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International

<u>US President, Israeli PM announce</u> proposal for Gaza ceasefire.

United States President Donald Trump has announced a ceasefire plan for the conflict in Gaza, after meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. The peace plan included that Gaza will be a de-radicalised, terror-free zone that does not pose a threat to its neighbours and will be redeveloped for the benefit of the people of Gaza, who have suffered more than enough. The peace plan stated that if both sides agree to this proposal, the war will immediately end.

Nepal imposes travel ban on former PM KP Sharma Oli.

Nepal has imposed travel bans on ousted Prime Minister KP Sharma Oli as part of an investigation into deadly protest, which killed at least 73 people earlier this month. In addition to Oli, travel bans have been placed on former home minister Ramesh Lekhak, former head of the National Investigation Department security agency Hutaraj Thapa and two other senior bureaucrats.

<u>Canada declares Bishnoi Gang a terrorist entity.</u>

Canada has listed the Bishnoi Gang as a terrorist entity under the Criminal Code. The terrorist listing of Bishnoi Gang means anything owned by the group in Canada, including property, vehicles and money, can be frozen or seized by the Canadian law enforcement to prosecute terrorist offences, including those related to financing, travel and recruitment. With the addition of this organisation, there are now 88 terrorist entities listed under the Criminal Code of Canada.

World Heart Day 2025 observed.

World Heart Day is observed every year on the 29th of September to raise public awareness about cardiovascular diseases, their prevention and their global impact. The day highlights the importance of cardiovascular health and encourages proactive measures to prevent heart-related illnesses.

National

<u>India, Bhutan sign MoU to establish first</u> cross-border railway links.

India and Bhutan have agreed to establish two cross-border rail links projects at a total outlay of four thousand 33 crore rupees. The Railway Project includes Kokrajhar-Gelephu and Banarhat-Samtse. The project will connect two important cities of Bhutan, namely Gelephu and Samtse. Around 69-kilometre-long rail route project between Kokrajhar and Gelephu will be constructed at an estimated cost of three thousand 456 crore rupees, While the 20-kilometre-long long Banarhat-Samtse rail project will be constructed at a cost of 577 crore rupees.

Centre issues Guidelines for rollout of 72,300 EV Charging Stations

The Centre has issued operational guidelines for the rollout of nearly 72 thousand 300 public electric vehicle (EV) charging stations across the country under the PM E-DRIVE scheme. The framework provides a tiered subsidy structure to accelerate the installation of charging infrastructure at government premises, highways, public transport hubs, and commercial complexes.

As per the guidelines, government offices, residential colonies, hospitals, and educational institutions will be eligible for a 100 per cent subsidy on upstream infrastructure and EV charging equipment, provided they ensure free public access.

For high-traffic public locations such as railway stations, airports, bus terminals, metro stations, municipal parking lots, public sector ports, retail outlets of state-run oil companies, and toll plazas operated by NHAI or state governments, the subsidy will cover 80 per cent of upstream infrastructure costs and 70 per cent of charging equipment costs.

Death toll rises to 41 in Karur stampede.

The death toll from Saturday night's stampede at Tamil actor-politician Vijay's rally in Karur rose to 41 on Monday morning. Among the deceased women, most were in their 30s, while the men who died were in their 20s and 30s. Tens of thousands of people gathered in the district of Karur on Saturday to attend the TVK rally, amid sweltering heat.



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<u>India's forest area increases 2.5% in 10 vears: MoSPI.</u>

According to the latest physical asset accounting report released by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI), India's forest cover has shown a modest yet notable increase over the past decade. It grew by 2.5 per cent between 2010-11 and 2021-22. The report highlights significant growth in the 'very dense forest' category, while also pointing to declines in certain other forest types. The report indicates that India's total forest area, including very dense, moderately dense, and open forests, increased from 697,898 sq km in 2010-11 to 715,342 sq km in 2021-22, adding 17,444 sq km of forest land over the 10 years.

Business and Economy

India's industrial production rises 4% in August.

India's industrial production growth, measured by the Index of Industrial Production (IIP) stood up at four per cent on an annual basis, in August this year. According to the data released by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, among the three major components of IIP, mining sector advanced by 6 per cent in August. Electricity generation rose 4.1 per cent and manufacturing added 3.8 per cent.

Centre appoints S.C. Murmu as RBI Deputy Governor.

The Appointment Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) has approved the appointment of Shirish Chandra Murmu, Executive Director, Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to the post of Deputy Governor, RBI for a period of three years. He will be taking over the new role on October 9, 2025. He succeeds M. Rajeshwar Rao.

Moody's ratings affirm India's stable outlook.

Moody's Ratings has affirmed India's longterm local and foreign-currency issuer ratings at Baa3 with a stable outlook, citing improving fiscal metrics and resilient growth prospects. The move reflects confidence in India's strong economic growth. Moody noted that India remains a safe investment destination. While fiscal weaknesses and high debt remain concerns, the agency expects limited near-term impact from US tariffs and policy shifts on India's economy.

Sidbi net profit rises by 19.5% to record high of Rs 4,811 cr in FY25.

Small Industries Development Bank of India (Sidbi)'s net profit rose by 19.5 % to hit an all-time high of Rs 4,811 crore in the 2024-25 financial year. It had earned a net profit of Rs 4,026 crore in the previous financial year. During the year, Sidbi's balance sheet crossed Rs 5.6 lakh crore.

The loans and advances portfolio rose by 8.8 % to Rs 4,96,282 crore from Rs 4,56,015 crore in FY24, it said.

Bank of Baroda gets IFSCA nod to operate as Trading-Cum-Clearing Member on IIBX.

Bank of Baroda has received an approval from the International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) to operate as a Trading-Cum-Clearing Member (TCM) on the India International Bullion Exchange IFSC Limited (IIBX), at GIFT City. As a TCM, the bank will execute, clear and settle trades, thereby boosting liquidity and efficiency in India's bullion market.

Launched in July 2022, IIBX is India's first international bullion exchange.

Sports

Para Athletics Worlds: Rinku wins javelin gold.

Rinku Hooda has claimed his first world title with a stunning performance in the men's F46 javelin throw at the World Para Athletics Championships 2025 in New Delhi. With a massive throw of 66.37 meters, Hooda not only secured the gold medal but also set a new Championship Record, surpassing the previous mark with his very first attempt of 63.81 meters.

Marc Marquez wins seventh MotoGP world championship.

Marc Marquez has claimed his seventh MotoGP world championship and his first since 2019 after finishing second at the Japan grand prix, with Francesco Bagnaia winning the race.



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The Spanish Ducati rider has been in brilliant form all year and he underlined his dominance by wrapping up the title with five events of the season remaining.

Women's ODI World Cup 2025 begins in Guwahati.

The ICC Women's ODI World Cup 2025 will kick off today with the opening match between hosts India and Sri Lanka at the Barsapara Cricket Stadium in Guwahati. The Indian

women's cricket team will look to end a 47-year wait for their maiden International Cricket Council (ICC) title.

The 2025 Women's World Cup is the 13th edition of the 50-over cricket tournament featuring 8 teams — Australia, England, India, New Zealand, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and Pakistan. These teams will compete in 28 league matches in a round-robin format across four venues in India and one in Colombo.