

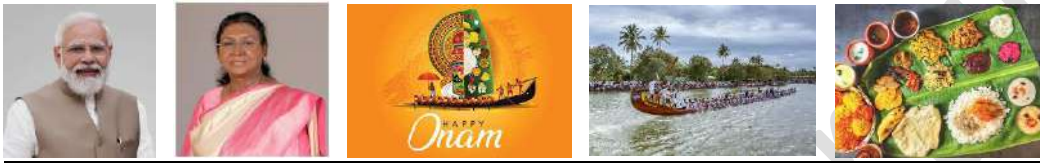
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## National

### **Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal Inaugurates Green Hydrogen Project at Tuticorin Port,**

**Tamil Nadu:** On September 5, 2025, Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurated a Green Hydrogen Pilot Plant and multiple development projects at V.O. Chidambaranar Port, Tuticorin, including a new container terminal, 110 kV substations, and 6 MW wind energy project, coinciding with the birth anniversary of freedom fighter V.O. Chidambaranar.



### **President Murmu & PM Modi Convey Onam Wishes to the Nation**

On September 5, 2025, President Droupadi Murmu and Prime Minister Narendra Modi extended Onam greetings, celebrating **Kerala's** cultural heritage and traditions while emphasizing unity, harmony, and bonds with nature, and wishing citizens joy, health, and prosperity.

**Union Jal Shakti Minister CR Paatil said that Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen) and Jal Jeevan Mission** are ensuring sustainable sanitation and water security, with safe tap water reaching every rural household. He emphasized innovation, waste-to-energy, and climate-resilient sanitation for improving rural quality of life.

**President Droupadi Murmu, at the Diamond Jubilee of AISH Mysuru,** urged the institute to adopt innovation and collaborate with research bodies and startups to address **speech and hearing disorders**. She emphasized self-sufficiency in **Cochlear implants**, policy support, and awareness initiatives like **Sugam Bharat Abhiyan** and **Sanketika Basha Diwas (September 23)**.



**Union Home Minister Amit Shah honoured CRPF, Chhattisgarh Police, DRG, and CoBRA personnel** for **Operation Black Forest** (Apr 21–May 11), where 31 Naxals were eliminated at Karreguttalu Hill on the Chhattisgarh-Telangana border. He hailed the operation as a **golden chapter in anti-Naxal history**, reaffirming the government's resolve for a Naxal-free India.

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**MoS Health Prataprao Jadhav said the govt is shifting from OPD care to preventive healthcare**, with 12,500 Ayushman Arogya Mandirs established. He announced **Ayurveda Diwas on 23 Sept**, themed “**AYURVEDA FOR PEOPLE AND PLANET**”, stressing sustainability and health.

**The Supreme Court took suo motu notice of non-functional CCTV cameras in police stations**, after reports of 11 custodial deaths in Rajasthan (2025). A bench of Justices Vikram Nath and Sandeep Mehta stressed state/UT responsibility to ensure installation and proper maintenance for transparency and accountability.



**PM Modi Shares Savitri Thakur's Article on Teachers' Day, Honours Savitribai Phule's Legacy highlighting the remarkable contributions of Savitribai Phule**



**Yudh Kaushal 3.0 was a large-scale Indian Army exercise held in the high-altitude Kameng region of Arunachal Pradesh** in August-September 2025, designed to test combat readiness in high-altitude, extreme climate, and integrate modern technologies for multi-domain warfare.

**According to the National Annual Report and Index on Women's Safety (NARI) 2025, Kohima is ranked as the safest city for women (August 2025).**

## Economy

**Over 400 Rural Women to Showcase Products at 27th Saras Aajeevika Mela**

On September 5, 2025, the 27th Saras Aajeevika Mela began in New Delhi, with over 400 rural women from SHGs across India showcasing handicrafts, handlooms, and food products. The fair, themed “**MAKING OF LAKHPATI DIDIS**”, highlights women's entrepreneurship and will run till September 22.



**Union Minister Kiren Rijiju hailed PM Narendra Modi**, stating that the **7.8% GDP growth** in the current quarter proves no one can manage the economy better. He added that global economists also praise Modi's leadership, emphasizing the need to boost **Make in India** and adopt **Swadeshi** for self-reliant growth.

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In 8 years of service, the India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) has become one of the world's largest financial inclusion initiatives, with **12+ crore customers** and nationwide doorstep banking through 1.64 lakh post offices and 1.90 lakh postal staff. Launched in 2018, IPPB now offers DBT, pensions, insurance, investments, DigiSmart services, and Aadhaar-enabled digital banking, making it a **trusted and accessible bank for the common man**.



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## NEXT-GEN GST: The 2 Slab Revolution

Simplified Compliances & Enhanced Global Competitiveness

**“ To build a developed India, we will neither stop nor bow down, we will keep working hard and we will build a developed India by 2047. ”**  
Narendra Modi  
Prime Minister

### Benefits to the Businesses

#### Two Rate Structure

More than 99% of goods & services under GST regime are now either exempt or fall under:

- ▶ 5% GST Slab
- ▶ 18% GST Slab

This will simplify classification and will significantly reduce litigations

#### Registration

Automatic registration within 3 working days for applicants:

- ▶ Identified by the system based on data analysis
- ▶ Who determines that he would not pass Input Tax Credit exceeding ₹2.5 Lakh per month and opts for the Scheme

This will benefit around 96% of new applicants

#### Refund

Sanction of Provisional Refunds by proper officer, through system based risk evaluation for:

- ▶ Zero Rated Supplies
- ▶ Supplies with Inverted Duty Structure

This will ease cash flow constraints and boost India's economy

For the complete list of revised rates & other GST changes, please scan → 

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## Govt Announces GST Reforms to Boost Cooperatives & Rural Economy

The government has announced sweeping GST reforms aimed at strengthening the cooperative sector, making products more competitive, and raising rural incomes. Under the changes, milk and paneer are exempted from GST, while the tax on butter, ghee, and similar products has been reduced from 12% to 5%. GST cuts also cover milk cans, tractors below 1800 cc, and key fertiliser inputs, benefiting over 10 crore dairy farmers, cooperatives, and small rural enterprises, while promoting affordable nutrition, sustainable farming, and women-led self-help groups.

Housing Minister Manohar Lal launched ANGIKAAR 2025 to boost awareness, fast-track verification, and expedite completion of houses under PM Awas Yojana–Urban 2.0. Under PMAY-U, one crore 20 lakh houses have been sanctioned, out of which over 94 lakh pucca houses have already been completed and delivered to beneficiaries. The Ministry said, Angikaar campaign will facilitate the completion of the remaining houses.



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**Union Minister for Ports, Shipping and Waterways Sarbananda Sonowal Announces ₹80 Lakh Crore Investment to Transform India's Maritime Sector by 2047.**

**Union Minister Science and Technology Minister, Dr Jitendra Singh Inaugurates Campus Tank** in New Delhi to Empower Youth on 6<sup>th</sup> September . The flagship start-up Launchpad will provide country's next generation founders with an early-career professional opportunity to build the next big thing by setting up their own start-up.



**Union Textiles Minister Giriraj Singh launched the Kapas Kisan App** for Cotton Farmers: on September 2, 2025 to benefit cotton farmers across India. The app is designed to digitize procurement under the Minimum Support Price (MSP) scheme, ensuring a transparent and farmer-friendly process. The app developed by Cotton Corporation of India(CCI).

**The second edition of India MedTech Expo 2025 held in New Delhi** from September 4 to 6, 2025, at the Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan, under the theme "India: Global MedTech Manufacturing Hub – Precision Engineering yet Affordable" and was organized by the Department of Pharmaceuticals.

**BHARATI, full form Bharat's Hub for Agritech, Resilience, Advancement and Incubation for Export Enablement,** launched by Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) with a purpose to to empower 100 agri-food and agri-tech startups, accelerate their journey, promote innovation and create new export opportunities for young entrepreneurs.

### States:

**Bihar CM Nitish Kumar Launches Mukhyamantri Mahila Rojgar Yojana** :On September 7, 2025, Bihar CM Nitish Kumar launched the **MUKHYAMANTRI MAHILA ROJGAR YOJANA**, providing one woman per family with ₹ 10,000 start-up support (via DBT) and potential assistance up to ₹ 2 lakh, along with market spaces to boost women's self-employment.

**Punjab has launched Deen Dayal Laado Laxmi Yojana** for ensuring social security and dignity of women and to strength the economic condition of women. Every eligible women will get Rs. 2100/- monthly.

Meghalaya launches Autumn Calendar 2025 an initiative by the Department of Tourism to highlight its cultural vibrancy and to boost culture, tourism, and local economy.

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## Science & Technology, Industry

**SEMICON India 2025 (2–4 Sept, Yashobhoomi, New Delhi)** inaugurated by PM Modi, saw 350+ exhibitors, delegates from 48 countries, 35,000 registrations, and global CXO participation, marking India's emergence as a trusted semiconductor hub.



**SEMICON India 2025** was held from **2–4 September 2025** at **Yashobhoomi IICB, New Delhi**, showcasing India's rising role in the global semiconductor ecosystem. The event saw

participation of **350+** exhibitors, delegates from **48** countries, and over **35,000**



**registrations.**

Inaugurated by **Prime Minister Narendra Modi**, the three-day conclave brought together industry leaders, policymakers, academia, startups, and researchers to foster investment, dialogue, and partnerships.

Organised by the **India Semiconductor Mission in partnership with SEMI and industry bodies**, the event aimed to position India as a trusted partner in the global semiconductor supply chain. Key highlights included the **PM's address, exhibition visits, and roundtable with global CXOs**, participation of Union Ministers Ashwini Vaishnaw and Jitin Prasada, and Chief Ministers of Delhi and Odisha. With thousands of MoUs, B2B meetings, and unprecedented global participation, SEMICON India 2025 set a new benchmark in India's journey towards becoming a global technology powerhouse.

**The name of India's first fully Made-in-India semiconductor chip unveiled in 2025 is VIKRAM-3201** (A 32 bit microprocessor, designed by ISRO's Semiconductor Laboratory Chandigarh).

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Union Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia launched the India Mobile Congress (IMC) 2025 app on September 1 in New Delhi, featuring AI-based suggestions, networking tools, and interactive elements to enhance user engagement. The **9<sup>th</sup> edition of IMC**, themed **"INNOVATE TO TRANSFORM"**, will be held from **8–11 October 2025** at Yashobhoomi Convention Centre, showcasing 5G, 6G, AI, IoT, and green technologies.

The DGCA has granted safety clearance to Air India SATS (AISATS), making it India's **first ground handling company** to get such approval. With this, India becomes the **second country in Asia-Pacific after Malaysia** to adopt ICAO-aligned safety frameworks, boosting ground handling safety and oversight.

The Union Cabinet approved a ₹1,500 crore Incentive Scheme under the National Critical Mineral Mission (NCMM) to build recycling capacity for extracting critical minerals from e-waste, LIB scrap, and other sources. The 6-year scheme (FY 2025-26 to 2030-31) offers **Capex and Opex subsidies** to boost new and existing units. It aims to create **270 KT recycling capacity**, produce **40 KT critical minerals annually**, attract **₹8,000 crore investment**, and generate **70,000 jobs**.

UIDAI recorded over 221 crore Aadhaar authentication **August**, highlighting the digital economy's growth. The IT Aadhaar aids welfare delivery and service access, with **18.6 authentications** done using AI-based technology for secure and identity verification.



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**DPIIT signed an MoU with** to boost India's healthcare ecosystem. Under the **Pfizer INDovation program**, DPIIT-recognized startups will get up to **₹60 lakh grants** and an **18-month incubation program** with mentorship, infrastructure, and access to Pfizer's R&D in Chennai. The initiative will support **14 MedTech startups** in areas like diagnostics, brain health, oncology, maternal & child health, and immunisation.

**Pfizer Limited**  
innovation

ICMR licensed nine medical technologies to industry partners under its Patent Mitra initiative at India MedTech Expo 2025 in New Delhi, marking a step toward scaling indigenous innovations for public health. The three-day expo features 150+ global buyers from 30+ countries.



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Union Minister G. Kishan Reddy announced the launch of India's Mineral Trading Exchange to serve domestic industries. He said **private participation in coal mining may increase to 50%**, and set a target to complete **mine closures of 143 de-coaled coal mines in 3 years**, while stressing technology adoption in the sector.

Adi Vaani, has been launched in a beta version by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, is India's first AI-powered tribal language translator. It has been Developed by IIT Delhi and BITS Pilani in collaboration with Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs), the tool aims to bridge communication gaps by enabling translation between Hindi, English, and tribal languages.



Union Minister Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw inaugurates India's first Tempered Glass Manufacturing Facility for Mobile Devices at Noida.

Which Company Developed Nano Banana AI Tool?- Goole DeepMind.

## International



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Singapore PM Lawrence Wong visited (from 2 to 4 September 2025) India on the occasion of the **60th anniversary of diplomatic ties**, holding wide-ranging talks with PM **Narendra Modi**. Both leaders signed **five MoUs** in areas like green & digital shipping, space, civil aviation, digital asset innovation, and skills. They also launched a **Roadmap for Comprehensive Strategic Partnership**, covering defence, security, sustainability, health, connectivity, and people-to-people ties. Defence cooperation will expand in **AI, quantum, unmanned vessels, and maritime security**, while both nations reaffirmed commitment to fight terrorism. Wong also met **President Droupadi Murmu** and inaugurated the **JNPA PSA Mumbai Terminal Phase-II** with PM Modi, marking stronger trade and connectivity links.

India sent 15 tonnes of humanitarian aid and 1,000 family tents to quake-hit Afghanistan, with EAM **S. Jaishankar** assuring more relief supplies and expressing solidarity with the Afghan people.

The 14th edition of the India - Thailand joint military Exercise MAITREE-XIVis being conducted from 1st to 14th September 2025 at Joint Training Node (JTN), Umroi, Meghalaya. Exercise MAITREE, instituted in 2006, is one of the important joint training exercises between India and Thailand.

At the 25th SCO Summit in Tianjin, PM Narendra Modi joined leaders in adopting the Tianjin Declaration, which condemned the Pahalgam terror attack and reaffirmed India's vision of "One Earth, One Family, and One Future." Modi emphasized cooperation under Security, Connectivity, and Opportunity, met President Xi Jinping stressing border peace, and highlighted India's role in promoting regional stability and sustainable development. Prime Minister Narendra Modi met Russian President Putin and also looked forward to hosting Putin for the 23rd Annual India-Russia Summit later this year.

MoS **Kirti Vardhan Singh** is on a **two-day visit to Iceland** to attend the **India-Nordic Track 1.5 Dialogue**, where he will deliver the keynote address. He will also meet Icelandic leaders and the Indian community, aiming to **strengthen India-Iceland and Nordic ties**.



The **21st edition of India-US Exercise Yudh Abhyas 2025** is underway at **Fort Wainwright, Alaska**, from **1-14 September**. Indian troops from the **Madras Regiment** are training with US Army's **Arctic Wolves Brigade**, focusing on mountain warfare, heliborne ops, UAS, info-warfare, and joint tactical drills to boost UN peacekeeping and multi-domain preparedness.

ICGEB New Delhi marked the **first anniversary of the BioE3 Policy** by hosting an **INSTITUTE-INDUSTRY INTERACTION** on climate-resilient agriculture and clean energy, with participation from leading research bodies and industry stakeholders. The **BioE3 Policy**, approved in 2024, integrates biotechnology with Economy,



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Environment, and Employment to drive innovation, boost the bio-economy, and support India's **Net Zero 2070** goal.

**According to Global peace index ICELAND is the world's most peaceful country.** India's Rank improved one position from previous year 116 to 115 this year. Total countries Ranked 163 and published by The Institute for Economics & Peace (IEP), headquartered in Sydney.

India launched e-scholarship programs for the students of Afghanistan and Africa 1,000 e-scholarships were announced for the 2025-26 academic year.

## Sports

**Youth Affairs and Sports Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya on 4<sup>th</sup> September launched an indigenous Chemical Reference (Methandienone Long-Term Metabolite (LTM)) Material for anti-doping analysis to enhance test accuracy.** Developed by NDTL and NIPER-Guwahati, it will also be shared with WADA-accredited labs globally.

Neeraj Chopra secures 2nd place at Diamond League Final in Zurich, Switzerland with best throw of 85.10 M.



On 2 September 2025, Mitchell Starc, Australian fast bowler, announced his retirement from international cricket T20Is.

## Education

Union Education Minister **Dharmendra Pradhan** stressed integrating **digitisation and AI** into the curriculum while addressing NCERT's 65th Foundation Day. He launched **PM eVidya app** and **DIKSHA 2.0**, highlighting multilingual (12 Languages), Read Aloud, AI-powered tools to boost creative thinking, competency-based learning, and drive India's vision of a **Samridhh Bharat by 2047**.

**On September 4, Union Minister of Education Dharmendra Pradhan and Union Minister of Women and Child Development Annapurna Devi launched guidelines to co-locate Anganwadi Centres with schools** to ensure holistic care, smooth transition to education, and better nutrition in line with **NEP 2020**. Nearly **2 lakh schools will**

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**get broadband in 3 years** to boost digital learning also highlights community participation and integration of initiatives like **NIPUN Bharat** and **Poshan Bhi Padhai Bhi**.

**UPSC Chairman Dr. Ajay Kumar** announced the plan to set up a **Centre of Excellence** as a repository of best practices from UPSC and State PSCs. It will act as a **knowledge hub of SOPs, innovations, and learnings** for recruitment bodies. He also highlighted the success of the **Pratibha Setu portal** for candidates who reached the interview stage but missed the final list.

**Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan** released the **NIRF India Rankings 2025**, where **IIT Madras** topped the Overall and Engineering categories for the 7th year, followed by IISc Bengaluru and IIT Bombay. **IIM Ahmedabad** led in Management, **AIIMS Delhi** in Medical, and **NLSIU Bengaluru** in Law. Pradhan highlighted the growth of higher education, with student numbers rising from **3.5 crore (2014-15) to 4.5 crore**, and India's global rankings improving significantly - in 2014, India had 11 institutions in the QS World University Rankings' top 500 category, which has now risen to 54. Over **14,000 institutions participated**, making NIRF a benchmark for **quality, inclusivity, and innovation**.



**Road Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari** announced that **road safety curriculum will be integrated into schools and colleges** in all regional languages. Speaking at the FICCI Road Safety Awards 2025, he stressed public participation to curb accidents, noting that **66% of fatalities involve people aged 18-45**. He also highlighted government measures like **sleep and fatigue detection devices** to reduce driver-related accidents.

**INS Kadmat** Leads Fleet Review at Papua New Guinea's on 4th of September as part of Papua New Guinea's 50th Independence Day celebrations.

## Awards, Cultural, Religious

**Bhutan PM Tshering Tobgay** (during his four-day visit in September 2025) inaugurated the **Royal Bhutan Buddhist Temple** at Rajgir, Bihar, along with Union Minister Kiren Rijju, saying it will deepen India-Bhutan friendship. He also visited the **Mahabodhi Temple in Bodhgaya**, offered prayers, meditated under the sacred Bodhi Tree, and received a replica of the shrine, highlighting the enduring cultural and spiritual ties between the two nations. EAM S. Jaishankar met Bhutan PM Tshering on 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2025 in New Delhi, praising the unique and time-tested India-Bhutan partnership.

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## Indian Filmmaker Anuparna Roy Bags Best Director Award at Venice Film Festival

At the 82nd Venice Film Festival, noted filmmaker **Anuparna Roy** clinched the **Best Director award** in the prestigious **ORIZZONTI** category, which celebrates independent and emerging cinema. Her film **SONGS OF FORGOTTEN TREES**—the sole Indian entry in this section—portrays the lives of two migrant women in Mumbai. The award announcement was made by **JULIA DUCOURNAU**, president of the Orizzonti jury.

Educate Girls NGO wins Ramon Magsaysay Award 2025, becomes first Indian organisation to get the honour.

## Books



**Army Chief Gen. Upendra Dwivedi** launched the book **“OPERATION SINDOOR: THE UNTOLD STORY OF INDIA’S DEEP STRIKES INSIDE PAKISTAN”** by **Retd. Lt. Gen. KJS Dhillon** in New Delhi. He said the book is a **tribute to the courage and professionalism of the Indian Army**, highlighting how the operation was executed with synergy and precision, and serves as a valuable reference for scholars and academia.

## Appointments

Ms. T.C.A. Kalyani has been appointed as 29th Controller General of Accounts (CGA) of India in September 2025. The CGA function as principal accounting advisor to the Union Government.

## Important Dates

World Coconut Day is celebrated annually on September 2 to recognize the significance of the coconut and its role in the livelihoods. This year theme was **Uncovering Coconut's Power, Inspiring Global Action**.

National Wildlife Day Celebrated on 4<sup>th</sup> September to encourage people to protect endangered species and support conservation efforts.

**End**