





Mexico has become the world's first country to allow voters to elect judges at all levels. The controversial reform was passed with 86 votes in favor and 41 against, achieving the two-thirds majority needed for a constitutional amendment.

#### 4. **\*\*Algeria Joins BRICS New Development Bank\*\***



Algeria has officially joined the BRICS New Development Bank (NDB). The NDB, established by BRICS countries (Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa) in 2015, aims to support infrastructure and sustainable development projects in emerging and developing economies.

### **\*\*Banking News\*\***

#### 5. **\*\*Union Bank of India Joins PCAF\*\***



Union Bank of India has become the first major bank to join the Partnership for Carbon Accounting Financials (PCAF). This move reflects a growing global focus on managing climate risk and aligns with recent RBI draft guidelines on climate risk disclosures.

## **\*\*Business News\*\***

### 6. **\*\*Adani Airports Launches 'Aviio' for Real-Time Airport Data\*\***



Adani Airports Holdings Limited (AAHL) has launched 'Aviio,' an application providing real-time information on airport operations such as waiting times, gate changes, and baggage updates, enhancing the airport experience.

## **\*\*Economy News\*\***

### 7. **\*\*Retail Inflation Increases to 3.65% in August; IIP Growth at 4.8% in July\*\***



India's Consumer Price Index (CPI)-based retail inflation rose slightly to 3.65% in August from 3.6% in July. This increase is attributed to a high base effect from the previous year. The Index of Industrial Production (IIP) also grew to 4.83% in July compared to 4.72% in June.

## **\*\*Defence News\*\***

### 8. **\*\*DRDO & Indian Navy Successfully Test VL-SRSAM Off Odisha Coast\*\***



The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and the Indian Navy successfully conducted a flight test of the Vertical Launch Short Range Surface-to-Air Missile (VL-SRSAM) from Chandipur, Odisha, on September 12, 2024. The test validated several upgraded features of the missile system.

#### 9. **\*\*Indian Army Contingent Departs for India-Oman Joint Military Exercise Al Najah V\*\***



The Indian Army contingent has departed for the fifth edition of the India-Oman joint military exercise, Al Najah, which will be held from September 13 to 26, 2024, in Salalah, Oman.

### **\*\*Summits and Conferences\*\***

#### 10. **\*\*QUAD Leaders Summit to be Held on September 21 in Wilmington\*\***



U.S. President Joe Biden will host leaders from QUAD member countries (India, Japan, and Australia) in Wilmington, Delaware, on September 21. The Quad is a diplomatic partnership committed to supporting a stable and prosperous Indo-Pacific region.

#### 11. **\*\*79th United Nations General Assembly Session Starts\*\***



The 79th session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) began on September 10, 2024. The UNGA provides a platform for member states to discuss international issues related to peace, security, development, disarmament, human rights, and international law.