

## International

### Putin-Trump Alaska Summit ends without deal on Ukraine conflict.

Presidents Donald Trump and Vladimir Putin said that they made progress in three hours of talks in Alaska, moving closer to finding an end to the Ukraine War, but did not announce an immediate ceasefire.

Trump spoke in support of troops to guarantee security, but ruled out their going under the NATO banner. Trump said that he would be calling his Western allies and Zelensky to brief them on the summit.

Mr Putin floated a different location for his next meeting with President Donald Trump in Moscow.

## National

### Ten states and NCDRC achieve over 100% case disposal rate in July.

In a significant achievement for consumer grievance redressal in the country, ten states, along with the National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, have recorded a disposal rate of over 100 percent in July.

As per data from the Department of Consumer Affairs, NCDRC achieved a disposal rate of 122 percent, while Tamil Nadu recorded 277 percent, Rajasthan 214 percent, Telangana 158 percent, and Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand recorded 150 percent each. Meghalaya achieved a disposal rate of 140 percent, Kerala 122 percent, Puducherry 111 percent, Chhattisgarh 108 percent, and Uttar Pradesh 101 percent.

Over two lakh users, including NRIs, have registered on the e-Jagriti platform since its launch.

### President appoints Manipur Governor Ajay Kumar Bhalla as Governor of Nagaland.

President Droupadi Murmu has appointed Manipur Governor Ajay Kumar Bhalla, to discharge the functions of Nagaland Governor in addition to his own duties.

A Rashtrapati Bhavan Communique said, consequent upon the demise of the Governor of Nagaland, La. Ganesan, the President, has appointed Mr. Bhalla as the Governor of the state.

### Indian Army inaugurates 'Arogyam health & wellness centre' in Tawang under operation Sadbhavana.

In Arunachal Pradesh, under the Indian Army's Operation Sadbhavana initiative, an 'Arogyam Health and Wellness Centre' was inaugurated at Dah Jhong in Tawang district.

The centre was inaugurated by Tawang Deputy Commissioner Namgyal Angmo.

Equipped with basic life-saving facilities, the centre aims to provide timely health support to villagers and tourists visiting the high-altitude regions of Thingbu, Mago, Jethang, and Luguthang in the district.

## Business and Economy

### India's electronics exports surge over 47% in Q1: Piyush Goyal.

Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal has said that India's electronics exports have seen a surge of over 47 per cent in the first quarter of 2025-26 over the same quarter in 2024-25.

Mr Goyal said it is a sweet success story for Make In India, which has led to an exponential growth in the electronics production from 31 billion dollars to 133 billion dollars in a decade beginning 2014-15.

### Khidderpore Docks gets first PPP container terminal at Kolkata port.

The Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port, Kolkata (SMPK), inaugurated its first public-private partnership (PPP) terminal at Khidderpore Docks on August 16, 2025. Developed by Century Ports Ltd at a cost of ₹190 crore, the terminal is equipped with a mobile harbour crane, barge unloader, modern yard equipment, and an advanced TOS. It offers an initial handling capacity of 1.65 lakh TEUs and 3.3 lakh tonnes of cargo. The 30-year concession project aims to boost cargo movement and is part of SMPK's ₹4,000-crore pipeline of upcoming PPP projects.

## Sports

### Anahat Singh reaches the final of the NSW Bega Open 2025.

Indian squash player Anahat Singh has reached the final of the NSW Bega Open 2025 in Australia after a tough win over Egypt's Nour Khafagy in the semifinals.

Anahat will now aim for her 13th PSA title in the final against Egypt's Habiba Hani, who defeated India's Akanksha Salunkhe 3-1 in her semifinal.

The NSW Bega Open is a USD 25,000 tournament and the first World Event of the 2025/26 PSA Tour season.

### **United States clinches final spot for 2026 ICC U19 Men's Cricket World Cup.**

The United States secured the final qualification spot for the 2026 ICC U19 Men's Cricket World Cup after an unbeaten run at the Americas Qualifier, held in Rydal, Georgia.

The U.S. joins 15 other teams for the 2026 tournament, co-hosted by Zimbabwe and Namibia.

### **India to host Asian Open Short Track Speed Skating Trophy 2025 for the first time.**

For the first time, India is going to host the biggest international winter sports event. The Asian Open Short Track Speed Skating Trophy 2025 will be organized from 20 to 23 August 2025 at the Maharana Pratap Sports College in Raipur, Dehradun.

### **Zverev, Alcaraz complete men's Semifinal Lineup at Cincinnati Open.**

In Tennis, Alexander Zverev and Carlos Alcaraz completed the men's semifinal lineup at the Cincinnati Open.

Zverev cruised past Toronto champion Ben Shelton 6-2, 6-2 in just 77 minutes to reach the last four. Alcaraz, meanwhile, survived a tense three-set battle with Andrey Rublev, overcoming a late stumble in the decider to seal a 6-2, 4-6, 7-5 win and book his 12th Master's 1000 semifinal.

In women's singles, defending champion Coco Gauff advanced to the quarterfinals with a 6-2, 6-4 win over Lucia Bronzetti.

### **Venus Williams receives Wild Card for U.S. Open at Age 45.**

In Tennis, Venus Williams will become the oldest singles player at the U.S. Open in more than 40 years after receiving a wild card at age 45.

The seven-time Grand Slam singles champion last competed in singles at Flushing Meadows in 2023 and has not won a match there since 2019.

### **Tanya Hemanth wins Women's Singles Title at Saipan International 2025.**

In Badminton, Indian shuttler Tanya Hemanth clinched the women's singles crown at the Saipan International 2025 in the Northern Mariana Islands.

The top seed, ranked 86 in the world, defeated Japan's Kanae Sakai 15-10, 15-8 in the final under the Badminton World Federation's new 3×15 scoring format.

This is Tanya's first International Challenge title of the year and the fourth of her career.