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Top Gainers

Stock	Close	Prev	Change
SWANDEF	986.75	939.8	+5.0%
ADANIENT	2484.5	2366.8	+4.97%
TANEJAERO	327.0	314.0	+4.14%
JYOTICNC	988.9	952.2	+3.85%
DRONACHRYA	59.99	57.79	+3.81%

Top Losers

Stock	Close	Prev	Change
TEMBO	772.75	813.4	-5.0%
TECHERA	250.55	263.7	-4.99%
KRISHNADEF	783.25	806.15	-2.84%
RTNINDIA	48.46	49.76	-2.61%
HAL	4748.5	4862.6	-2.35%

Defense Business and Industry

HD Hyundai and Cochin Shipyard partner for Indian Navy's LPD program.

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HD Hyundai Heavy Industries has formalized a memorandum of understanding with Cochin Shipyard Ltd. to collaborate on the Indian Navy's Landing Platform Dock (LPD) program, valued at approximately $9 billion. This partnership aims to enhance project planning, procurement, productivity, and personnel training, marking a significant step towards bolstering India's naval capabilities. As part of its broader strategy to tap into the global shipbuilding market, HD Hyundai also plans to support the design and technical aspects of next-generation landing ships for the Indian Navy. India's government has outlined an ambitious defense modernization agenda, which includes expanding its naval fleet by 175 ships, presenting opportunities for international collaboration. As HD Hyundai continues to diversify its production bases across regions, including new shipyards in Saudi Arabia and the Philippines, this partnership signifies an important alignment in strengthening India's defense industry while elevating its shipbuilding technology to match global standards.

KSSL awarded MoD contract for advanced underwater systems supply.

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The Indian Ministry of Defence has awarded Kalyani Strategic Systems Ltd. (KSSL) a significant contract exceeding Rs. 2,500 million for the supply of advanced underwater systems, with delivery expected by November 2026 under Fast Track procurement norms. KSSL, a subsidiary of Bharat Forge Limited, has developed robust capabilities in unmanned marine systems over the past five years, including autonomous underwater vehicles already in service with the Indian Navy. This contract highlights the strategic focus on enhancing India's underwater domain capabilities, aligning closely with the Indian Navy's urgent requirements for advanced maritime technology, thus reinforcing India's defense readiness and indigenous defense production efforts.

Tata Advanced Systems delivers artillery tractors to strengthen Indian Army logistics.

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Tata Advanced Systems marked a significant milestone on November 11 by flagging off the Tata SD1015 44 Field Artillery Tractors for the Indian Army in Jamshedpur. This event underscores the timely delivery of essential logistic vehicles that bolster the Army's operational capacity. The ceremony, attended by various dignitaries including M. Balashanmugam from the Directorate General of Quality Assurance and representatives from Tata, highlights the growing partnership between the Indian defense sector and domestic manufacturers. This development is pivotal for enhancing the Indian Armed Forces' logistical capabilities, further contributing to national security and operational readiness in a dynamic geopolitical landscape.

Boeing addresses delays in Apache helicopter deliveries to India.

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Boeing has confirmed delays in delivering the final three AH-64E Apache attack helicopters to the Indian Army

due to logistical challenges influenced by external factors. These helicopters, part of a $600 million 2020 contract for six units, were initially expected by mid-2024 but faced repeated setbacks owing to supply chain disruptions and technical issues. The first batch of three delivered in July 2025 now operates at Jodhpur's Army Aviation Corps. The remaining three, crucial for enhancing India's attack helicopter capabilities along its western frontier, were en route in late October but were rerouted back to the US after an extended ground stop in the UK, further pushing deliveries beyond November 2025. Boeing is actively working with the U.S. government and Indian defense authorities to resolve these hurdles. This delay underscores the complexities faced in international defense procurement amid evolving geopolitical and supply chain dynamics. The Apaches remain vital to India's strategic modernization to counter threats from Pakistan and China.

India Observes China's Advancements in Stealth Drone Technology SHARE

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China has recently showcased its advancements in unmanned aerial combat capabilities with the unveiling of the GJ-11 'Dark Dragon' stealth drone alongside the J-20 stealth fighter and J-16D electronic warfare aircraft, reflecting a coordinated strategy aimed at penetrating enemy air defenses. These developments, highlighted in a microfilm released by the People's Liberation Army Air Force, demonstrate China's growing proficiency in integrating stealth technology, electronic warfare, and precision strike capabilities. The GJ-11, designed for a range of missions including reconnaissance and high-value strikes, complements the J-16D's role in suppressing enemy air defenses, forming a lethal aerial triad. This evolution underscores China's intent to bolster its air power projection in the Indo-Pacific region, particularly in relation to India's rapidly modernizing capabilities. The implications of these developments pose significant challenges for India and its allies, as they highlight the increasing complexity of aerial threats and the need for enhanced strategic responses to maintain regional security and deterrence.

DRDO Seeks Information for Indigenous Advanced Air-to-Air Refueling Pods Development SHARE

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The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), through its Technology Development Fund, has issued a Request for Information (RFI) for the indigenous development of advanced Air-to-Air Refueling Pods (ARP Pods) aimed at enhancing the Indian Air Force's operational reach and endurance. The RFI, issued in November 2025 with submissions due by November 25, emphasizes developing scalable, high-reliability pods compatible with existing IAF aircraft such as the Rafale and Tejas, incorporating features like aerodynamic efficiency and emergency power capabilities. This initiative aligns with the Make in India program, inviting MSMEs and defense firms to foster innovation and reduce foreign dependency amid rising geopolitical tensions. The modular pods will enable force multiplication, supporting extended-range missions and high-altitude operations while promoting domestic industry participation and future technological upgrades. The selection process is expected to progress into early 2026, marking a strategic leap for India's aerial refueling capability and self-reliance.

DRDO Requests Info for Advanced Antennas to Enhance Military Stealth and Capabilities SHARE

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The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has recently issued a priority Request for Information (RFI) for advanced wideband shared aperture phased array antennas spanning 1–6 GHz and 5–18 GHz. This cutting-edge project, managed by DRDO's Technology Development Fund (TDF), aims to integrate radar, electronic warfare (EW), and communication functions into a single low-profile antenna surface. By consolidating multiple functions, this technology is expected to significantly reduce radar cross-section (RCS), enhancing the stealth capabilities of platforms like UAVs, fighter jets, and naval vessels. The initiative underscores India's strategic goal of defense self-reliance and network-centric warfare readiness by enabling unified sensor networks capable of real-time multi-domain operations, including ballistic missile defense tracking and AEW&C missions. Indigenous development of wideband transmit/receive modules, advanced radomes, and unified receivers is critical. The project reflects India's growing emphasis on indigenization and technology edge in electronic warfare and stealth, bolstering military survivability and operational agility amid regional security challenges. Key updates emerged in November 2025.

Netherlands begins building first C-390 transport aircraft for modernization. SHARE

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The Netherlands has commenced construction of its first C-390 Millennium military transport aircraft, developed by Embraer, as part of a modernization effort to replace its aging C-130H Hercules fleet. This joint procurement with Austria aims to enhance strategic and tactical airlift capabilities, with five aircraft ordered by the Netherlands and four by Austria, set for delivery starting in late 2027. The C-390, with a payload capacity of 26 tons and a cruising speed of 470 knots, will support diverse missions including humanitarian aid and medical evacuation. This initiative reflects the Netherlands' commitment to strengthening its defense preparedness and fostering European defense cooperation amid evolving geopolitical dynamics.

Royal Navy accelerates autonomous mine-hunting capabilities for enhanced maritime operations. SHARE

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The Royal Navy's Mine Hunting Capability (MHC) programme aims to transition its mine countermeasures operations to autonomous systems by 2033, enhancing operational safety and efficiency. This initiative includes the deployment of unmanned surface vessels (USVs), autonomous underwater vehicles (AUVs), and advanced command centres, with a focus on modular and scalable solutions. The programme is executed in blocks, with significant developments expected by 2025-2026, reflecting a broader trend in global navies towards autonomy, AI integration, and enhanced maritime capabilities. This strategic shift is particularly relevant for nations like India, which are concurrently advancing their own indigenous underwater robotic capabilities to strengthen naval effectiveness and strategic autonomy.

Neros Technologies wins US Army FPV drone contract, secures $75M funding. SHARE

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Neros Technologies has been awarded a significant contract to provide first-person view (FPV) drones for the US Army's Purpose-Built Attritable Systems program, specifically Tranche 1, which aims to enhance platoon-level capabilities. This contract includes the delivery of Archer and Archer Strike drone platforms with extended engagement ranges and advanced intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance capabilities. Additionally, Neros secured $75 million in Series B funding, aimed at boosting manufacturing capacity and developing a secure domestic supply chain. This development underscores the US military's focus on rapidly advancing its drone capabilities, positioning Neros as a pivotal player in the defense sector while enhancing the Western defense industrial base.

IWI Unveils BOOST System for Enhanced M4 and AR-15 Power SHARE

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On November 10, 2025, Israel Weapon Industries (IWI) launched the BOOST system, an integrated lithium-ion battery for M4 and AR-15 rifles aimed at enhancing operational effectiveness for infantry and special forces. This innovative system eliminates the need for disposable batteries, offering a rechargeable solution that increases operational runtime by three to five times. Weighing less than 340 grams, BOOST maintains the weapon's ergonomics while ensuring uninterrupted power for essential accessories like thermal sights and night-vision devices. The introduction of BOOST reflects a significant tactical advancement in power management, enhancing battlefield endurance, reducing logistical burdens, and supporting the broader trend of modernizing military capabilities for improved mission reliability.

Global defense adopts anti-drone netting inspired by Ukraine's tactics, enhancing India's countermeasures. SHARE

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Recent advancements in drone warfare have led to a global embrace of anti-drone netting systems, inspired by successful tactics employed in Ukraine. Vendors, such as UAE-based TAC Armored Vehicles, are demonstrating innovations like the TAC-Q-Net, a lightweight mesh aimed at protecting armored vehicles from drone strikes. While these netting solutions, including established systems like the British Q-Net, provide initial defense, experts emphasize their limitations against coordinated drone attacks, necessitating integrated countermeasures. Notably, India's defense sector is advancing its capabilities with vehicle-mounted systems that incorporate radar, laser, and electronic warfare technologies, reflecting a strategic shift towards a comprehensive multi-layered approach for countering aerial threats in modern hybrid warfare.

CDS Gen Anil Chauhan stresses tech superiority for modern warfare success.

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Chief of Defence Staff General Anil Chauhan emphasized the necessity of technological expertise and superiority in modern warfare during his remarks at the Delhi Defence Dialogue Conference 2025. He asserted that the essence of warfare remains unchanged, hinging on the ability to win, whether through geographical advantages or technological advancements. General Chauhan's statement underscores the strategic imperative for India to enhance its defense capabilities to ensure national security and effective conflict resolution. This focus on innovation and technology in defense is crucial as India navigates an increasingly complex geopolitical landscape, ensuring readiness against potential threats.

Defense Policy and Budgeting

Army Chief Highlights Human Insight and Geography in Modern Warfare

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Army Chief General Upendra Dwivedi recently emphasized the importance of human intuition and geographical realities amid the rapid technological evolution in warfare, highlighting insights from the ongoing conflict in Ukraine as a crucial learning ground for India's military strategy. Speaking at the Cavalry Seminar 2025 in New Delhi, he outlined the Indian Army's strategic priorities, including the establishment of a dedicated Rocket Force by 2032, aimed at enhancing deterrence through advanced long-range strike systems and AI-assisted targeting. General Dwivedi underscored that while technology, such as drones and electronic warfare, is reshaping military tactics, the fundamental principle of land as a decisive factor in victory remains vital for India due to its geographical context. He called for a culture of innovation within the Army, linking technological advancements to the broader national vision of Viksit Bharat 2047, with an emphasis on integrating multi-domain operations. The discussions at the seminar reaffirmed India's commitment to modernizing its mechanized forces through indigenous innovation and collaborative efforts, ensuring that human intellect and leadership remain central to operational success amidst evolving warfare dynamics.

Geopolitics and Security Alliances

Admiral Tripathi's U.S. visit aims to strengthen India-U.S. maritime partnership.

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Admiral Dinesh K. Tripathi, Chief of the Naval Staff of the Indian Navy, is on an official visit to the United States from November 12 to 17, 2025, aimed at strengthening the maritime partnership between India and the U.S. This visit includes discussions with senior officials from the U.S. Department of War and meetings with prominent naval leaders such as Adm Samuel J. Paparo and Adm Stephen T. Koehler. The agenda focuses on enhancing ongoing maritime cooperation, operational linkages, and information sharing, as well as addressing shared maritime priorities in the Indo-Pacific region. This engagement reflects the deep-rooted trust and shared values between the two nations, underscoring India's commitment to a free, open, inclusive, and rules-based Indo-Pacific, while also fortifying the India-U.S. defense partnership in the face of evolving regional security challenges.

Jaishankar engages G7 nations in Canada to boost India's strategic partnerships.

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External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar participated in the G7 Foreign Ministers Meeting in Canada, engaging in high-level discussions with foreign ministers from Germany, France, Brazil, and the UK to strengthen bilateral relations and enhance India's strategic partnerships. The dialogues focused on various areas, including trade, technology, defense, and climate action, reiterating India's commitment to amplifying the voice of the Global South in international policymaking. Notably, Jaishankar and UK Foreign Secretary Yvette Cooper reaffirmed the "India-UK Vision 2035," designed to deepen cooperation across key sectors over the next decade, emphasizing economic growth, innovation, and security collaboration. This meeting comes in the wake of a renewed India-Canada bilateral relationship following previous strains, marked by significant engagements such as the July 2025 meeting between Prime Ministers Modi and Carney, highlighting the importance of sustained diplomatic efforts to enhance cooperation in the Indo-Pacific region. Overall, Jaishankar's participation not only underscores India's proactive role in global diplomacy but also reflects its

strategic ambition to forge robust international coalitions amid evolving geopolitical challenges.

Australia joins India, Japan, and US in Exercise Malabar 2025 for strengthened Indo-Pacific security.

12-Nov-25

Australia has joined India, Japan, and the United States in Exercise Malabar 2025, a vital Indo-Pacific maritime exercise designed to enhance regional security and interoperability. Scheduled from November 10 to 18, the exercise features the Royal Australian Navy's HMAS Ballarat and a Royal Australian Air Force P-8A Poseidon. India's participation, represented by the indigenously built INS Sahyadri, underscores its commitment to strengthening partnerships and collective defense efforts. The exercise focuses on complex drills in anti-submarine warfare, air defense, and joint fleet operations, reinforcing the collective resolve of partner nations to combat evolving security challenges in the Indo-Pacific region. This collaboration is critical for countering coercive actions and ensuring a stable maritime environment.

Thailand enhances military capabilities amid evolving regional security dynamics and modernization efforts.

12-Nov-25

Thailand is significantly advancing its military modernization efforts, particularly in artillery and naval capabilities, to enhance operational efficiency and tactical flexibility amid evolving regional security dynamics. The Royal Thai Army's acquisition of additional autonomous truck-mounted mortars, complemented by potential procurement of the M777 ultra-lightweight howitzer from BAE Systems, demonstrates a strategic focus on self-sufficiency and interoperability with Western systems. Additionally, the Royal Thai Navy is set to upgrade its flagship aircraft carrier, HTMS Chakri Naruebet, with an Integrated Platform Management System that enhances operational control and safety, reflecting a broader initiative to improve naval readiness in response to regional maritime threats. Furthermore, the integration of Leonardo DRS's Battle Management System into the Thai Army's Stryker infantry carrier vehicles aims to bolster command and control capabilities, thereby enhancing tactical operations. Collectively, these developments signify Thailand's commitment to strengthening its defense posture, ensuring sovereignty, and adapting to contemporary geopolitical challenges in Southeast Asia.

EU plans to create an intelligence agency for enhanced security coordination.

12-Nov-25

On November 12, 2025, the European Union advanced plans to establish a dedicated intelligence agency aimed at enhancing coordination among member states' security agencies amidst escalating geopolitical tensions, particularly due to Russia's hybrid warfare and the ongoing Ukraine conflict. Spearheaded by EU Commission President Ursula von der Leyen, this initiative seeks to consolidate intelligence data to inform EU-wide security strategies, despite concerns regarding potential duplication of existing structures and issues of sovereignty. The move reflects a strategic shift towards greater autonomy in intelligence capabilities, responding to fears of reduced US security commitments to Europe. This development could significantly reshape internal security coordination and collective defense strategies within the EU, furthering its strategic interests in a volatile global landscape.

Bangladesh criticizes Rajnath Singh's remarks on Yunus as incorrect.

12-Nov-25

Bangladesh's Foreign Ministry has criticized Indian Defence Minister Rajnath Singh's recent remarks regarding Chief Adviser Muhammad Yunus, labeling them as incorrect and disrespectful. The Ministry emphasized the importance of maintaining a mutually beneficial relationship founded on sovereign equality and non-interference. Singh's comments, which suggested Yunus should exercise caution in his statements, come amid a downturn in India-Bangladesh relations following the political turmoil in Bangladesh that led to the exiled Prime Minister Hasina seeking refuge in India. This diplomatic friction highlights the delicate balance between the two nations, emphasizing the need for respectful dialogue to preserve regional stability.

USS Gerald R. Ford Deployed for Counter-Narcotics in Latin America

12-Nov-25

On November 11, 2025, the USS Gerald R. Ford (CVN 78), the newest U.S. aircraft carrier, commenced operations within the U.S. Southern Command's jurisdiction to enhance counter-narcotics efforts in Latin America and the Caribbean. This strategic shift from previous deployments in Europe and the Middle East aims to disrupt transnational criminal networks threatening U.S. homeland security. The carrier group,

equipped with advanced air assets including F/A-18 Super Hornets, will bolster regional operational capabilities, improving detection and interdiction of illicit activities. This deployment underscores the U.S. commitment to maritime security and stability in the Western Hemisphere, particularly in light of ongoing threats from organizations exploiting shared borders and maritime domains.

Military Operations

Turkish military cargo plane crashes in Georgia with 20 aboard.

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On November 11, 2025, a Turkish military Lockheed Martin C-130 cargo plane carrying 20 personnel crashed in Georgia near the Azerbaijan border while returning from Azerbaijan to Turkey. The aircraft vanished from radar shortly after entering Georgian airspace, without transmitting any distress signal. Eyewitness videos showed the plane spiraling out of control before breaking apart and crashing, leaving debris scattered across farmland in the Sighnaghi municipality. Turkish authorities confirmed all 20 onboard, including flight crew and military personnel, were killed. Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan expressed deep sorrow and coordinated rescue and investigation efforts with Georgian and Azerbaijani authorities. Azerbaijan's President Ilham Aliyev also conveyed condolences, highlighting regional cooperation in emergency response. The incident underscores the inherent risks of military operations in this geopolitically sensitive area, and Turkey has launched an official investigation into the cause, deploying unmanned aerial vehicles to assist search teams. The aged C-130, acquired from Saudi Arabia in 2010, remains a critical asset for Turkey's military logistics and transport missions. This crash marks one of Turkey's deadliest air force accidents in recent years.

IAF chief inaugurates Nyoma airbase, boosting defense in Ladakh.

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In a significant advancement for India's defense posture, the Indian Air Force (IAF) has declared the Nyoma airbase in eastern Ladakh fully operational, marking it as the world's highest fighter-capable airfield at an altitude of 13,700 feet. Strategically located just 30-35 kilometers from the Line of Actual Control (LAC) with China, the newly developed airbase features a 2.7-kilometer runway and is equipped to handle fighter jets, helicopters, and transport aircraft. This facility, which cost approximately ₹218 crore and was developed by the Border Roads Organisation (BRO), enhances India's rapid deployment capabilities and logistical support in a region characterized by challenging terrain and extreme weather conditions. The operationalization of Nyoma not only strengthens India's military readiness against potential incursions but also signifies a broader strategic initiative to improve infrastructure along the LAC, thereby serving both military and civilian objectives. The establishment of Nyoma is part of India's ongoing efforts to enhance border connectivity and national security, particularly following increased tensions with China, and reflects the government's commitment to bolstering its defense capabilities in the region.

India Conducts Air Exercises Amid Rising Tensions with Pakistan

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India has initiated a series of large-scale air exercises aimed at bolstering its operational capabilities amid escalating tensions with Pakistan and growing military activity from China. The Indian Air Force (IAF) has issued Notices to Airmen (NOTAMs) for extensive drills in Central India, scheduled from November 6 to 20, and additional exercises on notable dates through early January. Concurrently, a two-day air exercise will commence over northwestern India starting November 12, involving key airbases equipped with advanced air defence systems such as the S-400, and featuring an array of aircraft including Rafale, Sukhoi Su-30MKI, and MiG-29. These exercises are crucial for testing multi-domain operational readiness and enhancing India's deterrent capabilities in the region, especially in light of Pakistan's ongoing cross-border activities. Defence experts emphasize that these drills not only serve as a demonstration of military strength but also reflect India's commitment to safeguarding its borders and maintaining regional stability.

Assam's new military station enhances border security and intelligence capabilities.

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The Indian Army has laid the foundation for the Lachit Borphukan Military Station in Assam's Dhubri district, aimed at enhancing border security and intelligence in response to rising cross-border crimes and activities by extremist groups. Situated just 40 km from the Bangladesh border, this facility will house 1,200-1,500 personnel and improve operational capabilities,

addressing concerns regarding the Bangladesh caretaker government's stance against India. Experts highlight the significance of the station in bolstering the Army's intelligence capabilities, particularly against smuggling and illegal migration, while Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma supports its establishment to reinforce security in the sensitive region, underscoring the importance of the Siliguri corridor in national defense strategy.

USAF B-1B Lancer Arrives in Bengaluru for Cope India 2025 Exercise SHARE

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In a significant display of growing defense cooperation between India and the United States, a USAF B-1B Lancer strategic bomber recently arrived at Bengaluru's Kempegowda International Airport for the bilateral exercise currently underway. Taking place from November 10 to November 13, this exercise aims to enhance interoperability and tactical coordination between the Indian Air Force (IAF) and the United States Air Force (USAF), with India's Su-30MKI and Mirage series aircraft also participating. The exercise, part of a broader framework involving the QUAD nations—India, the U.S., Japan, and Australia—highlights deepening strategic ties and mutual defense goals amidst a complex geopolitical landscape. As local media and defense forums speculate on the implications of this exercise, including the potential for advanced aerial maneuvers, it underscores a pivotal shift in Indo-U.S. relations towards a more integrated military partnership characterized by joint training, technology sharing, and operational collaboration.

India showcases military strength in Tri-Service Exercise 2025, emphasizing joint operational capabilities. SHARE

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India recently showcased its military prowess through the Tri-Service Exercise 2025, demonstrating the remarkable synergy between its Army, Navy, and Air Force. This exercise highlights India's commitment to enhancing joint operational capabilities and readiness in response to evolving geopolitical challenges. The successful execution of coordinated maneuvers underscores the Indian defense forces' strategic emphasis on interoperability and collective defense. Such exercises are crucial not only for strengthening national security but also for projecting India's military strength and preparedness on a global scale, reinforcing its position as a key player in regional stability.

India Enhances Military Readiness Amid Rising Tensions with Pakistan SHARE

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Amid rising tensions following a terror blast in Delhi, Indian armed forces are on high alert, with significant military deployments at the borders as they prepare for potential action against Pakistan, which has also heightened its military readiness. Indian Navy Chief Admiral Dinesh Tripathi is currently in the United States for discussions aimed at strengthening maritime cooperation and operational linkages between the Indian Navy and the U.S. Navy. Concurrently, the Indian Air Force is conducting a bilateral exercise with the U.S. Air Force, enhancing interoperability and strategic collaboration. These developments occur against the backdrop of Pakistan's military mobilization, indicating a critical juncture in regional security dynamics as both nations brace for possible escalation.

Poorvi Prachand Prahar′ highlights India′s military synergy in the Eastern Himalayas. SHARE

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Exercise Poorvi Prachand Prahar, conducted by the Indian Army's Spearhead Division in collaboration with the Indian Air Force, Indian Navy, and Indo-Tibetan Border Police in the Eastern Himalayas, exemplifies India's advancing military synergy and operational readiness. This exercise highlights the seamless integration of tri-service elements, focusing on rapid mobilization, precision coordination, and multi-domain operations. Notably, the involvement of ITBP underscores a Whole-of-Nation Approach, enhancing cooperation between military and civil entities for national security. The exercise reinforces India's commitment to joint warfare excellence and illustrates its proactive stance towards ensuring a secure and self-reliant defense posture amidst evolving challenges.

IAF′s Su-30 MKI grounded for 24 hours after emergency landing. SHARE

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A Su-30 MKI fighter jet of the Indian Air Force made a precautionary emergency landing at Jolly Grant Airport in Dehradun due to a technical snag during a routine training sortie. Grounded for over 24 hours, the aircraft is currently being inspected by an IAF engineering team, with plans to return it to service after necessary checks. No injuries or damages were reported, and civil flight operations continued unaffected. This incident underscores the IAF's commitment to safety and operational readiness, emphasizing the importance of

thorough technical evaluations in maintaining air force capabilities.

Russian forces advance in Pokrovsk with makeshift 'Mad Max' convoys.

12-Nov-25

Russian forces have reportedly advanced in the eastern Ukrainian cities of Pokrovsk and Kupiansk, utilizing a pincer movement to encircle Pokrovsk, which is seen as strategically important for further operations towards Kramatorsk and Sloviansk. Videos circulating on social media depict Russian soldiers in a makeshift convoy reminiscent of the film "Mad Max," highlighting the dire conditions of their equipment. While Moscow claims to control significant areas, including the eastern part of Kupiansk, Ukraine maintains it still holds supply routes and continues to mount counter-attacks. The ongoing battle underscores the increasing intensity of the conflict, with both sides engaged in tactical maneuvers that could redefine territorial control in eastern Ukraine.

Terrorism and Counterterrorism

Red Fort Blast Unveils Jaish-e-Mohammed Recruitment Network Spanning J&K

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The Red Fort blast investigation has revealed a major Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM) recruitment and radicalisation network extending from Jammu & Kashmir to Delhi, led by paramedic-turned-cleric Maulvi Irfan Ahmad. According to NIA officials, Ahmad used Telegram and other encrypted apps to recruit young medical students under the guise of religious study circles. The group reportedly planned to launch coordinated bombings in Delhi, using social media to spread propaganda. The Delhi Police and J&K Counter-Terror units have jointly arrested seven suspects and seized over 2,900 kg of explosive materials, including ammonium nitrate and PETN. Investigators found that JeM handlers based in Afghanistan had sanctioned funds for creating a women's wing, which would have expanded the outfit's urban reach. Authorities believe this module is linked to the Red Fort blast that killed 12 and injured over 30. The discovery underscores India's persistent challenge of online radicalisation and the need for tighter cyber-monitoring mechanisms.

Red Fort Blast Part of Coordinated Suicide Bombing Plot Across Delhi

12-Nov-2025

The Red Fort car explosion, which killed twelve and injured dozens, is now suspected to be part of a broader suicide bombing conspiracy targeting Delhi's high-security zones. Forensic analysis confirmed the use of military-grade explosives consistent with PETN, indicating external expertise. Investigators have connected the attack to a dismantled Faridabad-based terror module that had prepared more than 200 IEDs for synchronized attacks on religious and civilian sites. CCTV tracking revealed that the Hyundai i20 used in the bombing had circled central Delhi for hours before detonating near Sunheri Masjid. Security agencies suspect Dr. Umar Nabi, a medical professional from Kashmir, as a key link coordinating operations between JeM's local recruits and handlers abroad. The NIA has taken over the case, coordinating with Delhi Police and the Intelligence Bureau, while Home Minister Amit Shah has ordered heightened alert across NCR and sensitive northern states.

Lucknow Doctor's Arrest Exposes Academic Radicalisation Cell

12-Nov-2025

The arrest of Dr. Shaheen Sayeed, a Lucknow-based physician linked to the Faridabad explosives case, has thrown light on a disturbing trend of radicalisation within academic institutions. Investigators discovered she was in contact with Dr. Muzammil Ahmad, another Kashmiri doctor under investigation for terror financing. Both allegedly provided logistical and medical assistance to JeM operatives while working at Al-Falah Medical College. Dr. Shaheen's father, a retired government servant, expressed disbelief, insisting on her innocence. However, NIA sources confirmed her Telegram handle matched communication logs from the blast planners. Over 52 staff and students are being interrogated amid suspicions that at least two professors aided in recruitment. This case, tied to the Red Fort blast, has sparked debate about campus radicalisation and the misuse of educational environments by extremist ideologues posing as mentors. Law enforcement agencies are considering new screening measures for foreign-funded academic programs.

Red EcoSport Discovery and Forensic Breakthroughs Hint at Military-Grade Plot SHARE

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Investigators recovered a red Ford EcoSport registered to Dr. Umar Nabi from a Haryana farmhouse, providing a crucial breakthrough in the Red Fort blast case. Forensic teams from the National Bomb Data Centre confirmed traces of PETN and Semtex, explosives typically restricted to military use, suggesting a high-level supply chain. Analysis of 42 samples from the site indicates that a time-triggered detonator was used, possibly employing a wristwatch circuit and dual battery system for precision activation. Officials believe this sophistication points to external training or imported expertise. The NIA suspects that remnants of JeM's Afghanistan-based technical wing were involved in remote guidance of the operatives. With fresh leads emerging from recovered electronics and Telegram chats, authorities are focusing on the cross-border funding trail. Delhi remains on high alert as investigators race to identify all local collaborators before further attacks can be orchestrated.

Red Fort Metro Station closed tomorrow after deadly blast kills 12. SHARE

12-Nov-25

The Lal Quila Metro Station in Delhi will remain closed on November 12 as a precaution following a high-intensity blast near the Red Fort that killed at least 12 people and injured around 20 others. The Delhi Metro Rail Corporation cited security reasons for the decision, with the closure impacting local businesses that heavily rely on tourist footfall. Shopkeepers expressed concern over potential long-term losses, fearing that diminished customer traffic could lead to unsold stock and financial instability. This incident underscores ongoing security challenges in urban areas and the economic repercussions such events can have on local commerce, highlighting the need for enhanced security measures and support for affected businesses.

Massive 500-Officer Investigation Launched; Modi Reviews National Security SHARE

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Following the Red Fort blast that shook the capital, the Ministry of Home Affairs has deployed over 500 officers from the NIA, IB, and Delhi Police to lead an exhaustive probe. Prime Minister Narendra Modi chaired a high-level review meeting, emphasizing the necessity of dismantling all support systems of terror outfits in India. Union Home Minister Amit Shah visited the injured at Lok Nayak Hospital and confirmed that preliminary findings point to Jaish-e-Mohammed's transnational network. Investigators have so far interrogated over 50 suspects, including medical students from Al-Falah University, where recruitment reportedly took place. The NIA has traced financial transfers linked to crypto wallets and hawala routes connected to Gulf-based donors. Meanwhile, Delhi Police have stepped up security at airports, metro stations, and crowded markets, with visible patrols and baggage checks. The Centre has vowed swift prosecution under the UAPA and pledged compensation to victims' families.

India rejects Shehbaz Sharif's unfounded claims linking suicide blast to India. SHARE

12-Nov-25

India has categorically rejected the recent allegations made by Pakistani Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif, who linked a suicide blast in Islamabad to Indian involvement. External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal labeled these claims as baseless and indicative of the Pakistani leadership's internal instability, asserting that they serve to deflect attention from ongoing political crises within Pakistan. The suicide attack, which occurred near a court building and resulted in the deaths of 12 individuals, has not yet been claimed by any group, but officials speculate it may be tied to the Afghan Taliban. Analysts contend that such accusations against India are a recurring tactic employed by Pakistan's leadership to divert criticism regarding its governance failures and security issues. The Indian government has emphasized that its international standing remains unaffected by Pakistan's attempts to manipulate narratives, reaffirming that true stability in Pakistan will stem from addressing its internal challenges rather than scapegoating external forces.

China expresses condolences for Delhi Red Fort blast victims, reinforcing global solidarity against terrorism. SHARE

12-Nov-25

A tragic blast near Delhi's Red Fort claimed at least eight lives, prompting condolences from international leaders, including China and Russia, emphasizing solidarity with India. The explosion, attributed to a detonated car, has led to an extensive investigation by various security agencies, with multiple lines of inquiry

being explored. Union Home Minister Amit Shah confirmed that forensic evidence is being gathered, while security measures across Delhi have been heightened in response to the incident. This act of violence, occurring at a symbol of India's sovereignty, underscores the ongoing challenge of terrorism in the region, galvanizing global leaders to reaffirm their commitment to counterterrorism efforts alongside India.

Japan PM Takaichi mourns lives lost in Delhi blast, emphasizes solidarity.

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Japanese Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi expressed deep sorrow and condolences following the recent blast near the Subhash Marg traffic signal in Delhi, which resulted in significant loss of life and injuries. Her heartfelt message underscored the international concern regarding the incident, which involved a slow-moving Hyundai i20 car and raised suspicions of potential terrorist links. In response, Union Home Minister Amit Shah assured that all aspects of the explosion are being thoroughly investigated with the collaboration of central and state agencies to determine the motive and identify those responsible. This incident highlights ongoing security challenges in urban centers and the importance of international solidarity in addressing such threats.

Maoist leader with Rs 5 lakh bounty surrenders in Jharkhand.

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In a major security development on November 12, 2025, two Maoist commanders, sub-zonal leader Brajesh Yadav alias Rakesh Ji with a Rs 5 lakh bounty and area commander Awdhesh Lohra alias Rohit Lohra, surrendered to Jharkhand police in Latehar district. Yadav, with 10 pending cases, hails from Gumla, while Lohra, with five cases, is from Latehar. Their surrender under the state government's 'Nai Disha' rehabilitation policy highlights a significant weakening of the banned Jharkhand Jan Mukti Parishad (JJMP), which now has only a handful of members left active locally. Police and community collaboration were credited for this breakthrough, with officials urging remaining Maoists to surrender. This success underscores Jharkhand's strategic focus on integrating former extremists and stabilizing the region, aligning with broader national counter-insurgency efforts to curb Maoist influence and restore peace. Families of the surrendering cadres are receiving benefits under the policy.

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Indian Navy opens new recruitment center in Karwar, boosting local enlistment.

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The Indian Navy has inaugurated a new recruitment centre at INS Kadamba in Karwar, enhancing its presence on the Western Seaboard and becoming the tenth recruitment establishment across India. This initiative aligns with the ongoing efforts to bolster recruitment for the Agniveer program, with the first Stage-2 recruitment drive for the 01/2026 Agniveer batch scheduled from November 10 to 15, 2025. Local representatives from the Naval Headquarters and the Western Naval Command participated in the event, underscoring the Navy's commitment to effective coordination with local administrations to ensure a smooth recruitment process. This development not only strengthens ties with the local populace but also provides opportunities for youth from Karnataka, Southern Maharashtra, and Goa to serve in the Indian Navy, thereby contributing to national security and pride.

Haryana eases age limit for ex-Agniveers in state job recruitment.

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The Haryana government has announced age relaxation for ex-Agniveers domiciled in the state, easing the upper age limit for direct recruitment to Group B and C posts. A government order issued on November 11, 2025, by Chief Secretary Anurag Rastogi grants a three-year age relaxation for all ex-Agniveers, with a special five-year relaxation for the first batch (2022-23) due to their unique upper age limit at recruitment. Haryana, which has seen over 7,000 Agniveers join since the scheme's 2022 launch, has also implemented horizontal reservations—20% in police recruitment, 5% in Group C posts, and 1% in Group B relevant to skills, along with exemptions from certain physical tests. This move aims to support the career transition of young ex-servicemen, enhancing their job prospects while reinforcing Haryana's longstanding military culture and strategic security role. Strict compliance by all state departments has been mandated.

Miscellaneous

General Chauhan highlights network-centric warfare and lessons from Operation Sindoor for modern military strategy. SHARE

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Chief of Defence Staff General Anil Chauhan emphasized the importance of network-centric precision strike capabilities in modern warfare, referencing Operation Sindoor as a successful example of this approach during his address at the Delhi Defence Dialogue. He underscored the necessity for the Indian Armed Forces to adapt to emerging technologies such as Artificial Intelligence and robotics, advocating for a balance between foreign technology acquisition and indigenous manufacturing under the Aatmanirbharta initiative. Concurrently, Indian Army Chief General Upendra Dwivedi announced plans to designate 2026-27 as the "year of networking and data centricity," highlighting the need for faster action in this area, given its current preparedness gap. The discussions surrounding Operation Sindoor, which involved significant military operations against terror infrastructure in Pakistan, revealed valuable lessons for future engagements, emphasizing the importance of harmonizing battlefield surveillance systems and electronic warfare capabilities. These developments indicate India's commitment to enhancing its defense capabilities through technological innovation and strategic planning, reflecting a broader trend towards modernization in military operations amid evolving geopolitical dynamics.

Army to install wind turbines at 20 border locations for energy. SHARE

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The Indian Army plans to install wind turbines at 20 strategic border locations in Himachal Pradesh, aiming to generate 68,000 to 80,000 kWh annually—enough to electrify 120 to 160 remote households. This initiative reflects a push for sustainable energy in border areas, with full support from the state government under CM Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu. Alongside, border tourism has surged over threefold, rising from 21,000 visitors in 2024 to over 70,000 in 2025, boosting local economies and civilian-military cooperation. Efforts are also underway to resume border trade with China through Shipki-La, Lipulekh, and Nathu-La passes, following diplomatic talks and state interventions, enhancing economic connectivity. The development of a strategic airport at Rangrik is being expedited to further improve tourism and regional connectivity. The Army-HPU partnership on R&D bolsters sustainable and security-oriented growth in border areas. These milestones reinforce India's proactive border management and resilience strategy.

Himachal Pradesh University partners with Army for research and development collaboration. SHARE

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Himachal Pradesh University (HPU) Shimla has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Indian Army to enhance collaborative research and development initiatives, marking a significant partnership aimed at fostering innovation. The MoU, signed by Brigadier Anurag Pandey and Professor Mahavir Singh in the presence of Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu, focuses on joint historical research concerning Indo-Tibet linkages and economic studies on border areas in Himachal Pradesh. This agreement is poised to encourage investment in the region while strengthening ties between academic institutions and the military, reflecting India's commitment to integrating defense efforts with local development and research capabilities. The collaboration signifies a proactive approach toward addressing regional challenges and promoting national security.

Defence Production Department concludes successful Special Campaign 5.0 on cleanliness and efficiency. SHARE

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The Department of Defence Production (DDP) has successfully concluded its Special Campaign 5.0, conducted from October 2 to 31, 2025, reinforcing its dedication to cleanliness in alignment with the Swachh Bharat Mission. This initiative saw participation across 1,533 sites nationwide, aiming to instill a culture of cleanliness among officials and enhance the disposal of public grievances. Notably, the campaign resulted in the segregation of 30,000 files, with 27,500 being weeded out, leading to the freeing of 17.42 lakh square feet of space and generating revenue of Rs. 15.62 crore. Furthermore, the DDP addressed numerous public grievances, including 50 complaints and 87 appeals, while also emphasizing the importance of safety for sanitation workers, thereby contributing to the overall organizational efficiency and social responsibility within the defense production sector. This

campaign highlights the DDP's proactive approach to governance and operational effectiveness, showcasing its role in fostering a cleaner and more accountable environment within the defense industry.

Synthetic blood technology poised to transform military healthcare in combat.

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Recent advancements in synthetic blood technology could revolutionize military healthcare, particularly in challenging battlefield conditions. Synthetic blood substitutes, such as haemoglobin-based oxygen carriers, offer advantages including stability at ambient temperatures and compatibility without direct blood matching, allowing for rapid deployment in remote conflict zones. U.S. Defense projects, including DARPA's $46 million funding for shelf-stable products like ErythroMer, aim to enhance trauma care by ensuring timely oxygen delivery during critical injury phases. The ongoing development underscores the potential of synthetic blood to significantly improve military medical readiness and integrate with modern supply chains, promising to save lives in future conflicts despite existing challenges in safety and manufacturing.

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Defence Sector Stocks

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	RSI14	SMA20	SMA200
SWANDEF	986.75	986.75	986.75	986.75	2232	5.0	100.0	645.76	101.47
ADANIENT	2384.0	2517.5	2361.0	2484.5	6685426	4.97	52.02	2481.49	2412.15
TANEJAERO	314.0	334.85	314.0	327.0	15488	4.14	34.61	352.95	366.27
JYOTICNC	956.25	999.9	952.0	988.9	1593937	3.85	63.74	908.17	1023.86
DRONACHRYA	57.85	60.0	57.85	59.99	108000	3.81	51.11	58.36	75.22
NIBE	1188.15	1240.0	1188.15	1230.75	2803	2.71	45.11	1251.2	1372.54
RELINFRA	177.0	182.47	176.5	177.65	2959362	2.22	26.03	209.62	280.0
SOLARINDS	13950.0	14245.0	13780.0	14084.0	210558	2.15	53.7	13898.75	13341.55
COCHINSHIP	1759.9	1805.0	1748.2	1792.0	1284377	2.14	51.67	1783.93	1695.91
PTC	166.8	169.62	165.0	168.22	1866989	2.0	51.38	166.66	169.96
APOLLO	280.8	283.25	273.15	281.65	4064761	1.88	46.46	283.23	191.57
GOODLUCK	1166.3	1178.3	1153.1	1173.7	51323	1.81	43.32	1233.26	971.36
URAVIDEF	224.0	224.0	216.26	222.36	9221	1.67	33.41	233.93	413.54
AZAD	1619.0	1642.1	1619.0	1635.4	74555	1.41	47.99	1656.63	1556.79
DATAPATTNS	2778.9	2830.0	2718.0	2792.2	328396	1.29	55.57	2743.7	2422.66
MIDHANI	385.0	390.3	382.05	388.65	237747	1.26	53.75	381.38	359.91
CENTUM	2360.0	2449.9	2341.5	2402.8	21639	1.21	40.11	2487.84	2131.55
GRSE	2805.0	2864.6	2745.9	2816.6	2497852	1.1	68.79	2614.31	2283.53
PREMEXPLN	593.0	602.4	575.25	593.6	510388	1.07	47.34	615.18	496.0
SIKA	1060.0	1080.0	1055.15	1062.1	15310	0.75	29.48	1169.15	955.61
MTARTECH	2574.7	2625.0	2457.6	2609.3	827891	0.68	69.84	2350.72	1613.61
ZENTEC	1387.8	1405.9	1381.7	1390.3	187266	0.42	48.32	1374.08	1564.9
MARINE	235.3	244.1	233.4	238.1	546596	0.38	56.28	232.1	196.86
MAZDOCK	2762.0	2794.9	2733.6	2757.7	920970	0.19	48.14	2768.66	2795.92
MACPOWER	818.05	822.8	780.2	812.45	11876	0.18	45.25	826.48	900.48
LMW	15660.0	15748.0	15400.0	15562.0	2385	0.15	53.43	15578.65	15625.85
PARAS	709.8	717.0	701.85	703.55	505169	0.14	50.93	703.23	658.14
LT	3970.0	3973.8	3936.9	3954.6	981350	-0.01	61.18	3911.44	3535.4
BDL	1541.1	1555.0	1521.2	1532.4	1038141	-0.07	52.51	1513.98	1521.55
AVANTEL	165.65	168.25	163.91	164.43	1062873	-0.11	40.59	175.3	144.44
DCXINDIA	216.99	218.55	212.1	214.11	540016	-0.15	32.12	223.71	269.41
IDEAFORGE	467.9	468.0	461.75	463.65	104853	-0.23	41.27	476.33	471.87
ASTRAMICRO	1052.9	1065.0	1041.1	1046.4	304619	-0.25	46.29	1063.96	926.24
WALCHANNAG	165.0	168.4	163.25	164.25	181940	-0.26	37.32	170.83	197.31
ROSSELLIND	62.73	63.38	60.25	61.57	44927	-0.34	45.29	61.89	66.89
BEML	2025.0	2038.0	2001.0	2009.2	210668	-0.44	35.82	2146.81	1883.89
BEL	428.15	429.4	421.8	424.75	15221773	-0.6	58.6	415.56	355.21
AXISCADES	1420.0	1451.0	1390.0	1412.8	63605	-0.7	39.33	1498.03	1155.71
HIGHENE	567.0	582.0	557.0	563.8	5390	-0.7	37.13	596.17	599.28
CFF	675.0	679.0	665.2	665.2	8400	-0.72	54.86	652.01	578.38
SUNITATOOL	795.0	800.0	752.0	785.0	19375	-0.81	46.72	809.62	785.7
BHARATFORG	1410.0	1410.0	1378.6	1389.2	1721977	-0.92	71.01	1301.66	1192.1
HBLPOWER	1014.0	1017.9	966.3	975.1	7091433	-1.92	53.15	971.79	645.43
DYNAMATECH	9110.0	9264.5	8956.5	9118.5	26248	-1.98	72.68	8172.8	6888.58
LOKESHMACH	175.0	179.7	175.0	177.86	55471	-2.21	39.56	188.28	192.81
HAL	4885.0	4921.0	4702.0	4748.5	2723105	-2.35	50.42	4759.12	4439.13
RTNINDIA	49.0	49.18	47.76	48.46	2623336	-2.61	33.76	51.05	51.37
KRISHNADEF	806.0	806.0	773.25	783.25	24500	-2.84	46.26	791.54	774.36
TECHERA	250.6	250.6	250.55	250.55	97600	-4.99	42.31	284.05	190.03
TEMBO	794.8	794.8	772.75	772.75	51681	-5.0	71.73	638.77	549.3