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#### **Top Gainers**

Stock	Close	Prev	Change
PREMEXPLN	536.9	509.75	+5.33%
SUNITATOOL	671.85	639.9	+4.99%
SWANDEF	452.3	430.8	+4.99%
RELINFRA	293.2	279.35	+4.96%
AVANTEL	162.08	154.52	+4.89%

#### **Top Losers**

Stock	Close	Prev	Change
URAVIDEF	392.8	413.45	-4.99%
KRISHNADEF	739.35	757.3	-2.37%
WALCHANNAG	183.26	186.7	-1.84%
GRSE	2501.4	2543.8	-1.67%
ROSSELLIND	66.64	67.69	-1.55%

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

# Swan Defence and Indian Maritime University establish shipbuilding Centres of Excellence. Share

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Swan Defence and Heavy Industries Ltd has partnered with the Indian Maritime University to establish Centres of Excellence in shipbuilding, focusing on training, research, and innovation in naval architecture. This initiative aims to prepare a skilled workforce to meet the demands of India's expanding shipbuilding and heavy fabrication sectors, enhancing self-reliance and global competitiveness. The collaboration further includes joint efforts with educational institutions and government bodies to promote skill development aligned with India's maritime vision. This strategic partnership underscores India's commitment to advancing its maritime capabilities and securing its position in the global shipbuilding industry.

#### Draganfly Showcases Commander 3XL and Flex FPV Drones at T-REX 24-2 Share

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Draganfly successfully demonstrated its Commander 3XL and Flex FPV drones during the U.S. Department of Defense's T-REX 24-2 military technology exercise, showcasing their versatility and operational capabilities in multi-domain defense operations. The Commander 3XL effectively deployed various payloads, while the Flex FPV provided critical aerial intelligence in challenging environments. As one of only four companies invited, Draganfly's advancements contribute significantly to modern military needs,

including collaborations for tactical logistics and medical delivery drones. This positions Draganfly as a key player in the defense industry, particularly in developing adaptable UAV systems that enhance mission efficiency and support NATO-aligned operations.

#### China Advances Military AI Through Private Sector Innovations Share

03-Sep-25

China is leveraging its private sector to advance military Al capabilities, integrating civilian innovations into the People's Liberation Army's (PLA) modernization strategies. A significant focus is on developing automated systems for real-time battlefield adjustments, demonstrating ambitions that could enhance China's military edge. The PLA's approach, marked by the civil-military fusion strategy, allows for public bidding on defense contracts, inviting various private firms and universities to contribute to military technology advancements. This tactic raises concerns for the U.S., highlighting the need for strategic investments to remain competitive amid China's proactive military modernization efforts. India's defense strategy must consider these developments to bolster its own technological capabilities and readiness.

#### Viettel Unveils Advanced Military Gear at Vietnam Independence Day SHARE

03-Sep-25

Viettel Group, Vietnam's leading telecommunications and defense technology firm, showcased advanced military equipment at the recent Independence Day Parade, marking a significant step in its defense capabilities. The display included the Truong Son missile system, modernized S-125-VT air defense systems, and various UAVs for reconnaissance and

combat. This event underscores Viettel's dual role in national digital transformation and military modernization, emphasizing its commitment to enhancing Vietnam's defense autonomy while being a top telecom provider in Southeast Asia. Such advancements reflect a strategic push to bolster Vietnam's military readiness and technological prowess in a dynamic geopolitical landscape.

#### India in talks with Russia for more S-400 missile deliveries. Share

03-Sep-25

India is negotiating with Russia for increased deliveries of the long-range S-400 missile systems, crucial for its air defense architecture. This comes after Prime Minister Modi reaffirmed the strong ties between India and Russia, emphasizing mutual support in challenging times amid U.S. criticism of India's energy purchases from Moscow. The S-400 systems, which are integral to India's defense strategy, can engage various aerial threats at significant distances, enhancing India's military capabilities. Despite external pressures, India remains committed to its defense partnerships, asserting that its actions align with national interests and global economic stability.

### DRDO Invites Private Sector for SATCOM Data-Link Development S SHARE

03-Sep-25

DRDO is seeking private-sector partnerships for developing a secure SATCOM data-link for the TEJAS MK-2 and AMCA aircraft, enabling enhanced operational capabilities such as secure communication, sensor fusion, and electronic warfare. With a focus on domestic innovation, DRDO has invited Indian firms with expertise in software-defined radios to collaborate, ensuring resilience against jamming and interoperability. This initiative aligns with India's broader defense strategy of self-reliance and modernization, with potential expansion to other aviation platforms. By integrating advanced communication systems, India aims to bolster its combat readiness and technological edge, fostering a robust defense industry ecosystem.

### India's 20,000 Crores Netra MK-II AEW&C Upgrade on A321 Share

03-Sep-25

India's ambitious Netra MK-II AEW&C program aims to convert six Airbus A321 aircraft into advanced airborne surveillance platforms, reflecting a significant investment of approximately 20,000 Crores (US\$227 million). This upgrade addresses previous limitations of

the EMB-145-based systems, enhancing range, endurance, and capacity for advanced radar and electronic warfare systems. The integration of a new-generation AESA radar will bolster India's aerial surveillance capabilities, particularly in the Indian Ocean Region amid growing geopolitical challenges. With operational induction expected between 2033-2034, the program is a vital step towards achieving strategic self-reliance and enhancing multidomain situational awareness for the Indian Air Force.

#### Indian Armed Forces Push for Enhanced EW Resilience in Drones Share

03-Sep-25

Following Operation Sindoor in May 2025, the Indian Armed Forces are urging domestic manufacturers to enhance drones' electronic components against enemy Electronic Warfare (EW), particularly after vulnerabilities were highlighted by effective Pakistani EW capabilities during the operation. With a focus on anti-jamming technologies and resilient navigation systems, the initiative underscores India's commitment to self-reliance in defense, aligning with the Atmanirbhar Bharat campaign. The investment of over ₹2,000 crore by the Drone Federation of India in R&D for these improvements reflects a strategic response to international conflicts emphasizing the need for EW-hardened systems to ensure operational effectiveness against adversaries like Pakistan and China.

#### Vietnam Explores BrahMos-A Integration for Su-30MKM Jets Share

03-Sep-25

Vietnam is moving to evaluate integrating the BrahMos-A supersonic cruise missile on its Su-30-series fighters, paralleling Malaysia's ongoing feasibility studies, amid reports that Hanoi is close to finalizing a roughly \$700 million BrahMos package including coastal batteries and air-launched variants for Su-30 operations, as regional tensions persist in the South China Sea. The interest follows India's operational deployment of BrahMos from Su-30MKI aircraft and recent Southeast Asian traction after deliveries to the Philippines, with technical briefings from BrahMos Aerospace and HAL informing structural, avionics, and cost requirements for adapting the 2.5-ton BrahMos-A to Su-30 airframes sharing lineage with India's MKI fleet. Coverage on September 1-2, 2025, indicated Malaysia's detailed request for documentation and Vietnam's parallel exploration, including reports of a prospective 36aircraft Su-30MKM buy paired with BrahMos-A, while earlier reporting in 2024-2025 noted Vietnam's

negotiations advancing toward contract signature within months and participation in defense expos where BrahMos briefings occurred. The missile's extended 450–800 km class range and Mach 2.8–3 profile underpin sought long-range deterrence and precision strike capacity

### Indian Navy's Project-77 Submarines to Feature Hybrid Propulsion S SHARE

03-Sep-25

The Indian Navy is advancing its underwater capabilities with the development of the Project-77 nuclear-powered attack submarines, featuring a hybrid Nuclear-Electric Propulsion system that allows for speeds of up to 25 knots in silent mode, comparable to the U.S. Virginia-class and superior to China's Type 095. This technological leap enhances India's strategic presence in the Indo-Pacific amid rising competition from China, especially as the P77 submarines are designed for stealth and operational flexibility. By possibly incorporating conventional propulsion for greater speed, the P77s promise to bolster India's maritime power, safeguarding its interests against China's expanding naval influence in the region.

#### VL-SRSAM to Enhance Mission Sudarshan Chakra's Inner Defense Share

03-Sep-25

India's newly launched Mission Sudarshan Chakra will utilize the Vertical Launch Short-Range Surface-to-Air Missile (VL-SRSAM) for robust inner ring defense, enhancing protection for critical infrastructure against low-flying threats like cruise missiles. Developed by DRDO, the VL-SRSAM and its MkII variant promise rapid response and cost-effectiveness, aligning with India's Aatmanirbhar Bharat initiative. The system's vertical launch capability offers 360-degree coverage and integrates seamlessly with other defense layers. This initiative, spurred by threats during Operation Sindoor in 2025, showcases India's commitment to self-reliance in defense while safeguarding vital assets such as oil refineries from potential attacks, highlighting the strategic importance of indigenous military technology.

### MCIWS: India's Ambitious Multi-Caliber Rifle Project Shelved Share

03-Sep-25

The Indian Army's ambitious Multi-Caliber Individual Weapon System (MCIWS) aimed to revolutionize small arms by allowing soldiers to switch between calibers with ease, but the project was ultimately shelved due to complex requirements and procurement challenges.

Though it never entered service, the MCIWS showcased DRDO's innovative capabilities and influenced subsequent Indian rifle designs by incorporating advanced features like a short-stroke gas piston mechanism. Despite its cancellation, the MCIWS highlighted the potential for India to foster indigenous small arms technology and may inspire future developments in line with the government's push for self-reliance in defense manufacturing.

#### India-Russia Pact for Co-Developing Twin-Engine Combat Drones SHARE

03-Sep-25

India and Russia have formalized a joint protocol for codeveloping advanced aero-engines, leveraging the AL-55I experience for twin-engine uncrewed combat fighter aircraft (UCFAs). This collaboration aims to enhance India's indigenous defense capabilities, with a focus on technology transfer, localization, and testing. The agreement emphasizes producing a modular twinengine configuration, offering redundancy for enhanced reliability in unmanned systems. With a target for prototype engines by 2027 and full-scale UCFA integration by 2029, this partnership aligns with India's strategic goals in modern warfare, reflecting a significant step toward boosting defense autonomy and operational readiness in both land and maritime domains.

#### BEML Launches Advanced Light Armoured Multipurpose Vehicle SHARE

03-Sep-25

BEML has unveiled and commenced assembly of its fully indigenous Light Armoured Multipurpose Vehicle (LAMV), a 4x4 platform with switchable 4x2 mode, powered by a 450 HP diesel engine and automatic transmission, aimed at reconnaissance and support roles across desert to high-altitude terrains. The 13-ton GVW LAMV targets STANAG 4569 ballistic and blast protection levels, integrating run-flat tyres provisions for central tyre inflation to enhance mobility and survivability. Early materials indicate a four-seat layout, high ground clearance, and on-road cruising range claims, while procurement papers list powertrain ratios and torque benchmarks around 1,590 Nm for the configuration under evaluation. Assembly at Kolar Gold Fields precedes Indian Army trials, including Eastern Ladakh, aligning with Atmanirbhar Bharat and signaling a capability boost for Recce & Support Battalions.

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

#### Pune Cantonment Board requests Rs 95 crore from Defence Ministry to settle liabilities. 🕓 SHARE

03-Sep-25

The Pune Cantonment Board (PCB) has requested Rs 95 crore from the Ministry of Defence to address its financial liabilities, which include unpaid utility bills and staff salaries. The board is under significant pressure to provide essential services to over 70,000 residents amid stagnant revenue and rising expenses, particularly due to pay commission hikes. PCB officials emphasize the urgency of this funding, stating that without it, the situation for both residents and employees could deteriorate. Local representatives have urged the defense ministry to prioritize this request, highlighting its critical importance for maintaining civic amenities within the Cantonment area.

#### MoD Prioritizes IAF Fighter Jets, Delaying Navy's Third Carrier S SHARE

03-Sep-25

The Indian Ministry of Defence (MoD) has prioritized the procurement of fighter jets for the Indian Air Force (IAF), significantly affecting the Indian Navy's ambitions for a third aircraft carrier, which is essential for power projection in the Indian Ocean Region (IOR). This strategic pivot aims to address the IAF's urgent need to fill a combat aircraft shortfall, especially against regional threats from China and Pakistan. While the IAF's modernization is critical, the delay of the Navy's carrier program could hinder India's long-term maritime capabilities amidst rising naval challenges, highlighting the need for a balanced defense strategy that supports both air force and navy capabilities.

#### **Politics**

#### P. Chidambaram Critiques Tianjin Declaration Endorsed by Pakistan S SHARE



03-Sep-25

Former Union Minister P. Chidambaram criticized the Declaration, which Pakistan endorsed. questioning its credibility in effectively addressing global terrorism. He emphasized that such declarations lose value when signed by terrorism-exporting nations, amid ongoing diplomatic tensions between India and

Pakistan. Chidambaram's remarks highlight the broader challenge of distinguishing between countries that export terrorism and those that suffer from it, echoing India's concerns about Pakistan's support for crossborder terrorism. Meanwhile, the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation's joint statement condemning the recent Pahalgam terror attack reflects a growing international consensus on the need for accountability regarding acts of terrorism.

#### Opposition supports Abdullah's J&K statehood demand; BJP defers

decision. (S) SHARE

03-Sep-25

The renewed demand for restoring statehood to Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) by National Conference President Faroog Abdullah has garnered support from Congress and RJD, while the BJP asserts that the Centre will decide at the right time. Abdullah criticizes the government for not fulfilling its promise postelections, emphasizing the importance of statehood for J&K's political representation. BJP officials highlight the region's strategic significance and express concern under Prime Minister Modi's leadership. The political discourse remains tense. reflecting ongoing frustrations over local governance and economic conditions since the abrogation of Article 370 in August 2019, which transformed J&K into a Union Territory.

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

#### Trump's policies push India closer to Russia and China, says Bolton Share

03-Sep-25

Recent comments by former US National Security Advisors highlight a significant downturn in US-India relations attributed to Trump's tariff policies and personal business interests in Pakistan, John Bolton and Jake Sullivan stress that these actions have jeopardized decades of efforts to strengthen ties with India, pushing it closer to Russia and China. US Congressman Ro Khanna echoed these concerns, arguing that high tariffs harm both nations and may drive India into alliances with authoritarian regimes. Amidst these tensions, Indian PM Modi continues to advocate for strategic partnerships that emphasize mutual growth, connectivity, and counter-terrorism, underscoring India's commitment to maintaining its sovereignty and democratic values.

### German FM Praises PM Modi's Peace Call for Ukraine S SHARE

03-Sep-25

German Foreign Minister Johann Wadephul's recent visit to India highlights the growing strategic ties between India and Germany, focusing on security cooperation amidst global challenges, particularly regarding Russia's aggression in Ukraine and China's assertiveness in the Indo-Pacific. Wadephul praised Prime Minister Modi's call for a peaceful resolution in Ukraine and emphasized Germany's commitment to support India in combating terrorism. The discussions enhancing defence collaboration exploring opportunities in technology and innovation, reaffirming both countries' shared democratic values and their strategic significance in maintaining international stability. This visit underscores the potential for deeper cooperation across various sectors, including space and green energy.

#### Trump Criticizes India's Tariffs, Calls Latest Offer Insufficient S SHARE

03-Sep-25

Donald Trump has renewed attacks on India's "tremendous" tariffs, calling the trade relationship "onesided" and dismissing New Delhi's recent zero-tariff overture as too late, as Washington's doubled duties of up to 50% on Indian imports took effect on August 27, 2025, citing Russian oil purchases as a trigger for the extra 25% levy on top of prior tariffs. He again cited Harley-Davidson to argue U.S. firms face prohibitive barriers, though Indian duties on large motorcycles have been reduced over time, undercutting his repeated "200%" claim even as he frames it as emblematic of market access hurdles; Indian reports also note the brand's India struggles were not solely tariff-driven. New Delhi is pursuing a bilateral trade agreement, with discussions continuing despite the escalation and signals from Trump that a deal remains possible, even as he presses for deeper concessions. India maintains discounted Russian crude and legacy defense ties serve national interest and energy security, with Reuters noting Trump called India's "zero tariff" offer insufficient amid criticism of its Russian oil and arms links

### Indian Navy's First Training Squadron Arrives in Seychelles State

03-Sep-25

The Indian Navy's First Training Squadron, comprising INS Tir, INS Shardul, and ICGS Sarathi, has arrived in Seychelles for a long-range training deployment, enhancing maritime ties between the two nations. This

visit underscores India's strategic interest in the Indian Ocean region, particularly given Seychelles' proximity to vital sea lanes and its multicultural ties with India. Strengthening these partnerships is crucial for maintaining regional stability and security, countering potential maritime threats, and promoting collaborative training initiatives. Overall, this deployment symbolizes India's commitment to fostering stronger defense relationships with island nations in the Indian Ocean.

#### India and Japan must enhance military tech collaboration. Share

03-Sep-25

India and Japan are aiming to enhance military technology collaboration, yet progress has been slow, with only one successful project-a communication system-despite India's urgent need for advanced technologies. Japan's strict regulations on defense technology transfer and past failed projects, such as submarine and seaplane collaborations, have hindered deeper cooperation. Prime Minister Modi's recent discussions emphasized future joint production, particularly in aero-engine technology, essential for India's defense aspirations. While Japan has made strides in easing some restrictions, the need for a balanced and robust defense partnership remains critical to address regional security challenges, particularly in light of China's growing influence.

#### Taiwan's President Critiques Authoritarianism Amid China's

Parade 🕓 SHARE

03-Sep-25

Taiwan's President Lai Ching-te criticized authoritarian tendencies in global politics during a military parade in China attended by leaders like Xi Jinping, Vladimir Putin, and Kim Jong Un. He underscored the irony of former Axis powers embracing democracy while China's display raised concerns about its potential aggression towards Taiwan. Lai's remarks reflect Taiwan's vigilance against possible threats and highlight the importance of democratic values in contrast to authoritarian regimes. This commentary emphasizes Taiwan's commitment to defending its sovereignty amid rising tensions in the region, reinforcing the need for a robust defense posture in the face of challenges posed by neighboring authoritarian states.

### Intensified construction at Israel's nuclear site raises concerns. SHARE

03-Sep-25

Recent satellite images reveal intensified construction at Israel's Shimon Peres Negev Nuclear Research Center, sparking speculation about the development of a new heavy water reactor or a facility for assembling nuclear weapons. Experts suggest this construction could enhance Israel's nuclear capabilities, particularly given the nation's historical reliance on heavy water produce plutonium. The reactors to surrounding Israel's nuclear program raises concerns internationally, especially following recent military actions against Iranian nuclear sites. This development may indicate Israel's intent to maintain its nuclear deterrent amidst regional tensions, reflecting its longstanding policy of nuclear ambiguity to deter adversaries.

### Russia Increases Oil Discounts for India Amid US Pressure S SHARE

03-Sep-25

India is poised to benefit from increased discounts on Russian oil, as Moscow seeks to solidify its status as a key energy partner amid rising U.S. scrutiny. The discounts have expanded to \$3-4 per barrel, driven by a shift of European buyers away from Russian crude. While India defends its position against U.S. criticism, emphasizing its need for affordable energy, the risk of significant tariffs on Indian exports looms. This situation underscores India's complex balancing act between maintaining traditional ties with Russia and navigating its growing partnerships with Western nations, particularly as it seeks to bolster its economic ambitions and counterbalance China's influence in the region.

#### Azerbaijan Claims India Blocked Its SCO Membership Over Support for Pakistan S SHARE

03-Sep-25

Azerbaijan's President Aliyev claimed that India blocked its bid for full membership in the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) due to Azerbaijan's support for Pakistan amid rising tensions with India. This move has been framed as a violation of multilateral diplomacy, highlighting Azerbaijan's growing strategic alliance with Islamabad, underscored by cooperative projects in defense and trade. India's increasing outreach towards Armenia further complicates its relationship with Baku, signifying a broader polarisation in Asian geopolitics where the SCO may become a platform for India-

Pakistan rivalry. This situation emphasizes the need for India to reinforce its diplomatic engagements to counter Azerbaijan's alignment with Pakistan effectively.

# US Congressman Fitzpatrick notes potential Indian cut in Russian oil

imports. 🕲 share

03-Sep-25

A recent visit by U.S. Congressman Brian Fitzpatrick to India highlighted discussions on energy security, intelligence cooperation, and strategic alignment amid shifting geopolitical dynamics due to the Ukraine conflict. Fitzpatrick indicated that Indian refiners may reduce Russian oil imports, aligning with U.S. efforts to weaken Moscow's war funding. The visit underscored the U.S.'s intent to integrate South Asia into its national security framework, enhancing counterterrorism efforts in Pakistan and promoting democratic stability in Nepal. This reflects a nuanced approach by Washington to address both regional security and energy dependencies, emphasizing India's role in a balanced Indo-Pacific strategy while navigating economic pressures.

### Satellite Imagery Shows Pakistani Army's Exploitation of PoK Resources Share

03-Sep-25

satellite Recent imagery highlights severe environmental degradation Pakistan-occupied in Kashmir (PoK), contrasting sharply with India's effective conservation efforts. The imagery reveals extensive deforestation in areas like Neelum Valley due to illegal logging led by a timber mafia operating with the Pakistani Army's complicity. This collaboration not only devastates the local ecosystem but also exacerbates natural disasters. In stark contrast, India maintains over 20% forest cover, backed by stringent environmental laws, showcasing a governance model that prioritizes ecological integrity over profit. The underscores the contrasting adherence to rule of law and environmental stewardship between India and Pakistan, emphasizing the importance of responsible resource management in safeguarding biodiversity.

### India Faces Modern Security Threats Beyond Military Conflicts Share

03-Sep-25

Deputy NSA Pavan Kapoor highlighted the evolution of the National Security Council Secretariat (NSCS) in addressing modern security threats beyond traditional military conflicts. He pointed out vulnerabilities due to reliance on single sources for critical resources and emphasized emerging issues like economic warfare and climate change. Kapoor noted the importance of strategic communication in countering misinformation and acknowledged the improved collaboration between the NSCS and various ministries. The discussion also critiqued outdated assumptions about warfare duration, stressing that the NSCS has adapted significantly, particularly in cyber security and economic matters, enhancing its relevance without needing new legislative powers.

#### Putin ready to meet Zelenskiy in Moscow with conditions. Share

03-Sep-25

Russian President Vladimir Putin expressed his willingness to meet Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskiy, contingent on Zelenskiy traveling to Moscow, while emphasizing the need for proper preparation and tangible outcomes from such talks. Putin reiterated that Ukraine should lift martial law, conduct elections, and hold a referendum on territorial issues for meaningful progress. This statement comes amid ongoing efforts by U.S. President Donald Trump to mediate a peace settlement. The dynamics point to a complex situation, as the legitimacy of Russia's annexation of Ukrainian territories remains widely disputed by Kyiv and Western nations, highlighting the challenges in achieving a resolution.

### India Aims for US Trade Pact by November, Targeting \$500B Trade SHARE

03-Sep-25

India is optimistic about concluding a trade agreement with the US by November, with aspirations to elevate bilateral trade from USD 191 billion to USD 500 billion by 2030. Despite geopolitical complexities, negotiations have progressed, although recent US tariffs on Indian goods and concerns over India's energy ties with Russia created hurdles. Minister Piyush emphasizes the importance of diversifying supply chains away from China and enhancing domestic production through initiatives promoting indigenous goods. While facing temporary challenges, India's trade diplomacy aims to strengthen its position in global supply chains and foster economic growth, particularly through ongoing negotiations with the EU and other partners.

### INS Trikand Arrives in Alexandria for Exercise Bright Star 2025 SHARE

03-Sep-25

The Indian Naval stealth frigate INS Trikand arrived in Alexandria, Egypt, on September 1, 2025, as part of its deployment in the Mediterranean Sea, where it will participate in Exercise Bright Star 2025, a multilateral exercise that promotes regional security interoperability among forces from the USA, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Greece, Cyprus, and Italy. This deployment emphasizes enhancing naval cooperation through discussions, cultural exchanges, professional engagements, aiming to strengthen operational capabilities against both traditional and non-traditional maritime threats. The initiative underscores India's commitment to fostering strategic partnerships and enhancing its maritime presence in critical regions, aligning with broader goals of regional security and cooperation.

#### India Consults WTO Over US 50% Copper Tariff Concerns S SHARE

03-Sep-25

India has sought consultations with the US under WTO rules regarding a newly imposed 50% tariff on certain copper products, arguing it violates safeguard measures without proper notification. This tariff impacts India's significant copper exports and could disrupt bilateral trade as both nations negotiate a bilateral trade agreement aimed at boosting trade to USD 500 billion by 2030. India's concerns also extend to ongoing tariffs on steel, aluminium, and agricultural products, which it considers unjustifiable. Prime Minister Modi emphasized protecting Indian farmers' interests amidst these tensions, highlighting the complexities of US-India trade relations amidst evolving geopolitical dynamics.

### Singapore PM Lawrence Wong Begins Three-Day Visit to India Share

03-Sep-25

Singapore Prime Minister Lawrence Wong is on a three-day visit to India, marking the 60th anniversary of diplomatic relations between the two nations. His discussions with Prime Minister Narendra Modi will focus on enhancing the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership, covering various sectors such as trade, defense, digitalization, and regional security. The visit underscores Singapore's pivotal role in ASEAN and its strategic ties with India, particularly in the context of India's Act East Policy. This engagement aims to solidify existing cooperation while setting a framework

for future collaboration, reinforcing the importance of both nations in an evolving global landscape.

#### **Military Operations**

# China's Military Parade Highlights Advancements and Regional Intentions S SHARE

03-Sep-25

China has recently showcased its military prowess during a grand parade marking the 80th anniversary of its victory over Japan in World War II, attended by an array of international leaders, including those from Russia and North Korea. This event featured a wide array of cutting-edge weaponry, including nuclearcapable intercontinental ballistic missiles like the DF-61 and DF-5C, hypersonic anti-ship missiles, and advanced drones, emphasizing China's burgeoning military capabilities. The parade served not only as a display of strength but also as a strategic message to the U.S. and its allies, amid rising tensions in the Asia-Pacific region. Analysts note that this exhibition reflects China's rapid advancements in military technology and production capabilities, indicating a shift from previous attempts to replicate foreign systems to a more innovative approach. Despite concerns regarding the operational integration of these systems, China's emphasis on missiles and unmanned platforms highlights its focus on countering U.S. naval superiority and asserting its regional dominance. The presence of world leaders at the event further underscores China's desire to project unity and influence, as it seeks to enhance its global arms sales and consolidate partnerships, particularly with nations looking to balance against Western powers. Overall, while China's military display signals significant advancements, it also raises questions about the evolving dynamics of military strategy and alliances in the region, reflecting a complex interplay of power, deterrence, and global geopolitics.

### India and Thailand Conduct Joint Military Exercise 'Maitree' in Meghalaya SHARE

03-Sep-25

India and Thailand are conducting the 14th edition of the joint military exercise 'Maitree' in Meghalaya, focusing on company-level counter-terrorist operations in semi-urban terrains. Running from September 1 to September 14, this exercise enhances cooperation and interoperability between the Indian Army, represented by the Madras Regiment, and the Royal Thai Army. The program, part of a military exchange initiated in 2006, includes tactical drills, joint planning, and raiding operations, culminating in a 48-hour validation exercise. This collaboration underscores India's commitment to strengthening regional security and counter-terrorism efforts through international partnerships, reflecting its strategic approach in a dynamic geopolitical landscape.

#### Indian Army's Op Sindoor Video Highlights Precision Strikes S SHARE

03-Sep-25

The Indian Army's Northern Command recently released a video highlighting Operation Sindoor, which involved precision strikes against terror bases in Pakistan, specifically in response to the Pahalgam massacre that killed 26 civilians. The operation showcased India's commitment to maintaining peace while decisively targeting threats, emphasizing a strategy of measured response rather than escalation. The video further clarifies that the ceasefire was a mutual decision, initiated by Pakistan, indicating India's sovereign stance against third-party mediation. Overall, Operation Sindoor illustrates India's proactive defense strategy and its dedication to combating terrorism while pursuing regional stability.

#### IAF Vice Chief Reveals Pakistan's Use of Civilian Shields in War Share

03-Sep-25

At the NDTV Defence Summit, IAF Vice Chief Air Marshal Narmdeshwar Tiwari revealed that Pakistan employed civilian aircraft as shields during Operation Sindoor in May 2025 to provoke India into mistakenly targeting them, aiming for international condemnation. He emphasized that India's advanced air defense systems, like the S-400, successfully prevented such a scenario while executing deep strikes against terrorist facilities, resulting in significant PAF losses. This strategy reflects Pakistan's hybrid warfare tactics, manipulating airspace to create diplomatic leverage, akin to the MH17 incident. India's layered defense and precise targeting showcased its operational effectiveness amidst escalating threats, supporting India's strategic doctrine of proportional response.

# Fiza'ya II: Comprehensive PAF Chronicle Weighed Down by Contentious Judgments on Indian Airpower Share

03-Sep-25

Fiza'ya II: Pakistan Air Force 1990–2025, a 2025 hardbound sequel by Ravi Rikhye and the late Pushpindar Singh Chopra, surveys PAF operations,

modernization, and the Pakistan-China air nexus from 1990 to 2024/25, with contents spanning Kargil, decade-by-decade capability growth, and a late section on "Operation Sindoor." As a reference, it compiles orders-of-battle. platform dense histories. acquisition timelines, offering a one-stop PAF-centric chronicle that will interest airpower researchers and South Asia watchers. Yet the review and criticism from an Indian vantage point are stark: the book's headline assertion that India has "failed" in air modernization, is now "barely superior" to the PAF, and becomes "totally outclassed" once China is factored reads like a thesis in search of the evidence. It avoids direct, symmetric IAF comparisons while delivering sweeping verdicts, with little transparency on comparative datasets, scenario design, or force-on-force modeling-no clear view into assumptions on sortie generation, AEW&C and GBAD coverage, basing vulnerability, or industrial resilience. This asymmetry, paired with near-term event framing, risks selection bias and rhetorical escalation over replicable analysis, especially given concurrent Indian inductions and upgrades. On authorship, Rikhye's longstanding ORBAT-driven strengths are evident, but the tendency toward provocative conclusions strains credibility without methodological annexes; attaching formidable Chopra's aviation historiography to categorical, under-sourced claims creates a tension between legacy rigor and present framing. The result is a substantial PAF compendium burdened by polemical judgments that Indian analysts will treat as hypotheses, not settled findings.

#### **Terrorism and Counterterrorism**

#### Modi government vows to eliminate Naxalism by March 2026. Share

03-Sep-25

Union Home Minister Amit Shah emphasized the Modi government's unwavering commitment to eradicating Naxalism in India, aiming for a Naxal-free nation by March 31, 2026. During a ceremony honoring security forces involved in "Operation Black Forest," Shah praised their courage in dismantling a significant Naxal base in Chhattisgarh despite extreme conditions and threats. He highlighted the operational success as a pivotal moment in the fight against Naxalism, which has severely impacted development in underprivileged regions. Support for injured personnel was also promised, reflecting the government's dedication to both security and community welfare in affected areas.

### Punjab Police nab three Jaish operatives linked to terror activities S SHARE

03-Sep-25

Punjab Police arrested three Jaish-e-Mohammad overground workers from Jammu and Kashmir, including Sahil Bashir and Aijaz Ahmad, with confirmed links to terrorism. The arrests stemmed from the investigation into the abduction and murder of Mohali cab driver Anil Kumar, who was shot after a confrontation with the suspects, who also stole his vehicle. The police recovered both the vehicle and the weapon, highlighting ongoing challenges posed by overground operatives facilitating terrorist activities in India. This incident reflects the proactive measures taken by law enforcement to counter terrorism and underscores the importance of vigilance in maintaining national security.

#### Twenty Naxalites, including nine women, surrender in Sukma, Chhattisgarh. Share

03-Sep-25

Twenty Naxalites, including nine women and key members from the Maoist's Peoples' Liberation Guerrilla Army, surrendered in Chhattisgarh's Sukma district, citing disillusionment with Maoist ideology and internal conflicts. They were attracted by the state developmental government's initiatives and rehabilitation policies, receiving financial assistance for their surrender. Superintendent of Police Kiran Chavan encouraged others in the outfit to abandon violence, promising education and employment under the government's rehabilitation plan. This development signifies a positive shift in local dynamics, highlighting the effectiveness of state-led initiatives to foster peace and development in conflict-affected regions.

## NIA reveals TRF's foreign funding, tightening FATF scrutiny on

Pakistan. SHARE

03-Sep-25

The National Investigation Agency (NIA) has uncovered a foreign funding trail linked to The Resistance Front (TRF), a proxy of Pakistan's Lashkar-e-Taiba, which the U.S. has designated as a terrorist organization. This revelation strengthens India's case against Pakistan in the battle against terror financing, crucial for reshaping Pakistan's reputation with the FATF. Investigations reveal that operatives like Sajad Ahmed Mir in Malaysia facilitated substantial funds for TRF activities, underscoring the network's international dimensions. The TRF, established to mask its Pakistani origins, aims to mislead the global community about the nature of

terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir, but India's efforts to expose this duplicity are gaining momentum.

#### Cybersecurity and Information Warfare

#### CISA Reports Rising Cyber Threats to U.S. Critical Infrastructure S SHARE

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The recent report indicates a surge in nation-state cyber activities targeting U.S. critical infrastructure, particularly from Russian and Chinese actors. Russian FSB-linked groups exploit vulnerabilities in systems like Cisco IOS, while Chinese-backed operations, referred to as Salt Typhoon, compromise telecom networks globally. The increasing frequency of attacks on industrial control systems raises concerns over public safety, with breach costs anticipated to reach an average of \$5.56 million in 2024. This emphasizes the urgent need for enhanced cybersecurity measures, aligning with ongoing global efforts to safeguard vital networks against persistent threats, underlining the significance of robust defense strategies amid evolving geopolitical challenges.

### India Enhances Cybersecurity in Defense and Power Sectors Share

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India is enhancing cybersecurity measures across its defense and power sectors in response to increased regional tensions. New compliance regulations for defense entities aim to establish stringent controls for handling sensitive data, addressing vulnerabilities highlighted by recent cyberattacks. Concurrently, draft regulations will mandate secure connections for solar inverters under central schemes to bolster national resilience against potential cyber threats. This move reflects a strategic convergence of defense and energy cybersecurity, recognizing the importance of securing distributed assets to maintain grid stability. Overall, these efforts underscore India's commitment to safeguarding critical infrastructure in an evolving security landscape.

### CISA Alerts on Vulnerabilities in Delta, Fuji, SunPower, Hitachi Share

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CISA has issued new advisories for various industrial control systems, highlighting vulnerabilities in equipment from Delta Electronics, Fuji Electric, SunPower, and Hitachi Energy. A notable risk involves a

flaw in Delta's EIP Builder that could allow sensitive information disclosure, emphasizing the need for updates and layered defenses. Despite no confirmed exploitations, the advisories reflect a persistent threat to operational technology systems, necessitating prompt mitigation actions from asset owners. This pattern underscores the critical importance of cybersecurity in protecting vital infrastructure, as attackers continue to target these environments for potential disruption or espionage.

#### Miscellaneous

## India Eases Residency Rules for Minorities from Neighbors before Dec 31,

2024 🕲 SHARE

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ndia has eased residency rules for persecuted minorities from Afghanistan, Bangladesh, and Pakistan by extending the cut-off for entry eligibility to 31 December 2024, allowing Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains, Parsis, and Christians who arrived without valid passports or whose documents expired to remain in the country, a move issued under newly implemented immigration provisions and framed alongside the Citizenship (Amendment) Act's naturalisation pathway for those who came by 31 December 2014. Announced this week by the Home Ministry, the order offers immediate relief to post-2014 arrivals facing legal limbo, particularly Hindu families from Pakistan, while reinforcing India's role as a regional refuge for victims of religious persecution amid continued cross-border flows. Strategically, the decision signals policy continuity on humanitarian protection with managed security oversight, potentially easing local law-andorder burdens from undocumented stay while sharpening geopolitical messaging toward neighbours on minority rights and bilateral accountability

### India's Clean Energy Surges, Reducing Fossil Fuel Reliance SHARE

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India's clean electricity production has surged by 20%, with utilities generating a record 236 TWh in the first half of 2025, enabling significant cuts in fossil fuel reliance. Clean sources are expected to account for over 30% of the generation mix, driven by increases in wind, solar, and nuclear output. This shift not only reduces dependence on imported fossil fuels but also positions India favorably amid international scrutiny over energy imports, particularly from Russia. The trend

indicates a potential peak in fossil fuel reliance, paving the way for further advancements in sustainable energy and a diminishing impact from global energy market pressures.

### India Positioned as a Major Semiconductor Hub, Says Tokyo Electron S SHARE

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Tokyo Electron's Fumihiko Kaminaga emphasized India's potential to become a major semiconductor hub, driven by domestic demand, a growing tech ecosystem, and government support under PM Modi. The company plans to establish offices in Bangalore and Gujarat, collaborating with Indian firms like HCL and TCS to enhance local capabilities. This partnership, highlighted during the recent India-Japan summit, aligns with Japan's ambition to revitalize its semiconductor industry while leveraging India's talent and cost advantages. Ultimately, this cooperation not only aims at reducing India's reliance on imported chips but also strengthens the global semiconductor supply chain, showcasing a strategic alignment between India and Japan in technology and economic security.

#### India alerts Pakistan about potential Sutlej flooding due to rains. S SHARE

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India has issued flood warnings to Pakistan regarding the Sutlej river, anticipating heavy flooding due to excessive rainfall in northern states. The alerts, communicated through the Ministry of External Affairs on humanitarian grounds, come despite India's suspension of routine hydrological data exchange with Pakistan following the Pahalgam terror attack. This action underscores India's commitment to disaster prevention and humanitarian assistance, even amid strained relations, as highlighted by prior alerts for the Tawi river. The Indus Waters Treaty, which regulates water sharing, has been a longstanding point of contention but showcases India's willingness to prioritize human safety over political disputes.

### ISRO to Replace GSLV with Soorya Rocket by Mid-2035 S SHARE

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India's Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) is set to phase out the Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle (GSLV) by mid-2035, transitioning to the Next Generation Launch Vehicle (NGLV), dubbed Project

Soorya. This partially reusable, environmentally friendly rocket will significantly enhance payload capabilities to 10 tonnes for Geostationary Transfer Orbit, more than doubling GSLV's capacity. With a budget of ₹8,240 crore, Soorya aims to support India's ambitious space goals, including establishing the Bharatiya Antariksh Station by 2035 and a crewed lunar landing by 2040, while fostering self-reliance and global competitiveness in the space sector. This transition underscores India's commitment to sustainable and advanced space exploration technologies.

#### ISRO's Vision 2047: Develop Hypersonic Transport for Space Missions Share

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India's ISRO has unveiled its ambitious Vision 2047, aiming to develop a hypersonic transport platform that will revolutionize space missions by providing rapid, reusable access to orbit, significantly reducing launch costs. This platform, leveraging advanced air-breathing propulsion like scramjets, is projected to support human spaceflight and interplanetary missions, including the Bharatiya Antariksha Station by 2035. Building on decades of R&D from the Reusable Launch Vehicle program, ISRO's roadmap includes dual-use capabilities for military and civilian purposes, enhancing India's stature as a global space power while promoting self-reliance in space technology. Overall, this initiative aligns with India's goal of becoming a leading player in space exploration by its centenary of independence.

### Naval Chief Visits Lothal's Maritime Heritage Complex Share

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Adm Dinesh K Tripathi, Chief of the Naval Staff, visited the National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC) in Lothal, Gujarat, on September 3, 2025, to assess its construction progress and reaffirm the Indian Navy's connection to India's maritime heritage. The NMHC, covering 400 acres, aims to showcase India's seafaring legacy and features exhibits including naval aircraft and missile models. The CNS commended the teamwork among stakeholders, emphasizing the project's significance as a living testament to India's maritime history and its continued inspiration for the Navy's vision in the 21st century. The Varuna Naval Complex, built for monitoring the project, symbolizes the Navy's commitment to preserving this heritage.

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## **Defence Sector Stocks**

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	RSI14	SMA20	SMA200
PREMEXPLN	514.5	538.9	509.0	536.9	858995	5.33	59.63	490.33	468.98
SUNITATOOL	650.0	671.85	625.0	671.85	49875	4.99	38.99	714.57	771.75
SWANDEF	452.3	452.3	452.3	452.3	836	4.99	99.99	296.03	45.52
RELINFRA	284.0	293.3	281.55	293.2	2114361	4.96	49.44	276.6	292.04
AVANTEL	156.0	162.8	155.55	162.08	3945151	4.89	70.48	139.82	138.34
TEMBO	616.0	655.05	616.0	651.15	73723	4.64	69.4	570.16	584.18
GOODLUCK	1159.9	1216.6	1143.9	1189.8	252154	3.75	62.87	1073.5	909.23
APOLLO	293.0	306.45	286.25	303.6	38885159	3.72	87.61	218.33	144.96
MIDHANI	377.5	392.0	377.5	390.85	430323	3.09	49.64	388.29	349.69
NIBE	1219.95	1244.9	1191.0	1222.15	18720	3.0	32.26	1282.04	1467.98
AXISCADES	1336.0	1384.5	1331.0	1368.8	107881	2.32	60.73	1264.66	927.73
SOLARINDS	14050.0	14318.0	14031.0	14293.0	61883	1.96	44.84	14565.55	12413.43
IDEAFORGE	509.9	525.0	505.2	516.95	448507	1.42	59.31	467.02	495.47
CENTUM	2753.0	2833.6	2753.0	2806.7	14496	1.34	65.41	2605.81	1958.47
HIGHENE	651.0	673.0	651.0	670.0	7927	1.29	56.81	632.39	603.4
DCXINDIA	269.05	272.9	266.2	271.7	500222	1.29	57.44	257.71	291.97
DYNAMATECH	6618.5	6730.0	6568.5	6701.0	3251	1.23	52.6	6567.37	6986.2
TECHERA	190.5	200.0	186.0	192.55	26400	1.08	44.11	197.84	180.08
MTARTECH	1439.9	1460.0	1436.6	1453.8	55058	1.00	44.84	1487.9	1538.64
ASTRAMICRO	1037.2	1070.0	1035.6	1046.2	263439	0.87	57.08	1005.44	858.51
LT	3594.0	3606.3	3560.0	3600.8	1314831	0.87	50.77	3619.19	3512.04
BEML	4085.0	4114.0	4043.0	4103.5	152285	0.72	53.68	3984.0	3709.74
ADANIENT	2285.0	2293.0	2263.1	2288.7	443629	0.64	41.79	2297.14	2409.07
DRONACHRYA	73.82	74.88	73.6	74.01	41000	0.64	44.93	74.06	87.71
BEL	377.75	381.2	377.1	378.7	9919255	0.56	47.62	378.52	328.74
SIKA	1142.8	1159.7	1100.0	1146.0	22615	0.30	42.14	1198.31	795.45
LMW	14135.0	14260.0	14047.0	14107.0	2516	0.29	30.72	14892.0	15957.73
CFF	654.0	654.0	644.45	645.0	15000	0.13	54.68	629.29	586.31
JYOTICNC	901.95	915.55	894.5	896.2	153656	0.13	34.61	934.29	1112.16
BHARATFORG	1139.0	1140.7	1130.1	1135.6	245821	0.15	43.58	1148.78	1202.98
DATAPATTNS	2545.5	2590.4	2527.9	2546.5	86930	0.09	47.28	2534.81	2351.87
HAL	4451.5	4480.7	4428.4	4451.0	764001	-0.01	44.66	4463.74	4327.48
TANEJAERO	386.1	399.8	386.1	390.0	13336	-0.01	40.52	408.46	380.48
COCHINSHIP	1742.0	1769.4	1720.0	1738.2	942487	-0.01	51.17	1686.02	1630.58
AZAD	1599.6	1619.0	1591.0	1606.8	67379	-0.05	56.26	1561.24	1573.94
HBLPOWER	849.0	872.9	830.6	851.05	2661994	-0.05	80.62	747.36	575.94
BDL	1470.0	1482.2	1456.7	1464.7	755629	-0.44	35.61	1518.92	1435.07
PTC	180.0	181.06	178.01	179.34	661398	-0.44	45.21	182.89	167.09
MAZDOCK	2740.0	2779.0	2703.5	2715.8	1275347	-0.46	45.28	2719.74	2669.17
MACPOWER	836.1	849.35	826.0	836.0	3772	-0.36	42.56	844.32	1038.42
PARAS	669.55	677.0	660.15			-0.78	43.81		615.47
				664.4	291323			661.37	
ZENTEC	1509.5 61.49	1509.5 61.65	1478.5	1482.5 60.48	308357 3672526	-1.36 -1.37	43.47 63.22	1452.07 54.87	1736.13 53.93
RTNINDIA	177.3	177.3	60.2 169.01	172.74	213741	-1.37	44.4		
MARINE								171.94	207.26
LOKESHMACH	205.1	206.89	200.36	201.91	77565	-1.43	47.38	206.57	227.25
ROSSELLIND	67.69	68.83	65.6	66.64	25958	-1.55	47.55	67.13	70.59
GRSE	2545.0	2566.4	2487.1	2501.4	734035	-1.67	46.21	2536.37	2048.17
WALCHANNAG	183.5	186.45	179.89	183.26	146510	-1.84	44.28	182.5	214.43
KRISHNADEF	757.65	759.85	733.65	739.35	51000	-2.37	29.73	786.32	755.39
URAVIDEF	414.25	416.0	392.8	392.8	2581	-4.99	17.79	475.47	451.41