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#### **Top Gainers**

Stock	Close	Prev	Change
MACPOWER	992.3	939.65	+5.6%
SWANDEF	239.99	228.57	+5.0%
LOKESHMACH	201.4	191.81	+5.0%
DRONACHRYA	95.31	90.78	+4.99%
TECHERA	199.7	190.2	+4.99%

#### **Top Losers**

Stock	Close	Prev	Change
RELINFRA	376.95	396.75	-4.99%
AXISCADES	1370.5	1424.7	-3.8%
JYOTICNC	1023.0	1051.4	-2.7%
TEMBO	531.95	542.8	-2.0%
TANEJAERO	472.45	482.05	-1.99%

#### **Defense Business and Industry**

#### DAC Approves 10 Indigenous Defense Proposals Worth Rs 1.05 Lakh

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On July 3, 2025, the Defence Acquisition Council (DAC), chaired by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, approved the Acceptance of Necessity (AoN) for 10 capital acquisition proposals worth approximately Rs 1.05 lakh crore, aimed at enhancing the operational capabilities of the Indian Armed Forces. The acquisitions, primarily sourced from indigenous manufacturers under the Buy (Indian-Indigenously Designed, Developed Manufactured) category, include Armoured Recovery Vehicles, Electronic Warfare Systems, Surface-to-Air Missiles, and an Integrated Common Inventory Management System for the Tri-Services, significantly bolstering mobility, combat preparedness, and air defence capabilities. Furthermore, the approvals extend to Moored Mines, Mine Counter Measure Vessels, Super Rapid Gun Mounts. and Submersible Autonomous Vessels, which are essential for mitigating risks to naval and merchant vessels, thereby enhancing maritime security. This strategic move not only strengthens India's defence capabilities but also aligns with the government's vision of promoting self-reliance in defence production, reducing dependency on foreign supplies, and fostering the growth of the domestic defence industry. The holistic approach in these acquisitions reflects India's commitment modernizing its military infrastructure and ensuring readiness against emerging threats, reinforcing its position as a formidable force in the region.

# Indian Army Issues RFI for 400 High Mobility Reconnaissance Vehicles SHARE

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The Indian Army has issued a Request for Information (RFI) to procure 400 High Mobility Reconnaissance Vehicles (HMRVs), creating significant opportunities for state-run BEML to enhance its order book and support indigenization. The vehicles, with a requirement for at least 50% indigenous content, will be used in Armoured Regiments and will feature advanced surveillance capabilities, ballistic protection, and adaptability to extreme terrains. The RFI encourages participation from various OEMs and emphasizes the need for longterm support and training. This initiative aligns with India's defense procurement policies, boosting technological advancements and operational readiness in challenging environments.

# Sahana System wins bid for Indian Navy's Non-RF upgrade contract. Share

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Ahmedabad-based Sahana System, via its subsidiary Softvan Ltd, has secured the lowest bidder position for a ₹8.01 crore contract from the Indian Navy to deliver non-RF infrastructure that supports the upgrade of its RF measurement systems. The project focuses on enhancing the Navy's existing radio frequency capabilities through complementary technologies that do not rely on RF signals. Winning this government contract not only boosts India's defense-industrial base by empowering domestic suppliers but also augments the country's push for self-reliance in defense procurement. Sahana noted that successful completion —including delivery, installation, configuration, and a three-year warranty—will reinforce its reputation in the defense sector and could pave the way for future

collaborations. This strategic move aligns with India's efforts to strengthen its naval readiness and technological resilience amid a challenging regional security climate.

# India Rejects Russian Su-57 and S-500, Focuses on Self-Reliance Share

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India has officially commissioned INS Tamal, its last warship built in a Russian shipyard, marking a significant shift towards self-reliance in defense. The country is moving away from new Russian defense deals, having declined offers for the Su-57 jets and S-500 air defense systems, while focusing on indigenous projects like the Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA). This reflects a steep decline in Russian arms imports, which fell from 76% in 2009 to 36% in 2024. Despite maintaining legacy systems and support contracts with Russia, India is increasingly aligning with Western and French defense partners, indicating a strategic realignment in its defense procurement approach.

# SMPP Secures ₹300 Cr Deal for Advanced Army Protective Gear Share

03-Jul-25

SMPP, an indigenous defense equipment manufacturer, has secured contracts worth over 300 Cr from the Indian Army to supply 27,700 bulletproof jackets and 11,700 advanced ballistic helmets. These products feature cutting-edge technology, including protection against armor-piercing bullets and enhanced comfort for soldiers. SMPP's commitment to research and development, reflected in its significant market share and numerous patents, positions it as a leader in personal protection solutions. This contract underscores the Indian defense sector's shift towards self-reliance, aligning with government initiatives to bolster indigenous production and enhance the capabilities of the armed forces.

# Indian Army to Integrate 33 Niche Technologies by 2030 SHARE

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The Indian Army's Training Command (ARTRAC), under Lt Gen Devendra Sharma—who took charge as GOC-in-C on July 1,2024—has embarked on a sweeping technological overhaul aimed at integrating 33 niche technologies into its training regimen by 2030. Announced at the ARTRAC Investiture Ceremony in Shimla on July 3,2025, this transformation is backed by a ₹390 crore investment over five years targeting

research, infrastructure, curriculum and simulation upgrades. Already, about 18,000 personnel were trained on 22 specialized areas such as drones, battlefield artificial intelligence, unmanned systems, robotics, cyber warfare and electronic warfare during the 2024-25 training cycle, while another 12,000 are set to be trained on 21 technologies in 2025-26. Fifteen major training establishments are being designated as Centres of Expertise to support this initiative. The move also emphasizes gender inclusivity, with over 1,800 women serving at various ranks-including command roles-and modules for gender sensitization being incorporated. During the 2023-24 cycle, three Category A establishments and two affiliates received the GOC-in-C Unit Citation for outstanding performance; additionally, awards for Financial Excellence went to the Military College of Material Management (Jabalpur), Counter-Insurgency Jungle Warfare (Variengate), and Military College of Electronics & Mechanical Engineering (Secunderabad). E-Office Excellence awards were presented to the Armoured Corps Centre & School (Ahilyanagar) and MCMM Jabalpur for advancing digital workflows.

# Indian Defense Stocks Rise as US and India Launch 10-Year Framework S SHARE

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The Indian defense stocks, including Hindustan Aeronautics and BEML, saw gains following the announcement of a 10-year defense framework between India and the US, aimed at enhancing strategic ties. Defense Minister Rajnath Singh and US Secretary Hegseth discussed expediting major defense sales and emphasized the necessity of closer industrial cooperation. Singh specifically called for swift delivery of GE F404 engines for the Tejas Light Combat Aircraft and urged the finalization of a joint production deal for F414 engines. This collaboration underscores India's commitment to bolstering its indigenous defense capabilities while fostering stronger US-India relations in military sectors.

# Brazil considers India's Akash air defense system, boosting exports. Share

03-Jul-25

Brazil is showing strong interest in India's Akash air defence system, potentially enhancing India's defense exports and supporting its self-reliance ambitions. This interest aligns with Prime Minister Modi's visit to Brazil for the 17th BRICS Summit, where defense cooperation will be a key discussion point. Brazil seeks to explore joint ventures involving military systems, including

secure communications and offshore patrol vessels. The Akash missile system, developed by DRDO, has demonstrated high accuracy and effectiveness, notably during Operation Sindoor, underscoring its credibility on the global stage. This partnership could enhance India's geopolitical influence in Latin America and solidify its status as a defense exporter.

# ideaForge Plans Global Expansion After Success with Indian Military Share

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ideaForge is poised for global expansion following its operational success with the Indian defence forces, particularly highlighted during Operation Sindoor, where its drones were tested in real-world combat scenarios. CEO Ankit Mehta emphasized the company's vertical integration, which allows for rapid technology adaptation to meet military needs. advancements in electronic warfare resilience and AI capabilities. With plans to enter markets in the US, Africa, the Middle East, South Asia, and Europe, ideaForge aims to build on its significant contributions to India's military future and its pioneering role in the domestic drone technology sector since its inception in 2007.

# IG Drones patents India's first indigenous defense drone simulator SHARE

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India's defense sector is advancing with IG Drones securing a patent for the country's first indigenous defense drone simulator. This innovation underscores India's commitment to enhancing its defense capabilities and reducing dependency on foreign technology. The development of such indigenous solutions is vital for bolstering national security and promoting self-reliance in defense manufacturing, aligning with the government's "Make in India" initiative. This technological leap not only enhances training for defense personnel but also positions India as a growing player in the global defense industry, showcasing its potential for innovation and self-sufficiency.

# Ghana expresses strong interest in India's defense equipment and training. Share

03-Jul-25

The Indian Ministry of External Affairs reported that Ghana is keen on enhancing defense cooperation with India, following discussions between Prime Minister Modi and Ghanaian President John Mahama. Ghana seeks India's assistance in defense equipment and training to address security concerns like terrorism and

piracy. Additionally, both nations signed four MoUs to foster collaboration in culture, healthcare, standardization, and traditional medicine. This growing partnership reflects India's expanding role in global defense exports and underlines a shared commitment to combat terrorism, as highlighted by President Mahama's solidarity with India after the Pahalgam attack. The cooperation is set to strengthen bilateral relations and promote mutual understanding.

# Hyundai Rotem Signs \$6.5B Deal to Export K2 Tanks to Poland S SHARE

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The recent \$6.5 billion deal between Hyundai Rotem and Poland solidifies defense ties, involving the delivery of 180 K2 tanks, with a significant localization aspect where 63 tanks will be assembled in Poland. This agreement, part of a larger 2022 framework that includes various advanced weapon systems, enhances Poland's military capabilities while supporting the EU's ReArm Europe Plan for localized production. The K2 Black Panther, recognized for its advanced technology and adaptability to European requirements, reflects South Korea's growing role as a key defense partner amid heightened security concerns in Europe following the Ukraine conflict. This agreement may pave the way for further European arms contracts, reinforcing NATO's deterrence posture.

## UK Keeps F-35B Repair Details Secret from Indian MoD in Kerala Share

03-Jul-25

The UK is conducting on-site maintenance of its grounded F-35B fighter jet at Thiruvananthapuram International Airport, Kerala, but has chosen to keep repair details confidential. This secrecy reflects the sensitivity surrounding advanced military technology, as the F-35B is a fifth-generation stealth aircraft equipped with sophisticated systems. While British officials maintain communication with Indian authorities for operational smoothness, details regarding technical issues and repair protocols remain undisclosed. This highlights the stringent control over information, even among allies, underscoring the importance of safeguarding technological advancements and ensuring national security.

# CVRDE Initiates Indigenous Turbocharger Development for DATRAN Engine Share

03-Jul-25

The Combat Vehicles Research and Development Establishment (CVRDE) has initiated an indigenous

project to develop a turbocharger for the 1500hp DATRAN engine, aiming for self-reliance in defense technologies in line with India's Aatmanirbhar Bharat vision. This turbocharger is essential for enhancing the performance of armored vehicles, ensuring improved power output and operational reliability. By producing this critical component locally, India can reduce dependence on foreign suppliers, lower costs, and secure its supply chain for the Armed Forces. This initiative reflects CVRDE's commitment to advancing India's defense manufacturing capabilities and enhancing the combat effectiveness of its armored platforms.

#### Kalyani Group Plans Development of 155mm Tracked Self-Propelled

Howitzer SHARE

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Kalyani Strategic Systems Limited (KSSL), part of the Kalyani Group, is interested in developing a 155mm/52-caliber tracked self-propelled howitzer based on the Advanced Towed Artillery Gun System (ATAGS). This initiative follows the success of their truck-mounted MArG artillery system and aims to enhance India's artillery capabilities while appealing to international markets. The ATAGS is already contracted for 307 units, showcasing advanced features like automation and compatibility with smart ammunition. KSSL's expertise and potential partnerships for a tracked platform could address the Indian Army's needs for versatile artillery while also targeting export opportunities in rugged terrains.

# Russia Offers Su-57E and Su-35M to India with Full ToT for HAL Share

03-Jul-25

Russia has proposed a strategic defense partnership with India, offering the Sukhoi Su-57E and Su-35M fighters, including full Transfer of Technology (ToT) for local manufacturing at HAL's Nashik facility. This aligns with India's Make in India initiative and aims to address the Indian Air Force's (IAF) squadron shortfall. While the Su-35M is appealing due to cost-effectiveness and operational readiness, concerns over the Su-57E's stealth capabilities and geopolitical risks persist. Nonetheless, the proposal enhances India's modernization efforts, potentially integrating advanced indigenous systems into its fighter fleet, thereby reinforcing its defense posture in the region.

# Safran and Rolls-Royce Enhance AMCA Engine Offers with VCE Tech Share

03-Jul-25

In the competitive race to power India's Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA), both Safran and Rolls-Royce have enhanced their proposals by offering Variable Cycle Engine (VCE) technology with full Transfer of Technology and Intellectual Property Rights for India. This ensures advanced capabilities for the AMCA, aimed for first flight by 2029-30, to remain competitive against regional adversaries. The offers promise significant advancements in fuel efficiency, thrust, and adaptability, crucial for the aircraft's future evolution into a 6th-generation platform. The Prime Minister's Office oversees a \$4.55 billion investment, with production expected by 2032-33, positioning India to become a global hub for aero-engine manufacturing.

# India Achieves First Successful Trial of Autonomous Underwater Sonar Share

03-Jul-25

India has successfully conducted the first trial of its indigenous moored autonomous underwater sonar system, a significant advancement in enhancing maritime defense capabilities under the DRDO's Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative. Deployed in the Bay of Bengal, this system can independently monitor subsurface threats, bolstering national security along India's strategic coasts against potential adversaries like China and Pakistan. The trial's success not only underscores India's commitment to developing indigenous technology but also paves the way for realtime underwater surveillance and improved antisubmarine warfare capabilities, reflecting a robust focus on underwater domain awareness in the Indo-Pacific amid rising geopolitical tensions. Collaborations with academia and industry have been crucial in overcoming technical challenges.

# Sharang Shakti Launches vajR: India's Autonomous Drone Interceptor Share

03-Jul-25

India's defense sector has made a significant leap with the launch of vajR, an indigenous autonomous hard-kill drone interceptor by Gurugram-based startup Sharang Shakti. This system is designed to neutralize hostile drones using a kinetic elimination strategy, a critical advancement given the rising threat of drone incursions along India's borders. Unlike conventional soft-kill methods, vajR employs advanced AI and a proprietary autonomy engine for precise targeting and engagement, allowing for high-speed interceptions. The

system's reusability and swarming capabilities enhance its effectiveness, reflecting India's commitment to selfreliance and innovative defense solutions, particularly in the context of recent regional conflicts.

# General Atomics Seeks Enhanced Ties with India's Tri-Service After MQ-9B

Deal SHARE

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General Atomics Aeronautical Systems, Inc. (GA-ASI) is looking to deepen its collaboration with India's triservice following the procurement of 31 MQ-9B Predator drones, with deliveries beginning in 2026. The company is keen on introducing its Gambit Series, which offers a modular platform suitable for various missions, underlining India's importance in its global strategy. This partnership aligns with India's Aatmanirbhar Bharat initiative, paving the way for potential technology transfer and joint development. The focus on co-production could enhance India's defense capabilities while fostering a robust U.S.-India defense relationship, although the exact nature of future collaboration remains to be clarified.

# ADA Upgrades AMCA Mk2's Weapons Bay for Six Astra Mk2 Missiles SHARE

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The Aeronautical Development Agency (ADA) is upgrading the internal weapons bay of the Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA) Mk2, enabling it to carry six Astra Mk2 missiles, which enhances its stealth and combat capabilities. This advancement boosts the aircraft's firepower and allows it to engage multiple targets from a distance while maintaining low observability. The AMCA Mk2, designed as a multi-role fifth-generation fighter, is expected to significantly improve air superiority for the Indian Air Force (IAF). Additionally, plans to integrate the Astra Mk3 missile will ensure the platform remains adaptable to evolving combat needs, reinforcing India's strategic defense posture.

# Astra Mk1 Missile Trials on IAF Rafale Jets to Begin Soon S SHARE

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The indigenous Astra Mk1 missile is set for captive trials on the Indian Air Force's Rafale jets by the end of 2025, with live firing expected in 2026. This integration, led by Dassault Aviation and DRDO, marks a significant enhancement in the IAF's air combat capabilities, allowing for long-range engagements of up to 110 km. The Astra Mk1 will complement the existing arsenal,

providing a tactical advantage against adversaries. This development aligns with India's "Make in India" initiative, promoting self-reliance in defense technology and reducing dependency on foreign suppliers while bolstering the strategic effectiveness of the IAF.

#### **Defense Policy and Budgeting**

# India, US to Finalize 10-Year Defense Cooperation Framework S SHARE

03-Jul-25

India and the United States are set to finalize a new 10year Defence Framework aimed at bolstering their strategic and defense cooperation, as confirmed by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and US Defence Secretary Pete Hegseth. This decision comes after discussions centered on key pending defense sales and need for stronger industrial collaboration, particularly regarding the expedited delivery of GE F404 engines for India's Tejas Light Combat Aircraft and the finalization of a joint production deal for F414 engines. The framework is envisioned to interoperability, joint military exercises, and integration of defense industrial supply chains, reinforcing India's status as a key U.S. defense partner in the Indo-Pacific region. Both sides acknowledged the successful integration of various U.S. defense systems into Indian military operations and expressed a commitment to expand cooperation, including potential procurements of Javelin anti-tank missiles, Stryker vehicles, and additional P-8I maritime patrol aircraft. The successful delivery of the Tejas Mk-1A jets, designed to replace the aging MiG-21s in the Indian Air Force, hinges on resolving delays in engine supplies, underlining the importance of timely execution of commitments within this strategic partnership. Overall, this development reflects a growing convergence of defense capabilities and responsibilities between the two nations, aimed at addressing mutual security concerns in the Asia-Pacific region and enhancing strategic stability. The initiative is likely to significantly strengthen India's defense posture while fostering deeper ties with the U.S., which aligns with broader geopolitical interests in maintaining a free and open Indo-Pacific.

# India Boosts Oversight of Chinese Components in Defense Equipment Share

03-Jul-25

India's Defence Ministry is intensifying scrutiny of Chinese-origin components in military equipment to bolster national security and promote self-reliance in defense manufacturing. An external consultant will conduct a comprehensive audit of procurement processes, assess supply chain vulnerabilities, and evaluate the indigenous content in platforms like the Tejas and Arjun tanks, ensuring alignment with India's Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative. This proactive measure aims to reduce dependency on Chinese components, particularly amid ongoing border tensions, while also addressing inefficiencies in the defense procurement process. By enhancing transparency and expediting acquisitions, India is taking significant steps towards achieving strategic autonomy in defense production and ensuring timely delivery of critical equipment to its armed forces.

# NATO's Increased Defense Budget Boosts Indian Defense Manufacturing S SHARE

03-Jul-25

NATO's decision to significantly boost defense spending, with members committing to invest at least 2% of GDP immediately and aiming for up to 5% by 2035, marks a historic rearmament push driven by escalating global threats, particularly the ongoing Ukraine conflict and deteriorating ties with Russia. Germany, under Chancellor Olaf Scholz's Zeitenwende (turning point) policy announced in 2022, is leading this effort with a €100 billion special defense fund and increased procurement of advanced weaponry. However, European defense industries face significant production bottlenecks, creating space for reliable external partners like India. With India's defense exports surpassing ₹21,000 crore in FY 2023-24 and a target of ₹50,000 crore by 2028, the timing is ideal for Indian firms to supply components, subsystems, and even complete platforms such as drones, ammunition, electronic warfare systems, and armored vehicles. European defense giants like Airbus and Safran are already expanding partnerships with Indian companies, and NATO's growing defense appetite is expected to further accelerate such collaborations. This aligns with India's strategic vision of self-reliance and its emergence as a trusted player in the global defense supply chain, enabling Europe to rapidly scale up its military readiness amidst evolving security challenges.

# DRDO Reforms to Complete in 3 Months, Says Dr. Kamat Share

03-Jul-25

The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) is set to complete its reforms in the next three months, as announced by Chairman Dr. Samir V. Kamat. This modernization aligns with the Indian government's Aatmanirbhar Bharat initiative, aiming to enhance efficiency and collaboration with industry and academia. Key reforms include reorganizing DRDO's laboratories and establishing a Defence Technology Council. Despite some internal resistance, significant steps have already been taken, such as merging certain laboratories, indicating a strong governmental push towards a more agile and innovative defense research agency crucial for India's self-reliance in defense technology.

# IAF Seeks Fast-Track Acquisition of Three I-STAR Spy Planes Share

03-Jul-25

The Indian Air Force (IAF) plans to fast-track the acquisition of three advanced Intelligence, Surveillance, Target Acquisition, and Reconnaissance (I-STAR) aircraft to enhance operational capabilities. These aircraft will be sourced from an original equipment manufacturer and modified with the help of the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and private industry partners, reinforcing commitment to self-reliance in defense under the Aatmanirbhar Bharat initiative. This strategic move is expected to significantly improve the IAF's situational awareness and precision strike capabilities, thereby strengthening its preparedness for future operations against potential adversaries.

#### **Geopolitics and Security Alliances**

# US, India, and allies strengthen maritime and mineral cooperation in Indo-

Pacific SHARE

03-Jul-25

The United States, alongside allies Australia, India, and Japan, has reinforced its commitment to maritime security in the Indo-Pacific and announced the Quad Critical Minerals Initiative to enhance economic security by diversifying critical mineral supply chains, vital for high-tech production. The Quad foreign ministers, including India's External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar, expressed deep concern over rising tensions in the

South China Sea, emphasizing the need for peaceful resolutions to ongoing disputes and rejecting unilateral actions that threaten the status quo. They highlighted the importance of maintaining freedom of navigation and adherence to international law, specifically referencing the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS). The ministers condemned provocative military actions in the region and reaffirmed their dedication to defending sovereignty and territorial integrity while encouraging regional stability through ASEAN centrality. This unified stance illustrates a collective resolve to address concerns over China's assertiveness, thereby enhancing India's strategic positioning and partnerships within the Indo-Pacific framework, ultimately contributing to a balanced and secure regional order as the Quad seeks to mitigate threats to peace and uphold democratic values.

# Taiwan alerts over increased Chinese military activity in strait S SHARE

03-Jul-25

Amid increasing tensions in the Taiwan Strait, Taiwan has reported heightened Chinese military incursions, raising concerns about regional stability. The situation underscores the escalating military assertiveness of China, which could have implications for Indo-Pacific security dynamics. Taiwan's alertness reflects its commitment to safeguarding its sovereignty, which resonates with India's strategic interests in maintaining a free and open Indo-Pacific. The developments highlight the need for India to bolster its defense collaborations with allied nations, ensuring readiness to counter potential threats stemming from China's aggressive posture in the region.

# EAM Jaishankar: Pakistan not a factor in India-US relations S SHARE

03-Jul-25

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar has asserted that India's relations with the US remain unaffected by Pakistan, emphasizing that their partnership is grounded in mutual benefits rather than third-party influences. He refuted claims made by former US President Trump regarding the mediation of a ceasefire, clarifying that it was a result of negotiations between military officials from both nations. Jaishankar highlighted the importance of self-confidence for India, a rising global power, advocating for focus on trade, technology, and defense collaborations. engagements in Washington, including discussions with key US officials, underscore the strategic

significance of India-US ties in addressing regional security and economic interests.

# India and Australia Launch Pact for Enhanced Undersea Surveillance Share

03-Jul-25

India and Australia have initiated a significant undersea surveillance pact aimed at enhancing early detection and tracking of submarines and underwater vehicles. This three-year joint research project, involving the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and the Defence Science and Technology Group (DSTG), will focus on Towed Array Target Motion Analysis to improve surveillance capabilities. The collaboration emphasizes shared expertise and innovative algorithm development, reflecting a broader strategic partnership between the two nations. This initiative not only strengthens maritime domain awareness but also positions India to enhance its undersea combat systems in response to evolving threats in the Indo-Pacific region.

# Ukraine Seeks European Support Amid US Pause on Weapons Shipments Share

03-Jul-25

The U.S. decision to pause weapons shipments to Ukraine has intensified concerns as Russia escalates its military offensive. Key systems like Patriot missiles, essential for air defense, are included in the pause, leaving Ukrainian cities more vulnerable. Ukrainian officials are now urging for greater European support and are ramping up domestic defense production, particularly in drones and artillery shells. Despite the challenge of U.S. disengagement, Ukraine aims to modernize its military capabilities through joint investment projects with European nations to counterbalance the impact of the U.S. pause, emphasizing the critical need for stable supply lines in wartime.

#### US Claims Strikes Delayed Iran's Nuclear Program, Satellite Evidence

Contradicts S SHARE

03-Jul-25

The Pentagon claims that recent US airstrikes on Iran's nuclear sites have delayed Tehran's nuclear ambitions by up to two years, citing significant damage to facilities like Fordow and Natanz. However, satellite images from Maxar Technologies indicate ongoing activity at Fordow, with evidence of repair efforts and potential resumption of operations. Experts warn that Iran's advanced nuclear capabilities cannot be fully

neutralized by military strikes alone, and the International Atomic Energy Agency suggests that Iran could quickly resume enriching uranium. Ultimately, while the US asserts a tactical victory, the true long-term impact remains uncertain as Iran continues its nuclear activities.

# EAM Jaishankar Highlights Operation Sindoor's Clarity at Quad Meeting SHARE

03-Jul-25

India's External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar emphasized the significance of Operation Sindoor during a recent Quad meeting, asserting India's resolute stance against terrorism following the tragic attack in Pahalgam that claimed 26 lives. The operation, executed with precision, targeted terrorist camps in Pakistan while avoiding military sites to prevent escalation. showcasing India's commitment counterterrorism and the protection of its citizens. Jaishankar urged Quad partners to support India's right to defend itself, highlighting the importance of distinguishing victims from perpetrators. This operation underscores India's strategic approach to asymmetric warfare and its dedication to fighting terrorism globally, reinforcing the nation's resolve and unity in its defense strategy.

#### Pakistan Asks Baykar to Investigate YIHA-III Drone Failures in India Conflict Share

03-Jul-25

Pakistan has requested an investigation from Turkish firm Baykar into the failures of its YIHA-III drone, which malfunctioned during a recent conflict with India, leading to numerous drones landing intact within Indian territory. Indian defenses, particularly advanced electronic warfare systems, are believed to have iammed the drones' communication, causing operational failures. The incident has raised questions about the YIHA-III's reliability and Pakistan's drone strategy, especially given the drone's significant intended role in military operations. This situation highlights India's superior technological edge and the challenges faced by Pakistan in its collaborations, particularly in adapting systems designed for asymmetric conflicts to counter advanced adversaries like India.

#### **Military Operations**

# India to Receive Apache Helicopters to Boost Border Defense Share

03-Jul-25

India is set to receive its long-awaited AH-64E Apache attack helicopters, with the first batch of three expected to arrive by July 15, 2025, following delays primarily due to technical issues and supply chain disruptions. This delivery is crucial as it aligns with India's ongoing efforts to enhance combat capabilities after Operation Sindoor, which targeted Pakistan-based infrastructure. The \$600 million deal, signed in 2020 for six helicopters, reflects India's commitment to modernizing its military, particularly the Aviation Corps, established its first Apache squadron at Jodhpur in 2024, specifically designed for operations in desert terrain along the India-Pakistan border. The Apache's advanced features, including state-of-the-art targeting systems and weapons capabilities, position it as a vital asset for counter-terrorism and ground support operations. Furthermore, Defense Minister Rajnath Singh's discussions with U.S. Defense Secretary Pete Hegseth emphasize the strategic partnership between India and the U.S., highlighting the importance of defense cooperation and timely deliveries of critical military hardware. The induction of the Apache helicopters not only enhances the Indian Army's operational capabilities but also signifies a broader strategy of deterrence and preparedness against regional threats, reinforcing India's position as a formidable player in South Asia's security landscape. development showcases India's approach to strengthening its defense infrastructure and its commitment to maintaining stability in the region, further complemented by ongoing modernization initiatives across various military platforms.

# Army Chief Commends Indian Military Team's Training Efforts in Bhutan Share

03-Jul-25

Chief of Army Staff General Upendra Dwivedi visited Bhutan, engaging with the Indian Military Training Team (IMTRAT) and emphasizing its critical role in enhancing military cooperation between India and the Royal Bhutan Army. His visit included interactions with soldiers from both nations, where he praised their focused joint training and leadership development efforts, underscoring IMTRAT as India's oldest overseas

mission and a testament to the depth of Indo-Bhutan defense collaboration. Additionally, General Dwivedi visited the Gyalsung Academy, gaining insights into Bhutan's national service initiative empowering youth for nation-building. His meetings with key Bhutanese military and royal figures, including a ceremonial audience with the King and Queen, further solidified the enduring friendship and strategic partnership between India and Bhutan. This visit reflects India's commitment to supporting Bhutan's security and development, enhancing bilateral relations and fostering regional stability. The emphasis on joint training, military education, and capacity-building initiatives highlights the proactive approach of both nations in addressing mutual security concerns and promoting peace in the region. Through these efforts, India reinforces its position as a trusted ally and partner Bhutan, advancing their shared interests in sovereignty and stability.

# Encounter Between Security Forces and Terrorists in Kishtwar S SHARE

03-Jul-25

An encounter is currently underway between security forces and terrorists in the Kishtwar district of Jammu and Kashmir, specifically in the forested Kanzal Mandu area, following a joint operation initiated by the police, Army, and CRPF based on intelligence inputs regarding terrorist presence. The operation, which coincides with the commencement of the annual Amarnath Yatra, has seen reinforcements deployed to strengthen the cordon around the area, as militants, believed to be associated with the Pakistan-based Jaish-e-Mohammad, continue to engage in firefights with the forces. This surge in militant activity marks a concerning shift, as Kishtwar was previously considered relatively safe, highlighting importance of enhanced intelligence coordination among security forces. Experts point to the need for a comprehensive strategy to address rising militancy, as terrorists increasingly utilize sophisticated weaponry and jungle warfare tactics. The situation has prompted local authorities to advise residents to remain vigilant and indoors, while the security apparatus is under pressure to ensure the safety of not only pilgrims but also the local populace in light of the escalating threats. The recent encounters underscore the urgency for reassessment and strengthening of the security grid to stabilize the region and counter the evolving terror landscape effectively.

# Bangladeshi smuggler killed, BSF jawan injured in border clash S SHARE

03-Jul-25

A Bangladeshi smuggler was killed, and a BSF jawan injured during a confrontation at the India-Bangladesh border in West Bengal's Nadia district. The incident arose when a group of armed smugglers, ignoring warnings, attacked BSF personnel who were conducting an ambush based on intelligence about gold smuggling. In self-defense, a BSF jawan opened fire, hitting one intruder who later succumbed to injuries. This incident highlights the escalating boldness of cross-border smugglers despite repeated concerns raised by the BSF regarding infiltration attempts, underlining the need for enhanced cooperation and decisive action from the Border Guard Bangladesh to mitigate smuggling and bolster border security.

## Indian Army's Spear Corps Readiness Reviewed at Border with China Share

03-Jul-25

Lieutenant General Abhijit S. Pendharkar, GOC of the Indian Army's Spear Corps, recently assessed operational preparedness in Arunachal Pradesh, emphasizing the Corps' critical role in defending India's northeastern frontier against China. The review focused on combat enablers, advanced technologies, and the integration of drone systems for reconnaissance, showcasing the Army's commitment to modernization and infrastructure enhancement along the Line of Actual Control. Lt Gen Pendharkar, a seasoned veteran, praised the troops' professionalism and resolved to tackle harsh conditions while reaffirming dedication to fallen soldiers. This proactive approach underscores India's strategic intent to fortify its defenses in a sensitive geopolitical landscape.

# Russian Navy Major General Mikhail Gudkov killed in Ukraine S SHARE

03-Jul-25

Major General Mikhail Gudkov, deputy head of the Russian Navy, has been killed in Ukraine, marking a significant loss for Moscow as he was one of its senior commanders. His death occurred during combat operations in the Kursk region, reportedly due to a Ukrainian missile strike using U.S.-made HIMARS systems. Gudkov was recognized for his leadership and had recently received a military honor from President Putin. His death reflects ongoing challenges for the Russian military amid the conflict, with reports indicating that more than ten senior Russian commanders have been killed since the onset of the

war, highlighting the escalating risks faced by Russian forces.

# Navy and Army Strengthen Nuclear Triad; IAF Lacks Stealth Bombers Stealth Strengthen Nuclear Triad;

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India is enhancing its nuclear triad with advancements in its naval and land capabilities, particularly through the development of S5 submarines and the Agni-V missile. However, a significant gap remains in the Indian Air Force's aerial deterrence, as its current fleet lacks stealth bombers, making them vulnerable to advanced air defense systems. Military analysts emphasize the urgent need for a dedicated stealth bomber to maintain a credible and flexible nuclear deterrent amidst rising threats from China and Pakistan. Investing in such technology would ensure India's national security posture remains robust and adaptable in a complex geopolitical landscape.

#### **Terrorism and Counterterrorism**

# Jaishankar and FBI Director Patel Discuss India-US Anti-Terror Cooperation Share

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External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar recently visited Washington, DC, where he engaged in productive discussions with several key US officials, including FBI Director Kash Patel and US Director of National Intelligence Tulsi Gabbard. The meetings primarily focused on enhancing cooperation in countering terrorism, organized crime, and drug trafficking, reinforcing the importance of intelligence sharing between the two nations. Jaishankar also met with US Secretary of Defence Pete Hegseth to advance the India-US defense partnership, emphasizing shared interests and capabilities. Furthermore, he discussed opportunities for deepening energy partnerships with US Energy Secretary Chris Wright and participated in the Quad Foreign Ministers Meeting, where strategic stability in the Indo-Pacific was a significant topic. Jaishankar's interactions with Gabbard, who has been instrumental in strengthening Indo-US ties, emphasized mutual commitments to combatting various security threats. This series of meetings underscores India's proactive diplomatic engagement with the US and highlights a growing convergence on global security issues, reflecting the strategic importance of the Indo-US relationship in addressing contemporary challenges. Overall, these discussions signify a robust commitment

to collaborative security efforts and the advancement of shared interests in crucial areas.

#### Three Indians abducted in Mali amid Al-Qaeda terror threats S SHARE

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Three Indian nationals were abducted in Mali amid ongoing terrorist attacks, prompting India to express deep concern and urge the Mali government to ensure their safe release. The Ministry of External Affairs has been actively coordinating with local authorities and the Indian embassy in Bamako, maintaining communication with the families of the abducted individuals. The situation is particularly alarming given that Al-Qaeda affiliate Jamaat Nusrat al-Islam wal-Muslimin has claimed responsibility for similar attacks in the region. The Indian government is committed to the safety of its citizens abroad and has advised all Indians in Mali to remain vigilant and in contact with the embassy for support.

## Three militants arrested in Manipur; arms and grenades seized. S SHARE

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Security forces in Manipur arrested three militants affiliated with banned outfits, including PREPAK (PRO) and Kangleipak Communist Party (PWG), as part of ongoing operations to combat insurgency in the region. The arrests occurred across multiple districts, with seized items including firearms and grenades highlighting the serious threat posed by these groups. This proactive approach by the police showcases India's commitment to maintaining stability and security in Manipur, a region affected by insurgency activities. The successful operations not only disrupt militant networks but also reinforce public confidence in the state's ability to handle internal security challenges effectively.

#### **Cybersecurity and Information Warfare**

# Three airlines, including Qantas, targeted by cyberattacks Share

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Three major airlines—WestJet, Hawaiian Airlines, and Qantas—recently experienced cyberattacks attributed to the hacking group Scattered Spider, highlighting vulnerabilities in the aviation sector. WestJet and Hawaiian Airlines reported disruptions in their internal systems, while Qantas suffered a breach affecting data

of around six million customers. Experts emphasize the need for stronger digital defenses, improved employee training, and multi-factor authentication to combat such sophisticated threats. The FBI has warned the industry that any entity within the airline ecosystem, including vendors, could be at risk, urging rapid reporting of suspicious activities to enhance collective security against these emerging cyber threats.

## EU's Schengen border security system faces serious hack risks. Share

03-Jul-25

The Schengen Information System II, crucial for EU border security, has been found to have severe cybersecurity vulnerabilities, raising concerns over potential catastrophic breaches. An audit revealed thousands of issues, including excessive administrator access, which could be exploited by internal and external attackers. Although no data breaches have occurred yet, the implications of a leak could be dire, especially for individuals flagged as security threats. The EU faces challenges in effectively managing cybersecurity, largely due to reliance on external contractors and insufficient in-house expertise, leading to delays and complications in implementing key border management systems. This situation underscores the need for strategic procurement and stronger oversight in the EU's digital infrastructure.

#### Mil Personnel & Veterans

# Former Defence Secretary Shekhar Dutt Passes Away, Remembered for His Service SHARE

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Former defence secretary Shekhar Dutt passed away, leaving behind a legacy as a decorated soldier and visionary administrator. His notable contributions to India's defence and national security were highlighted by the defence ministry, which acknowledged his service during the 1971 India-Pakistan War, where he was awarded the Sena Medal for gallantry. Dutt, a 1969-batch IAS officer, also held significant roles as deputy national security advisor and governor of Chhattisgarh. His passing marks a loss for India's strategic community, emphasizing the importance of dedicated leadership in shaping national security policy and military excellence.

# 44 Manipur students excel in NEET and JEE with Army's Super-50 support S SHARE

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The Indian Army recently recognized 44 students from Manipur who successfully cleared the NEET and JEE examinations through the 'Super-50' scheme, aimed at supporting underprivileged youth with free coaching and mentorship. The initiative, run in collaboration with the National Integrity and Educational Development Organisation, exemplifies the Army's commitment to empowering young individuals in conflict-affected regions. Notably, one student achieved a 97.06 percentile in NEET, showcasing the program's effectiveness amid challenging circumstances. This initiative not only transforms individual lives but also contributes to social progress and long-term peace in Manipur, underscoring the vital role of education in fostering resilience and opportunities for youth.

# Indian Army Commemorates Jhangar Day for Brigadier Usman S SHARE

03-Jul-25

The Indian Army recently celebrated Jhangar Day, honoring Brigadier Mohammad Usman, a revered figure known as the "Lion of Naushera," for his heroic leadership during the 1947-48 India-Pakistan war. A wreath-laying ceremony was conducted at the Usman Memorial in Jhangar, attended by the Commander of the 80th Infantry Brigade and local dignitaries, highlighting his contributions to the Battle of Jhangar. Additionally, another ceremonial tribute took place at his grave near Jamia Milia Islamia in Delhi, where Lieutenant General Pushpendra Singh and other army officials commemorated his bravery and leadership that turned the tide in favor of the Indian forces. Notably, Brig Usman was posthumously awarded the Maha Vir Chakra for his exemplary sacrifice, and the events included community outreach activities such as medical camps and relief distributions, reflecting solidarity with locals. The dual commemorations underscore the Indian Army's commitment to remembering its heroes and fostering community ties while ensuring that the legacy of such exemplary leadership continues to inspire future generations of soldiers. Overall, these commemorative events serve to reinforce national pride and the enduring values of courage and sacrifice within the Indian defense framework.

# Air Marshal S. Sivakumar takes charge as AOA at Air HQ. SHARE

03-Jul-25

Air Marshal S. Sivakumar VSM has taken over as Air Officer-in-Charge Administration at Air HQ, marking a significant leadership transition in the Indian Air Force. Meanwhile, the UK has launched the Defence Innovation (UKDI) to enhance military innovation with a budget of at least £400 million, aiming to streamline the defense procurement process and respond swiftly to emerging technologies. This initiative emphasizes collaboration between military, industry, and academia, crucial for maintaining technological superiority in a competitive global landscape. Such advancements highlight the growing emphasis on innovation within defense sectors, a strategy that India must continue to prioritize to bolster its own national security and military capabilities.

# Delhi HC dismisses 300 MoD pleas, upholding disabled soldiers' pensions. S SHARE

03-Jul-25

The Delhi High Court dismissed nearly 300 pleas from the Ministry of Defence challenging the grant of disability pensions to soldiers, emphasizing that such allowances are rightful acknowledgments of their sacrifices. The court reinforced that soldiers shouldn't need to prove their disabilities unless clearly pre-existing, particularly given the mental and physical strains of military service, even in peacetime. The ruling criticized the MoD's approaches and highlighted past legal reprimands, stressing the need for rational assessment by medical boards. This situation underscores the imperative for the government to uphold its responsibilities toward veterans, ensuring they receive their entitled benefits without undue legal obstruction.

# Pune hospital conducts first bilateral lung transplant for soldier SHARE

03-Jul-25

A 30-year-old Indian Army soldier stationed in Jammu & Kashmir underwent a groundbreaking bilateral lung transplant at Dr. D. Y. Patil Medical College in Pune, marking the first of its kind for a serving soldier. He suffered from Pulmonary Langerhans Cell Histiocytosis, a rare lung disease, and the successful 12-hour surgery demonstrated exceptional medical precision and coordination. The timely transfer of donor lungs was facilitated by a green corridor, showcasing the effectiveness of India's healthcare system. This

achievement not only highlights the capabilities of Indian medical institutions but also emphasizes the unwavering commitment to the health and well-being of armed forces personnel.

# Lt Gen Devendra Sharma Leads ARTRAC Investiture Ceremony Share

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Lieutenant General Devendra Sharma, PVSM, AVSM, SM, who assumed command of ARTRAC on July 1, 2024, presided over the annual Investiture Ceremony in Shimla on July 3, 2025. He announced that ARTRAC will integrate 33 niche technologies-spanning Al, robotics, unmanned systems, cybersecurity, and drones-into its training syllabus by 2030. Over ₹390 crore has been allocated for R&D, infrastructure, and curriculum improvements over the next five years. In the 2024-25 training cycle, 18,000 personnel were trained on 22 such technologies, with another 12,000 slated for 2025-26. The ceremony recognised outstanding units and individuals: five received the Army Commander's Unit Citation, three were honoured for financial excellence, three for e-Office innovation, nine innovators for technical breakthroughs, and select personnel received "on-the-spot" commendations. The event also highlighted ARTRAC's evolving, gender-inclusive, technologically empowered vision

# GITAM University partners with Indian Army for free seats and tech collaboration. S SHARE

03-Jul-25

GITAM University in Hyderabad has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Indian Army to provide free seats for children of army personnel and foster collaboration in defense-related research. This partnership will focus on areas such as UAVs, materials technology, and artificial intelligence and machine learning, facilitating the exchange of experts for joint studies. Brigadier TM Sinha and Prof. DS Rao highlighted the importance of this initiative in enhancing technical education standards and supporting the future of army families. collaborations are crucial for strengthening India's defense capabilities and nurturing a skilled workforce aligned with national security needs.

#### Miscellaneous

# Delhi government pauses fuel ban on older vehicles amid backlash Share

03-Jul-25

The Delhi government has decided to 'put on hold' a controversial fuel ban on older vehicles, which prohibited refueling diesel vehicles over 10 years old and petrol vehicles over 15 years old. This decision follows widespread public anger and criticism from various quarters, including former Indian Air Force pilot Sanjeev Kapoor, who highlighted the inconsistency of targeting personal vehicles while older aircraft and remain operational. Environment Minister Manjinder Singh Sirsa cited technological challenges and the complexity of enforcing the ban as key reasons for the suspension. The government initially aimed to combat air pollution, which is exacerbated by vehicular emissions: however, the implementation faced backlash as many vehicle owners argued their wellmaintained cars, equipped with Pollution Under Control Certificates, should not be penalized. The Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) system intended to enforce the ban was deemed inadequate, as it struggled to identify certain vehicles accurately. Critics assert that the fuel ban feels more like a penalty on responsible ownership rather than a genuine green initiative, with calls for alternative measures to address pollution. The temporary halt illustrates a significant response to public sentiment and highlights the complexity of balancing environmental policies with the realities of vehicle ownership and usage in a densely populated urban area like Delhi. Ultimately, this situation underscores the necessity for comprehensive solutions that effectively address pollution while recognizing the interests of responsible vehicle owners.

# Modi Receives Ghana's Honor, Boosts India-Ghana Strategic Ties Share

03-Jul-25

Prime Minister Narendra Modi was recently conferred with Ghana's highest civilian honour, the Officer of the Order of the Star of Ghana, acknowledging his distinguished statesmanship and deepening bilateral ties between India and Ghana. During this pivotal visit, India and Ghana elevated their relationship to a Comprehensive Partnership, focusing on enhanced cooperation in critical areas such as defence, agriculture, education, and digital technology. Modi emphasized the immense scope for collaboration in

critical minerals and maritime security, reflecting both nations' commitment to safeguarding regional stability and addressing transnational threats. Notably, India aims to double bilateral trade with Ghana in five years and is poised to play a more active role in Ghana's resource sector while supporting initiatives like Ghana's "Feed Ghana" agricultural program and establishing a Skill Development Centre. The visit not only celebrates the historical ties rooted in shared democratic values but also positions Ghana as a strategic partner for India in West Africa, underscoring India's broader engagement with Africa and the Global South.

# CII forecasts India's FY26 growth at 6.4-6.7% amid risks. SHARE

03-Jul-25

The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) projects India's economy to grow between 6.4% and 6.7% in the fiscal year 2026, driven by strong domestic demand, despite geopolitical uncertainties that pose downside risks. CII President Rajiv Memani highlighted the potential benefits of a favorable monsoon, increased liquidity from the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) cash reserve ratio cut, and lowered interest rates. He advocated for a three-tier GST structure to simplify taxation, proposing 5% for essential goods, 28% for luxury items, and a unified rate of 12-18% for other products. Memani also emphasized the need for direct tax reforms and proposed bringing sectors like petroleum and electricity under the GST system to enhance economic efficiency. Furthermore, he noted that while India and the US are progressing towards a bilateral trade agreement, intricate political issues may delay the resolution of sensitive sectors. Overall, these initiatives aim to foster a more business-friendly environment, streamline operations, and bolster India's economic resilience amid external challenges. By focusing on domestic capacity and enhancing regulatory frameworks, India is well-positioned to capitalize on growth opportunities while mitigating risks associated with geopolitical dynamics.

# ISRO Transfers 10 Technologies to Boost Indian Space Industry Share

03-Jul-25

IN-SPACe announced the transfer of 10 advanced technologies from ISRO to six Indian firms, aiming to bolster the private sector's role in commercializing space applications. This initiative enhances self-reliance in satellite launch capabilities and ground station infrastructure, previously reliant on foreign sources, while promoting indigenization. Key

technologies include inertial sensors for launch vehicles and geospatial models for agriculture, fostering industry-led innovation in India's burgeoning space ecosystem. With this strategic move, India is set to strengthen its domestic capabilities and support economic growth through increased participation from private players in the defense and space sectors.

# UP Police Officer Suspended for Assaulting Army Lt Colonel Share

03-Jul-25

A sub-inspector of the Uttar Pradesh Police has been suspended and shifted to police lines after CCTV footage from June 22 at the Telibagh intersection in Lucknow captured him driving on the wrong side, verbally abusing Lieutenant Colonel Anand Prakash Suman, slapping him through the car window, running over his foot, and fleeing. An FIR was immediately lodged under sections pertaining to rash driving, intentional insult, causing hurt, and endangering life, and a senior-led team initiated a thorough probe. The Army's Surya Command pressured the Lucknow Police Commissioner for a fair and prompt investigation. While this swift action followed viral footage involving visible evidence and institutional pressure, it starkly reveals a wider pattern of police high-handedness that often targets ordinary citizens without accountability. Why does genuine redress emerge only under such intense scrutiny? Ultimately, until every individualregardless of status-can challenge misconduct and expect transparent justice, unchecked authority in civil power remains a grave threat.

# NASA Welcomes ISRO Officials to Strengthen Space Collaboration Starts

03-Jul-25

NASA recently hosted ISRO officials, including chairman Dr. V. Narayanan, at its Johnson and Kennedy Space Centers, emphasizing the ongoing collaboration between the two space agencies. This partnership aims to facilitate India's first astronaut, through the Axiom Mission 4 to the International Space Station, reinforcing commitments made by former President Trump and

Prime Minister Modi. The collaboration includes five joint scientific investigations and two in-orbit demonstrations, showcasing a shared vision for advancing scientific knowledge and enhancing space cooperation. This interaction not only highlights India's growing capabilities in space exploration but also strengthens the strategic ties between India and the United States in technology and innovation.

# Starlink's India authorization awaits final approval from IN-SPACe. Stare

03-Jul-25

The Indian National Space Promotion and Authorisation Centre (IN-SPACe) is evaluating the approval for Elon Musk's Starlink satellite internet service, with Union Communications Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia noting that due diligence has been completed on India's side. Once regulatory approvals are finalized, Starlink is poised to launch its services in India, having already addressed most requirements. IN-SPACe Chairman Dr. Pawan Goenka has signaled progress, meeting with SpaceX officials to resolve any remaining issues. This development promises to enhance internet connectivity in India, especially in remote areas, aligning with the nation's goals for digital inclusion and technological advancement.

# India Blocks All Pakistani X Accounts and YouTube Channels Share

03-Jul-25

India has re-blocked all Pakistani accounts on X and maintained a ban on YouTube channels amid escalating digital and diplomatic restrictions following the April 22 Pahalgam terror attack. These measures, including a crackdown on Pakistani media, come as part of India's response to terrorism, with the All Indian Cine Workers Association urging a total blackout of Pakistani social media, citing emotional distress to families of soldiers lost to terrorism. The government's strict stance reflects a commitment to national security and cultural disconnect from Pakistan, reinforcing the narrative of Pakistan as a terrorist nation and prioritizing the sacrifices of the Indian Armed Forces.

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# **Defence Sector Stocks**

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	RSI14	SMA20	SMA200
MACPOWER	0.0	992.3	965.5	992.3	6567	5.6	68.92	866.76	1184.01
SWANDEF	239.99	239.99	239.99	239.99	276	5.0	99.97	157.06	23.39
LOKESHMACH	196.99	201.4	195.0	201.4	20367	5.0	68.84	176.1	261.98
DRONACHRYA	95.31	95.31	95.31	95.31	116000	4.99	62.28	90.88	100.55
TECHERA	190.2	199.7	182.55	199.7	48000	4.99	50.88	209.69	-
GOODLUCK	1102.1	1157.0	1102.1	1146.9	159488	3.44	67.0	1069.67	904.55
CENTUM	2291.0	2374.0	2291.0	2353.7	17684	2.78	53.36	2322.54	1822.23
SIKA	1414.7	1448.1	1407.0	1439.15	56028	2.69	62.57	1382.27	647.45
PREMEXPLN	563.65	587.9	560.0	578.2	756462	2.65	51.83	592.64	468.91
SUNITATOOL	806.3	806.3	806.3	806.3	5125	2.0	58.22	795.53	731.17
BEML	4366.0	4485.0	4328.2	4453.1	565158	1.99	57.31	4417.51	3642.12
HBLPOWER	628.9	645.9	622.0	636.05	3232708	1.47	66.47	596.82	559.18
HAL	4881.0	4971.8	4881.0	4931.2	1120740	0.67	51.77	4957.31	4277.89
DYNAMATECH	7101.5	7250.5	7101.5	7200.0	5171	0.54	56.76	7074.92	7144.15
DATAPATTNS	2960.0	3006.3	2931.0	2966.8	242977	0.44	55.66	2957.09	2296.88
MAZDOCK	3281.0	3309.3	3262.0	3287.6	1343453	0.29	51.91	3265.17	2507.6
KRISHNADEF	880.0	900.0	878.6	885.8	14750	0.22	49.24	920.08	730.27
PARAS	1714.0	1735.0	1685.6	1697.6	857516	0.08	59.69	1635.11	1149.09
URAVIDEF	492.0	499.0	475.0	489.8	2803	0.06	44.89	496.19	443.0
MTARTECH	1591.0	1610.0	1578.4	1584.5	72264	0.01	39.36	1668.81	1577.12
AZAD	1657.9	1668.0	1645.0	1655.2	161840	-0.14	50.13	1637.51	1561.35
BEL	427.7	430.7	424.05	426.25	13499244	-0.16	68.39	407.25	306.45
PTC	180.7	180.75	179.0	179.45	549307	-0.22	55.03	176.24	169.28
ROSSELLIND	68.86	69.39	68.4	68.68	13622	-0.26	43.47	70.08	90.06
WALCHANNAG	226.0	229.0	222.5	224.81	84421	-0.28	47.19	237.43	236.9
LT	3605.0	3625.0	3576.0	3582.9	1229034	-0.39	45.78	3634.5	3514.42
COCHINSHIP	2029.9	2048.0	2005.0	2015.4	1424216	-0.49	46.64	2152.14	1589.75
BDL	1965.0	1982.7	1906.6	1965.3	3248007	-0.5	59.88	1908.89	1325.51
SOLARINDS	17028.0	17115.0	16789.0	16822.0	128590	-0.69	55.37	16997.2	11576.31
ADANIENT	2634.0	2644.0	2605.1	2611.2	502724	-0.72	59.19	2547.13	2528.25
LMW	16851.0	16947.0	16627.0	16719.0	3416	-0.78	54.33	16384.05	16207.78
ASTRAMICRO	1069.0	1088.4	1053.0	1058.3	337137	-0.8	47.64	1102.88	821.98
RTNINDIA	62.27	62.69	60.66	61.47	6953190	-0.89	60.4	59.12	57.21
BHARATFORG	1311.9	1336.1	1297.0	1298.7	1616581	-0.97	54.56	1303.38	1264.71
NIBE	1676.0	1676.0	1650.0	1651.0	3271	-1.02	46.45	1738.87	1542.44
GRSE	2973.3	2989.4	2933.2	2942.1	653274	-1.05	48.64	3120.53	1848.25
IDEAFORGE	578.7	581.95	565.0	570.5	418699	-1.11	50.25	588.34	528.75
DCXINDIA	279.65	281.45	275.9	276.5	555406	-1.18	38.8	291.78	304.87
MIDHANI	440.3	440.3	430.1	431.1	507280	-1.36	53.53	434.64	342.04
ZENTEC	1957.9	1962.0	1922.0	1925.4	241989	-1.39	50.05	1954.96	1767.12
APOLLO	191.8	191.8	187.22	187.81	2431174	-1.42	50.92	196.01	124.71
HIGHENE	766.05	766.05	760.0	762.0	5389	-1.68	58.77	728.84	598.84
MARINE	207.4	209.9	200.8	203.73	244968	-1.68	41.77	219.37	216.06
CFF	638.5	639.95	614.0	621.85	29600	-1.69	53.31	627.85	583.73
AVANTEL	160.39	160.98	156.81	157.38	1280222	-1.88	53.46	159.55	144.58
TANEJAERO	482.1	482.1	472.45	472.45	18338	-1.99	75.85	402.74	386.17
TEMBO	0.0	531.95	531.95	531.95	9693	-2.0	62.9	493.67	578.97
JYOTICNC	1057.0	1060.0	1019.0	1023.0	536913	-2.7	30.57	1127.62	1139.46
AXISCADES	1424.7	1426.0	1362.0	1370.5	146345	-3.8	61.01	1301.36	761.43
RELINFRA	386.25	390.0	376.95	376.95	4311061	-4.99	51.8	391.25	285.13