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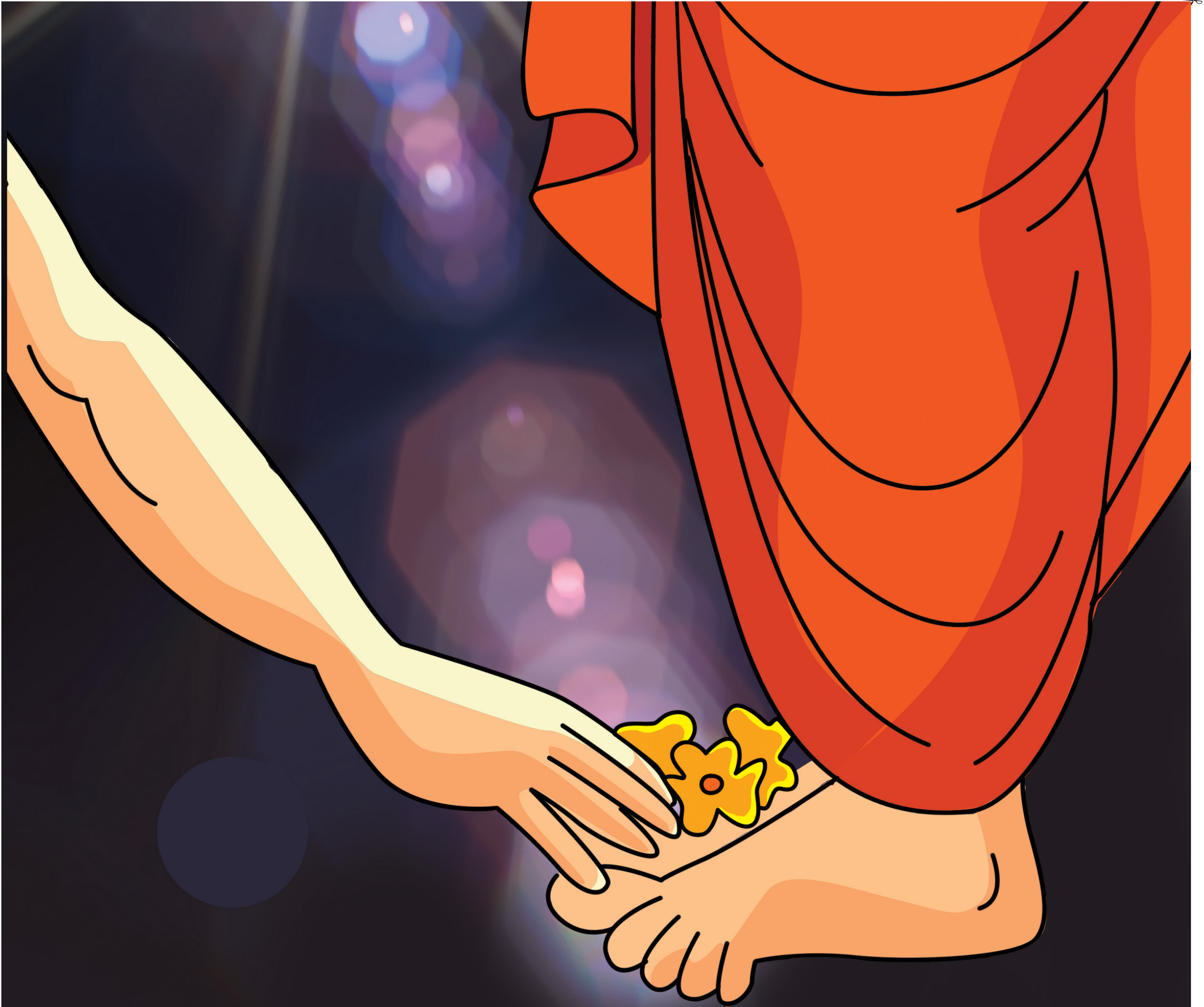
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Happy Teachers' Day



"Teachers should be the best minds
in the country"

- Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan



गुरु गौबिंद दीऊ खड़े, काके लागूँ पाय ।
बलिहारी गुरु आपने, गौबिंद दियो बताय ॥

Teachers play a very important role in a student's life. A teacher is a role model for students who bring out the best in them and encourage them to strive for greatness. They help the students what they want to be and build their life with good qualities. They teach moral values which help the students to live in society with pride. They are not only important for students but also for society. A teacher helps us to become good human being in society and a good citizen of the country. So the future development of any nation is in the hands of teachers.

Appreciation of teachers is very important because they are the most important people in the country. We celebrate Teachers' day every year on **5th September** on the occasion of the birthday of **Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan**.

International Events

Over 500 Humanoid Robots Compete at World Robot Games in Beijing, Showcasing Speed, Skill, and Stumbles

August 19, 2025

The future of robotics was on full display in Beijing, where more than 500 humanoid robots from 16 countries gathered to compete in the World Humanoid Robot Games. The four-day international event, which concluded recently, pushed the boundaries of robotics by testing humanoid machines in sports, dance, and real-world tasks, offering a thrilling mix of precision, power, and mishap.



Trump Appoints Sergio Gor as US Ambassador to India and Special Envoy for South, Central Asia

August 23, 2025

In a major diplomatic and political move, US President Donald Trump has nominated his long-time aide, Sergio Gor, as the next United States Ambassador to India and Special Envoy for South and Central Asian Affairs. Gor's appointment highlights Trump's intent to ensure loyalists take on critical global roles during his second term.



enabling companies to operate across all of the emirate's free zones under a single license. The reform, revealed by the Dubai Free Zones Council, is expected to significantly lower costs, reduce bureaucracy, and accelerate business expansion.



India and Singapore Reinforce Strategic Partnership at 3rd Ministerial Roundtable in New Delhi

August 14, 2025

India and Singapore reaffirmed their long-standing and evolving bilateral relationship during the 3rd India-Singapore Ministerial Roundtable (ISMR) held in New Delhi. The meeting brought together top ministers from both countries to deliberate on key areas of cooperation, reinforcing the strong foundations laid under their Comprehensive Strategic Partnership. This forum highlights the two nations' shared commitment to regional growth, innovation, and strategic alignment in the Indo-Pacific.



Fiji Prime Minister Sitiveni Rabuka to Visit India from August 24-26 to Deepen Bilateral Ties

August 22, 2025

In a key diplomatic engagement, Fijian Prime Minister Sitiveni Ligamamada Rabuka will undertake an official visit to India from August 24 to 26, 2025. The visit, announced by the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), is expected to enhance India-Fiji bilateral cooperation across multiple sectors including governance, development, and cultural exchange.



Dubai Launches 'One Freezone Passport' to Streamline Business Licensing and Attract Global Investment

August 20, 2025

In a bold step to reinforce its status as a global business hub, Dubai has launched the "One Freezone Passport", a unified licensing system

Dubai Launches AI-Powered Passenger Corridor to Replace Immigration Counters

August 19, 2025

Dubai International Airport (DXB), already renowned as the world's busiest hub for international travel, has taken a revolutionary leap in airport innovation with the launch of its AI-powered passenger corridor. Under the "Travel Without Borders" initiative, this new system allows passengers to clear immigration in just 14 seconds—without presenting any documents. This marks a major milestone in the evolution of frictionless and secure travel, using artificial intelligence and biometrics to transform how people move through global airports.



Nepal Offers Free Climbing on 97 Himalayan Peaks to Boost Tourism

August 19, 2025

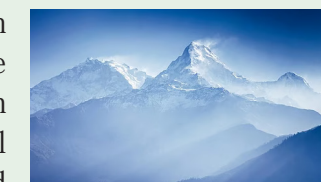
In a bid to attract adventure tourists and promote lesser-known mountain regions, Nepal has announced that climbers can scale 97 Himalayan peaks free of charge for the next two years. The initiative, revealed by Nepal's Tourism Department, aims to showcase the nation's unexplored natural treasures and stimulate economic growth in its poorer, far-western provinces.



Hiroshima Day 2025 (6 August)

August 5, 2025

Every year on August 6, the world observes Hiroshima Day to remember the catastrophic moment in World War II when the United States dropped an atomic bomb on the Japanese city of Hiroshima in 1945. The event left deep scars on humanity, with thousands killed instantly and survivors suffering from long-term radiation effects. As we observe Hiroshima Day 2025, it serves as a reminder not only of the immense loss but also of the urgent need for global peace, nuclear disarmament, and a world free of the fear of atomic destruction.



WMO Warns Extreme Heat Affecting Millions Globally, Urges Early Warning Systems

August 11, 2025

The World Meteorological Organization (WMO) has issued a stark warning that extreme heat is impacting millions of people worldwide, with rising temperatures, prolonged heatwaves, and worsening air quality creating severe public health risks. The organisation is urging countries to implement early warning systems and heat-health action plans to mitigate the effects of this growing climate threat.



Great Barrier Reef Suffers Steepest Coral Decline

August 9, 2025

The Great Barrier Reef (GBR) has experienced its most severe loss of hard coral cover in nearly 40 years. The 2024 mass coral bleaching

Person in News

Manika Vishwakarma Crowned Miss Universe India 2025, to Represent India at 74th Miss Universe in Thailand

August 19, 2025

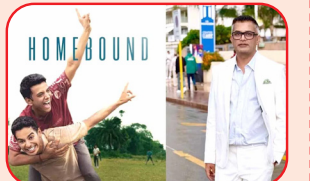
India has chosen its new global beauty ambassador. Manika Vishwakarma, a model from Ganganagar, Rajasthan, has been crowned Miss Universe India 2025 in a glittering event held in Jaipur. With this victory, Manika will now represent India at the 74th Miss Universe competition, scheduled to take place later this year in Thailand.



Neeraj Ghaywan's Homebound Wins Big at Indian Film Festival of Melbourne 2025

August 16, 2025

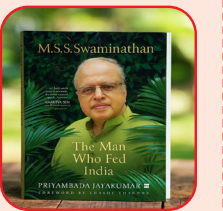
Acclaimed filmmaker Neeraj Ghaywan has once again captured the spotlight, with his latest drama Homebound sweeping the Indian Film Festival of Melbourne (IFFM) 2025. The film won Best Film and earned Ghaywan the Best Director award at the festival's awards night held on August 15, 2025. Starring Ishaan Khatter, Vishal Jetwa, and Janhvi Kapoor, the film resonated with international audiences for its sensitive portrayal of belonging, displacement, and the emotional complexities of returning home.



A Tribute to M.S. Swaminathan

August 22, 2025

The year 2025 marks the birth centenary of M.S. Swaminathan, the visionary scientist hailed as the "Father of India's Green Revolution" and celebrated as "The Man Who Fed India." His leadership in adapting high-yielding wheat varieties to Indian conditions helped India overcome crippling food shortages of the 1960s and achieve self-sufficiency in food grains. A new biography, M.S. Swaminathan: The Man Who Fed India by Priyambada Jayakumar, highlights his extraordinary contributions and enduring lessons for India's agricultural future.



Save Environment

Pampa River Conservation Under National River Plan

August 21, 2025

The central government has initiated steps to include the Pampa River under the National River Conservation Plan (NRCP). This move aims to protect the river from pollution and degradation. The Union Ministry for Jal Shakti has requested the Kerala state government to submit a detailed report. This report will support the preparation of a comprehensive conservation project for the river. The Pampa River holds environmental and religious significance, especially due to its association with the Sabarimala shrine and major religious gatherings.



Global Climate Action at COP 30 in Brazil

August 20, 2025

The 30th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 30) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) is scheduled for November 2025

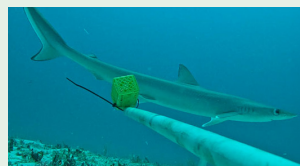


in Belem, Brazil. This meeting is critical as global climate mitigation efforts face renewed challenges. The focus remains on encouraging cooperation among nations to limit global warming and manage climate risks effectively.

Sliteye Shark Recorded in Great Chagos Bank

August 20, 2025

The sliteye shark has been recorded for the first time in the Great Chagos Bank. This coral atoll is the largest of its kind globally. The discovery reveals the rich and largely unexplored biodiversity of the Chagos Archipelago and its Marine Protected Area. Researchers captured images of the shark in deep seagrass habitats on the southern rim of the Bank. This finding adds new knowledge about the species and its habitat preferences.

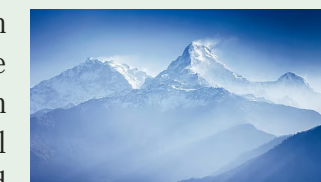


Himalayan Climate Risks 2025

August 14, 2025

The Indian Himalayan region is facing increasing climatic and geological threats. Recent years have seen frequent disasters such as glacial lake bursts, flash floods, landslides, avalanches and cloudbursts. These events are no longer rare but have become common indicators of a

destabilised mountain environment. The impact stretches from Ladakh to Arunachal Pradesh and beyond into Nepal, Bhutan and Sikkim.



event, driven by climate change-induced heat stress, cyclones and crown-of-thorns starfish outbreaks, devastated large parts of the reef. An annual survey by the Australian Institute of Marine Science (AIMS) revealed that nearly half of the surveyed reefs showed a decline in coral cover. The reef faces increasing threats from frequent bleaching and environmental stresses, pushing the ecosystem closer to collapse.



Red Panda Conservation

August 4, 2025

The recent birth of red panda cubs at the Himalayan Zoological Park near Gangtok marks achievement. After seven years without successful births, this event revives hopes for the endangered species' conservation in the region. The Red Panda Conservation Programme began in 1997. It faced severe setbacks due to two canine distemper outbreaks, which nearly wiped out the captive population. The breeding programme initially involved individuals from Rotterdam Zoo and Darjeeling's Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park. Later, wild-origin red pandas were introduced to enhance genetic diversity.

Sports

Iga Świątek Wins Cincinnati Open, Sends Warning Ahead of U.S. Open

August 19, 2025

On a hot summer evening in Mason, Ohio, Iga Świątek reminded the tennis world why she remains one of the fiercest competitors on tour. The Polish star defeated Jasmine Paolini 7-5, 6-4 to claim the 2025 Cincinnati Open title, her first hard-court trophy in over a year. The win not only marks her 24th career title but also sends a strong message to her rivals: she is ready for the U.S. Open.



Vincent Keymer Wins Quantbox Chennai Grand Masters 2025, Enters World's Top 10

August 18, 2025

In a stellar display of form and consistency, German Grandmaster

Vincent Keymer clinched the Quantbox Chennai Grand Masters 2025 title with one round still to play. The 20-year-old not only became the first sole champion in the event's history, but also broke into the Top 10 of the world's live chess ratings for the first time, marking a major milestone in his career.



India to Host Asian Open Short Track Speed Skating Trophy 2025 for the First Time

August 18, 2025

India is set to make its debut on the global winter sports map by hosting the Asian Open Short Track Speed Skating Trophy 2025. This historic international event will take place from 20 to 23 August 2025 at the Maharana Pratap Sports College in Raipur, Dehradun, Uttarakhand. For a country where winter sports are still developing, this marks a significant leap in both visibility and participation.



Himalayan Kingfisher Revealed as Mascot for Khelo India Water Sports Festival 2025 in Srinagar

August 15, 2025

In a landmark announcement ahead of Independence Day, the mascot and logo for

the first-ever Khelo India Water Sports Festival (KIWSF) were revealed in Srinagar on August 14, 2025. The event is scheduled to take place at the iconic Dal Lake from August 21 to 23, making it the first water games event under the Khelo India umbrella. This major sports initiative, held under the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports and organized in collaboration with the Jammu & Kashmir Sports Council and the Sports Authority of India (SAI), is expected to boost both sports culture and eco-tourism in the Kashmir Valley.



India Shines with 27 Medals at Asian U19 & U22 Boxing Championships 2025

August 12, 2025

India's boxing contingent concluded their campaign at the Asian Under-19 & Under-22 Boxing Championships 2025 on a high note, with Ritika winning gold in the women's 80-plus kg category. The prestigious tournament, held in Bangkok, witnessed India's dominance, as the country secured a total of 27 medals across both age groups.



David Warner Overtakes Virat Kohli to Become Fifth-Highest Run-Getter in T20 Cricket

August 12, 2025

Australian cricket star David Warner, who retired from international cricket earlier this year but continues to play in global T20 leagues, has achieved another significant feat in his career.



Namrata Batra Makes History, Reaches Wushu 52 kg Final at 2025 World Games

August 14, 2025

India's sporting history gained a new chapter as Namrata Batra reached the women's 52 kg Wushu final at the 2025 World Games in Chengdu, China, marking a major milestone. By doing so, she has assured India of its first-ever World Games medal in Wushu, a sport in which Indian athletes have been making steady progress on the global stage.



India's Annu Rani Wins Gold at International Wiesław Maniak Memorial

August 9, 2025

India's Annu Rani, the reigning Asian Games champion, struck gold in the women's javelin throw at the International Wiesław Maniak Memorial in Poland, delivering a season-best performance of 62.59 metres. The 32-year-old's commanding throws secured her the top spot ahead of competitors from Turkey and Australia.

- Gold: Annu Rani (India) – 62.59m (Season Best)
- Silver: Eda Tugsuz (Turkey) – 58.36m
- Bronze: Lianna Davidson (Australia) – 58.24m



He has now overtaken Virat Kohli to become the fifth-highest run-scorer in T20 cricket history. This milestone came during London Spirit's match against Manchester Originals in the ongoing The Hundred 2025 competition in England. Warner played a spectacular innings of 71 runs off 51 balls, smashing 12 fours and a six at a strike rate above 139.



Art & Culture

Gugga Naumi

August 19, 2025

Gugga Naumi is a vibrant folk religious festival celebrated in northern India. The festival honours Gugga Pir, a folk deity believed to have the power to protect against snakebites. Celebrated annually in the Bhadrpad month, it marks the syncretic traditions of India, where people from different religions participate in shared cultural practices.



Gugga Naumi falls on the ninth day of Krishna Paksha in the Bhadrpad month of the Hindu lunar calendar. It usually occurs after Raksha Bandhan and before Janmashtami. The festival spans about nine days, beginning on Raksha Bandhan. The timing reflects its close association with the agricultural and seasonal cycles of northern India.

Tendong Lho Rum Faat

August 11, 2025

Sikkim recently celebrated Tendong Lho Rum Faat, a traditional festival of the Lepcha tribe. The event honours the legend of Tendong Hill, which saved the Lepcha ancestors from an ancient flood. Chief Minister Prem Singh Tamang attended the state-level celebration at Manan Kendra, Gangtok. He urged people to respect nature and protect Sikkim's environment. The festival is a vivid reminder of the Lepcha community's spiritual bond with nature and their cultural heritage.



BIMSTEC Traditional Music Festival

August 5, 2025

The first-ever BIMSTEC Traditional Music Festival was held recently. The event showcased the musical heritage of the seven BIMSTEC member countries. It was inaugurated by External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar. The festival symbolised regional unity and cultural cooperation. Organised by the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), it featured artists from India, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka, and Thailand.

Health and Fitness

Nepal Achieves Rubella Elimination

August 20, 2025

The World Health Organization (WHO) has officially declared Nepal free of rubella, marking public health achievement. This milestone marks Nepal's persistent efforts to protect its population from vaccine-preventable diseases despite challenges like the COVID-19 pandemic and natural disasters. Nepal is now the sixth country in the WHO South-East Asia Region to eliminate rubella, reinforcing the region's commitment to disease control by 2026.



World Mosquito Day 2025: Awareness and Action Against Mosquito-Borne Diseases

August 20, 2025

Observed every year on August 20, World Mosquito Day serves as a global reminder of the dangers posed by mosquito-borne diseases such as malaria,



dengue, chikungunya, Japanese Encephalitis, and Zika virus. The day commemorates Sir Ronald Ross's 1897 discovery that malaria is transmitted by the bite of a female Anopheles mosquito, a breakthrough that revolutionized disease prevention and control.

WHO Declares Kenya Free of Sleeping Sickness, A Major Public Health Victory

August 11, 2025

The World Health Organization (WHO) has officially certified Kenya free of human African trypanosomiasis (HAT)—commonly known as sleeping sickness—as a public health challenge. This milestone makes Kenya the 10th country to achieve elimination status, marking a significant victory in the fight against neglected tropical diseases (NTDs).

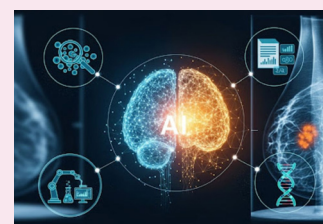


IndiaAI and National Cancer Grid Launch Program to Boost AI Innovation in Cancer Care

August 9, 2025

The IndiaAI Independent Business Division (IBD),

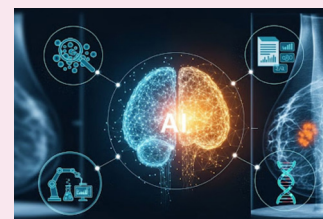
in partnership with the National Cancer Grid (NCG), has launched the Cancer AI & Technology Challenge (CATCH) Grant Program to accelerate Artificial Intelligence innovations in cancer screening, diagnosis, treatment support, and healthcare operations. The program aims to foster collaboration between technology developers and clinical experts, bringing cutting-edge AI solutions into real-world hospital settings to improve cancer care outcomes across India.



WHO Classifies Hepatitis D as Cancerous Virus

August 7, 2025

The World Health Organisation (WHO) has recently reclassified hepatitis D as a carcinogenic virus. This decision marks the urgent need to prevent viral hepatitis, which remains global health challenge. Hepatitis D virus (HDV) infection, especially when combined with hepatitis B virus (HBV), greatly increases the risk of liver cancer and severe liver disease. This



reclassification is expected to boost worldwide efforts in surveillance, research, and prevention.

World Lung Cancer Day 2025

August 1, 2025

Lung cancer remains one of the deadliest and widespread forms of cancer, claiming nearly one in five cancer-related deaths globally. Every year on August 1, the world observes World Lung Cancer Day to unite in spreading awareness, encouraging early detection, and promoting preventive measures. This day reminds us that awareness can save lives, and early recognition of symptoms plays a vital role in improving survival rates.



While often associated with smoking, lung cancer has several other causes that many people overlook, such as air pollution, occupational hazards, radon exposure, and genetic factors.