

International

US President Trump warns of strikes on Iran's power plants on April 7 if Strait of Hormuz remains closed.

US President Donald Trump warned that he will strike Iran's power plants and bridges on April 7 if the Strait of Hormuz remains closed to marine traffic.

Earlier, the US President Donald Trump announced that the missing crew member of a downed F-15 aircraft had been successfully rescued.

India's foreign Secretary participates in U.K. meet on opening Hormuz.

Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri joined Foreign Ministers and bureaucrats from over 40 countries on a call hosted by Britain to discuss how the Strait of Hormuz, a crucial waterway for fuel shipments that borders Iran, might be reopened to ships, using diplomatic and political tools.

Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri, joining the deliberations through virtual mode, articulated India's stance on safety of international shipping lanes in the region.

Easter observed worldwide, commemorating resurrection of Jesus Christ after crucifixion.

Easter is being celebrated across the globe on April 5. It signifies the resurrection of Jesus Christ after his crucifixion and death at Calvary on Good Friday. The event marks the culmination of the Holy Week of prayers, penitence and recalling the final phase of Jesus Christ's life.

National

INS Aridhaman, nuclear-powered submarine, enters India's naval fleet.

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh presided over a brief ceremony to formally commission the country's third nuclear submarine, INS Aridhaman (S4), which is the third in the Arihant-class of SSBNs

(Submersible Ship Ballistic Nuclear), on April 3 at Visakhapatnam.

The boat, being part of the strategic weapons programme, falls under the domain of the Strategic Forces and is part of the country's nuclear triad.

Defence Ministry pushes indigenous design for development of 1,000-kg aerial bomb for IAF.

The Ministry of Defence has initiated the process for the indigenous design and development of a 1000-kg aerial bomb akin to Mk-84 for the IAF, aiming to boost India's 'Aatmanirbharta' in the sector.

The Ministry has issued an Expression of Interest (EoI) for design, development and procurement of 1,000-kg aerial bombs (akin to Mk-84) along with tail units and associated equipment under the provisions of the Defence Acquisition Procedure (DAP) 2020.

Union Home Ministry revises classification of districts affected by left-wing extremism.

The Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has re-categorised the total number of left-wing extremism (LWE) affected districts in the country replacing the earlier classification of "most affected" with "LWE affected," "districts of concern," and "legacy and thrust districts"

While the number of districts in the LWE category remains unchanged at 38 compared to 2024–25, the classification now reflects shifts in the severity of violence reported in these areas. The red corridor has significantly contracted – from over 200 districts in 2005 to just two in 2026 – and its definition has also been revised.

Bharat Tribes Fest 2026 concludes with grand closing ceremony in New Delhi.

Bharat Tribes Fest 2026 concluded with a grand closing ceremony in New Delhi. The event marked the culmination of a 19-day

celebration of tribal culture, craftsmanship, and enterprise. The festival featured more than 300 artisans and representatives from over 75 Van Dhan Vikas Kendras.

The festival's record sales and over 1 lakh 50 thousand attendees demonstrate the growing desire for tribal goods and empowerment.

Business and Economy

Moody's cuts India's FY27 GDP growth estimates to 6%

Moody's Ratings has cut India's economic growth estimates for the current fiscal to 6% from 6.8% earlier, saying the ongoing conflict in West Asia will moderate growth momentum and raise inflation risks.

Moody's said prolonged disruptions, particularly LPG shipments due to the conflict, would lead to near-term household shortages, higher fuel and transport costs, and spillovers to food inflation through India's reliance on imported fertilisers.

Amul crosses ₹1 lakh crore mark, reports 11% growth.

Amul, a dairy brand owned by Anand-based Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation Ltd. (GVMMF), crossed ₹1 lakh crore in turnover in 2025-26, registering an 11% increase over the previous financial year. The total un-duplicated revenue rose from ₹90,000 crore in 2024-25.

GVMMF said it has 3.6 million farmers, collects 31 million litres of milk per day and distributes over 24 billion packs annually across more than 50 countries

Microsoft to invest \$10 billion for Japan AI data centres.

Microsoft will invest \$10 billion in Japan over the next four years to build artificial intelligence data centres and related infrastructure. Power-hungry data centres, or warehouse-like facilities that power AI tools from chatbots to image generators, are springing up worldwide, and the sector is growing particularly fast in Asia.

Sports

Table Tennis World Cup 2026: Sun Yingsha clinches third consecutive title, Wang Chuqin wins maiden WC.

Chinese paddlers dominated the top prizes at the ITTF World Cup 2026 in Macau with Sun Yingsha and Wang Chuqin bagging the women's and men's titles respectively. World No. 1 Sun defeated Wang Manyu in the women's singles final to claim an unprecedented third consecutive World Cup title.

Wang Chuqin defeated Sora Matsushima in a final to claim his first-ever World Cup title at his fourth appearance at this event.

World Archery Para Series in Bangkok: India wins 16 medals including seven gold.

In the World Archery Para Series, quadruple amputee archer Payal Nag defeated world No. 1 Sheetal Devi to win gold in the compound women's final in Bangkok. The 18-year-old secured a 139-136 victory in the compound women's final, as India signed off with 16 medals, including seven gold, five silver and four bronze.

Toman Kumar won gold in the compound men's event, while Bhawna won the recurve women's title.

Indian Athletics Series 2026 in Bengaluru: Murali Sreeshankar wins men's long jump with 8.15m.

At the Indian Athletics Series 2026, Murali Sreeshankar began his season with victory in the men's long jump, registering a best effort of 8.15m. Competing at the Sree Kanteerava Stadium, in Bengaluru, he produced his best jump on the fourth attempt and emerged as the only athlete in the field to cross both the 8.00m mark and the Asian Games qualifying standard of 7.91m.

Indian football team suffered 3- 4 defeat to Bangladesh in SAFF U20 final.

The Indian football team suffered a 3-4 defeat to Bangladesh on penalties in the final of the SAFF Men's U20

Championship at the National Stadium in the Maldives . This was Bangladesh's second SAFF Under-20 Championship title.