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Rajnath Singh Announces More S-400s and Indigenous Jet Engines Soon



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Defence Minister Rajnath Singh has reaffirmed India's strategic direction towards enhancing its defence capabilities, announcing plans for both the acquisition of additional S-400 missile squadrons and the domestic production of advanced fighter jet engines within the next year. Speaking at the Defence Investors Summit, Singh emphasized that while India will continue to procure jet engines from foreign suppliers, such as the imminent deal with General Electric for F-414 engines, the focus remains on achieving self-reliance through indigenous production. He provided insight into the promising collaboration with Safran to develop a new jet engine tailored for the Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA), which is expected to feature full technology transfer and local manufacturing. The Defence Minister also highlighted the government's commitment to expanding India's defence exports, which have reached ₹25,000 crore, and are projected to double by 2030, indicating a significant shift towards India's growing stature as a global defence supplier. These developments reflect a balanced approach of leveraging proven international systems while steadily advancing domestic capabilities, thereby reinforcing India's long-term vision of achieving complete indigenisation in its defence manufacturing landscape.

Assam Rifles boost surveillance with advanced drone training initiatives.



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Assam Rifles personnel have enhanced their operational readiness through a focused training program on drone operations, emphasizing the integration of Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) for improved surveillance and reconnaissance. This

initiative, as stated by Defence spokesman Lt Col Mahendra Rawat, aims to increase technical proficiency and adaptability among troops, affirming the force's commitment to leveraging modern technology in securing the Northeast region. In a related development, a military hospital in Tezu conducted a comprehensive Casualty Management Drill under blackout conditions, aimed at testing the efficiency of medical teams in crisis scenarios. These efforts reflect the Indian defense forces' proactive approach towards skill development and operational excellence, crucial for maintaining peace and stability in a dynamic security environment.

Northrop Grumman showcases compact electronic warfare system enhancing tactical superiority.



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Northrop Grumman recently showcased its TEEMS electronic warfare system at the Silent Swarm 2025 event, marking a significant advancement in compact, high-performance EW capabilities. Measuring smaller than a business card, the device demonstrated its effectiveness by geolocating and disrupting frequency-agile targets while remotely coordinating unmanned units across a vast operational area. This achievement underscores the importance of resilient and scalable technologies in modern warfare, enabling U.S. forces and allies to maintain tactical superiority. The successful demonstration highlights the ongoing evolution of electronic warfare as a critical component in countering complex threats and enhancing mission readiness in contested environments.

Indian Defence Goes Global Post-Operation Sindoor, Says DRDO Chief



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India's Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) is transforming the nation into a credible global defence technology provider, as highlighted by recent developments after Operation Sindoor. With systems like the Akash and MRSAM showcasing India's engineering capabilities,

international interest is surging, particularly from countries in South-East Asia, Africa, and Latin America. The successful deployment of the DRDO-developed D4 Anti-Drone System during the operation has further demonstrated India's advanced military innovations, attracting attention for potential acquisitions. Additionally, the BrahMos cruise missile's recent sale to the Philippines marks a significant step in India's ambition to achieve ₹50,000 crore in defence exports by 2029, underscoring the evolving role of indigenous defence systems in shaping global military technology.

Leonardo's Black Shark torpedo emerges in Indian Navy's submarine competition.



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Leonardo's Black Shark torpedo is a strong contender in the Indian Navy's submarine arsenal race, with an initial requirement of 48 units, leading towards a larger indigenous production plan exceeding 200 units under the Make in India initiative. Featuring advanced electric propulsion, a range of approximately 50 kilometers, and integration compatibility with the Kalvari-class submarines' Subtocs combat management system, the proposal highlights deep industrial cooperation and technology transfer with Indian firms. The competition primarily faces France's Naval Group, while Germany's ThyssenKrupp Marine Systems has withdrawn, citing high costs and integration issues. Securing this contract could significantly deepen Indo-Italian defense collaboration and position India as a regional manufacturing hub for advanced naval capabilities.

QNu Labs Launches QuantumSafe Platform to Secure UAV Communications



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QNu Labs has launched its QuantumSafe Communication Platform aimed at securing drone communications against potential quantum-level decryption threats. This innovative system integrates post-quantum cryptography (PQC) algorithms, including NIST-standardized CRYSTALSkyber, with AES-256-GCM for enhanced resilience. The compact QORE encrypted module is designed for seamless integration into existing UAV flight controllers, allowing legacy systems to modernize their cryptographic capabilities. With features like secure over-the-air updates and tamper detection mechanisms, this development significantly bolsters national security and the effectiveness of drone operations, especially in an era where quantum computing poses increasing risks to conventional encryption methods.

India gains full tech transfer for Israeli Air Lora, Ice Breaker missiles, enhancing self-reliance.



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India has achieved a significant milestone in defense cooperation with Israel by securing full technology transfer for the Air Lora quasi-ballistic missile and the Ice Breaker smart cruise missile, allowing for indigenous production under the Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative. This transfer encompasses essential design know-how and system architecture, which will enable Bharat Electronics Limited and Hindustan Aeronautics Limited to manufacture these advanced missile systems domestically. The Air Lora offers an impressive range of over 400 kilometers with high precision, while the Ice Breaker integrates AI capabilities for autonomous targeting. This development not only bolsters India's deterrence posture amid regional threats but also aligns with its strategic goal of becoming a major defense exporter in the Indo-Pacific, reflecting a decisive shift towards self-reliance in advanced military technology.

Deutsche Aircraft and Indian partners launch roadmap to boost regional aviation connectivity.



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Deutsche Aircraft, in partnership with key Indian firms including Aerospace India Association, Cyient, Dynamatic Technologies, and SASMOS HET, unveiled a strategic roadmap to boost regional aviation connectivity at the Wings of Opportunity Summit on 5 November 2025 in New Delhi. Central to this initiative is the D328eco, a 40-seat turboprop designed specifically for India's regional routes under the government's UDAN scheme, featuring sustainable aviation fuel compatibility and optimum performance for low-density, challenging terrains. The summit emphasized five themes: expanding access to underserved regions, sustainable aviation, fleet modernization, collaborative manufacturing under Make in India, and infrastructure investment. This Indo-German collaboration aims to modernize India's regional fleet, enhance sustainable aviation technologies, and position India as a critical hub in global aerospace manufacturing and innovation, reinforcing strategic aviation security and connectivity ambitions crucial for economic growth and regional integration. The initiative aligns with India's expanding aviation market and national connectivity goals.

Defense Policy and Budgeting

Rajnath Singh highlights SSN delays while promising progress in India's nuclear submarine ambitions. SHARE

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Defence Minister Rajnath Singh recently acknowledged delays in India's indigenous nuclear-powered attack submarine (SSN) program but indicated a renewed momentum towards self-reliance in underwater capabilities amid escalating maritime tensions in the Indo-Pacific. The Cabinet Committee on Security has approved funding for two SSNs under Project 77, with the first vessel expected to be commissioned around 2036-37. Concurrently, India is leasing Russian Akula-class submarines, including the delayed INS Chakra-III, as a strategic stopgap to enhance its underwater combat fleet against threats from China and Pakistan. While Singh's remarks on the indigenous program highlight a commitment to developing advanced technologies, the leasing arrangement underscores India's strategic partnership with Russia for immediate operational needs. This dual approach seeks to balance long-term goals of indigenous production with short-term capabilities enhancement, reflecting a broader strategy to maintain credible underwater deterrence amidst regional challenges and the complexities of international defense collaborations.

Defence Minister to review DPSUs' performance and R&D investments on November 10. SHARE

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Defence Minister Rajnath Singh is set to conduct the annual performance review of 16 Defence Public Sector Undertakings (DPSUs) in New Delhi on November 10. As part of a strategic push for indigenisation and technological advancement, the minister aims to double R&D investments to Rs 32,766 crore over the next five years, with new DPSUs formed from the Ordnance Factory Board contributing significantly. The DPSUs have demonstrated remarkable growth, achieving a turnover of Rs 1.08 lakh crore and a 51% increase in exports in 2024-25. The event will also unveil a new R&D Manual for Hindustan Aeronautics Limited and a report on energy efficiency practices across DPSUs, emphasizing the Indian government's commitment to enhancing defense capabilities and self-sufficiency.

Geopolitics and Security Alliances

Pakistan's military consolidates power, enhancing Army's control amid geopolitical tensions. SHARE

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Pakistan's federal cabinet has moved to consolidate military power through the 27th Constitutional Amendment Bill, which introduces the new position of Chief of Defence Forces (CDF), effectively placing the Army Chief, currently General Asim Munir, at the helm of all military branches. This constitutional change abolishes the role of Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee, thereby centralizing authority and allowing the CDF to manage nuclear forces and make appointments across the military. The amendment further ensures that Field Marshals retain their titles and privileges for life, enhancing Munir's power significantly. Critics argue that these amendments undermine civilian oversight and institutionalize military dominance, resembling a constitutional coup that could entrench the Army's influence over Pakistan's governance. This development comes at a time of heightened geopolitical tensions with India, suggesting that the military's consolidation of power may be a strategic maneuver to counter perceived threats from its eastern neighbor while limiting civilian political authority.

Indo-Sri Lanka Exercise Mitra Shakti to enhance military cooperation in Belagavi from Nov 10. SHARE

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The 11th edition of the Indo-Sri Lanka Exercise Mitra Shakti is scheduled from November 10 to 23, 2025, at the Foreign Training Node in Belagavi, Karnataka. This annual bilateral exercise seeks to enhance operational synergy between the Indian and Sri Lankan armies through joint operations in urban and semi-urban terrains, focusing on counter-insurgency and counter-terrorism tactics. The previous, 10th edition, was held from August 12 to 25, 2024, at the Army Training School in Maduru Oya, Sri Lanka, featuring 106 Indian personnel from the Rajputana Rifles and Sri Lankan forces from the Gajaba Regiment. That exercise emphasized sub-conventional scenarios under UN mandates, joint command post establishment, drone operations, and sharing tactical best practices. Mitra Shakti continues to strengthen defense cooperation and mutual trust, reinforcing India's strategic

partnership with Sri Lanka amid regional security challenges. The exercise alternates locations annually between the two nations.

CDS Gen Anil Chauhan highlights India's pivotal role in the Indian Ocean as a dual power. SHARE

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At the 9th Military Literature Festival in Chandigarh, Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) General Anil Chauhan emphasized India's dual identity as a continental and maritime power, asserting its strategic significance in the Indian Ocean Region (IOR) and the Indo-Pacific. Highlighting the shifting global power dynamics that now encompass space, cyberspace, and cognition, he noted that India's geography affords it a substantial edge, allowing it to serve as the "first responder and preferred partner" in regional stability. Referencing historical geopolitical events such as India's partition and conflicts with Pakistan and China, Gen Chauhan illustrated how these challenges have shaped India's continental outlook while underlining its maritime potential. He further drew comparisons with strategically important nations like Djibouti and Singapore, underlining that control of vital trade routes is critical for global power. Through his remarks, Gen Chauhan underscored the evolving landscape of multi-domain warfare and India's increasing role in shaping regional security and stability in the IOR and Indo-Pacific, reflecting the broader implications of its geographical advantages in contemporary geopolitics.

INS Sahyadri joins Exercise Malabar-2025 with Quad partners in Guam. SHARE

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Indian Naval Ship (INS) Sahyadri is currently participating in the multilateral Exercise Malabar-2025, hosted by the United States at Guam, a strategic military base in the Pacific. This exercise, running from November 10 to 18, encompasses various phases, starting with operational planning and discussions, and culminating in naval drills focusing on joint fleet operations, anti-submarine warfare, and aerial maneuvers. The significance of this year's exercise is underscored by the participation of the navies from India, the US, Japan, and Australia, all of which operate compatible maritime surveillance platforms, enhancing their ability to respond to shared security challenges. Notably, this marks the first military engagement between India and the US since the recent signing of a new framework for the US-India Major Defence Partnership, despite ongoing tensions in trade relations

due to punitive tariffs imposed by the US. Exercise Malabar, which evolved from a bilateral initiative in 1992 to a multilateral platform, continues to be a crucial mechanism for strengthening cooperation among the Quad nations, particularly in light of increasing regional uncertainties.

Taliban warns Pakistan after failed peace talks, escalating tensions. SHARE

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Peace talks between Pakistan and Afghanistan in Istanbul have ended without agreement, deepening existing tensions following a series of violent border clashes that have resulted in significant casualties. Afghan officials have accused Pakistan of showing insincerity and unreasonable demands during the negotiations, while Islamabad has consistently blamed Kabul for harboring the Tehrik-i-Taliban Pakistan (TTP), a militant group that has increased attacks within Pakistan. The Taliban's spokesperson emphasized Afghanistan's commitment to defending its sovereignty, asserting that they will not allow their territory to be used against any other nation, despite the challenges posed by Pakistan's allegations. Following the talks' collapse, the Pakistani Defense Minister indicated no plans for future discussions, while Afghanistan's stance remains that it seeks cooperation within its own capacities. This stalemate not only reflects the fragile nature of Afghanistan-Pakistan relations but also raises fears of escalating cross-border violence, which could further destabilize the region and deter prospects for long-term peace and security.

PM Sharif thanks Trump for alleged role in resolving Indo-Pak conflict. SHARE

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Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has once again expressed gratitude to former US President Donald Trump for purportedly facilitating a ceasefire in the India-Pakistan conflict that escalated in May. Despite India's consistent denial of any third-party involvement in the negotiations, Sharif has reiterated claims of Trump's decisive leadership in restoring peace following intense cross-border tensions. Following India's Operation Sindoor, which targeted terror infrastructure, Sharif emphasized Pakistan's commitment to sovereignty and territorial integrity while referencing Azerbaijan's victory in Karabakh as a symbol of hope for nations facing oppression. This narrative underscores the complexities of regional geopolitics, where perceptions of external mediation play a significant role in diplomatic relations.

India and Armenia strengthen ties through health and defense cooperation talks. SHARE

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India and Armenia have significantly deepened their bilateral engagement during the 11th Foreign Office Consultations, addressing a range of political, economic, and strategic dimensions. A key outcome was the signing of an Agreement on Cooperation in Public Health and Medical Science, aimed at advancing joint research and capacity building in healthcare. Concurrently, a Joint Working Group Meeting on Defence Cooperation in Hyderabad explored avenues for industrial collaboration and enhancing security ties, reflecting both nations' commitment to mutual support in geopolitical matters. This growing partnership underscores India's strategic outreach in the region, enhancing its influence and building sustainable defense collaborations with Armenia, amid broader concerns regarding regional stability.

Bangladesh Hosts Pakistan's PNS Saif Amid Regional Naval Dynamics SHARE

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Bangladesh welcomed Pakistan's PNS Saif as part of its naval diplomacy efforts, aimed at enhancing defense engagement through professional interactions and maritime cooperation. The visit coincided with India's Eastern Naval Command conducting Exercise Trishul, underscoring the complex maritime dynamics of the Bay of Bengal. While Bangladesh maintains strong defense ties with India, its hosting of PNS Saif reflects a diversified approach to maritime engagements, which includes fostering partnerships with various regional navies. This visit highlights Bangladesh's pursuit of balanced strategic engagement while simultaneously expanding its naval capabilities through international collaborations.

Ambassador Kwatra and Intel CEO discuss advancing India's semiconductor and AI sectors. SHARE

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Ambassador Kwatra's recent engagement with Intel's CEO underscores India's strategic ambitions in the semiconductor and artificial intelligence sectors, aligning with the India Semiconductor Mission and the India AI Mission. The discussions focused on technology transfer, fabrication partnerships, and training initiatives to enhance local manufacturing capabilities, crucial for establishing India as a global

semiconductor hub. Notably, India is set to produce its first fully indigenous semiconductor chip, with five fabrication units under construction and an operational pool of 38,000 GPUs to support AI development. This collaboration is expected to foster innovation, self-reliance, and resilient supply chains, positioning India as a key player in advanced technology and digital economy growth.

Ukraine drone strike disrupts utilities in Russia's Voronezh city. SHARE

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A recent drone strike by Ukraine temporarily disrupted utilities in the Russian city of Voronezh, causing brief power and heating supply interruptions without injuries, according to Governor Alexander Gusev. The attack, which involved the use of drones that were partially suppressed by Russian electronic warfare systems, highlights Ukraine's intensified long-range drone operations targeting Russian logistical infrastructure since the start of the war in February 2022. Russia's defense ministry reported intercepting a total of 44 Ukrainian drones overnight, reflecting the ongoing escalation between the two nations. This incident underscores the broader conflict dynamics, with Ukraine asserting its actions as necessary self-defense against Russian aggression, while Moscow labels them as acts of terrorism.

Rajnath Singh affirms India's readiness for potential Pakistani nuclear tests. SHARE

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Defence Minister Rajnath Singh stated that India is fully prepared for any eventuality regarding Pakistan's potential nuclear tests, responding to concerns raised by US President Donald Trump about Islamabad's alleged clandestine nuclear activities. Singh emphasized that India would not be rattled by such reports, underscoring the nation's readiness to respond appropriately if necessary. The Ministry of External Affairs reinforced this stance, highlighting Pakistan's historical record of illegal nuclear activities, while Pakistan denied Trump's claims, insisting it maintains a unilateral moratorium on nuclear testing. This exchange underscores escalating tensions in the region and reflects India's commitment to a robust defense posture amid evolving geopolitical dynamics.

Military Operations

Tejas and Rafale shine in IAF's 93rd anniversary flypast over Brahmaputra. SHARE

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A grand air show celebrating the Indian Air Force's (IAF) 93rd anniversary took place over the Brahmaputra in Guwahati, showcasing a remarkable display of aviation prowess with aircraft such as the Tejas, Rafale, and Su-30MKI. The Su-30MKI made a historic debut by publicly displaying the indigenous BrahMos supersonic cruise missile, highlighting India's advanced strike capabilities alongside the Rafale, which featured the SCALP-EG missile. The event underscored the IAF's commitment to innovation and self-reliance in defense technology, reflecting a strategic shift toward integrating advanced weaponry for enhanced operational effectiveness. This spectacle served as a powerful reminder of India's military preparedness, particularly following recent engagements, where such capabilities played a crucial role in operational success against adversaries, reinforcing national pride and strategic deterrence.

IAF missile test mishap at Pokhran; no casualties reported. SHARE

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A routine military exercise at the Indian Air Force's Pokhran Field Firing Range in Rajasthan went awry on Saturday when a Pechora surface-to-air missile deviated from its intended trajectory, resulting in debris landing near Bhadriya village, approximately 80 kilometers from Jaisalmer. Witnesses reported a loud explosion and the creation of a sizeable crater, causing panic among local residents, although fortunately, no injuries or property damage were reported. The incident prompted a swift response from the Indian Army and local police, who cordoned off the area and secured the remnants for analysis. Initial assessments suggest a technical malfunction may have caused the missile to veer off course, and the IAF has initiated an internal investigation to determine the root cause. While the event raised concerns among villagers due to its proximity to inhabited areas, experts noted that such exercises are vital for national security and emphasized the importance of balancing operational rigor with risk management. The incident serves as a reminder of the complexities and potential hazards associated with military drills, highlighting the need for transparency to

maintain trust within local communities that have coexisted with defense operations for decades.

Exercise Trishul enhances joint operational readiness across multiple military domains. SHARE

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India's Armed Forces are currently conducting Exercise Trishul, one of the largest joint military drills in the Thar Desert, involving around 30,000 personnel from the Army, Navy, and Air Force. Commencing on October 30, this exercise emphasizes integrated tactics and advanced warfare capabilities across multiple domains, including cyber, electronic warfare, and drone operations. Key components include sub-exercises Maru Jwala and Akhand Prahaar, focusing on multi-domain operations, joint targeting, and real-time information sharing to enhance interoperability among services. The exercises not only underscore India's commitment to joint operational readiness but also serve as a crucial test bed for the Indian Army's Decade of Transformation initiative, aimed at evolving a future-ready force capable of addressing emerging challenges in conflict scenarios. The successful execution of these drills reflects the Indian military's resolve to maintain a competitive edge and readiness in a rapidly changing geopolitical landscape.

Air Marshal inspects Avadi Air Force Station's operational readiness and logistics standards. SHARE

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Air Marshal Vijay Kumar Garg, the Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief of the Indian Air Force's Maintenance Command, visited the Avadi Air Force Station to assess its operational readiness. During the inspection, he emphasized the importance of effective logistics and maintenance practices, expressing satisfaction with the high standards upheld by the personnel. Garg acknowledged the station's critical role in supporting air operations and congratulated the team on their commitment to excellence in logistics, maintenance, and training. His visit highlights the Indian Air Force's continuous focus on operational preparedness and the enhancement of welfare activities for personnel and their families, integral for maintaining morale and efficiency in a rapidly evolving defense environment.

IAF helicopters to transport electoral personnel to Maoist areas in Odisha after successful night landing. SHARE

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In a significant operation ahead of the Nuapada by-election, the Indian Air Force (IAF) successfully conducted a night landing at Gotma airstrip, marking a first for military aircraft in the region. This operation enables secure transportation of polling personnel to Maoist-affected areas, where ground access is perilous. The airstrip was equipped with NGV-compatible infrared lights to facilitate night operations, and two dedicated helicopters will ferry polling teams and security personnel. Enhanced security measures, including police and paramilitary deployment, underscore the commitment to ensuring a safe electoral process in sensitive zones ahead of the November 11 voting day.

Indian Army enhances winter readiness and surveillance in Ladakh. SHARE

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The Indian Army is preparing for its sixth consecutive winter deployment in eastern Ladakh, focusing on redeploying troops along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) while maintaining a robust surveillance infrastructure. Despite disengagement agreements with China in late 2024, both sides remain heavily stationed, although recent military talks have led to a calmer situation along the LAC. The Army's winter posture will include geo-tagging key features for better demarcation of disputed areas, extensive drone usage, and enhanced surveillance capabilities. This strategic emphasis on monitoring and troop positioning reflects India's commitment to maintaining stability and readiness in the region.

Terrorism and Counterterrorism

Jammu and Kashmir Police intensify operations against terrorism, detaining suspects and countering radicalization efforts. SHARE

09-Nov-25

Jammu and Kashmir Police have escalated their crackdown on terrorism by detaining numerous suspected Over Ground Workers (OGWs) and conducting extensive search operations across various districts, including Baramulla, Ramban, Kathua, and Rajouri. These operations aim to dismantle support

networks aiding terrorist activities, particularly those linked to Pakistan-based operatives, by utilizing enhanced human and technical surveillance. Additionally, a concerted effort is underway to combat online radicalization, with Counter Intelligence Kashmir executing coordinated raids across the Valley, resulting in the arrest of nine individuals for allegedly inciting violence through digital platforms. These initiatives underscore a robust commitment to maintaining peace and security in the region, reflecting a proactive strategy to counter both physical and cyber threats posed by extremist elements, thereby safeguarding the youth and broader public order from the influences of insurgency and terrorism. The overarching focus remains on thwarting anti-national activities and ensuring a stable environment conducive to normalcy and growth.

Gujarat ATS arrests three plotting terror attacks, seizing weapons and chemicals. SHARE

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The Gujarat Anti-Terrorism Squad (ATS) arrested three suspects on November 9, 2025, for conspiring to execute terrorist attacks across India, including in Ahmedabad, Lucknow, and Delhi. The arrested include Dr. Ahmed Mohiyuddin Saiyed, a Hyderabad-based doctor with ISIS Khorasan Province (ISKP) links, along with two Uttar Pradesh-based suspects, Azad Suleman Sheikh and Mohammad Sahool. The ATS seized weapons including two Glock pistols, one Beretta pistol, 30 live cartridges, and around four liters of castor oil used in making ricin poison, a highly lethal toxin. The suspects were intercepted near Adalaj Toll Plaza on the Ahmedabad-Mehsana highway after prolonged surveillance. The terror module, allegedly directed by ISKP operatives from Afghanistan and linked to Pakistan-based handlers, was in the advanced stages of preparing mass casualty attacks employing toxic chemical weapons. The arrests reflect India's persistent security challenges from transnational jihadist groups and underline Gujarat's strategic importance in counterterror operations.

CRPF soldier injured in IED blast by Naxalites in Sukma, Chhattisgarh. SHARE

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A jawan of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) sustained injuries in an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) blast orchestrated by Naxalites in Chhattisgarh's Sukma district. The incident occurred during an area domination operation in the forested hills near Gogunda, where the CRPF's 74th battalion inadvertently

triggered the pressure IED, resulting in leg injuries. Following initial treatment, the injured jawan was airlifted to Raipur for further medical care. This attack highlights the ongoing threat posed by Maoists in the region, who frequently employ such tactics against security personnel, underscoring the persistent challenges faced by Indian forces in combating insurgency in the Bastar area.

AK-47 found in Anantnag doctor's locker; investigation underway.

09-Nov-25

In a significant security development in Anantnag, Jammu and Kashmir, police recovered an AK-47 rifle from the locker of Dr. Adeel Ahmad Rather, a senior resident doctor at GMC Anantnag. Following the seizure, Dr. Rather was detained for interrogation under multiple sections of the Arms Act and the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, as authorities seek to uncover the circumstances surrounding the weapon's presence. The inquiry is being conducted by the Srinagar Police in conjunction with the Joint Interrogation Centre, amidst ongoing aggressive anti-terror operations targeting militants and their support networks. This incident underscores the persistent challenge of infiltration and extremist activity in the region, necessitating vigilant law enforcement measures.

Norway finds remote kill switch in Chinese buses; Denmark seeks solutions.

09-Nov-25

Norwegian authorities have discovered a security vulnerability in Chinese-made Yutong electric buses, which can potentially be accessed remotely from China, raising significant cybersecurity concerns across Europe. Following the alarming finding, Norway's public transport authority removed SIM cards from the buses to prevent external interference, a move that also halts essential software updates. This incident has prompted Denmark to assess its own fleet of Yutong buses, as officials warn that the issue extends beyond one country's vehicles, reflecting a broader risk associated with Chinese technology across various sectors. As Europe pushes towards electrified transport, this situation underscores the critical need for robust cybersecurity measures in the growing electric vehicle market.

Cybersecurity and Information Warfare

Hackers exploit Samsung Galaxy flaw via WhatsApp image for espionage.

09-Nov-25

Security researchers from Palo Alto Networks Unit 42 have identified a sophisticated espionage campaign known as LANDFALL, exploiting a zero-day vulnerability in select Samsung Galaxy devices via a malicious DNG image file, enabling remote code execution. This malware targets high-end models including the Galaxy S22, S23, and Z Flip 4, allowing attackers to conduct surveillance activities such as recording audio, tracking locations, and accessing sensitive data. The operation, linked to potential state-sponsored actors, underscores the evolving risks in mobile security, particularly through popular messaging platforms, highlighting the need for robust security measures and vigilant monitoring of mobile devices in sensitive environments. The vulnerability was patched by Samsung in April 2025, but prior exposure poses ongoing risks.

Mil Personnel & Veterans

Vice Admiral Anil Jaggi Assumes Command of National Defence Academy, Shaping Future Leaders.

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Vice Admiral Anil Jaggi has officially taken charge as the Commandant of the National Defence Academy (NDA) in Khadakwasla, succeeding Vice Admiral Gurcharan Singh on November 1, 2025. A seasoned naval officer with over three decades of service, Vice Admiral Jaggi is a specialist in Navigation and Direction, having commanded notable vessels like the INS Veer and INS Sahyadri. His extensive experience in operational command, diplomatic roles, and instructional excellence positions him to enhance the NDA's legacy in fostering jointmanship and leadership among future military leaders. His commitment to civil-military cooperation and community outreach will further strengthen the bonds between the armed forces and society, underscoring the enduring ethos of Service Before Self in shaping the Indian Armed Forces.

Army intervenes for Mahavir Chakra Major Bhupinder Singh's statue reinstatement in Ludhiana

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The Western Command of the Indian Army has intervened to support the demand for reinstating the statue of Major Bhupinder Singh, Maha Vir Chakra, at

Bharat Nagar Chowk in Ludhiana, which was removed during road construction. The statue, a tribute to Major Singh's bravery in the 1965 Indo-Pak war, was relocated to an undesired location, causing public outrage, exacerbated by the installation of a decorative bicycle at its original site. The Army's involvement has revitalized the efforts of ex-servicemen and local activists, who feel their concerns are finally being addressed. With assurances from both the Deputy Commissioner and the Army, the community is hopeful for the statue's return, symbolizing respect for military valor and community sentiment.

Indian Army organizes cancer awareness and medical camps in Northeast.



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On National Cancer Awareness Day, the Indian Army organized medical relief and health awareness camps in Assam and Manipur, showcasing its commitment to community welfare and healthcare access in remote areas. In Manipur, camps at Jalenbung Village and PHC Andro offered cancer awareness sessions and free medical consultations, benefiting over 200 individuals. Additionally, in Assam, a program at Kakopathar Senior Secondary School educated students about cancer through interactive sessions and demonstrations. These initiatives not only enhance public health awareness but also strengthen the relationship between the Indian Army and local communities in the Northeast, underscoring the Army's role in humanitarian assistance and public health initiatives.

Miscellaneous

Indian Army Enhances Education in Chotali, Strengthening Local Trust



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The Indian Army has initiated a significant educational upliftment project in Chotali, Baramulla District, by upgrading the Government Middle High School with modern infrastructure and digital learning tools, transforming it into a model for education in border areas. This initiative, which includes essential donations of furniture and smart classroom equipment, aims to bridge developmental gaps and empower local youth, enhancing community trust in the armed forces. The transformation has resonated positively with residents, who view it as a crucial step towards improving educational opportunities and addressing long-standing resource shortages. Ultimately, this effort not only fosters quality education but also strengthens

civil-military relations, contributing to long-term peace and prosperity in the region.

Indian government warns of serious Google Chrome security risks.



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The Indian government has issued a crucial alert regarding high-severity security vulnerabilities in Google Chrome for desktop, affecting users across Windows, macOS, and Linux platforms. Multiple builds prior to version 142.0.7444.134 / .135 are at risk of exploitation, which can lead to remote code execution and potential device takeovers. Authorities have emphasized the urgent need for users and organizations to update their browsers promptly to mitigate risks, especially for those managing sensitive information. This warning underlines the growing importance of cybersecurity in India, reflecting the government's commitment to protecting digital infrastructure amid rising cyber threats.

Indian Army Major wins challenging 50km Patnitop Marathon, showcasing endurance and athletic excellence.



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Major Sachin Singh Kuntal from the Indian Army Ordnance Corps emerged victorious in the fifth edition of the Patnitop Marathon in Jammu and Kashmir, completing the challenging 50km ultramarathon in 5 hours, 26 minutes, and 1 second. The event, attracting 430 participants, tested endurance with its steep elevation and harsh weather conditions. As captain of the Indian Army Ultramarathon and Adventure Triathlon Team, Major Kuntal has consistently brought accolades to the force, including leading his team to success in the IronMan 70.3 triathlon. His achievements not only highlight the physical prowess of the Indian Army but also inspire others in endurance sports, underscoring the military's commitment to fostering athletic excellence.

India Advocates Equity and Responsibility at UNFCCC CoP30 Summit



09-Nov-25

At the UNFCCC CoP30 Leaders Summit in Brazil, India's Ambassador Dinesh Bhatia emphasized the principles of equity and Common but Differentiated Responsibilities in climate policy. He highlighted India's significant achievements in emission reductions and renewable energy, noting a 36% decrease in emission intensity since 2005 and over 200 GW in installed renewable capacity. India joined Brazil's Tropical

Forests Forever Facility to foster South-South cooperation and called for developed nations to meet their climate finance commitments. The statement reinforced India's commitment to multilateralism and the integrity of the Paris Agreement, urging genuine implementation of climate goals and equitable burden-sharing for effective global climate action.

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