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SWANDEF	277.79	264.57	+5.0%
MACPOWER	984.1	939.65	+4.73%
SUNITATool	888.0	860.75	+3.17%
DRONACHRYA	90.0	88.17	+2.08%
TANEJAERO	484.5	475.0	+2.0%

Top Losers

Stock	Close	Prev	Change
CFF	670.0	704.75	-4.93%
TEMBO	521.15	542.8	-3.99%
GOODLUCK	1136.2	1169.9	-2.88%
PARAS	861.0	885.1	-2.72%
NIBE	1618.0	1652.55	-2.09%

Defense Business and Industry

Karnataka seeks two defense corridors in meeting with Rajnath Singh.



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Karnataka's Minister for Large and Medium Industries, M B Patil, announced plans to meet Defence Minister Rajnath Singh to advocate for two new defence corridors in the state, one each in Kolar-Chikkaballapura and Hubballi-Belagavi. Highlighting Karnataka's significant contribution to the aerospace and defence industry, Patil emphasized its need for such corridors, especially after similar projects were sanctioned in Tamil Nadu and Uttar Pradesh. He stressed that without this investment, Karnataka may lose out to competing states like Andhra Pradesh, which has aggressively pursued land for industrial development. The state aims to strengthen its position as a hub in the aerospace and defence sector, which is vital for national security and economic growth.

Indian Army's Long-Range ATAGS Artillery Guns to Be Ready by 2027



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The Indian Army's first regiment of Long-Range ATAGS artillery guns, developed by DRDO in collaboration with Bharat Forge and TATA Advanced Systems, is set to be operational by February 2027. With a range exceeding 45 kilometers and rapid deployment capabilities, these 155mm/52 caliber towed guns will enhance the Army's long-range firepower, replacing older artillery systems. The procurement of 307 ATAGS guns, aligned with the Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative, significantly boosts indigenous defense manufacturing, while a new

Mounted Gun System (MGS) variant promises improved mobility and survivability on the battlefield. These advancements demonstrate India's commitment to enhancing its defense capabilities through self-reliance and modernization.

India Considers Russian Sukhoi Su-57 Deal Ahead of Putin Visit



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India is negotiating a collaboration with Russia for the supply and joint production of Sukhoi Su-57 fighter jets, coinciding with heightened military preparedness and a potential visit from President Putin. The deal emphasizes technology transfer and aligns with the Make in India initiative, with Hindustan Aeronautics Limited set to play a crucial role in production. This move comes as India seeks interim solutions for advanced fighter aircraft while its indigenous Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA) program progresses. The discussions illustrate India's commitment to strengthening its defense capabilities amid regional security challenges, particularly with Pakistan's potential induction of Chinese jets.

Defence Sec Singh: Opening AMCA to Private Firms for Growth



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The Indian government's move to open the Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA) program to private sector participation marks a significant shift in its defense manufacturing strategy, as stated by Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh. This initiative aims to enhance India's capabilities in developing fifth-generation fighters, a domain currently dominated by the US, China, and Russia. The competitive model allows both public and private sector companies to bid for the AMCA prototype development, breaking

Hindustan Aeronautics Limited's (HAL) monopoly while ensuring that both sectors can contribute effectively. Additionally, Singh emphasized the urgency of technology transfer and the need to treat engine development as a national mission to reduce import dependence, especially given the Indian Air Force's current shortfall of active squadrons. India is evaluating various options for its next-generation fighter, including partnerships for indigenous engine development with firms like Rolls-Royce and Safran, which could bolster local capabilities and ensure ownership of intellectual property. The strategic implications of these initiatives could enhance India's aerospace self-reliance and address operational readiness amid regional threats, facilitating the transition to a robust indigenous defense ecosystem.

HAL to Deliver 97 Tejas Mk1A Jets by 2031 for IAF SHARE

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Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) plans to deliver 97 additional Tejas Mk1A fighter jets to the Indian Air Force (IAF) by 2031, enhancing India's combat capabilities amid increasing regional threats from China and Pakistan. Deliveries are expected to begin in 2029, contingent on finalizing a deal worth around ₹67,000 crore by 2025. The Tejas Mk1A features advanced avionics, an AESA radar, and improved electronic warfare systems, marking a significant upgrade from earlier variants and positioning it as a multirole fighter essential for modern aerial operations. The IAF's confidence in the Tejas is underscored by its successful deployment during Operation Sindoor, where it showcased impressive operational capabilities alongside more advanced platforms like Rafale. With over 62% of the Mk1A's components being indigenous, HAL aims to achieve 70% by 2029, reflecting India's commitment to self-reliance in defense manufacturing. The aircraft's rollout comes at a crucial time as Pakistan enhances its military ties with China, making the Tejas Mk1A critical for India's strategic deterrence. The Tejas Mk1A not only replaces aging aircraft but also positions India competitively against regional adversaries, showcasing a robust defense manufacturing ecosystem that is increasingly capable of meeting domestic and international demands.

Lockheed Martin and Pentagon Postpone India F-35 Jet Proposal SHARE

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Lockheed Martin and Pentagon officials have deferred their planned visit to India, which was to propose the

F-35A Lightning II jets to the Indian Air Force, raising uncertainties about the deal. This delay comes amid intensified competition from Russia, which is promoting its Su-57 stealth fighter as an alternative. The F-35A, with its advanced capabilities, aligns with India's need for modern air combat platforms to counter regional threats. However, challenges such as logistical issues and the Su-57's cost-effectiveness may influence India's decision, alongside its historical ties with Russian defense equipment, potentially impacting the future of U.S.-India defense relations.

India's drone sector could reach \$23 billion by 2030. SHARE

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India's drone industry is projected to enhance the nation's manufacturing potential to USD 23 billion by 2030, driven by rising demand in defense, agriculture, logistics, and infrastructure sectors. The report highlights the significant role drones are playing in modern warfare, particularly noted during Operation Sindoor post the Pahalgam terror attack. With the largest Drone International Expo 2025 scheduled in Delhi, showcasing innovations from various countries, there is optimism that indigenous drone adoption will bolster the Make in India initiative and support rural smart agriculture. This growing sector is expected not only to improve agricultural efficiency but also to enhance security and logistics across India.

Indian Army to Test DRDO's High-Mobility Mounted Gun System SHARE

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The Indian Army is set to conduct trials for the DRDO's Mounted Gun System (MGS), India's first fully indigenous truck-mounted artillery platform, designed for high-mobility firepower. Based on the Advanced Towed Artillery Gun System (ATAGS), the MGS can engage targets with a range of 45 km and is capable of rapid deployment in diverse terrains, embodying the 'shoot and scoot' strategy. The technology has been transferred to Bharat Forge Limited to enhance indigenous defense manufacturing. Successful trials at Balasore and Pokhran highlight its potential effectiveness, emphasizing the importance of high mobility artillery in modern warfare, particularly in light of lessons learned from recent conflicts.

Israel offers India Sky Sting missile to counter Pakistan's PL-15E. SHARE

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Israel has offered India the Sky Sting, a 6th Generation long-range air-to-air missile, to counter Pakistan's Chinese-made PL-15E missile, which reportedly claimed to have downed Indian jets in the past. The Sky Sting, with a range of 250 km, surpasses the PL-15E's 145 km and features advanced capabilities like two-way data links and high resistance to electronic jamming. This collaboration underscores the growing defense relationship between India and Israel, highlighted by previous partnerships on systems like the Barak-8 and Harop drones, further enhancing India's aerial combat capabilities against potential threats.

Ukraine's Fibre-Optic Drones Transform Battlefield Tactics SHARE

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Ukraine's deployment of fibre-optic tethered drones, first fielded by Russia in spring 2024 and adopted by Ukraine later that year, has introduced a new tactical innovation on the battlefield. These unjammable quadcopters, guided by several-kilometre spools of fibre-optic cable instead of radio links, bypass electronic warfare systems and enable precision FPV strikes, surveillance, and logistics support, with many spools ranging from 5 to 20 km and some specially built for ranges up to 50 km. Ukrainian firms, including 3DTech, have ramped up production dramatically—thousands per month as of early 2025—under initiatives like the “Army of Drones” and the formal Unmanned Systems Forces established in June 2024. Despite the tactical edge, concerns are mounting: environmental advocates warn of plastic pollution from abandoned polymer fibre cables entangling wildlife, fragmenting into microplastics, and contaminating ecosystems; birds have even incorporated the cables into nests in war zones. Supply chain fragilities are also emerging, as Chinese-sourced fibre dominates production now that Russia's own optical plant was destroyed. Looking ahead, both sides are exploring AI-enhanced and autonomous systems to eliminate the tether entirely, as demonstrated by Ukraine's June 2025 “Spider's Web” AI-coordinated drone strikes. For nations like India, this shift underscores the need to integrate cable-resistant systems and AI-guided unmanned technologies into their asymmetric warfare strategies.

India's Defense Stocks Outshine Global Peers in Valuations SHARE

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India's defense stocks have surged ahead of global peers, with indices like the Nifty India Defence Index hitting record highs in recent months. This surge, driven by a nearly 35% rally in 2025—vastly outperforming broader benchmarks—reflects a powerful combination of factors: a Rs1.9 lakh crore capital outlay for FY2025–26, a sharp shift from 65% import-dependency to self-reliance by mid-2025, and strong performance from PSUs like Hindustan Aeronautics (HAL), Bharat Electronics, and Bharat Dynamics, all benefiting from robust order books and margin improvements. Private players such as L&T, Tata, Adani, and others have increasingly entered the fray under liberalized procurement policies, further bolstered by the “Make in India” and Atmanirbhar Bharat drives. Major contracts—including emergency purchases of stealth jets and drones worth several billion dollars—and rising defence exports to NATO-aligned markets under improved policy support and localisation have also contributed to the optimism. While some analysts caution that valuations appear stretched, with traditional defence mutual funds and ETFs delivering gains of up to 39% over three months, strong pipeline visibility, consistent government backing, and accelerated technology transfers (e.g., for the development of the AMCA aircraft and satellite launch capabilities) underpin long-term investor confidence. As India pushes to double defence production by 2029 and achieve export ambitions, its defense sector stands at the intersection of strategic growth and economic transformation.

IAI Systems Excel in Operation Rising Lion with Real-Time Threat Interception SHARE

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The recent Operation Rising Lion showcased Israel Aerospace Industries' advanced defense technologies, playing a pivotal role in detecting and intercepting a multitude of threats, including approximately 550 ballistic missiles. The Arrow-2 and Arrow-3 systems, along with the Barak MX, demonstrated Israel's technological superiority and strategic preparedness in a highly coordinated attack. This operation highlighted the effectiveness of multi-domain integration across air, land, sea, and space, enhancing real-time intelligence and operational responses. The successful deployment of these systems under extreme conditions underscores the significance of innovation in defense strategy, reinforcing Israel's position amid geopolitical

threats, while serving as a reminder of the need for India to enhance its indigenous defense capabilities.

DRDO Unveils Submarine-Launched ULUAVs to Transform Naval Warfare



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The recent developments by DRDO in pioneering submarine-launched ULUAVs are set to revolutionize India's naval warfare capabilities, enhancing stealth, intelligence, and combat abilities. These hybrid drones, designed for launch from submarines, outperform current U.S. systems with over an hour of endurance and a 20-kilometre range. Furthermore, the integration of AI-driven underwater drone swarms will enable complex missions such as surveillance and mine countermeasures while maintaining operational secrecy. This initiative underscores India's commitment to self-reliance in defense technology and positions the nation at the forefront of advanced undersea warfare, significantly boosting maritime security and strategic deterrence.

Indian Navy Seeks Approval for 17 Warships and 9 Submarines



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The Indian Navy is poised to enhance its operational capabilities with several high-value projects in advanced stages of approval, totaling over 2,40,000 crore. Key initiatives include Project 17B for new frigates, Project 75-India for advanced submarines, and the construction of Next Generation Corvettes. As China's naval expansion raises concerns, the Indian Navy aims to replace ageing vessels and reach a target fleet of 175 ships by 2035. Notably, the absence of new destroyer projects poses a challenge, underscoring the urgency for timely acquisitions to maintain regional balance and ensure maritime security. This comprehensive modernization effort reflects India's commitment to enhancing its naval prowess.

Bharat Forge and Windracers to Supply ULTRA MK2 UAV for Indian Navy



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Bharat Forge Ltd is in talks with UK-based Windracers to introduce the ULTRA MK2 UAV to the Indian Navy for Cargo On Demand operations, enhancing naval logistics in the Indian Ocean Region. With a payload of 150 kg and a range of 1,000 km, this UAV could significantly improve maritime resupply missions, particularly from aircraft carriers like INS Vikrant and INS Vikramaditya. The collaboration aligns with India's Make in India

initiatives, aiming for local production and self-sufficiency in defense. The ULTRA MK2's proven capabilities in diverse environments position it as a valuable asset for the Indian Navy, supporting its goal of expanding its fleet and operational efficiency by 2050.

IAF Considers Inducting BM-04 SRBM to Enhance Tactical Strikes



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The Indian Air Force (IAF) is considering the induction of the newly unveiled BM-04 short-range ballistic missile (SRBM), enhancing its tactical strike capabilities alongside existing systems like the Prithvi and Pralay missiles. The BM-04 boasts advanced features, including a range of 400-1,500 km, hypersonic speeds, and a significant reduction in circular error probable, thus enabling precision strikes against crucial enemy targets. This development is crucial for countering growing missile threats from China and Pakistan, as the BM-04's capabilities can potentially penetrate advanced anti-ballistic missile systems, thereby augmenting India's strategic deterrent posture and operational readiness in volatile border regions.

India's Future Nuclear Submarines to Feature Advanced Cruise Missiles



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India's nuclear attack submarine program under Project-77 is advancing, with plans to equip the future submarines with supersonic and hypersonic cruise missiles, moving away from traditional sub-sonic options. This strategic shift enhances the Navy's ability to conduct deep-strike missions and penetrate modern air defenses, significantly improving maritime deterrence capabilities. The Project-77 submarines, developed indigenously with input from DRDO and local shipyards, will bolster India's tactical response in conventional conflicts and power projection across the Indo-Pacific. The incorporation of these advanced missile systems marks a transformative leap in India's undersea warfare capabilities, ensuring the Navy remains competitive amid rapidly changing global naval dynamics.

India to Enhance Defense with Major Indigenous Drone Order



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India is set to enhance its defense capabilities significantly through a large order for indigenous drones under the Buy Indian-Indigenously Designed, Developed, and Manufactured (IDDM) route, as

announced by Defence Secretary RK Singh. This procurement aims to support the domestic defense industry without requiring further fiscal assistance, focusing on combat drones, swarm drones, and surveillance UAVs. The Ministry of Defence plans both emergency and long-term contracts to address immediate operational needs and establish a sustainable production framework, while emphasizing a push towards 70% indigenization by 2027. This initiative will not only bolster national security but also stimulate economic growth and job creation in India's aerospace sector.

India Cuts Missile Production Time to 2-3 Years, Boosting Defense Capability



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India has significantly reduced its missile production turnaround time from 10-12 years to just 2-3 years, as announced by Dr. G Satheesh Reddy of DRDO. This milestone positions India competitively alongside global powers like the US, Russia, and China, reflecting the nation's technological advancements and commitment to self-reliance under the Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative. Key projects such as the Agni series, BrahMos, and the MPATGM have benefited from streamlined processes and private sector partnerships. While challenges remain in hypersonic capabilities and precision technology, India's advancements underscore its growing defense manufacturing capabilities and enhanced nuclear deterrence.

India to Enhance Anti-Tank Capabilities with US Javelin Missiles



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India is advancing plans to procure US-made Javelin anti-tank guided missiles (ATGMs) to enhance its anti-tank capabilities in response to regional security challenges, particularly concerning China and Pakistan. Defence Secretary RK Singh confirmed a dual-track approach involving emergency procurements and long-term negotiations for co-production with Bharat Dynamics Limited. The Javelin, known for its precision and effectiveness, addresses critical shortages in advanced ATGMs for the Indian Army. While it offers immediate advantages, balancing this with the need for indigenous programs like the MPATGM is essential for India's defense self-reliance and strategic preparedness against modern armored threats.

HAL Chief Advocates Single Fighter Jet Manufacturer for India



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HAL Chairman DK Sunil has argued against having two competing fighter jet manufacturers in India, citing that the Indian Air Force's projected induction of 420 jets over the next 15 years does not support such an approach. He emphasized that the modest production scale of 2830 jets annually makes consolidation crucial for resource optimization and economic viability, contrasting India's situation with global giants like Boeing and Lockheed Martin. Sunil highlighted HAL's current capabilities, including its workforce and experience, asserting that a unified strategy is necessary to avoid duplication and ensure timely delivery of aircraft, including the upcoming Tejas Mark 2 and Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA).

IAF Considers Izdeliye 177S Engine as Next-Gen Upgrade for Su-30MKI



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The Indian Air Force (IAF) is considering the Izdeliye 177S engine as a transformative upgrade for its Su-30MKI fleet, providing a significant thrust increase and enhanced agility compared to the current AL-31FP engine. With a maximum thrust of 14,500 kgf and a service life of 6,000 hours, the Izdeliye 177S engine promises improved performance and reduced operational costs. However, its operational maturity is still unproven, raising concerns over production scale and the need for potential Indian investment in development. This opportunity highlights the balance between enhancing the IAF's capabilities and the strategic risks associated with investing in new technology.

New Agni-5 Variant with Bunker Buster Enhances IAF's Deep-Strike Capabilities



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India's Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) is developing a new conventional variant of the Agni-5 ballistic missile to enhance the Indian Air Force's (IAF) capabilities for deep-strike missions. This missile, featuring a substantial warhead of 7.5 to 8 tonnes, aims to penetrate heavily fortified targets and improve India's strategic posture amid the absence of dedicated bombers. Equipped with advanced guidance technology for precision and capable of overcoming enemy defenses, it offers significant operational flexibility as a canister-launched system. This development underscores India's

commitment to modernizing its military capabilities and ensuring robust deterrence against adversaries.

Indian Navy Partners with BEL for Enhanced Maritime Awareness SHARE

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The Indian Navy has solidified its commitment to enhancing maritime security by signing a contract with Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) for the National Maritime Domain Awareness (NMDA) Project. This initiative aims to improve data collation, analysis, and information sharing among various maritime stakeholders through the upgrade of the existing National Command, Control, Communication and Intelligence (NC3I) Network. The project will also transform the Information Management and Analysis Centre in Gurugram into a Multi-Agency NMDA Centre, integrating AI-enabled software for better operational capabilities. This step reflects India's proactive approach to safeguarding its maritime interests in an increasingly complex security environment.

Defense Policy and Budgeting

India Pursues 5th-Gen Fighters as Interim Solution Amid AMCA Development SHARE

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India is actively engaged in discussions with global partners to acquire fifth-generation fighter aircraft as an interim solution while advancing its indigenous Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA) program, which is expected to take about a decade to develop. Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh emphasized ongoing negotiations with both the US and Russia, with an interest in platforms like the F-35 and Su-57E. The AMCA project has entered early procurement stages, allowing both public and private sectors to participate in development. This strategy aims to address the Indian Air Force's declining squadron strength, which currently stands at 31 against a sanctioned strength of 42.5 squadrons.

Government Boosts Private Sector in Defense Manufacturing Post-Sindoor SHARE

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The Indian government is ramping up efforts to enhance private sector participation in defense manufacturing following Operation Sindoor, with a

focus on indigenous production of advanced weaponry, including missiles and drones. Plans include compressing procurement timelines from six to two years and revising the Defence Acquisition Procedure to streamline processes and boost industry engagement. Additionally, there's a push for a consortium model where public-private partnerships will drive research and development, ensuring a diversified defense industrial ecosystem. This initiative aims to leverage government buying power to stimulate private investment and expand India's defense capabilities, particularly in high-demand segments.

Geopolitics and Security Alliances

India Abstains on UNGA Resolution, Urges Action Against Terrorism in Afghanistan SHARE

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India recently abstained from a UN General Assembly resolution concerning Afghanistan, emphasizing the need for the international community to prevent terrorist organizations like Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) and Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM) from exploiting Afghan territory. India's Permanent Representative, P. Harish, articulated that a punitive-only approach would be ineffective, advocating instead for a balanced mix of incentives and disincentives to foster positive behavior. The abstention was also tied to India's concerns about the resolution lacking new policy tools to address the humanitarian crisis since the Taliban's takeover in August 2021. Notably, India has maintained diplomatic engagements with the Taliban, providing substantial humanitarian assistance, including food, medical supplies, and educational support for Afghan students, particularly women. This approach reflects India's historical ties and direct stake in Afghanistan's peace and stability as a neighboring country. Furthermore, India condemned the recent terrorist attack linked to groups operating from Pakistan and reiterated its commitment to aid efforts, including drug rehabilitation programs and scholarships for Afghan students. The strategic positioning underlines India's proactive stance towards regional security and humanitarian needs, advocating for a comprehensive response to the ongoing challenges in Afghanistan.

Rajnath Singh: Prepare for uncertainty, peace is an illusion

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Defence Minister Rajnath Singh emphasized the need for India to remain vigilant and prepared for uncertainty, even during peacetime, highlighting the importance of operational readiness and the success of indigenously produced military equipment during Operation Sindoor. He noted that global military spending is projected to reach \$2.7 trillion in 2024, opening opportunities for India's defense industry, and called for a shift in perception of defense budgets as economic investments rather than mere expenditures. Singh urged the Defence Accounts Department to adopt a more facilitative approach and integrate defense economics into their planning, reinforcing the strategic significance of India's evolving defense sector amidst global dynamics.

Russia Expands Military Presence in Armenia Amid Tensions

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Recent reports indicate that Russia is increasing its military presence at the Gyumri base in Armenia, as claimed by Ukraine's military intelligence. This move, viewed as part of a broader Kremlin strategy to exert influence in the South Caucasus, follows Armenia's criticism of Russia's inaction during Azerbaijan's operations in Nagorno-Karabakh. The Ukrainian intelligence released a document outlining orders to bolster troop numbers from various Russian military units, emphasizing the selection of personnel based on specific criteria such as combat readiness and psychological stability. Relations between Armenia and Russia have soured since the Second Nagorno-Karabakh War in 2020, leading Armenia to reconsider its alliance with the Collective Security Treaty Organization (CSTO) and explore closer ties with the European Union. Meanwhile, the Gyumri base, housing vital military assets including fighter jets and air defense systems, is increasingly seen as misaligned with Armenia's current diplomatic objectives, as Yerevan seeks to normalize relations with Azerbaijan and Turkey. The evolving geopolitical landscape in the region underscores the complexities of alliances and influence, with Armenia's pivot reflecting a significant shift in its strategic posture away from traditional reliance on Russian support.

Pakistan Army Chief Denies Chinese Military Support Claims by India

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Recent tensions between India and Pakistan have escalated as Indian army officials allege that Pakistan received military support from China during the May conflict. Pakistani Army Chief Asim Munir refuted these claims, calling them "irresponsible" and "factually incorrect," asserting Pakistan's capability to defend its sovereignty independently. Meanwhile, China's Foreign Ministry downplayed the allegations, emphasizing that its defense cooperation with Pakistan does not target any third party, though it did not directly address the specifics of the Indian claims that China provided live intelligence to Pakistan during Operation Sindoor. The operation was initiated by India in response to a terrorist attack and highlighted the complex geopolitical dynamics at play, involving not just India and Pakistan but also Turkey's military support to Islamabad. India maintains that its decisive military actions forced Pakistan to seek a ceasefire, indicating a strong resilience in its military strategy. This situation underscores the critical nature of regional security and the ongoing implications of Sino-Pakistani relations for India's defense posture, as India remains vigilant and prepared to counter any external support that could embolden adversaries.

Iranian Analysts Criticize Russia for Prioritizing India over Iran

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Iranian analysts have expressed frustration with Russia for withholding promised Sukhoi Su-35 fighter jets while prioritizing military cooperation with India, which has included offers of advanced aircraft and technology transfers. Despite Iran's support for Moscow, including supplying drones, Russia's failure to deliver on defense agreements has left Iran's air force, already weakened by Israeli airstrikes, vulnerable. This situation underscores a perceived betrayal by Russia, highlighting a long-standing history of military collaboration with India that has hampered Iran's defense modernization efforts. Analysts suggest that geopolitical calculations, influenced by Moscow's relations with the West and Israel, play a significant role in this perceived favoritism.

Kaladan Project Set for Completion by 2027, Boosting Trade and Connectivity

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The Kaladan Multimodal Transit Transport Project (KMTTP) between India and Myanmar is expected to be

operational by 2027, significantly reducing the distance between Aizawl and Kolkata by 700 km. Union Shipping Minister Sarbananda Sonowal announced the investment of Rs 1,000 crore to develop waterways, with the Sittwe port already inaugurated and functional. The project aims to enhance connectivity and facilitate trade, positioning Northeast India as a business hub in South Asia. Despite facing logistical and law enforcement challenges, the KMTTP is poised to streamline transportation and reduce costs, benefiting regional economies and strengthening India-Myanmar ties.

China offers military equipment to allied nations, boosting influence.



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China's Ministry of National Defense has expressed its readiness to share military equipment advancements with friendly nations, highlighting discussions about weapon procurement, specifically the J-10 fighter jet. The spokesperson emphasized China's commitment to contributing positively to regional and global peace and stability. This initiative may be seen as an attempt by China to strengthen its diplomatic relations through defense collaborations, potentially increasing its influence in strategic regions. For India, this development underscores the importance of bolstering its defense capabilities and partnerships with other nations to counterbalance China's expanding military presence and ensure regional security dynamics remain favorable.

Geopolitical Tensions Impact AI Server Market Growth Forecasts



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The AI server market faces challenges as global shipment growth forecasts have been downgraded from 28% to 24.3% due to geopolitical tensions, US export controls, and tariff threats. Despite these issues, major tech companies like Microsoft, Meta, and Google continue to invest heavily in AI infrastructure, maintaining demand for Nvidia's servers while also developing their own silicon. The situation highlights the resilience of tech giants amid supply chain instabilities, though it introduces significant risks and uncertainty in logistics and trade policies. Overall, the AI infrastructure sector remains robust, underscoring the ongoing appetite for advanced computing solutions despite external pressures.

Germany summons Chinese ambassador over laser targeting incident.



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Germany has summoned the Chinese ambassador following an incident in the Red Sea, where a Chinese warship allegedly targeted a German reconnaissance aircraft with a laser during an EU maritime security operation. This act has been deemed a serious breach of safety protocols, prompting Germany to view it as a direct threat to personnel safety, leading to the aircraft aborting its mission. Such aggressive actions by China raise concerns over maritime security and could strain diplomatic relations, emphasizing the need for robust international cooperation to ensure the safety of operational forces in contested waters.

Top Turkish officials to visit Pakistan to boost defense ties



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Turkey's foreign and defence ministers are set to visit Pakistan to enhance bilateral relations, focusing on defence industry cooperation amidst ongoing regional tensions. Their visit follows Turkey's earlier support for Pakistan during its military conflict with India, causing a backlash in India, including boycotts of Turkish products and a suspension of aviation services for national security reasons. While Turkey maintains cordial ties with India, its recent actions indicate a strategic pivot towards Pakistan, potentially influencing the balance in South Asian geopolitics. This developing relationship underscores the importance of regional alliances and the impact of diplomatic support on national security perceptions.

Ceasefire talks between Israel and Hamas resume amid Trump's push.



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Indirect negotiations for a ceasefire between Israel and Hamas have resumed in Qatar, with US President Trump advocating for a swift resolution. While no breakthrough has been achieved, discussions focus on withdrawal mechanisms and humanitarian aid. The situation remains tense, with recent Israeli military casualties reported, and the humanitarian crisis in Gaza worsening. Trump emphasized the need to end the conflict and return hostages, presenting a proposal for a 60-day truce linked to prisoner exchanges. As hostilities continue, the high civilian toll raises urgent concerns, underscoring the complexities of achieving lasting peace in the region.

Trump reverses course, announces more weapons for Ukraine. SHARE

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President Trump announced a shift in US policy, stating additional weapon deliveries to Ukraine are necessary despite a recent pause due to concerns over American stockpiles. This comes as Russian attacks have intensified, killing civilians and prompting Ukraine to seek further military aid. Ukrainian President Zelenskyy emphasized the need for air defense, highlighting the development of interceptor drones amid ongoing Russian drone strikes. The situation underscores the critical need for support to help Ukraine manage its defenses against a larger, aggressive Russian military, while also spotlighting the challenges faced by Russia, including internal political strife and operational inefficiencies.

BRICS Leaders Assert Fair Trade Principles Amid U.S. Tensions SHARE

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The recent BRICS summit has intensified tensions with the United States, as President Trump accuses the coalition of undermining U.S. interests and threatens a 10% tariff on countries supporting BRICS' policies. In response, BRICS leaders emphasized their commitment to a fair, rules-based multilateral trading system and criticized the U.S. for using tariffs as coercive tools. The summit underscored BRICS' growing influence, representing nearly half of the world's population and a significant portion of global GDP. This situation highlights the ongoing shift in global power dynamics and the need for cooperative international relations amid rising protectionism.

PM Modi's Brazil Visit Focuses on Strengthening Bilateral Ties SHARE

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PM Modi's visit to Brazil, following the BRICS summit in Rio, emphasizes strengthening bilateral ties with President Lula, focusing on trade, defense, energy, and technology. The leaders aim to enhance the India-Brazil Strategic Partnership, which is vital given their roles in BRICS and other multilateral forums. Modi's discussions also included expanding the India-MERCOSUR trade agreement, showcasing India's commitment to fostering global relationships. His warm reception from the Indian diaspora underscores the deep-rooted ties between the two nations, reflecting India's proactive approach in enhancing its international partnerships for sustainable development and resilience.

U.S. and India Near Trade Deal to Avoid Tariffs Amid Negotiations SHARE

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Negotiations between the U.S. and India are reportedly nearing completion, with a potential "mini" trade deal aimed at reducing tariffs, particularly concerning U.S. agricultural products. While the U.S. has imposed tariffs on 14 nations, Trump emphasized that India is in a unique position to avoid similar penalties if an agreement is reached before the extended August 1 deadline. Indian officials have expressed a willingness to negotiate but are cautious about making concessions that could adversely affect domestic farmers. This evolving dynamic underscores India's strategic approach to balancing international trade relations while safeguarding its agricultural sector.

Pakistan Air Force Chief Appeals for U.S. AN/TPS-77 Radar Donations After Indian Strikes SHARE

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The Pakistan Air Force (PAF) Chief has requested U.S. donations of AN/TPS-77 radars following significant losses during India's Operation Sindoor, which destroyed half of Pakistan's radar inventory. The AN/TPS-77 radars, crucial for aerial surveillance, were targeted in a series of precise strikes that damaged PAF infrastructure. This appeal highlights Pakistan's reliance on U.S. military support amid ongoing tensions with India and its financial constraints, which hinder new procurement. The situation raises concerns about the implications for U.S. defense exports and the strategic relationship between the nations, especially following the destruction of American-made equipment in the recent conflict.

Arunachal Guv and Air Command Chief Discuss Security and Development SHARE

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Air Marshal Surat Singh, chief of the Eastern Air Command, met with Arunachal Pradesh Governor Lt Gen (Retd) K T Parnaik to discuss critical issues concerning national security, regional defense preparedness, and disaster management in the state. They emphasized the importance of the Indian Armed Forces' presence in Arunachal Pradesh, particularly given its challenging terrain and vulnerability during the monsoon season. Parnaik urged for increased engagement with local youths to inspire military careers, fostering pride and patriotism. Singh reaffirmed the Indian Air Force's commitment to the safety and development of Arunachal Pradesh,

highlighting the strategic significance of community outreach in enhancing national defense.

UAE Naval Forces Commander Visits India to Strengthen Ties



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Maj Gen Humaid Mohammed Abdullah Alremeithi, Commander of the UAE Naval Forces, is on an official visit to India from July 7-9, 2025, focused on enhancing maritime cooperation and bilateral ties. His visit includes high-level discussions and operational interactions in New Delhi, where he paid tribute at the National War Memorial and met with Admiral Dinesh K Tripathi to discuss naval engagements and structured training. This visit marks a significant advancement in India-UAE naval relations, reflecting a mutual commitment to securing shared interests in the strategically vital Indian Ocean Region, underscoring India's proactive approach to strengthening defense partnerships in the face of evolving regional dynamics.

Military Operations

Defence Secretary Rejects Pakistan's Claims on Rafale Losses



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Indian Defence Secretary RK Singh has categorically dismissed Pakistan's claims regarding the shooting down of Indian Rafale jets during Operation Sindoor, asserting that it is incorrect to suggest multiple losses. Singh emphasized that while India did acknowledge losses, they were not as significant as Pakistan's, which included over 100 terrorist casualties. His statements come in response to comments made by Captain Shiv Kumar, the Indian Defence Attache in Indonesia, who suggested political constraints affected military operations, a claim Singh refuted by stating that the armed forces had full operational freedom. The Defence Secretary also addressed Pakistan's allegations of intelligence support from China during the conflict, noting that, while there may have been some cooperation, no conclusive evidence exists. Meanwhile, discussions regarding the procurement of fifth-generation fighter jets and the ongoing development of India's Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA) project were mentioned, with Singh highlighting the importance of military readiness amidst regional tensions. Overall, Singh's remarks reinforce India's commitment to a robust defense posture while countering misinformation regarding the operational effectiveness of the Rafale jets,

underscoring the credibility of India's military capabilities against its adversaries.

Dassault Aviation clarifies IAF's Operation Sindoor, denying fratricide claims and emphasizing Rafale's operational success.



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Recent reports regarding the Indian Air Force's (IAF) Operation Sindoor have been clarified by Dassault Aviation, the manufacturer of the Rafale fighter jet, which firmly denied claims of a fratricide incident involving its aircraft. CEO Eric Trappier confirmed that while one Rafale jet experienced a technical failure at high altitude, there were no losses due to enemy engagement during the operation. Indian Defence Secretary RK Singh also dismissed allegations of multiple Rafale losses, asserting that any reported losses were significantly outweighed by Pakistani casualties. Moreover, concerns have arisen regarding foreign intelligence, particularly from China, attempting to undermine the Rafale's combat performance and influence international sales. Overall, the Indian defense narrative remains strong, emphasizing that the IAF maintained operational freedom and successfully executed its mission despite the complexities of the geopolitical landscape.

Indian Chiefs Stress Joint Operations for Future Warfare



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The chiefs of the Indian Army, Navy, and Air Force recently convened in a high-level meeting to underscore the critical importance of joint operations in preparing for future warfare. This landmark gathering followed the lessons from Operation Sindoor—India's first full-scale tri-service missile and air strike since 1971, conducted on May 7, 2025, against terrorist camps in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir—which showcased unprecedented coordination among the services. They highlighted the imperative for seamless integration in maritime and aerospace domains, integrated operational planning, air defence reinforcement, and robust surveillance capabilities. The chiefs also referenced recent tri-service exercises such as TROPEX and Aakraman, which simulate multi-domain conflicts and strengthen interoperability, as well as the implementation of new Integrated Theatre Commands under the 2023 Inter-Services Organisations Act effective May 27, 2025. The commitment to jointness extends to structural reforms like joint command centres, unified air-defence grids,

and cross-service aides, as part of the ongoing move towards full theatreisation. These initiatives aim to ensure India's armed forces can operate as a truly unified force—maritime, air and land—by streamlining command and control, optimizing resource deployment, and increasing readiness to face evolving geopolitical threats with enhanced cohesion and operational effectiveness.

Indian Army and Fire Services conduct joint fire safety drill SHARE

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The Indian Army conducted a successful joint fire safety drill in Pasighat on July 5, in collaboration with the Fire Services Department. This exercise, stemming from a recent military-civil fusion seminar, aimed to enhance emergency preparedness and inter-agency cooperation. It involved realistic simulations of fire emergencies, testing response times and operational procedures, and featured rapid mobilization of fire tenders and rescue teams. Senior officials commended the professionalism and coordination displayed during the drill, highlighting the Indian Army's commitment to maintaining high safety standards and fostering a culture of safety among both troops and civilians, ultimately reinforcing national security and infrastructure protection.

Pakistan Navy's Sensor Failures Highlight Serious Operational Gaps SHARE

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The Pakistan Navy is currently grappling with a critical "sensor blindness" problem—its radar, sonar and infrared systems, particularly on vessels like PNS Aslat and the Tughril-class frigates, are failing or showing severe calibration, tracking and software issues. These breakdowns, compounded by aging Agosta-90B subs with underperforming sonar and limited detection range, drastically reduce maritime domain awareness and combat readiness. Maintenance woes are exacerbated by insufficient funding—the Navy receives far less budget than the Army—reliance on outdated Western platforms and delayed replacement parts, and limited industrial capacity for in-house maintenance or predictive diagnostics. Engine defects in diesel systems and propulsion breakdowns further constrain fleet mobility and availability. Meanwhile, China-built new assets such as Type-054 A/P frigates and Hangor-class submarines are being inducted, but ongoing sensor integration remains problematic. Pakistan plans to expand its fleet over the next decade—including 50 new vessels like corvettes and offshore

patrol ships, and the domestically produced Jinnah-class frigate—to reduce dependency on imports. However, until these platforms come fully online and sensor and maintenance systems are upgraded, operational performance remains compromised. The Indian Navy, by contrast, is deploying AESA radars, advanced sonar arrays and integrated command platforms, extending its presence across the Arabian Sea. With multilateral exercises cancelled and China's Gwadar interests exposed, Pakistan risks ceding maritime credibility unless it invests swiftly in sensor modernization and logistical resilience.

Reports Suggest Pakistan May Acquire Chinese Z-10ME Helicopters SHARE

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Recent unverified reports suggest that Pakistan may have acquired up to 40 Chinese Z-10ME attack helicopters, a move potentially aimed at modernizing its aging fleet amidst export restrictions from the U.S. and Turkey. The Z-10ME features advanced technologies, positioning it as a cost-effective alternative to India's AH-64 Apache. If confirmed, this acquisition could enhance Pakistan's air support capabilities and deepen its reliance on Chinese defense systems, raising concerns for India, particularly along the volatile Line of Control in Kashmir. However, the silence from both governments about these reports leaves room for speculation about the actual status and implications of such a development.

Terrorism and Counterterrorism

Tahawwur Rana admits Pakistan Army's role in 26/11 attacks SHARE

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Tahawwur Rana, currently in Indian custody, has admitted to his involvement in the 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks during interrogation, revealing his participation in reconnaissance activities and the role of the Pakistan Army in the conspiracy. He indicated that his associate, David Headley, received training from Lashkar-e-Taiba, and claimed to have been a trusted agent for the Pakistan military. These admissions represent a significant breakthrough for Indian investigative agencies, underscoring the direct involvement of Pakistani military elements in orchestrating the attacks and raising concerns about their continued support for terrorism against India. This development strengthens India's case for international scrutiny of Pakistan's role in fostering terrorism.

FATF warns of e-commerce misuse for terror financing, citing Pulwama. SHARE

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The FATF reported that e-commerce platforms and online payment services are being exploited for terror financing, citing the 2019 Pulwama attack as a notable example. It noted that terrorists have utilized these platforms for procuring materials and funding operations, emphasizing the lack of traceability in online transactions. The report highlighted state sponsorship of terrorism and urged for stricter measures to combat these financial channels. India has consistently pointed out Pakistan's role in facilitating terrorism, calling for its inclusion in FATF's "grey list." This underscores the need for enhanced vigilance and international cooperation to address the evolving financial tactics used by terrorist organizations.

PKK militants in Iraq to start disarming as peace talks progress. SHARE

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Militant fighters of the Kurdistan Workers Party (PKK) are set to begin disarming in Sulaymaniyah, Iraq, as part of a peace initiative with Turkey, following a call from their jailed leader Abdullah Ocalan. This disarmament process, expected to last two to five months, involves militants handing over their weapons while remaining in Iraq and ceasing PKK activities. Despite this development, Turkey reports ongoing skirmishes with PKK fighters, indicating tensions remain high. The situation reflects a complex dynamic between peace efforts and persistent conflict, highlighting the challenges Turkey faces in ensuring stability and security in the region while managing Kurdish aspirations.

Hyderabad Faces Bomb Threats; Security Searches Ongoing SHARE

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Bomb threats at multiple locations in Hyderabad, including City Civil Courts and Raj Bhavan, led to heightened security measures on Tuesday as police initiated thorough search operations. An email warning of RDX-based IEDs prompted evacuations and the deployment of bomb disposal and sniffer dog units, although no suspicious objects were found. The incident caused significant disruption, halting court proceedings and instigating panic among those present. Senior police officials are now investigating the email's origin, which was purportedly sent by former students of Anna University, emphasizing the need for

vigilance against such threats in urban centers to ensure public safety.

J-K LG: Community Support Essential to Combat Terrorism SHARE

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Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha emphasized the critical role of ordinary citizens in combating Pakistan-backed terrorism, highlighting recent street protests as a positive step towards establishing peace in the region. During a tourism conference, he noted that the growth of the tourism sector hinges on maintaining a secure environment, with both security forces and societal support being vital in thwarting terrorism's influence. Sinha's remarks reflect a broader commitment to improving J&K's stability and prosperity under Prime Minister Modi's leadership, asserting that the region has made significant advancements in tourism and development, thus reinforcing its resilience against terrorism.

Cybersecurity and Information Warfare

India Refutes Pakistan's Claims on Embassy Official's Recall SHARE

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India's Ministry of Information and Broadcasting has debunked a fake letter circulated by Pakistani propaganda claiming the recall of Captain Shiv Kumar, the Defence Attache in Jakarta. The Press Information Bureau clarified that such misinformation is part of a larger campaign by Pakistani accounts, aimed at distorting reality and misleading the public. This incident highlights Pakistan's ongoing disinformation efforts, particularly during heightened military tensions, as seen during Operation Sindoor. India's vigilance in countering these narratives is crucial for maintaining public awareness and national integrity, showcasing the need for accurate information in the digital age.

YouTube Jyoti Malhotra's Custody Extended in Espionage Probe SHARE

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A court in Hisar has extended the judicial custody of YouTube Jyoti Malhotra by 14 days amid suspicions of espionage linked to contacts with Pakistani intelligence operatives. Arrested on May 16 under the Official Secrets Act, Malhotra has faced multiple custody extensions, with police asserting ongoing investigations. Although no direct evidence of access

to military information has been found, her alleged connections to an expelled staffer from the Pakistani High Commission raise concerns. This case underscores the vigilance of Indian authorities in countering espionage threats, highlighting the importance of safeguarding national security against foreign intelligence activities.

Amazon to face class action over alleged Alexa privacy violations SHARE

08-Jul-25

A federal judge ruled that Amazon must face a class action lawsuit from Alexa users, who allege that the company deceptively recorded and collected private conversations without consent, violating Washington's consumer protection laws. The lawsuit claims that Amazon's technology was designed to intercept private communications beyond simple voice commands. While Amazon denies wrongdoing, asserting that there is no evidence of such recordings, the plaintiffs seek monetary damages and a court order to destroy existing data. This case highlights significant privacy concerns regarding voice-activated technologies and the potential for legal repercussions when consumer rights are perceived to be violated.

Beware Cyber Scams from Discarded Delivery Boxes: Stay Safe SHARE

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Discarded delivery boxes can expose personal information—names, addresses, phone numbers, order details—that scammers exploit in a variety of schemes. One common threat is the “brushing scam,” where fraudsters send you an item you never ordered, often containing QR codes, so they can post fake “verified” reviews using your identity. This not only manipulates e-commerce ratings but also signals that your data was obtained—potentially from dark-web leaks or data brokers. Scammers further exploit this information by posing as couriers, government agencies, or financial institutions via fake SMS (smishing), emails (phishing), or calls (vishing), urging you to click links, scan codes, pay bogus fees, or share sensitive details. These tactics can lead to identity theft, malware infiltration, or unauthorized financial activity. To stay safe, always remove or obscure shipping labels and return-address slips—preferably by shredding or tearing into small pieces—before discarding boxes. Never scan unexpected QR codes or click unsolicited delivery links; instead, verify delivery alerts directly through official channels. If you receive an unsolicited package, report it, update your account passwords and enable two-

factor authentication, and monitor your credit reports and banking statements. These everyday precautions reinforce your cybersecurity posture and help stave off evolving scam techniques.

Pakistan Military Censors Media on IAF Strikes, Downplays Damage SHARE

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The Pakistani military has imposed a media gag to downplay the damage from the Indian Air Force's Operation Sindoor, which targeted 11 PAF airbases in May 2025, inflicting significant damage, including the destruction of radars and infrastructure. Reports indicate that the Chinese-supplied air defense systems failed to intercept India's BrahMos and Scalp missiles, exposing vulnerabilities in Pakistan's military capabilities and raising concerns about their reliance on Chinese technology. Independent analyses corroborate that the IAF strikes severely impaired Pakistan's air surveillance, contrasting with India's effective S-400 systems that deterred counterstrikes, thereby highlighting India's strategic superiority in the region.

Pakistani Military Monitored Indian Social Media for IAF Movements SHARE

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An intelligence official revealed that during the recent Operation Sindoor, the Pakistani military monitored Indian social media to track IAF jet movements, but was hindered by a flood of disinformation from Indian accounts that confused their intelligence efforts. While some posts inadvertently aided Pakistan, exaggerated claims from India created a chaotic information environment, showcasing the growing role of social media in modern warfare. In response, India has enhanced cybersecurity measures and developed indigenous counter-drone systems, highlighting the need for public mindfulness in sharing sensitive military information online. This incident underscores the necessity for robust information warfare strategies amidst evolving digital threats.

Mil Personnel & Veterans

Army Doctor Major Rohit Bachwala Honored for Delivering Baby at Station SHARE

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Army doctor Major Rohit Bachwala has been awarded the Chief of Army Staff Commendation Card for his

heroic act of delivering a baby at Jhansi railway station amid challenging circumstances. On July 5, while heading home from Military Hospital Jhansi, he rendered emergency medical assistance using makeshift tools like a towel and knife. His quick thinking and skilled intervention not only facilitated the safe delivery of the newborn but also included resuscitating the unresponsive infant and managing the mother's complications until they were transferred to a medical facility. This commendation underscores the dedication and professionalism of the Armed Forces, showcasing their commitment to serving not just within military operations but also in civilian life.

Army Cadet Atharva Kumbhar Dies During Training in Gaya



08-Jul-25

A 25-year-old Army cadet, Atharva Sambhaji Kumbhar, tragically died during a cross-country training exercise at the Officers Training Academy in Gaya, Bihar. Despite being physically fit, he collapsed during a 20km run. Kumbhar, who had left a promising IT career to pursue his childhood dream of becoming an Army officer, is mourned by his family and peers, highlighting the dangers inherent in rigorous military training. While the government will provide an ex gratia payment, concerns are raised regarding the absence of a proper family pension, underscoring the need for better support for bereaved families of young cadets who make the ultimate sacrifice.

Court Dismisses MoD Appeals on Disability Pension Claims



08-Jul-25

The Delhi High Court has dismissed numerous appeals by the Ministry of Defence (MoD) against disability pension claims from Armed Forces personnel, affirming that such benefits are a rightful acknowledgment of their sacrifices. The courts have criticized the MoD for its ongoing litigation, which has led to unnecessary costs and delays, often based on administrative oversights. Despite past directives to minimize such challenges, the MoD has reportedly reversed its stance and continues to contest settled matters, exacerbating tensions between the ministry and the judiciary. This situation underscores the need for clearer guidelines for medical assessments and a more empathetic approach towards disabled veterans.

Miscellaneous

Army, medics, and citizens unite for Himachal relief efforts



08-Jul-25

Following severe cloudbursts and flash floods in Himachal Pradesh's Mandi district, extensive relief and rehabilitation operations are being coordinated by local authorities, the Indian Army, and various disaster response teams. The Indian Air Force has played a crucial role in airlifting essential supplies, delivering over 130 boxes of relief material to remote areas like Janjehli. Despite difficult conditions, search and rescue operations are ongoing, with reports of 14 fatalities and 28 missing individuals. Health services have been mobilized rapidly, deploying 24 mobile medical teams to provide care in the hardest-hit areas, while ration kits and special attention to vulnerable groups have been prioritized. The government has initiated the Sub-Division Disaster Relief Fund to support those in distress, and numerous philanthropic organizations have joined in the humanitarian efforts. The commitment of the Indian Army and local administration emphasizes India's preparedness and resilience in disaster response, showcasing the collaborative spirit among citizens, government, and defense forces to restore normalcy and aid the affected communities. As infrastructure repairs progress, critical services like drinking water supply and electricity restoration remain top priorities.

LDA seeks IAF NOC for Naimish Nagar township project in Lucknow



08-Jul-25

The Lucknow Development Authority (LDA) has approached the Indian Air Force (IAF) for a no objection certificate (NOC) to proceed with the Naimish Nagar township project in Bakshi Ka Talab, which spans 2,504 acres. The project is currently on hold due to miscalculations regarding height restrictions within a 4 km radius of the BKT Air Force Station, contrary to the LDA's initial assumption of 1.5 km. The LDA seeks clarity on permissible construction after receiving a return from the state government requiring IAF clearance. This reflects the challenge of balancing urban development with defense regulations, emphasizing the need for coordination between civil authorities and military establishments.

Indian Army and LAHDC Leh Partner for Indus River Cleanup SHARE

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The Indian Army has collaborated with the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council (LAHDC) Leh to initiate a cleanliness drive along the Indus River and its tributaries, focusing on environmental sustainability. Lieutenant General Hitesh Bhalla expressed support for LAHDC's efforts and highlighted the Army's waste management initiatives in Siachen. They also discussed promoting alternative livelihoods for locals and proposed a joint review of waste management practices to enhance ecological compliance. This partnership underscores the Army's commitment to environmental conservation while addressing local community concerns, reinforcing its role not just in defense but also in sustainable development initiatives in strategically important regions like Ladakh.

IAF Football Tournament in Arunachal Praised by Governor Parnaik SHARE

08-Jul-25

The Indian Air Force (IAF) organized the inaugural Inter Advance Landing Ground (ALG) Football Tournament in Yupia, Arunachal Pradesh, celebrating sportsmanship and community engagement. Governor K.T. Parnaik commended the tournament for promoting youth empowerment and instilling values such as discipline and patriotism among local players and IAF personnel. The event, which brought together eight teams, showcased Arunachal's sporting potential and aimed to inspire youth towards military careers. The tournament exemplifies the IAF's commitment to nation-building through sport, fostering unity and resilience in local communities while identifying future leaders.

Heroic dog Rocky saves 63 lives during Himachal landslide. SHARE

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A heroic dog named Rocky played a crucial role in saving 63 lives during a devastating landslide in Mandi district, Himachal Pradesh. When heavy rains triggered the landslide, Rocky's unusual barking alerted his owner, Lalit Kumar, who promptly evacuated his family and 22 neighboring families, leading them to safety just moments before disaster struck. The landslide resulted in significant destruction, burying 67 homes, but all villagers escaped unharmed thanks to Rocky's alertness and Lalit's quick action. This incident highlights the unyielding bond between humans and animals and the critical role of community vigilance in disaster situations.

Dozens missing in Himachal Pradesh due to severe floods and landslides. SHARE

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Himachal Pradesh is grappling with severe flash floods and landslides triggered by intense rainstorms, leaving dozens missing and causing significant infrastructure damage. The state has seen 23 floods and 16 landslides, leading to 78 fatalities this year alone and isolating many areas without access to basic amenities. Experts warn that climate change is exacerbating flooding risks, particularly during the monsoon season. As rescue efforts continue, the region's precarious geography complicates relief operations, underscoring the need for improved disaster preparedness and infrastructure resilience to combat the growing challenges posed by extreme weather events.

Three oil tankers hijacked, seven crew members abducted in Pakistan SHARE

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In northwestern Pakistan's Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province, unidentified armed men hijacked three oil tankers and abducted seven crew members near the Tuchi bridge area in Bannu district. The incident highlights ongoing security challenges in the region, particularly with rising violence, as evidenced by recent attacks on local gatherings and police officials. While a search operation is underway following the incident, no group has claimed responsibility or made ransom demands, raising concerns about lawlessness and the effectiveness of local security measures. This situation underscores the complexities of regional stability, particularly as Pakistan continues to grapple with insurgent threats in bordering areas.

Anritsu and Bluetest Unveil OTA Testing Solution for 5G RedCap SHARE

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Anritsu Corporation and Bluetest AB have developed a new Over-The-Air (OTA) measurement solution for 5G IoT devices compliant with the RedCap specification from 3GPP Release 17. This collaboration aims to enhance the performance evaluation of low-cost, low-power IoT devices, ensuring reliable testing through advanced methodologies. The integration of Bluetest's RTS system with Anritsu's MT8000A Base Station Simulator allows for comprehensive testing of key performance metrics, which is crucial as the demand for RedCap-compatible devices grows globally. This partnership exemplifies the commitment to advancing 5G IoT technology and its applications across various

sectors, reinforcing India's position in the global 5G landscape.

Trump Imposes 25% Tariffs on Imports from South Korea and Japan SHARE

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Former U.S. President Donald Trump imposed a 25% tariff on imports from South Korea and Japan, citing unfair trade practices and efforts to narrow the U.S. trade deficit. The move is part of a broader crackdown on what Trump described as non-reciprocal trade arrangements involving multiple countries. Financial markets reacted sharply, with major U.S. indices tumbling amid fears of a global trade war. Trump warned of further measures if targeted nations retaliate but left room for negotiation, stating that tariffs could be revised if those countries agreed to ease trade restrictions. The decision raised concerns about weakening alliances and escalating trade tensions during a fragile period in global economic recovery.

Modi and Uruguay's President Discuss Expanding Trade Agreement SHARE

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi met Uruguay's President Yamandu Orsi during the 17th BRICS Summit to discuss expanding the India-MERCOSUR Preferential Trade Agreement, which currently covers limited goods. Their dialogue emphasized enhancing bilateral ties across various sectors, including defense, and noted Uruguay's support against terrorism. Modi's broader diplomatic engagement with Latin America signals India's strategic aim to deepen regional cooperation while advocating for developing nations within global forums. This proactive approach not only fosters economic growth but also strengthens India's geopolitical stance in the Global South. Overall, the discussions underline India's commitment to resilience and innovation in international partnerships.

PM Modi Promotes India's Cultural Heritage Through Diplomatic Gifts SHARE

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Prime Minister Modi showcased India's rich cultural heritage through handcrafted gifts to world leaders during his tour, including a silver lion for Argentina's President and a traditional Madhubani painting for its Vice President. In Trinidad & Tobago, he presented a Kalash with sacred water from Ayodhya and a silver replica of the Ram Temple, emphasizing India's spiritual and artistic depth. These acts of cultural diplomacy align with India's strategic vision within BRICS, aiming

to enhance collaboration and address Global South concerns. Modi's efforts not only reinforce diplomatic ties but also elevate India's global standing through artistic representation, fostering unity among nations.

India's BRICS Presidency: Focus on Inclusivity and Sustainability SHARE

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India's upcoming BRICS presidency emphasizes a people-centric vision, focusing on inclusivity, sustainability, and global cooperation. Prime Minister Modi highlighted initiatives like Mission LiFE and the International Solar Alliance, showcasing India's commitment to environmental protection and sustainable development, alongside major health sector collaborations such as the BRICS Vaccine R&D Centre. As India prepares to lead, it aims to amplify the voice of the Global South and address critical issues like climate justice and equitable financing. By prioritizing collective well-being, India is set to enhance BRICS as a vital platform for tackling 21st-century challenges, reinforcing its role as a responsible global leader.

Shubhanshu Shukla Celebrates Earth View from Space Mission SHARE

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Shubhanshu Shukla recently described the awe-inspiring experience of viewing Earth from the International Space Station (ISS) during the Axiom Space Ax-4 mission, which emphasizes international collaboration, including partners like ISRO and ESA. His engagement with students in India via ham radio highlights the educational outreach aspect of such missions. The Ax-4 mission, featuring astronauts from the US, Poland, and Hungary, underscores the significance of diverse teamwork in space exploration. Shukla's journey, as the second Indian in space, not only showcases India's growing capabilities in space but also fosters global cooperation, paving the way for a vibrant space economy that benefits humanity.

Four youths arrested in UP for wearing Palestinian flag T-shirts. SHARE

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Four youths were arrested in Deoria district, Uttar Pradesh, for wearing T-shirts featuring the Palestinian flag during a Tazia procession. The incident gained attention after a photo went viral on social media, prompting police action. Authorities have charged the youths under BNS Section 197 for actions deemed prejudicial to national integration. This incident

highlights the sensitive nature of symbols in India's diverse society and the importance of maintaining communal harmony. The police's swift response underscores the commitment to uphold national integrity while navigating complex social issues. A thorough investigation is underway to ascertain the motivations behind this demonstration.

Rajnath Singh allocates Rs 303 crore for Secunderabad Cantonment development.



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Defence Minister Rajnath Singh has approved Rs 303.62 crore for development projects in Secunderabad

Cantonment, emphasizing local infrastructure improvements. This funding will be allocated through a newly established escrow account, ensuring that it directly benefits the cantonment area rather than going into the Consolidated Fund of India. Key projects will include an underground sewage system, fresh water supply, retaining walls, and internal roads. This strategic decision, supported by Union Minister G Kishan Reddy, showcases the government's commitment to enhancing military infrastructure while promoting local development, reflecting a proactive approach to address the needs of both the defense forces and the local community.

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Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	RSI14	SMA20	SMA200
SWANDEF	277.79	277.79	277.79	277.79	564	5.0	99.98	181.79	27.32
MACPOWER	0.0	984.3	984.1	984.1	9967	4.73	68.16	866.35	1183.97
SUNITATool	900.0	900.0	860.0	888.0	6750	3.17	71.81	810.13	734.04
DRONACHRYA	89.5	91.0	87.2	90.0	88000	2.08	52.97	88.88	99.65
TANEJAERO	467.0	484.5	467.0	484.5	22995	2.0	75.45	415.54	385.79
LOKESHMACH	255.87	255.87	233.95	237.12	520572	1.94	80.58	185.52	259.37
BDL	1940.0	1975.0	1935.4	1969.6	1147588	1.35	58.86	1910.94	1336.65
BEL	418.0	423.35	416.25	422.0	15970711	1.17	62.18	411.55	308.46
PTC	180.49	184.85	180.19	182.66	1264676	1.1	60.76	177.06	168.39
DATAPAT'TNS	2962.9	2999.0	2921.0	2989.7	264428	0.9	56.7	2946.72	2300.9
ZENTEC	1940.1	1978.7	1905.1	1953.6	369283	0.79	53.01	1939.75	1770.85
MTARTECH	1564.9	1585.9	1560.5	1575.3	53805	0.72	39.15	1639.6	1574.23
LT	3580.0	3614.0	3560.0	3606.4	1513912	0.7	49.54	3622.87	3513.48
DYNAMATECH	7200.0	7249.5	7096.0	7214.0	4798	0.63	56.25	7122.28	7136.03
ADANIENT	2586.0	2600.0	2573.0	2591.3	357701	0.59	55.95	2548.99	2522.44
ROSSELLIND	74.9	74.9	72.63	73.73	51491	0.57	61.28	70.69	82.64
MAZDOCK	3264.0	3308.0	3242.8	3291.4	1106880	0.45	51.78	3251.46	2525.2
RELINFRA	371.9	378.0	368.7	373.45	1271869	0.42	50.47	388.89	287.4
ASTRAMICRO	1039.0	1062.6	1026.2	1044.2	446203	0.42	45.74	1089.1	824.03
APOLLO	185.9	188.0	183.0	186.31	2605002	0.22	49.51	194.0	125.91
KRISHNADEF	891.3	905.5	890.1	901.3	18250	0.12	51.76	913.46	732.81
SIKA	1398.35	1420.0	1355.0	1387.85	40684	0.11	58.02	1402.02	660.45
URAVIDEF	487.05	495.0	475.0	487.5	1065	0.09	43.55	494.77	442.88
RTNINDIA	64.1	64.79	62.5	64.03	9317708	-0.08	64.77	60.78	56.93
HAL	5010.0	5049.8	4966.5	5002.5	940950	-0.2	55.65	4952.22	4284.43
IDEAForge	584.7	594.7	574.05	579.45	294942	-0.38	52.0	587.45	526.9
LMW	16599.0	16699.0	16341.0	16516.0	3250	-0.38	49.83	16405.8	16212.42
JYOTICNC	1039.3	1039.3	1011.8	1028.5	203370	-0.43	32.67	1098.36	1137.09
AZAD	1622.1	1629.1	1603.2	1619.6	73908	-0.59	44.56	1633.07	1562.62
MIDHANI	424.0	429.75	415.95	421.8	604473	-0.68	48.91	434.33	342.47
CENTUM	2321.0	2363.4	2306.0	2326.5	6604	-0.76	51.66	2324.47	1831.12
MARINE	208.52	209.84	202.75	205.1	163363	-1.06	43.59	214.64	215.57
DCXINDIA	295.8	297.5	286.15	291.05	1042524	-1.09	49.53	288.39	304.15
AVANTEL	160.84	160.84	157.1	158.77	842415	-1.15	54.2	158.69	144.45
BEML	4571.5	4607.7	4505.0	4523.9	291117	-1.2	58.75	4442.46	3651.55
SOLARINDS	16710.0	16837.0	16239.0	16511.0	131320	-1.23	48.74	16988.55	11663.4
AXISCADES	1483.0	1487.0	1415.0	1448.4	67354	-1.27	65.08	1353.57	774.85
HBLPOWER	634.05	639.7	623.1	628.0	747370	-1.38	61.39	600.86	559.24
TECHERA	200.05	200.05	195.0	197.2	18400	-1.42	49.34	210.89	-
COCHINSHIP	2053.5	2065.6	2010.0	2021.5	1058542	-1.47	47.11	2111.06	1593.54
PREMEXPLN	568.85	573.9	554.0	559.75	262624	-1.6	46.38	586.11	469.01
HIGHENE	804.0	804.0	778.0	778.05	3095	-1.85	59.92	740.99	600.32
WALCHANNAG	217.8	218.75	209.55	211.63	128141	-1.92	37.44	231.02	235.33
BHARATFORG	1306.2	1307.7	1277.3	1281.1	1030390	-1.92	49.11	1299.49	1260.15
GRSE	2890.0	2914.0	2815.9	2833.9	1028707	-2.01	44.12	3067.58	1865.46
NIBE	1640.05	1672.65	1610.0	1618.0	3040	-2.09	43.08	1727.68	1536.96
PARAS	897.0	897.0	852.2	861.0	1369081	-2.72	56.18	829.7	579.34
GOODLUCK	1163.4	1176.5	1114.0	1136.2	181648	-2.88	61.18	1095.01	902.61
TEMBO	0.0	521.15	521.15	521.15	28894	-3.99	58.71	493.13	578.92
CFF	709.0	723.0	665.0	670.0	49800	-4.93	59.58	633.52	583.04