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## NATIONAL NEWS

### TIDCO GETS SITE CLEARANCE FOR PARANDUR AIRPORT



Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation (TIDCO) receives site clearance to develop a ₹20,000 crore greenfield airport at Parandur, which will handle 10 crore passengers annually.

### SHIKSHA SAPTAH OBSERVANCE



The Department of School Education and Literacy marks the fourth anniversary of NEP 2020 with 'Shiksha Saptah' from July 22-28, featuring theme-based days like Teaching-Learning Material Day and Sports Day.

### ATAL INNOVATION MISSION AND WIPO COLLABORATION



Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) and World Intel-

lectual Property Organization (WIPO) sign a Letter of Intent to build joint innovation programs for the Global South, enhancing IP awareness and innovation potential.

### NTPC GREEN CHARCOAL PLANT IN HARYANA



NTPC Vidyut Vyapar Nigam Ltd. to set up two green charcoal plants in Gurugram and Faridabad, converting municipal waste into charcoal as part of the Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan.

### VINAY MOHAN KWATRA: INDIA'S AMBASSADOR TO THE USA



Vinay Mohan Kwatra has been appointed as India's new ambassador to the USA, strengthening diplomatic ties between the two nations and enhancing bilateral relations.

### ₹8,000 CRORES FOR PM KISAN YOJANA

**BREAKING NEWS**

**किसान निधि 6 हजार से बढ़ाकर 8 हजार रुपए करने की तैयारी**

• 8.51 करोड़ किसान परिवारों को सालाना 2 हजार रुपए का फायदा

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11 करोड़ लोगों को मिल रही थी रकम, जांच में असल लाभार्थी 8.51 करोड़ मिले

देशभर के किसानों के लिए सम्मान निधि 24 फरवरी 2019 से लागू की गई थी। इसके तहत किसानों को 3 किस्तों में 6 हजार रुपए

In the Economic Survey 2023-24, the Indian government has recommended an allocation of ₹8,000 crores for the PM Kisan Yojana to provide financial support to farmers across the country.

### WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE'S 46TH SESSION IN NEW DELHI



Prime Minister Narendra Modi opened the 46th session of the World Heritage Committee in New Delhi, showing India's commitment to preserving global heritage.

### NATIONAL FLAG DAY 2024



India celebrates National Flag Day on July 22, marking the adoption of the national flag in 1947.

### GOVERNMENT INAUGURATES NATIONAL LANDSLIDE FORECASTING CENTER



Union Minister G Kishan Reddy inaugurates National Landslide Forecasting Centre and Launches Bhusanket Web Portal & Bhooskhalan Mobile App.

### REVIVED INTEREST SUBSIDY UNDER PRADHAN MANTRI AWAS YOJANA (URBAN) 2.0



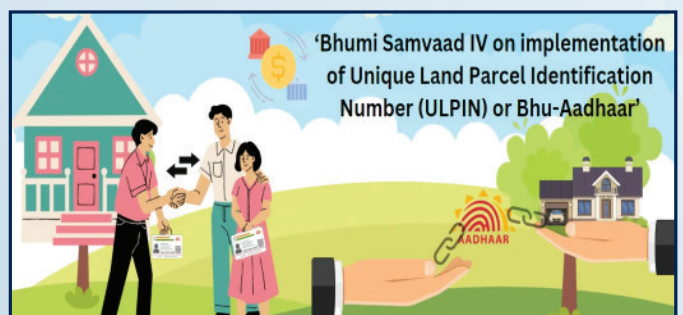
The government has reinstated the interest subsidy under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) 2.0, allocating ₹4,000 crore for the Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme (CLSS) and ₹30,170 crore for PMAY-U. This targets EWS, LIG, and Middle-Income Groups, aiming to construct 3 crore additional houses with a total investment of ₹10 lakh crore over five years.

### NAMO DRONE DIDI SCHEME AND SUPPORT FOR NATURAL FARMING



The Finance Minister introduced the Nammo Drone Didi scheme with a ₹500 crore allocation to provide drones to 15,000 women self-help groups for rental services to farmers. Additionally, the initiative supports 1 crore farmers with certification, branding, and the establishment of 10,000 bio-input resource centers.

### BHU-AADHAAR: UNIQUE IDENTIFICATION FOR LAND PARCELS



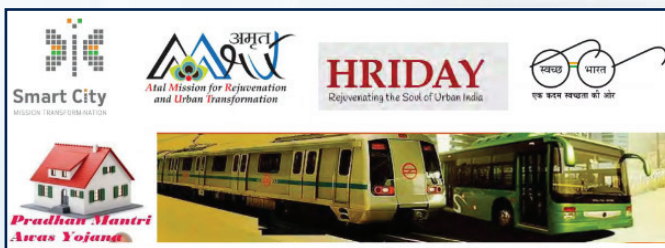
The Union Budget 2024-25 plans to assign unique identification numbers, termed “Bhu-Aadhaar,” to all land parcels in rural areas. This includes digitizing cadastral maps and creating a comprehensive land registry linked to farmers to streamline land administration and reduce fraud.

### ALLOCATION FOR AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL FARMING



Significant funds in the Union Budget 2024-25 have been allocated for agriculture and natural farming, including ₹1.52 lakh crore for agriculture and allied sectors. The initiative also aims to support 1 crore farmers and establish 10,000 bio-input resource centers for natural farming.

### URBAN DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES



The Union Budget 2024-25 highlights urban development initiatives with a ₹10 lakh crore investment for PM Awas Yojana Urban 2.0. Additionally, new strategies for transit-oriented development in large cities and the development of 100 weekly ‘haats’ or street food hubs each year for the next five years are included.

## STATES NEWS

### BIHAR PASSES ANTI-PAPER LEAK BILL TO COMBAT EXAM MALPRACTICES



On July 24, 2024, the Bihar Assembly passed the Anti-Paper Leak Bill to combat malpractices in government recruitment exams, with strict penalties including a minimum prison sentence of 10 years and a fine of at least ₹1 crore.

### OTT PLATFORM HELLO MEGHALAYA



The Manns and Hajongs, two small communities in Meghalaya, will be featured on the new OTT platform Hello Meghalaya.

Manns Community: About 2,000 members.

Hajongs Community: Around 42,000 members.

### SHRAMIK BASERA SCHEME FOR LABORERS



The Gujarat government launched the Shramik Baser Scheme 2024 to provide temporary housing for laborers.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### CHINA'S HIGH-SPEED CARBON FIBER TRAIN



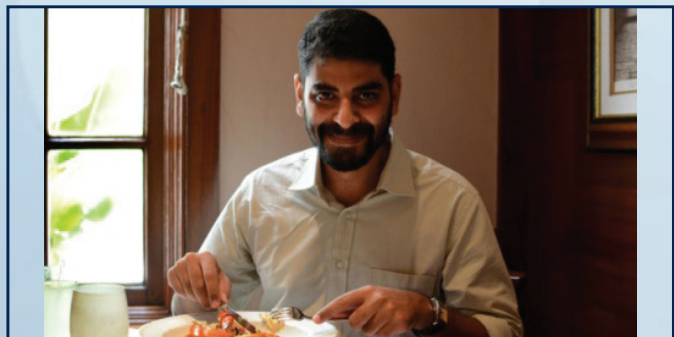
China unveils the world's first carbon fiber-only passenger train, reducing energy consumption by 7% and reaching speeds of 87 mph.

### UPPER KARNALI HYDRO-ELECTRIC POWER PROJECT



The Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA) will invest ₹290 crore in the Upper Karnali Hydro-Electric Power Project in Nepal.

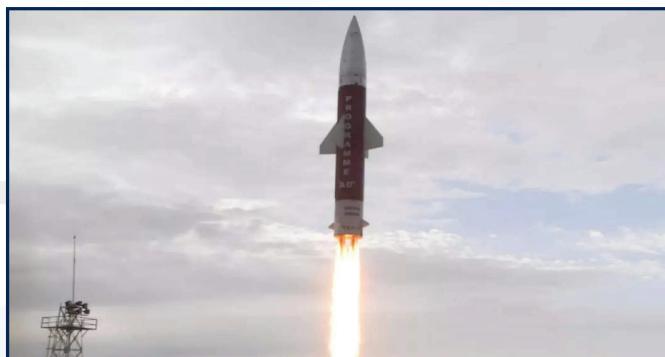
### RAHAAB ALLANA HONORED WITH FRENCH ARTS AND LETTERS INSIGNIA



Curator and author Rahaab Allana has been awarded the insignia of Officier dans l'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres by the French government for his significant contributions to art, culture, and literature.

## DEFENSE NEWS

### DRDO SUCCESSFULLY FLIGHT-TESTS PHASE-II BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENCE SYSTEM



On July 24, 2024, DRDO successfully conducted a flight test of the Phase-II Ballistic Missile Defence System, showcasing India's growing capabilities in defending against long-range ballistic missile threats.

### AIRBUS AND TATA TO DEBUT INDIA'S FIRST H125 HELICOPTER BY 2026



Airbus and Tata are working together to build India's first H125 helicopter, which will be ready by 2026.

## BANKING AND FINANCIAL NEWS

### LAUNCH OF 'WRESTLE FOR GLORY' PROGRAM



IndusInd Bank has started the 'Wrestle for Glory' program with the Inspire Institute of Sport (IIS).

### SIDBI GREEN FINANCING FUND



SIDBI to create a \$1 billion fund for green financing with \$215 million from the Green Climate Fund, supporting MSMEs in renewable energy and climate-resilient projects.

### BOB LAUNCHES AI-POWERED VIRTUAL RELATIONSHIP MANAGER



Bank of Baroda introduces a Generative AI-powered virtual relationship manager to enhance customer service and a credit line on UPI for easier payments.

## AWARDS NEWS

### SHAH RUKH KHAN, FIRST INDIAN ACTOR, HONORED WITH GOLD COINS



Bollywood superstar Shah Rukh Khan has been honored with customized gold coins by the Grevin Museum in Paris, becoming the first Indian actor to receive this recognition.

## SCIENCE & TECH. NEWS

### ROGUE WAVES



Researchers have created a tool to predict large, unexpected waves at sea, known as rogue waves.



## SPORTS NEWS

### FRANCE SET TO HOST 2030 WINTER OLYMPICS, SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS



The French Alps have been named the host for the 2030 Winter Games by the International Olympic Committee, subject to certain conditions, as assured by French President Emmanuel Macron.

### KHELO INDIA: MAJOR BENEFICIARY IN UNION BUDGET ALLOCATION FOR SPORTS MINISTRY



Khelo India has received the highest allocation within the Sports Ministry's budget, now at ₹900 crore, a ₹20 crore increase. The overall budget for the Sports Ministry is ₹3,442.32 crore, focusing on nurturing sports talent and supporting athletes between major international events.

### NUNO BORGES WINS SWEDISH OPEN



Nuno Borges of Portugal defeats Rafael Nadal to win his first ATP Tour title at the Swedish Open.

### BCCI'S ₹8.5 CRORE CONTRIBUTION TO PARIS OLYMPICS



The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has pledged ₹8.5 crores towards the Paris Olympics campaign, supporting Indian athletes in their preparations for the upcoming games.

### MANOLO MARQUEZ: NEW HEAD COACH



Spanish football coach Manolo Marquez has been appointed as the head coach of the Indian men's national football team, bringing his expertise to improve the team's performance.

### SMRITI MANDHANA: TOP T20I RUN-SCORER



Smriti Mandhana has become the highest run-scorer for India in women's T20I cricket, surpassing previous records and showcasing her exceptional batting skills.

#### BHAMBRI AND OLIVETTI WIN SWISS OPEN



Yuki Bhambri and Albano Olivetti have won the men's doubles title at the Swiss Open, marking a significant achievement in their tennis careers.

#### PAES AND AMRITRAJ IN TENNIS HALL OF FAME



Leander Paes and Vijay Amritraj have been inducted into the Tennis Hall of Fame, recognizing their remarkable contributions and achievements in the sport of tennis.

## IMPORTANT DAYS NEWS

### NATIONAL BROADCASTING DAY (23 JULY)



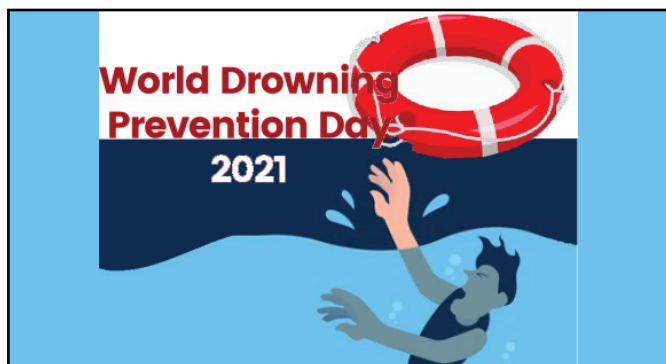
Celebrated to honor the inception of radio broadcasting in India in 1927.

### NATIONAL INCOME TAX DAY (24 JULY)



Commemorates the introduction of income tax in India in 1860.

### WORLD DROWNING PREVENTION DAY 2024: SECONDS CAN SAVE A LIFE



On July 25, 2024, World Drowning Prevention Day is observed to raise awareness and accelerate action on global drowning prevention, highlighting the urgent need for coordinated efforts to combat this leading cause of injury-related death and disability worldwide.