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SIKA	1125.3	937.75	+20.0%
GRSE	3356.5	3150.5	+6.54%
WALCHANNAG	237.07	223.22	+6.2%
MARINE	219.29	207.6	+5.63%
CFF	625.9	596.1	+5.0%

Top Losers

Stock	Close	Prev	Change
LOKESHMACH	158.5	188.27	-15.81%
BDL	1947.4	1976.9	-1.49%
NIBE	1691.8	1714.05	-1.3%
HIGHENE	720.35	729.15	-1.21%
PTC	173.85	175.3	-0.83%

Defense Business and Industry

Pakistan's Missile Production Stalls Amid Ukraine Supply Crisis



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Pakistan's defense industry is experiencing a significant setback due to the halt in turbojet engine supplies from Ukraine, critical for its Babur and Raad missile systems. The disruption, caused by the ongoing Russia-Ukraine war, raises concerns about Pakistan's strategic deterrence capabilities against India. With the production of these missiles nearly ceasing, Pakistan faces challenges in replenishing its arsenal amid heightened tensions. This situation underscores Pakistan's vulnerability due to reliance on foreign suppliers for essential components and highlights the fragility of its defense supply chain in a shifting geopolitical landscape. Ultimately, it serves as a reminder of the importance of self-reliance in defense procurement for regional stability.

Pakistan Turns to China for Hypersonic Missile Tech After Failures Against India



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Pakistan is reportedly seeking advanced hypersonic missile technology from China after its Fatah-I, Fatah-II, and CM-400AKG missiles failed to breach India's robust air defense systems during recent tensions. The effectiveness of India's S-400, Barak-8, and Akash defenses in intercepting these threats has prompted Pakistan to pursue hypersonic glide vehicles to counter India's growing capabilities. This move reflects Pakistan's historical reliance on China for military

technology, aiming to bolster its narrative of indigenous defense innovation. As India advances its defense capabilities, including hypersonic technologies, Pakistan's pursuit underscores the continuing arms race and geopolitical rivalry in South Asia.

Indigenous Track System for Arjun Mk-I Set for Trials



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India's RGS Division has reached a significant milestone in its defense self-reliance with the development of an Indigenous Track System for the MBT Arjun Mk-I, in collaboration with Steelcast Ltd. This project, initiated in February 2023, aims to reduce dependency on foreign suppliers and enhance the nation's defense capabilities. Six vehicle sets have been supplied to the Combat Vehicles Research and Development Establishment for integration and rigorous testing at the Armoured Corps Centre and School. This initiative not only strengthens India's defense infrastructure but also exemplifies the successful collaboration between the defense sector and private industry, paving the way for future advancements in indigenous defense technologies.

Lockheed Martin to Enhance F-35 for India with Cost-Effective Upgrades



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Lockheed Martin plans to upgrade the F-35 Lightning II to a fifth-generation plus variant, targeting markets like India. This upgrade aims to enhance stealth, integrate advanced sensors, and enable optionally manned operations, potentially offering 80% of the capabilities of Boeing's F-47 at half the cost. India is seen as a key customer, with U.S. officials expressing willingness to sell the F-35 through Foreign Military Sales, bypassing its MRFA competition. While this initiative addresses

current strategic needs, challenges in integrating new technologies and obtaining export approvals remain, highlighting a nuanced balance in defense partnerships and technology transfer.

Indonesia Considers Affordable Chinese J-10 Jets Amid U.S. Options

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Indonesia is considering the purchase of China's J-10 fighter jets due to their affordability and advanced capabilities, as it also evaluates a deal for U.S.-made F-15EX jets. The Deputy Defence Minister highlighted ongoing discussions with China, including offers for ships and frigates, while stressing the importance of system compatibility and after-sales support. Indonesia's military modernization includes recent acquisitions like French Rafale jets, and the government is weighing its budget and options amid regional security dynamics influenced by recent India-Pakistan conflicts. This strategic decision underscores Indonesia's balancing act between Western and Chinese military technology as it seeks to enhance its defense capabilities.

India Boosts Air Defense with Russia's Advanced Radar System

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India is enhancing its air defense capabilities by acquiring Russia's Container-S over-the-horizon radar system, aimed at improving long-range surveillance amid escalating regional threats, particularly from stealth aircraft and hypersonic missiles. This radar can detect aerial threats beyond 3,000 kilometers and will integrate with existing systems like the S-400, forming a multi-layered air defense network. The collaboration underscores India's commitment to maintaining strategic deterrence and addressing challenges from adversaries developing advanced military technology. The adaptive and modular design of the radar further enhances its deployment flexibility, reflecting India's proactive approach to ensuring airspace security in a rapidly evolving geopolitical landscape.

IAF to Receive First TEJAS MK-1A Aircraft by June-End Amidst Delays

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The Indian Air Force (IAF) is set to receive its first TEJAS MK-1A fighter aircraft from HAL's Nashik facility by June-end, following concerns expressed by IAF Chief over project delays. This delivery is crucial for the IAF's capability enhancement as older aircraft are retired. Despite prior setbacks due to engine supply issues,

HAL has expanded production with a new facility and improved private sector collaboration. With projections for annual outputs stabilizing from 2025-26, the TEJAS MK-1A program is expected to significantly bolster the IAF's operational readiness and modernize its fleet, with a follow-on order likely increasing the total fleet to 180 aircraft.

Israel Achieves Record \$14.7 Billion in 2024 Defence Exports

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Israel's Ministry of Defence has announced a record-breaking \$14.7 billion in defence exports for 2024, marking the fourth consecutive year of growth. This surge, driven by increased global demand for Israeli systems amid ongoing regional conflicts, includes significant contracts with European countries, which made up 54% of deals. Key sectors contributing to this success are missiles, rockets, and air defence systems, which accounted for 48% of the total volume. The Israeli defence industry, renowned for its innovation and battlefield-tested technology, is thereby reinforcing Israel's strategic position as a leading defence exporter and ensuring the IDF's operational readiness and economic growth.

MDL to Sign ₹38,000 Cr Deal for 3 Kalvari-Class Subs with AIP System

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Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL) is set to sign a significant ₹38,000 crore deal to construct three additional Kalvari-class submarines for the Indian Navy, enhancing India's underwater defense capabilities and promoting Aatmanirbhar Bharat. These submarines will feature a DRDO-developed Air Independent Propulsion system, allowing for extended submerged operations and improved stealth, while incorporating at least 60% indigenous content to bolster local industry. The deal reflects India's strategic imperative to modernize its naval fleet amidst increasing maritime competition in the Indian Ocean Region, with enhanced features promising operational effectiveness for covert missions. The first submarine is expected to be delivered within six years of contract signing, marking an accelerated production timeline.

DRDO's Project Kusha: 350km Missile to Counter Mach 7 ASBMs

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India's Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) is advancing its air defense capabilities through Project Kusha, an indigenous long-

range surface-to-air missile system designed to counter Mach 7 anti-ship ballistic missiles (ASBMs). This initiative includes three interceptor missiles with ranges of 150 km, 250 km, and 350 km, enhancing India's multi-layered defense architecture. With robust targeting systems and interoperability with existing air defense frameworks, including the S-400, Project Kusha promises to significantly improve the defense of naval assets and high-value aerial platforms. The initiative, backed by a budget of Rs 21,700 crore, underscores India's commitment to bolstering its indigenous defense technology and operational readiness.

Geopolitics and Security Alliances

Pakistan Faces Internal Turmoil Under Gen(FM). Asim Munir's Leadership



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In a significant recent development, Pakistan's federal government under Shahbaz Sharif promoted General Asim Munir to the rank of Field Marshal, a move that has raised concerns regarding the growing civil-military imbalance in Pakistan, particularly post the recent military confrontations with India. This promotion, aimed at reinforcing the military's influence over civilian institutions amid increasing internal dissent and economic crisis, symbolizes an attempt to project strength and unity against perceived external threats, particularly after India's Operation Sindoor. Additionally, Balochistan has emerged as a focal point of rebellion, with the Balochistan Liberation Army escalating attacks on state structures and threatening Chinese investments in the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor. The situation in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa is equally precarious, where the Taliban's resurgence has exacerbated governance issues and heightened cross-border tensions. In Sindh, water disputes are intensifying inter-provincial conflicts, while Punjab, seen as Munir's stronghold, is characterized by increased military control and public discontent. Economically, Pakistan is facing a severe crisis with dwindling foreign reserves and inflation, compelling the government to pursue questionable economic strategies that lack credibility. The overarching narrative suggests that Pakistan's most pressing threats are rooted in its own governance issues, as the military's grip on power stifles democratic processes and exacerbates regional tensions, leaving the country vulnerable to fragmentation and isolation, with little hope for external salvation from its crises.

India Rejects Pakistan's Dossier, Stands Firm Against Terrorism



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India has robustly rejected Pakistan's 20-page dossier accusing it of orchestrating a false flag operation in Pahalgam, labeling it a diversion from Pakistan's persistent sponsorship of terrorism. Indian officials criticized Pakistan's inconsistent narrative and lack of accountability regarding the Terrorist outfit The Resistance Front's public claim of responsibility for the attack. They viewed Islamabad's calls for joint investigations as insincere and manipulative, asserting that India's Operation Sindoor was a calculated response to terror threats, successfully targeting 28 terror-linked sites. Ultimately, India emphasizes its commitment to countering terrorism, affirming that those who sponsor terror will face consequences, regardless of Pakistan's narrative.

Pak General mocked for claiming self-reliance in conflict with India



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A Pakistani General's claim that Pakistan used only its own resources during a recent conflict with India has faced ridicule, especially as analyses highlight Pakistan's reliance on Chinese military equipment, which failed during Operation Sindoor. This operation demonstrated India's indigenously developed capabilities, underscoring strategic successes under the Make in India and Atmanirbhar Bharat initiatives. Experts emphasize that Pakistan's narrative is undermined by its dependency on foreign arms and technology, notably from China and Turkey, which were ineffective against India's superior systems. The situation reveals a significant disparity in military effectiveness and technological advancement between the two nations.

Bilawal Bhutto admits challenges in Pakistan's Kashmir strategy



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Former Pakistan Foreign Minister Bilawal Bhutto Zardari has acknowledged the significant challenges Pakistan faces in bringing the Kashmir issue to the forefront of the United Nations agenda. He admitted that Pakistan's efforts have largely failed to gain traction, attributing this to India's strong diplomatic influence, which portrays Kashmir as a bilateral matter, thereby limiting international engagement. Despite persistent attempts to highlight the situation, Pakistan finds itself increasingly isolated on this front, with minimal support from other UN member states. While

Bhutto drew parallels between the situations in Kashmir and Palestine, he emphasized the unique aspects of each, noting that the international community remains more responsive to discussions on terrorism than on Kashmir. India's firm stance against terrorism, especially following incidents like the Pahalgam attack, has bolstered its global narrative, positioning it favorably in international discourse on security and territorial integrity. This strategic positioning has further complicated Pakistan's efforts to internationalize the Kashmir issue, underscoring the complexities and diplomatic hurdles involved in altering the current international perspective.

Ukraine and Russia's Peace Talks Fail to Yield Progress Amid Attacks SHARE

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Ukraine and Russia recently engaged in peace talks; however, no significant breakthroughs were achieved following major attacks on both sides. The ongoing conflict continues to incite tensions and hatred within affected communities, emphasizing the challenges faced in resolving the crisis. From the Indian perspective, the situation underscores the importance of diplomatic resolutions in international conflicts and highlights the potential for increased regional instability, which could affect security dynamics in South Asia. As India navigates its geopolitical landscape, it remains crucial to advocate for peace and stability while fostering bilateral ties with nations engaged in conflict resolution efforts.

Russian Security Chief Meets Kim Jong Un to Discuss Ties SHARE

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Moscow's security chief Sergei Shoigu visited Pyongyang to meet with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un, with discussions expected to cover various topics, including the Ukraine situation. This visit marks Shoigu's second trip to North Korea in under three months, reflecting the strengthening ties between the two nations, underscored by military cooperation and mutual defense agreements. North Korea has reportedly deployed troops to support Russia in its conflict with Ukraine, with significant casualties reported among its soldiers. This evolving partnership signals a strategic alignment that could influence regional security dynamics, particularly concerning U.S. interests in Asia.

Khamenei Defies U.S. Nuclear Demands, Vows to Continue Enrichment SHARE

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Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei firmly rejected U.S. demands to cease uranium enrichment, asserting that such a move contradicts Iran's self-reliance and national interests. He emphasized that uranium enrichment is crucial for Iran's nuclear aspirations, which Tehran claims are for peaceful purposes. The U.S. proposal for a new nuclear deal, mediated by Oman, was dismissed by Iran as a "non-starter," reflecting ongoing tensions in negotiations. This situation presents geopolitical challenges, particularly for neighboring countries like India, which must navigate a complex regional security landscape amid Iran's defiance and the potential for escalated U.S.-Iranian hostilities.

Ceasefire Part of India's Strategic Military Planning, Says CDS SHARE

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India's Chief of Defense Staff, General Anil Chauhan, clarified that the recent ceasefire following Operation Sindoor was a strategic decision reflecting India's military success and operational clarity after addressing terror threats linked to Pakistan. The operation, initiated in response to a terror attack in Kashmir, targeted key militant infrastructure. Despite initial escalations and civilian casualties reported by Pakistan, the ceasefire was prompted by Pakistan's request after significant losses. General Chauhan emphasized India's ongoing readiness to respond to threats while committing to future dialogue and confidence-building measures, highlighting India's proactive stance against terrorism and its matured approach in regional security dynamics.

Military Operations

Pak's 48-hour operation collapses in 8, India stands firm. SHARE

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Chief of Defence Staff Gen Anil Chauhan highlighted that Pakistan's Operation Bunyan al-Marsoos, initiated on May 10 with the aim of subduing India in 48 hours, collapsed within just eight hours, prompting Islamabad to seek dialogue. He emphasized that India's response to the Pahalgam terror attack was designed to establish clear limits against cross-border terrorism and to resist Pakistan's nuclear blackmail. While

acknowledging temporary losses of Indian combat jets during Operation Sindoor, Gen Chauhan asserted that the overall outcome of military operations is what truly matters, likening it to winning a cricket match by an innings. He noted that Pakistan's decision to communicate for de-escalation stemmed from their realization of imminent losses and the ineffectiveness of their strikes. He reiterated that India's military operations were not only about retribution but also aimed at curbing state-sponsored terrorism and ensuring national security. The CDS highlighted the emotional sentiments of the Indian populace, which were rooted in a desire for justice, and stressed the necessity of maintaining an offensive spirit in military engagements, underscoring that despite setbacks, the commitment to the overall mission remains paramount.

CDS Chauhan: India's Strong Resolve Against Terrorism Post-Operation Sindoor



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Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) General Anil Chauhan recently emphasized India's unwavering resolve in the face of terrorism, using a cricket analogy to illustrate that operational outcomes outweigh losses incurred, particularly in the context of Operation Sindoor, launched as a decisive response to the recent Pahalgam terror attack. He highlighted that Pakistan's enduring strategy of state-sponsored terrorism, articulated by leaders like Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, continues to provoke India, yet India remains resilient, having adapted rapidly in military engagements. Despite initial losses, including aircraft in Operation Sindoor, Indian forces effectively revised their strategies to execute precision strikes that significantly damaged Pakistani military infrastructure. Chauhan dismissed Pakistan's claims of downing Indian jets and underscored the importance of strategic adaptability, arguing that India's military can learn from setbacks to maintain operational momentum. His remarks reflect a broader Indian defense strategy that prioritizes robust responses to terrorism and a refusal to yield to threats. Overall, the CDS's statements reinforce India's commitment to counter-terrorism, showcasing its capacity to counter Pakistan's aggressive posture while remaining resolute in its pursuit of national security and stability.

IAF Conducts Major Exercises Near Indo-Pak Border Amid Tensions



04-Jun-25

The Indian Air Force (IAF) is conducting large-scale exercises along the Indo-Pakistan border, with significant operations scheduled for June 4 and June 7-8, involving advanced fighter jets like Rafale, Sukhoi-30, and Mirage 2000. These exercises come in the wake of heightened tensions following cross-border terror incidents, including the Pahalgam attack, which prompted India's Operation Sindoor to neutralize terrorist threats and destroy their infrastructure in Pakistan. The current exercises aim to enhance India's combat readiness while responding to Pakistan's previous provocations, including drone and missile attacks targeting Indian military establishments. As military activities increase, both nations maintain a state of heightened alert, with India closing its airspace to Pakistani aircraft and Pakistan enforcing a temporary No-Fly Zone over its major cities due to fears of potential Indian strikes. The ongoing exercises and military posturing underscore the critical geopolitical dynamics in the region, highlighting the necessity for both military preparedness and diplomatic engagement to prevent escalation of conflicts, especially amid recent ceasefire violations by Pakistani forces along the Line of Control. This strategic readiness reflects India's commitment to safeguarding its national security and maintaining regional stability.

IAF Rescues 33, Including 2 Americans, After Sikkim Landslides



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The Indian Air Force (IAF) has effectively undertaken humanitarian assistance and disaster relief (HADR) operations in Sikkim following severe landslides that have isolated regions and affected numerous individuals. The IAF successfully evacuated 33 people, including two US nationals, from the remote Chaten area using Mi-17 helicopters and also delivered essential supplies to stranded tourists. Concurrently, search operations continue for six missing individuals, including a Lieutenant Colonel and his retired IAF officer wife, after a landslide struck a military camp. Despite facing extremely challenging weather and terrain, the Indian Army has demonstrated resilience by establishing access to cut-off areas and aiding over 800 tourists trapped in the region. While the ongoing landslide crisis has led to significant casualties and has severely impacted connectivity in northeastern India, the proactive response from the IAF and Army highlights India's commitment to aiding both its citizens

and international tourists in times of disaster. This response not only underscores the operational readiness of the Indian defense forces but also reflects their dedication to saving lives, ensuring that humanitarian needs are prioritized during national emergencies.

Pakistan Acknowledges India's Precision Strikes on Terror Targets SHARE

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Pakistan has acknowledged that India targeted seven additional locations during recent military strikes, extending from Peshawar to Hyderabad. A Pakistani government document attributes these drone strikes to India's response to a terrorist attack in Pahalgam that claimed 26 civilian lives. It highlights India's strategic precision in targeting terrorist infrastructure, including camps associated with Jaish-e-Mohammed and Lashkar-e-Taiba. This revelation underscores India's robust defense capabilities and commitment to neutralizing threats emanating from across the border, showcasing a proactive stance in protecting national security. Such actions reinforce India's deterrence strategy and capability to respond decisively to provocations, further asserting its position in regional geopolitics.

Indian Army spearheads rescue efforts in North Sikkim landslide SHARE

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The Indian Army is actively conducting search and rescue operations in North Sikkim following a devastating landslide that has cut off Lachen village, a key tourism hub. Despite challenging weather and terrain, the Army has successfully airlifted 30 tourists and is working to evacuate 113 others, while efforts continue to locate six missing individuals, including a Lieutenant Colonel and his family. The Union Minister for DoNER has assured full support from the Central government, coordinating with state leaders for relief and rehabilitation. This response underscores the Indian Army's commitment to disaster management and reflects the government's solidarity with affected communities in the Northeast.

CDS: Theater Commanders to Lead Operations, Not Service Chiefs SHARE

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India's Chief of Defence Staff, General Anil Chauhan, emphasized that with the ongoing theatreisation process, operational roles will transition from the Army, Navy, and Air Force chiefs to theatre commanders, who

will now oversee military operations. This significant restructuring is modeled after the US military's Goldwater-Nichols Act, aiming to enhance jointness among the services while allowing service chiefs to focus on Raising, Training, and Sustaining forces. The initiative targets a more integrated military capable of addressing India's national interests across diverse domains, highlighting the pivotal role of middle-level officers in facilitating this transformation. This revolutionary change positions India to effectively adapt to evolving defense challenges.

Army's Operation Jal Rahat-2 Evacuates 1,500 in Flood-Hit Manipur SHARE

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The Indian Army is actively engaged in humanitarian operations, Operation Jal Rahat-2, in flood-hit Manipur, where over 1,500 individuals have been evacuated amid severe flooding affecting more than 56,000 people. The Army has conducted rescues from various locations, including hospitals and difficult terrains, and has collaborated with local authorities and emergency services to provide essential support. Relief efforts include establishing 57 camps for displaced families. This proactive response not only highlights the Army's commitment to disaster management but also strengthens civil-military cooperation in addressing humanitarian crises, showcasing India's capability to respond effectively to natural disasters.

Famagusta: Remembering the Heroes of the 1971 Tank Battle SHARE

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The recent passing of Risaldar Major (Honorary Captain) Nathu Singh Jodha at the age of 79 marks the end of a living link to the legendary Centurion tank "Famagusta" and its heroic crew during the 1971 India-Pakistan War's Battle of Basantar. Under the command of Second Lieutenant Arun Khetarpal, the tank's crew—comprising driver Sowar Prayag Singh, radio operator Sowar Nand Singh, and gunner Nathu Singh Jodha—played a pivotal role in halting the Pakistani advance in the Shakargarh sector. Despite being outnumbered, they destroyed multiple enemy tanks, with Khetarpal personally credited with ten confirmed kills before succumbing to his injuries. Jodha, severely wounded and captured, was repatriated after the war and continued to serve, eventually retiring as an honorary captain. The Famagusta tank, preserved as a war memorial, stands as a testament to their valor and the indomitable spirit of the Indian Army. Their actions not only thwarted a significant enemy offensive but also

contributed to India's decisive victory, underscoring the profound impact of individual bravery on the course of history.

North Korea Uprights Capsized Destroyer After Failed Launch



04-Jun-25

North Korea has successfully returned its Choe Hyun Class destroyer to an upright position following a disastrous launch ceremony, as reported by U.S. researchers. Leader Kim Jong Un, who witnessed the incident, expressed intentions to punish responsible officials, reflecting the regime's concern over national dignity. Satellite imagery indicates workers at the Chongjin shipyard have begun manual efforts to right the vessel, despite the shipyard's inadequate infrastructure for large warships. This situation underscores North Korea's ongoing struggles with military modernization and the implications of leadership accountability in the face of failures. The event highlights the challenges the North faces in achieving its defense ambitions amidst internal and external pressures.

Terrorism and Counterterrorism

Jammu and Kashmir Seizes Land of PoK Terrorist to Boost Security



04-Jun-25

In a significant development, authorities in Jammu and Kashmir attached land owned by Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) terrorist Ali Mohd, alias Ibrahim Sheikh, under the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA). This action, which involved over one-and-a-half kanal of agricultural land in Ramban district, underscores a strong commitment to combating terrorism and enhancing national security. The police stated that this move, part of a broader investigation into unlawful activities, reflects their determination to neutralize threats to India's sovereignty. This proactive approach highlights the collaborative efforts of security agencies in maintaining peace and order in the region, showcasing the resilience of Indian forces against terrorism.

Australia Backs India's Anti-Terror Leadership Amid Rising Tensions



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Australia has reaffirmed its strong support for India's leadership in combating cross-border terrorism,

particularly following the recent attack in Pahalgam. During his visit to New Delhi, Australian Deputy Prime Minister and Defence Minister Richard Marles met with Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Defence Minister Rajnath Singh to discuss enhancing the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership, which marks its fifth anniversary this year. Both nations emphasized deepening defense cooperation through expanded joint military exercises such as AUSTRAHIND and AUSINDEX, and for the first time, India is set to participate in the multilateral Exercise Talisman Sabre 2025, hosted by Australia. The partnership also includes a 2024 air-to-air refueling agreement, enhancing operational reach for Indian aircraft. On the economic front, negotiations continue for a Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA), aiming to build upon the existing Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (ECTA) to further liberalize trade in goods, services, and digital commerce. Additionally, both countries are collaborating on renewable energy initiatives, including solar manufacturing and green hydrogen projects, aligning with India's Make in India and Australia's Future Made in Australia strategies. This multifaceted collaboration underscores the shared commitment of India and Australia to regional stability and economic growth amid evolving Indo-Pacific dynamics.

Bilawal Bhutto: India-Pakistan Intel Cooperation Can Combat Terrorism



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Bilawal Bhutto-Zardari, chairman of Pakistan's PPP, has emphasized that cooperation between Indian and Pakistani intelligence agencies could significantly reduce terrorism in South Asia. He advocates for diplomacy and dialogue as the only viable path to peace, arguing that terrorism should not dictate the fate of the nuclear-armed nations. Following recent tensions, including military actions and a ceasefire facilitated by U.S. intervention, Bhutto-Zardari criticized India's suspension of the Indus Waters Treaty as a potential act of war. He proposes a platform for joint investigations into terrorism to enhance accountability, underscoring the need for conflict resolution mechanisms between the two countries.

16 Maoists Surrender in Chhattisgarh, 6 with Bounties on Heads



04-Jun-25

Sixteen Maoists surrendered in Chhattisgarh, including notable figures with bounties on their heads, citing disillusionment with Maoist ideology and state

government initiatives as reasons for their return to the mainstream. The Chhattisgarh government's "Niyad Nellanar" scheme and the new 2025 Surrender and Rehabilitation Policy incentivize villages to declare themselves Maoist-free by offering a development grant of 1 crore. This initiative not only aims to restore peace in the region but also focuses on community development, reflecting a proactive approach to counter-insurgency. The event, supported by local authorities and police, marks a significant step towards reducing insurgency and fostering local governance.

Miscellaneous

Three Missing Indians in Iran Rescued, Confirms Iranian Embassy SHARE

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Three Indian nationals, who had gone missing in Iran last month, have been successfully rescued, according to the Iranian embassy in India. The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) had been actively coordinating with Iranian authorities regarding the situation. Local media reports indicate that the police in Tehran located and released the three individuals. This incident underscores the importance of diplomatic engagement and collaboration between India and Iran, reinforcing the strength of India's foreign relations and its commitment to ensuring the safety of its citizens abroad. The swift resolution also highlights the responsiveness of Iranian authorities, fostering goodwill between the two nations.

Allahabad HC criticizes Rahul Gandhi for remarks on Indian Army SHARE

04-Jun-25

The Allahabad High Court has reprimanded Congress leader Rahul Gandhi regarding his allegedly derogatory remarks about the Indian Army, emphasizing that freedom of speech is subject to reasonable restrictions. The court dismissed his plea against a summons related to a defamation case, which was filed by retired Colonel Uday Shankar Srivastava, who felt personally offended by Gandhi's statements alleging that Chinese soldiers were assaulting Indian troops in Arunachal Pradesh. The court affirmed that the trial court rightly summoned Gandhi for trial under defamation laws, highlighting the importance of respecting the armed forces and the impact of public statements on national integrity and morale.

IAF's Shubhanshu Shukla to Pilot SpaceX Mission to ISS SHARE

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Indian Air Force Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla is poised to pilot the SpaceX Dragon spacecraft to the International Space Station (ISS) as part of Axiom Mission 4 (Ax-4), marking a significant milestone as the first Indian astronaut to reach the ISS. The mission, scheduled for launch on June 10, 2025, at 5:52 PM IST from NASA's Kennedy Space Center, was postponed from its original date due to weather considerations. Shukla, a seasoned test pilot with approximately 2,000

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8th Pay Commission to Boost Indian Army Salaries with New Fitment Factors SHARE

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The 8th Pay Commission is set to revise salary estimates for Indian Army personnel, including junior commissioned officers (JCOs) and officers ranging from Lieutenant to Colonel. Expected revisions depend on the fitment factor, with projections indicating potential increases in basic pay based on factors of 2.57 and 2.86. This revision is crucial as it will not only enhance their salaries but also positively impact their pensions and allowances. Overall, the anticipated salary adjustments reflect the government's commitment to improving the welfare and financial stability of the armed forces, recognizing their vital role in national security.

Women Navy Officers Sail Globally, Inspiring National Pride SHARE

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On 29 May, the Indian Navy's sailing vessel INSV Tarini, crewed by Lieutenant Commander Dilna K and Lieutenant Commander Roopa, returned to Goa after a remarkable 239-day journey circumnavigating the globe. This achievement, with a distance of 25,600 nautical miles, places them among a select group of just ten Indians to have completed such a feat. Their expedition, relying solely on wind power and ocean currents, showcases not only their exceptional sailing skills but also highlights the growing role of women in the Indian armed forces, fostering national pride and inspiring future generations. This accomplishment underscores India's commitment to empowering women in defense and maritime endeavors.

flight hours across various aircraft, was selected for India's Gaganyaan program and underwent extensive training in Russia and India. During the 14-day mission, the multinational crew, including Commander Peggy Whitson from the U.S., and mission specialists from Poland and Hungary, will conduct around 60 scientific experiments from 31 countries. India contributes seven microgravity experiments, reflecting its growing role in global space research. Shukla's participation underscores the collaboration between ISRO and Axiom Space, aligning with India's aspirations in human spaceflight, particularly with the upcoming Gaganyaan mission planned for 2027. Beyond his astronaut duties, Shukla has co-authored research on human habitation on Mars, showcasing his commitment to advancing space science. His journey symbolizes India's reentry into human space exploration and serves as an inspiration for future generations.

BJP MP Ravi Shankar Prasad Leads Indian Delegation in Brussels to Combat Terrorism



04-Jun-25

A bipartisan all-party delegation from India, led by BJP MP Ravi Shankar Prasad, visited Brussels and the UK to strengthen international cooperation against terrorism, emphasizing a unified stance against the menace. The delegation engaged with key British officials, discussing the need for accountability in international funding and highlighting Pakistan's potential diversion of IMF loans to support terrorism. Prasad articulated India's recent military response, particularly Operation Sindoor, which targeted terrorist infrastructure linked to groups like Jaish-e-Mohammed, following deadly attacks in India. He asserted that while India holds no animosity towards the Pakistani people, it is essential to defend its citizens against terrorism, showcasing India's evolving doctrine of offensive defense. The delegation's outreach reinforces India's position on the global stage and calls for scrutinizing Pakistan's role in fostering terrorism, aiming to build a coalition to address this pressing security challenge. The support received from UK lawmakers highlights a collective acknowledgment of the need for a robust international framework to combat terrorism, with significant implications for regional stability and security.

Trump Tariffs Raise Supply Chain Concerns for U.S. Businesses



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President Trump's recent tariff hikes, including doubling steel and aluminum import duties to 50%, have

intensified supply chain concerns among U.S. businesses. A Gallagher survey revealed that 90% of business owners are apprehensive about the tariffs' impact, with 69% citing supply chain disruptions and 72% fearing cyberattacks as top risks. These tariffs have led to increased operational costs, prompting companies to pass expenses onto consumers, resulting in higher prices for goods like vehicles and electronics. The logistics sector has seen a 5.4% cost increase, reaching nearly \$2.6 trillion, as firms like Target diversify sourcing strategies to mitigate risks. Additionally, the unpredictability of tariff policies has caused businesses to reassess investments and hiring plans. Economists warn that these measures could lead to job losses, particularly in manufacturing sectors reliant on imported materials. In response, companies are exploring "friendshoring"—sourcing from geopolitical allies—to enhance supply chain resilience. However, this strategy may result in higher manufacturing costs and reduced economic output. The cumulative effect underscores the critical need for stable and diversified supply chains to maintain operational efficiency and customer satisfaction amid geopolitical tensions and climate-related events

Trump to Use Emergency Powers to Boost U.S. Critical Minerals Production



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President Donald Trump is preparing to invoke emergency powers to waive legal requirements under the Defense Production Act, aiming to boost U.S. production of critical minerals essential for various technologies and defense capabilities. This move, responding to China's dominance in the critical minerals sector, seeks to enhance domestic production amidst ongoing trade tensions. While experts suggest that U.S. long-term solutions must include maintaining trade relations with China, this initiative reflects a significant shift in U.S. policy to secure its supply chains and reduce reliance on adversarial nations. Overall, it underscores the strategic importance of critical minerals in national security and economic resilience.

PM Modi to Launch World's Highest Railway Bridge in J&K on June 6



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Prime Minister Modi is set to inaugurate the Chenab Bridge, the world's highest railway bridge, in Jammu & Kashmir on June 6, marking a significant milestone in connecting the region to the rest of India. This engineering marvel, part of the Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla Railway Link, is designed to enhance regional

connectivity, boost tourism, and foster economic growth. Alongside the bridge, the first Vande Bharat Express train service will be launched, further promoting national integration. This event underscores the Indian government's commitment to infrastructure development and resilience in the face of challenges, reflecting a strategic move to strengthen ties with the strategically vital Kashmir Valley.

India Aims for \$30 Trillion Economy, Surpassing Japan SHARE

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India's long-term economic vision aims for a \$30 trillion economy by 2047, following Prime Minister Modi's ambitious short-term goal of a \$5 trillion economy. Indian envoy to the US, Vinay Kwatra, underscored the importance of systemic stability to maintain investor confidence, emphasizing collaboration with the US in technology, defense, and trade sectors. The recent overtaking of Japan in GDP rankings symbolizes India's rising global stature, prompting efforts to attract foreign investment and foster innovation. This strategic focus, reinforced by bilateral dialogues and reforms, positions India as a premier global investment destination while enhancing its defense capabilities through robust partnerships.

India's All-Party Delegation, Led by Shashi Tharoor, Engages U.S. on Terrorism SHARE

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An all-party delegation led by Congress MP Shashi Tharoor has arrived in the U.S. to strengthen India's diplomatic efforts against terrorism, particularly highlighting Pakistan's links to such activities. This delegation, reflecting India's inclusive democracy, engages with U.S. officials and media to promote India's stance on national security and development. The timing coincides with a Pakistani delegation's visit, creating a competitive narrative environment. Notably, this initiative seeks to bolster India-U.S. relations across defense, trade, and intelligence sharing, reinforcing the importance of a unified Indian front in advocating against regional terrorism and enhancing its strategic interests amidst ongoing tensions with Pakistan.

Piyush Goyal Promotes 'India Opportunity' at India-France Conference SHARE

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Union Minister Piyush Goyal emphasized the "India Opportunity" at the India-France Business Conference in

Paris, highlighting India's skilled workforce and government's efforts to enhance the business environment for foreign investment. He urged collaboration between Indian and French companies, focusing on technology, AI, and start-ups, while reaffirming both nations' commitment to deepening economic ties, particularly ahead of the India-France Year of Innovation 2026. Goyal also engaged with the WTO Director General and Saudi Arabia's Commerce Minister, showcasing India's proactive approach to fostering global trade and economic partnerships, reinforcing its role as a key player in international collaboration and investment initiatives.

Goyal and Barkat Aim to Boost India-Israel Trade and Innovation SHARE

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Union Minister Goyal's discussions with Israel's Economy Minister Barkat aimed to enhance economic ties between India and Israel, focusing on innovation and diversifying trade beyond traditional sectors. Goyal emphasized India's skilled workforce and commitment to ease of doing business, promoting collaboration in high-tech industries such as agro-tech and defense. Barkat expressed interest in investing in India's infrastructure and supporting initiatives like "Make in India." These talks signal a strategic effort to strengthen partnerships and potentially formalize a mutual investment agreement, aligning with India's broader goals of fostering international economic engagement.

Boeing appoints Shashank Jha as CIO and Digital Tech Head for India SHARE

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Boeing has appointed Shashank Jha as the Head of Digital Technology and Chief Information Officer for its India operations, based in Bengaluru. Jha will lead a team of nearly 1,500, focusing on enhancing collaboration, talent development, and engagement within Boeing's digital and engineering ecosystem in India. With over two decades of experience in engineering and IT leadership, he previously held significant roles at GE, Honeywell, and Bosch. This strategic move underscores India's vital role in Boeing's global growth and technological innovation, reinforcing the country's position as a key player in the aerospace and defense sectors.

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Defence Sector Stocks

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	RSI14	SMA20	SMA200
SIKA	954.0	1125.3	951.0	1125.3	462605	20.0	85.2	813.48	559.09
GRSE	3186.1	3465.5	3186.1	3356.5	5974176	6.54	82.02	2557.58	1711.07
WALCHANNAG	223.0	239.4	223.0	237.07	1228483	6.2	64.97	211.28	247.85
MARINE	209.45	221.25	207.5	219.29	1127807	5.63	62.16	205.61	220.0
CFE	598.0	625.9	595.0	625.9	21400	5.0	83.09	554.63	592.18
IDEAFORGE	565.3	606.0	565.0	587.75	2581588	4.66	71.87	526.11	540.91
ZENTEC	2164.0	2248.0	2150.1	2229.6	766339	3.83	84.83	1845.57	1739.78
MTARTECH	1632.0	1697.0	1627.0	1682.2	472034	3.59	68.67	1594.48	1588.44
KRISHNADEF	822.0	840.0	815.0	837.15	71750	3.32	54.83	828.4	706.91
PREMEXPLN	585.5	613.0	585.0	596.2	2815278	2.89	65.36	529.66	466.77
APOLLO	198.9	206.5	195.21	203.03	12978201	2.6	81.17	153.72	115.08
COCHINSHIP	2055.0	2175.0	2052.2	2086.7	13208301	2.56	70.16	1838.18	1570.78
HBLPOWER	595.0	617.4	592.3	607.35	1658927	2.39	66.6	561.29	563.22
AVANTEL	157.7	162.4	155.3	160.43	5496639	2.22	72.27	130.78	146.41
TANEJAERO	387.0	387.6	387.0	387.6	13291	2.0	70.8	351.86	403.21
PARAS	1611.2	1664.3	1607.9	1623.5	845359	1.34	63.95	1572.31	1106.21
MIDHANI	418.15	432.6	415.2	422.05	1317476	1.33	67.83	393.78	339.53
BEL	387.0	391.3	384.1	390.6	20648850	1.19	79.41	365.69	294.94
SOLARINDS	16700.0	16879.0	16569.0	16809.0	182148	1.14	82.3	14840.25	10911.53
BEML	4359.0	4510.0	4333.4	4373.7	1400257	0.94	77.83	3775.84	3584.99
LMW	16540.0	16731.0	16300.0	16550.0	3369	0.93	45.23	17148.8	16116.45
ADANIENT	2480.0	2503.0	2441.1	2489.4	552667	0.75	52.93	2482.63	2579.9
DATAPATNS	2960.0	3043.9	2911.9	2985.2	1270764	0.72	72.94	2706.76	2280.48
DYNAMATECH	6927.0	6940.5	6823.5	6905.5	2840	0.7	56.06	6854.03	7204.8
AZAD	1804.6	1835.0	1795.3	1816.3	123536	0.65	64.57	1768.82	1555.07
ASTRAMICRO	1149.3	1171.2	1117.6	1147.9	711540	0.64	70.8	1044.23	798.35
BHARATFORG	1274.9	1280.6	1245.9	1270.7	2282886	0.02	65.4	1233.98	1294.64
ROSSELLIND	68.28	69.0	67.25	68.27	17625	-0.01	40.37	72.64	143.39
LT	3645.0	3661.7	3615.3	3626.5	1086783	-0.5	61.17	3592.13	3512.86
DCXINDIA	312.7	320.5	305.6	308.65	914125	-0.52	51.04	318.69	309.39
HAL	5000.0	5050.0	4891.0	4959.8	2172800	-0.59	60.11	4879.77	4252.97
MAZDOCK	3462.0	3548.7	3405.2	3412.7	4771997	-0.75	56.56	3344.42	2397.92
PTC	176.0	176.1	173.59	173.85	694527	-0.83	43.3	181.01	173.08
HIGHENE	730.0	736.0	705.0	720.35	12542	-1.21	70.46	661.28	597.01
NIBE	1720.0	1755.0	1675.0	1691.8	16238	-1.3	59.27	1582.55	1556.19
BDL	1990.0	2057.0	1940.0	1947.4	4700149	-1.49	67.22	1836.3	1261.19
LOKESHMACH	0.0	158.5	158.5	158.5	13424	-15.81	45.36	167.99	297.4