captain Temba Bavuma fought through injury to score a fifty, as South Africa chased down a daunting target of 282 on Day 4.

It is the first WTC title for the Proteas. Kagiso Rabada starred with the ball, taking nine wickets in the match.