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SWANDEF	1087.85	1036.05	+5.0%
JYOTICNC	1039.4	992.15	+4.76%
SUNITATOOL	863.0	841.5	+2.55%
BHARATFORG	1412.2	1410.2	+0.14%

Top Losers

Stock	Close	Prev	Change
LOKESHMACH	160.55	170.82	-6.01%
PREMEXPLN	525.0	555.5	-5.49%
MIDHANI	327.05	345.7	-5.39%
MARINE	227.95	240.15	-5.08%
DCXINDIA	178.78	188.21	-5.01%

Defense Business and Industry

INS Mahe commissioned, enhancing India's anti-submarine warfare and maritime security capabilities.

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The Indian Navy commissioned INS Mahe, the first vessel of the Mahe-class Anti-Submarine Warfare (ASW) Shallow Water Craft, on November 24, 2025, at the Naval Dockyard in Mumbai. This event marked a significant milestone in the Navy's coastal defense capabilities and India's Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative, with the ship boasting over 80 percent indigenous content. Built by Cochin Shipyard Limited and supported by Indian firms such as BEL, L&T Defence, and Mahindra Defence Systems, INS Mahe integrates advanced weapons, sensors, and communication systems to detect, track, and neutralize submarine threats in shallow littoral waters. The 78-meter-long vessel displaces approximately 1,150 tonnes, accommodates over 80 personnel, and can achieve speeds up to 25 knots. It carries a mix of torpedoes, anti-submarine rockets, an active torpedo decoy system, and a stabilized remote-controlled gun. Army Chief General Upendra Dwivedi, attending the ceremony as the chief guest, highlighted the transformation of the Indian Navy into a "Builders Navy" capable of designing and constructing complex combat platforms that enhance national security and affirm India's standing in global defense manufacturing. The ship, delivered to the Navy on October 23, forms the lead of eight planned vessels in its class, strengthening India's maritime security by operating efficiently alongside larger naval assets in coastal patrols, submarine hunting, and rapid response missions. INS Mahe's commissioning underscores India's growing expertise in naval shipbuilding and underscores synergy between indigenous technology and operational readiness in safeguarding maritime interests.

HAL regards Dubai Tejas crash as an isolated incident, ensuring future operations remain unaffected.

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The recent crash of a Tejas fighter jet during an aerial display at the Dubai Airshow has resulted in the tragic death of Indian Air Force Wing Commander Namansh Syal. Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd. (HAL) characterized the incident as an "isolated occurrence caused by exceptional circumstances" and assured stakeholders that it would not affect its business operations or future deliveries. However, analysts note that this mishap poses significant export challenges for the Tejas, as it comes at a time when potential customers in markets such as Malaysia and Egypt are already hesitant, especially given their preference for reliability and proven performance. The incident has raised concerns about HAL's production capabilities and its dependency on foreign components, as well as questions regarding its institutional credibility, especially in light of previous delays in delivery commitments. While HAL remains committed to supporting the investigation and believes in the long-term viability of the Tejas program, the current situation underscores the imperative for transparency in the investigation results to restore confidence among international clients and stakeholders. The ability to navigate this crisis effectively will be crucial for HAL as it seeks to enhance India's defense export ambitions amid growing competition, particularly from nations like Pakistan that recently showcased their military capabilities.

Johns Hopkins APL launches GenWar Lab for AI-enhanced military wargaming. SHARE

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Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory (APL) announced the launch of the GenWar Lab on November 24, 2025, a facility aimed at integrating AI and advanced analytics into defense wargaming. Scheduled to open in 2026, the lab will utilize large language models and physics-based simulations to enhance military decision-making by simulating adversary actions and testing strategies in dynamic scenarios. This initiative is particularly significant for the Indian defense community, which is likely to observe its implications for enhancing force readiness and scenario planning amid evolving hybrid warfare challenges. The GenWar Lab exemplifies the trend of combining human expertise with technological advancements to bolster national security and military preparedness, aligning with India's ongoing defense modernization efforts.

BEL and Safran form JV to manufacture precision air-to-ground weapons in India. SHARE

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Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) of India and France's Safran Electronics & Defence have established a joint venture to manufacture HAMMER smart precision-guided air-to-ground weapons domestically, according to a recent announcement from the Indian Ministry of Defence. The new entity, with equal shareholding, aims to enhance India's defense manufacturing capabilities, supporting the government's indigenisation efforts. The HAMMER system is praised for its precision and modular design, promising to elevate self-reliance in defense technology while reducing import dependency. This collaboration signifies a strategic move towards advanced military capability development and bolsters the defense partnership between India and France.

DRDO and Safran partner to co-develop advanced jet engine with full Indian IPR. SHARE

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The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) of India has signed a significant partnership with Safran to co-develop a clean-sheet 5th generation jet engine, featuring full Indian Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) over the technology. Valued at approximately $7 billion, this project will deliver a high-thrust, fuel-efficient engine capable of supercruise, which will power India's Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA) MK-2 and enhance its operational capabilities. The collaboration emphasizes India's strategic autonomy in defense manufacturing, reinforcing the "Make in India" initiative by establishing a comprehensive domestic engine ecosystem. The project is expected to culminate in prototype testing by 2028 and full production by 2035, marking a transformative advance in India's aerospace capabilities and reducing reliance on foreign suppliers.

BrahMos Pavilion at Dubai Airshow Sees Surge in Export Inquiries After Operation Sindoor Success SHARE

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The BrahMos supersonic cruise missile has gained unprecedented international attention following its successful operational deployment during 'Operation Sindoor', where it evaded advanced Chinese air defense systems to strike strategic targets in Pakistan. The recent Dubai Airshow witnessed a threefold increase in export inquiries, with high-level delegations from the Gulf, Southeast Asia, and Africa keen to procure the missile. The impressive combat validation, including complex evasion maneuvers and terminal-phase tactics that rendered enemy defenses ineffective, has further fueled interest in future variants, such as the BrahMos-NG designed for lighter aircraft. This development signifies a strategic shift towards enhancing deterrent capabilities in a region marked by evolving military dynamics.

India's Rafale orders rise, aiming for global production hub status. SHARE

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India is poised to significantly expand its Rafale fighter jet fleet, potentially reaching 176 aircraft, as it strengthens its defense capabilities amid regional threats. This initiative includes local production of Rafale fuselages in Hyderabad by TATA Advanced Systems Limited, marking a shift from assembly to structural manufacturing, with a target of over 60% indigenization. The move not only enhances the Indian Air Force's operational capabilities but also solidifies India's role as a global hub in the Rafale supply chain, backed by a strong India-France aerospace partnership. Additionally, India is set to benefit from technological advancements in aviation engine development, further enhancing its defense autonomy and economic growth.

German Navy Enhances Mine Countermeasures with Digital Integration SHARE

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On 24 November 2025, the German Navy showcased advancements in hybrid Mine Countermeasures (MCM) integration during NATO-led exercises, employing a digital Ocean Data Platform that significantly enhances data processing and situational awareness. This platform, developed by north.io, consolidates data from various autonomous systems, drastically reducing evaluation time and improving decision-making in MCM operations. The successful demonstration, which includes interoperability with Systematic's SitaWare software and Rheinmetall's Harbor Protection Container system, underscores Germany's strategic commitment to bolstering NATO's maritime readiness against evolving underwater threats. This initiative not only addresses challenges posed by aging MCM fleets but also represents a broader shift towards networked and autonomous naval capabilities crucial for securing vital shipping routes in the region.

Anduril Australia reveals Ghost Shark AUV, enhancing naval capabilities by 2026. SHARE

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Anduril Australia has unveiled the first Ghost Shark Extra Large Autonomous Underwater Vehicle (XL-AUV), set for delivery to the Royal Australian Navy in January 2026, following a significant A$1.7 billion contract. This initiative aims to bolster Australia’s undersea warfare capabilities through enhanced intelligence, surveillance, and strike operations, while also creating over 150 skilled jobs and engaging numerous Australian small and medium enterprises. The development, in collaboration with Australia's Defence Science and Technology Group, positions Australia as a vital hub for autonomous warfare systems in the Indo-Pacific region, potentially facilitating future exports to allied nations. This advancement is significant as it strengthens Australia’s defense industry and enhances strategic partnerships under the AUKUS framework.

MoD partners with BCG to restructure HAL by March 2026 amid order surge. SHARE

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The Ministry of Defence has engaged the Boston Consulting Group to implement a major restructuring of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) by March 2026, driven by an unprecedented order backlog of ₹2.52 lakh crore that has strained its production capabilities. The overhaul, the most significant since HAL's inception in 1964, aims to transition from a traditional license-production model to a more competitive aerospace lead integrator, focusing on product-specific verticals and strategic outsourcing. This restructuring is critical for HAL to expedite delivery timelines and remain competitive, particularly as it faces challenges with the Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA) program amidst rising private sector competition. Ultimately, this transformation is essential for HAL to maintain its status as the backbone of Indian military aviation.

Indian Navy pursues AoN for P-18 destroyers to ensure ocean dominance by 2040s. SHARE

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The Indian Navy has initiated the Acceptance of Necessity (AoN) process for its Next Generation Destroyers (P-18 class), aiming to enhance its maritime capabilities by the 2040s. These 11,000-tonne vessels will feature advanced technologies, including high-energy Directed Energy Weapons, a sophisticated integrated stealth design, and a significant reduction in crew size. Constructed under the Strategic Partnership model, with a focus on 70-75% indigenous content, the P-18 destroyers are poised to be the largest combatants in the Indian fleet, reinforcing India’s strategic objective to maintain naval dominance in the Indian Ocean region amidst growing regional naval threats. The project underscores India’s commitment to modernizing its defense capabilities and enhancing operational efficiency.

Indian Type 214 Subs' German Stealth Enhances Underwater Invisibility Against China-Pak Threats. SHARE

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In a strategic enhancement of its underwater capabilities, the Indian Navy is set to acquire six Type 214 diesel-electric submarines from Germany's ThyssenKrupp Marine Systems under the Project 75I programme. This acquisition promises advanced stealth features, including a revolutionary "diamond" hull design and non-magnetic materials, significantly reducing detectability against Chinese and Pakistani anti-submarine warfare assets. Powered by an innovative Air-Independent Propulsion system, the submarines can operate undetected for extended periods, bolstering India's maritime security amid growing threats in the Indian Ocean Region. With a 70% indigenous content requirement, this initiative also

aligns with India's Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative, fostering domestic defense production capabilities.

Indian Navy to Use BARC's Compact Reactors for Energy Security at Bases

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The Indian Navy is strategically exploring the deployment of compact nuclear reactors developed by the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC) to enhance energy security at its naval bases. These small modular reactors (SMRs) aim to provide rapid-response power backup during grid failures, addressing vulnerabilities exposed by recent regional tensions. Current diesel systems, prone to fuel shortages and emissions, would be supplemented by these mobile, tamper-proof reactors, which could restore operational functionality in hours. With a robust cadre of trained reactor technicians and secure designs, the initiative reflects a shift from reactive to proactive resilience, ensuring uninterrupted operations for vital naval assets amid growing threats in the region.

Politics

Rajnath Singh: Operation Sindoor reflects Lord Krishna's teachings on righteousness.

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During the 10th International Gita Conference in Kurukshetra, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh emphasized the ethical dimensions of India's military actions, linking them to the teachings of the Bhagavad Gita. He highlighted Operation Sindoor as a pivotal response to terrorism, affirming that India will not tolerate acts against its peace-loving nature. Singh articulated that the operation was guided by the principles of compassion and righteousness, reflecting a commitment to protect dharma rather than pursue revenge. This operation served as a demonstration of India's self-respect and resolve, reinforcing the message that while India seeks peace, it will respond decisively when provoked, thereby asserting its stance against terrorism on the global stage.

Geopolitics and Security Alliances

Sindhi leader supports Rajnath Singh's call for Sindh's reunification with India amid Pakistan's oppression.

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Defence Minister Rajnath Singh has ignited a significant discourse by suggesting the prospect of Sindh, currently part of Pakistan, potentially rejoining India, citing the enduring civilisational links between the regions. At a recent event in New Delhi, Singh emphasized that while Sindh is not geographically within India's borders, it remains integral to India's cultural memory and historical identity, referring to the emotional ties of Sindhi Hindus who migrated following Partition. This sentiment was echoed by Shafi Burfat, chairman of the Jeay Sindh Muttahida Mahaz, who welcomed Singh's remarks as a beacon of hope amid alleged state repression faced by Sindhis in Pakistan. Burfat accused the Pakistani government of systemic oppression and cultural erasure, arguing that Sindh's history and identity are being deliberately distorted. Singh's statements come in the broader context of ongoing discussions about territorial integrity in South Asia, particularly concerning Pakistan-Occupied Kashmir (PoK), where he has previously expressed confidence that it would also one day return to India through peaceful means. These remarks signal a potential shift in India's diplomatic dialogue regarding historical territorial claims and highlight the complex interplay of identity, culture, and geopolitics in the region.

Italian PM Meloni stands with India post Red Fort blast, pledges anti-terror cooperation.

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Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni expressed solidarity with India regarding the recent Red Fort blast during a meeting with Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the G20 Summit in Johannesburg. Both leaders committed to strengthen bilateral cooperation against terrorism through the India-Italy Joint Initiative to Counter Financing of Terrorism, aimed at enhancing collaboration in global platforms like the FATF and GCTF. They reviewed progress in their strategic partnership across various sectors, including defense and security, and emphasized the importance of increasing business and technology partnerships. Meloni also underscored Italy's support for a mutually

beneficial India-EU Free Trade Agreement, reinforcing a shared commitment to democratic values and sustainable development.

UK navy intercepts Russian vessels amid rising naval threats. SHARE

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A UK patrol ship has intercepted a Russian corvette and tanker in the English Channel, amid a notable 30% increase in Russian naval activity around UK waters over the last two years. This incident follows the recent deployment of three Poseidon surveillance aircraft to Iceland as part of NATO's efforts to monitor Russian maritime movements. UK Defence Secretary John Healey condemned the actions of the Russian spy ship Yantar, which reportedly aimed lasers at surveillance aircraft, calling them reckless. With rising threats from Russia and other state actors, the UK government faces pressure to increase military spending, balancing national security needs against fiscal challenges.

Modi and Carney agree to enhance defense and space cooperation. SHARE

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney met on the sidelines of the G20 Summit, agreeing to enhance bilateral cooperation in defense, space, and various sectors, with a trade target of USD 50 billion by 2030. The discussion followed a series of recent engagements aimed at normalizing relations after tensions arose from allegations concerning a killing linked to India. Both leaders welcomed the Australia-Canada-India Technology and Innovation Partnership and emphasized the importance of ongoing high-level exchanges. The revival of trade ties and technological collaboration is expected to strengthen India-Canada relations, reflecting a mutual commitment to enhancing strategic partnerships amidst geopolitical challenges.

Jaishankar: MEA vital in promoting Gita's global message and values. SHARE

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Defence Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurated the 10th International Gita Conference at Kurukshetra University, a significant event that coincides with the ongoing International Gita Mahotsav. The conference, organized in collaboration with the Kurukshetra Development Board, aims to bring together scholars, researchers, and enthusiasts from across the globe to engage in dialogue on themes such as Gita ethics in the digital age and ecological co-existence. External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar highlighted the Ministry of External Affairs' role in promoting the Bhagavad Gita worldwide, with over 50 Indian missions participating in the celebrations, including exhibitions of translated editions of the scripture. This global celebration not only honors the teachings of the Bhagavad Gita but also seeks to reinforce shared values of harmony and resilience, fostering a spirit of cultural dialogue among diverse communities. The presence of high-profile figures, including the Defence Minister and international delegates, underscores the conference's significance in promoting the timeless wisdom of the Gita as a guiding force in contemporary ethical and moral discussions.

Modi and Takaichi strengthen India-Japan ties at G20 Summit. SHARE

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At the G20 Summit, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Japanese Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi held their inaugural in-person meeting, reinforcing the India-Japan Special Strategic and Global Partnership. The discussions focused on enhancing cooperation in defence, economic security, innovation, and trade, with both leaders underlining the importance of a strong bilateral relationship for regional and global stability. Takaichi highlighted Japan's commitment to fostering innovation in semiconductors and artificial intelligence, while Modi emphasized the need for concrete collaboration in these critical areas, building on the Japan-India Joint Vision for the Next Decade. Notably, Japan is poised to invest approximately 10 trillion yen in India over the next decade, targeting advancements in semiconductor manufacturing and digital infrastructure, alongside joint initiatives in clean energy and research. This meeting signifies a pivotal moment for India-Japan relations, marking a commitment to a "Free and Open Indo-Pacific" and positioning both nations as key partners in addressing global challenges and ensuring economic security.

Experts Warn Russia's Threat to NATO Persists Despite Peace Efforts SHARE

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At a Baltic security conference on November 17-18, 2025, experts highlighted the persistent threat posed by Russia to NATO, regardless of any peace agreement concerning the Ukraine conflict. Analysts noted that Russia is enhancing its military capabilities, including plans to increase T-90 tank production by 80% by 2028, indicating a long-term strategic challenge. The expected nature of future Russian aggression is anticipated to be hybrid, using cyber-attacks and

disinformation rather than conventional warfare. The urgency for NATO to bolster its defenses is underscored by the need for vigilance along its eastern flank, as Russia continues to engage in provocations that threaten the cohesion and security of the alliance, significantly impacting regional defense dynamics and European stability.

Dutch Military Responds to Drones Near Strategic F-35 Base SHARE

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On November 22, 2025, Dutch military personnel at Volkel Air Base, home to F-35 stealth fighters and US nuclear weapons, encountered multiple unidentified drones in restricted airspace, prompting a security response that included ground-based weapons. The incident, which lasted from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., has raised significant concerns about the security of critical military infrastructures amid a rise in aerial threats across Europe. Ongoing investigations by Dutch authorities aim to determine the origin and intent of the drones, reflecting an increased vigilance regarding the protection of national and allied security assets. This event underscores the ongoing challenges NATO faces in safeguarding strategic military sites in a rapidly evolving security landscape.

Oil prices drop as peace prospects in Ukraine improve amid diplomacy. SHARE

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Oil prices have declined as optimism for peace in Ukraine grows, driven by recent diplomatic talks between Russia and Ukraine, with U.S. officials expressing confidence in finalizing a peace agreement soon. This development has led investors to anticipate reduced supply disruptions and sanctions, resulting in lower prices for crude oil. Historically, oil and conflict have been closely linked, but the potential for a diplomatic resolution could not only ease market volatility but also reshape global energy dynamics by increasing supply from Russia. However, uncertainties remain about the reliability of any agreement, as both Ukraine and Russia seek security guarantees, highlighting the intricate balance of international relations and energy markets influenced by geopolitical tensions.

India and Oman strengthen defense ties through strategic discussions. SHARE

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India and Oman have reaffirmed their commitment to deepen defense cooperation, as highlighted during the 13th Joint Military Cooperation Committee meeting in New Delhi, where Chief of Defence Staff General Anil Chauhan and Oman's Secretary General of Defence discussed initiatives including the Military Logistic Complex, shipbuilding collaboration, and enhanced training cooperation. The talks also emphasized strengthening maritime security, improving border management, and facilitating operational efficiencies for the Indian Navy and Air Force. Additionally, recent Army-to-Army Staff Talks between the two nations focused on joint exercises and expert exchanges to further enhance bilateral relations. This strategic partnership underscores India's growing influence in the Gulf region and its commitment to military diplomacy.

Putin's visit may reshape geopolitical dynamics through a fighter jet deal with India. SHARE

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Russian President Vladimir Putin's recent visit to India has sparked discussions about a potential fighter jet deal that could significantly alter geopolitical dynamics in the region. As India continues to enhance its defense capabilities, this partnership may solidify its strategic position amidst evolving global power structures. The deal not only underscores India's commitment to bolstering its military prowess but also indicates Russia's ongoing role as a key defense partner for India, especially in the context of growing tensions in the Indo-Pacific. The implications of this collaboration extend beyond bilateral relations, potentially impacting regional security alignments and influencing defense procurement strategies for other nations.

Israel strikes Beirut, reportedly killing Hezbollah's chief of staff amid rising tensions. SHARE

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On November 23, 2025, Israel launched an airstrike on the southern suburbs of Beirut, killing Haytham Ali Tabatabai, Hezbollah's chief of staff and one of its most senior military leaders. The strike targeted an apartment complex in the Hezbollah-controlled Dahiyeh area, resulting in at least five deaths and injuring around 25 others, according to Lebanese health authorities. Israel confirmed the operation aimed to disrupt Hezbollah's ongoing efforts to rebuild and rearm its forces, despite a U.S.-brokered ceasefire in place since 2024. Hezbollah condemned the attack as a dangerous escalation that crosses a "red line," with its leadership assessing retaliatory options. Lebanon's President called on the international community to intervene to

stop further attacks on Lebanon. This strike marks the first Israeli air operation in Beirut in months, signaling heightened tensions between Israel and the Iran-backed militant group amid fragile regional ceasefire arrangements. The Israeli Prime Minister ordered the strike, emphasizing Israel's determination to counter all threats from Hezbollah.

U.S.-led peace plan sparks disillusionment among war-torn Ukrainians. SHARE

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Residents of Bucha, Ukraine, are grappling with disillusionment over a U.S.-led peace proposal that includes a controversial blanket amnesty for war crimes committed during the Russian occupation. Survivors and community leaders express deep concerns that such an amnesty would legitimize future violence, undermining accountability for the atrocities faced by their communities. President Volodymyr Zelenskyy acknowledges the plan as one of the war's most challenging moments, while European leaders emphasize the necessity of protecting Ukraine's sovereignty in any negotiations. The emotional toll of this uncertainty is evident, as families mourn fallen soldiers, questioning the cost of peace and the potential trade-offs of territory for security guarantees.

US praises progress in Ukraine peace talks in Switzerland. SHARE

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The United States has hailed recent talks in Switzerland as a "significant step forward" in the push for a peace framework to end the ongoing Ukraine war. Led by US Secretary of State Marco Rubio, the discussions resulted in an updated draft that aims to uphold Ukraine's sovereignty while addressing the conflict's complexities, including previously controversial demands from Russia. Both US and Ukrainian officials expressed commitment to a framework that promotes a sustainable and just peace, indicating that meaningful progress has been made in aligning their positions. This development underscores the importance of diplomatic negotiations in resolving the conflict and highlights the ongoing international support for Ukraine's territorial integrity and security in the face of aggression.

India-Israel FTA talks prioritize strategic collaboration over merchandise trade. SHARE

24-Nov-25

India and Israel have renewed negotiations for a long-awaited Free Trade Agreement (FTA), shifting focus from merchandise trade to strategic collaboration in sectors such as defense manufacturing, electronics, semiconductors, and cybersecurity. This revitalization, marked by the formal signing of new Terms of Reference, emphasizes the importance of deepening ties in technology and innovation rather than solely expanding bilateral merchandise trade, which remains modest at $3.6 billion. Experts, including the Global Trade Research Initiative, argue that the FTA's real value lies in leveraging the complementary strengths of both nations, enhancing cooperation in critical areas that could catalyze a future-oriented partnership. This development signifies a strategic pivot towards bolstering economic resilience and technological advancement amid evolving geopolitical dynamics.

Pakistan's 27th amendment signals military dominance, challenging EU's influence and GSP+ status. SHARE

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Pakistan's recent 27th constitutional amendment represents a significant shift towards military governance, undermining democratic principles and jeopardizing its Generalised Scheme of Preferences Plus (GSP+) status with the EU. This amendment consolidates military control over executive and judicial functions, contradicting the GSP+ conditions tied to human rights and good governance. Analysts argue that this development not only emboldens the military's internal control strategies, including military trials of civilians, but also highlights the EU's ineffective influence over Pakistan's governance. As Pakistan's exports to Europe surged from $2.9 billion in 2014 to $5.5 billion in 2024, the increase in military spending from $7.6 billion to $12.7 billion raises concerns regarding the prioritization of military over democratic values.

Modi and Netherlands PM Schoof discuss partnership at G20 Summit. SHARE

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During the G20 Summit, Prime Minister Narendra Modi met with Netherlands Prime Minister Dick Schoof to discuss enhancing the rapidly growing bilateral partnership, particularly in water resources, innovation, technology, and energy. Modi highlighted the Netherlands as a crucial fourth-largest investor in India, emphasizing mutual investment opportunities through their Strategic Partnership. Additionally, Modi engaged with various world leaders, including South African President Cyril Ramaphosa and UK Prime Minister Keir Starmer, focusing on strengthening trade, cultural ties,

and technological cooperation. These high-level interactions reflect India's proactive stance in fostering international partnerships and its commitment to promoting global progress and cooperation in an evolving geopolitical landscape.

India and Nepal to commence 19th Suryakiran military exercise in Uttarakhand.

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India and Nepal will commence the 19th edition of their annual bilateral military exercise, Suryakiran, from November 25 to December 8, 2025, in Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand. This joint exercise aims to strengthen operational synergy between the Indian and Nepali armies in jungle warfare and counter-terrorism operations within mountainous terrain. Emphasizing the integration of niche technology, the exercise enhances interoperability and facilitates the sharing of best practices. The event further solidifies defence cooperation, mutual trust, and camaraderie, reflecting the longstanding strategic partnership and mutual commitment to regional peace and security. The exercise is conducted alternately in India and Nepal each year; the 18th edition took place at Saljhandi, Nepal, from December 31, 2024, to January 13, 2025. The ongoing cooperation also contributes to humanitarian assistance and disaster relief preparedness, vital for the Indo-Nepal border region's stability and security. Key actors include the Indian Army and the Nepal Army. The exercise underscores India's strategic role in regional security strengthening with Nepal.

Military Operations

US Pilot Questions Dubai Air Show After IAF Tejas Tragedy

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A recent tragedy struck the Indian Air Force during the Dubai Air Show when Wing Commander Namansh Syal lost his life in a Tejas fighter jet crash. In a show of respect, US F-16 pilot Taylor Hiester and his team canceled their performance after the incident, expressing discomfort at the event's continuation despite the loss. Hiester's emotional reflection highlighted the contrasting atmosphere of the ongoing show, which resonated with pilots globally, emphasizing the importance of camaraderie over spectacle in aviation. This incident underscores the potential risks faced by military pilots and the need for solidarity and respect within the aviation community following such tragedies.

Israeli army chief takes disciplinary action after October 7 attack failures.

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Israel's military chief, Eyal Zamir, has dismissed several senior commanders and reprimanded others for their failures during the October 7 attack by Hamas, which resulted in approximately 1,200 Israeli deaths and significant hostage-taking. In a statement acknowledging a "severe, resounding, systemic failure," Zamir emphasized the need for accountability and lessons learned to guide the Israel Defense Forces (IDF) moving forward. The disciplinary actions come amid rising public pressure for a national inquiry into the events surrounding the attack, as protests erupt demanding accountability from Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's government. The conflict has escalated into a major military campaign in Gaza, leading to devastating casualties and destruction in the enclave.

IDPs in Manipur clash with security forces while attempting to return home.

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On November 23, 2025, hundreds of internally displaced persons (IDPs) in Manipur clashed with security forces while attempting to return to their native villages in Imphal East district. The displaced residents from Ekou, Dolaithabi, and Yengkhuman, severely affected by the 2023 ethnic violence, insisted on returning home as the ongoing Sangai Festival signaled a return to normalcy. Attempts to move towards their abandoned homes near Pukhao and Dolaithabi Dam were blocked by security personnel citing security concerns in these sensitive foothill border areas near Kuki-dominated Kangpokpi. The confrontation escalated with tear gas shelling by security forces to disperse the protesters after barricades were pushed through, leaving several IDPs and two police personnel injured. The protests underline the continued socio-political volatility and unresolved security challenges in Manipur amid ethnic fault lines and highlight the urgent need for durable rehabilitation and peace restoration measures by the government. Restrictions on IDP movements persist pending security assessments. The tensions have major implications for regional stability and India's internal security management. This incident marked a significant flashpoint during the Sangai Festival period in late November 2025.

Terrorism and Counterterrorism

Eyewitnesses identify Yasin Malik as main shooter in 1990 IAF killings. SHARE

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In a significant development in the 1990 killing of four Indian Air Force (IAF) personnel in Srinagar, two key eyewitnesses have identified Yasin Malik, chief of the banned Jammu and Kashmir Liberation Front (JKLF), as the main shooter responsible for the attack. During testimony in a Terrorist and Disruptive Activities (Prevention) Act (TADA) court, the eyewitnesses, both IAF personnel, also named three of Malik's associates—Showkat Ahmed, Saleem, and Javed Ahmed—as accomplices in the incident, which occurred on January 25, 1990. This case, which has seen families of the victims awaiting justice for over three decades, highlights the enduring impact of Pakistan-backed insurgency in the Kashmir Valley. Malik, currently serving a life sentence in Tihar Jail for a separate terror funding case, attended the hearing via video conferencing. The court has scheduled the next hearing for November 29, furthering the pursuit of justice for the victims' families and reinforcing India's commitment to addressing terrorism and its perpetrators.

Faisal Iqbal linked to Red Fort blast; Pakistan's ISI role scrutinized. SHARE

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The Delhi Red Fort blast investigation has confirmed that Faisal Iqbal, an operative linked to Pakistan's ISI, orchestrated a strategic terror module active since 2019, culminating in attacks like the November 10, 2025 blast. Intelligence agencies identified three primary handlers—Faisal Iqbal, Ukasha, and Hashim—operating from abroad, specifically Pakistan, Afghanistan, and the Tora Bora region, overseeing training, planning, and logistics. Locally, Mufti Irfan Ahmed Wagay from Jammu and Kashmir, affiliated with Jaish-e-Mohammad, played a key role in radicalizing and facilitating the module's operations within India. The module's operations, including setting up Telegram channels and securing large quantities of ammonium nitrate, displayed sophistication akin to the 2008 Mumbai attacks. The discovery of substantial explosives in Faridabad and evidence of coordination across borders underscore the ISI's institutional backing in escalating terrorism targeting India, highlighting severe geopolitical tensions between India and Pakistan. Investigations continue into cross-border digital safehouses and local recruitment networks.

Cybersecurity and Information Warfare

79% of travelers risk data theft using unsafe charging ports. SHARE

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The UAE Cyber Security Council has issued a warning regarding the cybersecurity risks posed by untrusted public charging ports, revealing that 79% of travelers unknowingly expose their personal data to potential theft through juice jacking attacks. These incidents can lead to significant data breaches, with 68% of companies experiencing attacks via these charging stations. To mitigate risks, the Council recommends carrying personal chargers, avoiding public ports, and employing protective measures such as two-factor authentication and biometric logins. This initiative is part of the UAE's broader campaign to enhance public awareness of cybersecurity practices and bolster a secure digital ecosystem amid rapid technological transformation.

Cyberattack campaign UNC2891 targets ATMs using advanced malware and tactics. SHARE

24-Nov-25

Cybersecurity experts from Group-IB have unveiled the sophisticated UNC2891 campaign, targeting ATMs through a blend of physical intrusion and advanced malware, including the CAKETAP rootkit. The group's tactics involve the use of Raspberry Pi devices to breach bank infrastructures in Indonesia and a recruitment strategy for proxies to facilitate cash withdrawals. This multi-faceted attack underscores a worrying trend where high-profile ATM incidents are declining, yet threats persist due to evolving methods that marry technical expertise with operational strategy. The persistence and resourcefulness of this criminal entity highlight the ongoing challenges in securing financial systems against such complex cyber threats.

ENISA's Root Status Elevation Strengthens EU Cybersecurity Strategy SHARE

24-Nov-25

The European Union Agency for Cybersecurity (ENISA) has been elevated to Root status in the global CVE Program, marking a significant enhancement of its role in cybersecurity oversight across Europe. This

designation allows ENISA to oversee and coordinate other CVE Numbering Authorities (CNAs), thereby streamlining vulnerability management and improving the EU's response to cybersecurity threats. The shift aligns with broader EU initiatives such as the Cyber Resilience Act and NIS2 Directive, aimed at harmonizing cybersecurity practices. However, challenges remain, including the need for operational capacity and effective cross-border collaboration, as Europe seeks to bolster its digital infrastructure security amidst increasing transnational cyber threats.

Mil Personnel & Veterans

Pak Defence Minister expresses condolences for IAF pilot's tragic death in TEJAS crash. SHARE

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Wing Commander Namansh Syal, a 37-year-old pilot of the HAL-developed TEJAS Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) MK-1, tragically lost his life during a low-level aerobatic display at the Dubai Air Show when his aircraft crashed. The Indian Air Force confirmed the incident and has launched a court of inquiry, while preliminary investigations suggest a loss of stability during a maneuver. In a rare gesture amid historically tense Indo-Pak relations, Pakistan's Defence Minister Khawaja Asif extended condolences, emphasizing shared respect for aviators and the courage displayed in their profession. This event highlights the potential for moments of empathy amidst geopolitical rivalries, underscoring the universal respect for sacrifice in military aviation.

Miscellaneous

Indian Army Restores Sight to Thousands at Jammu Border Mission SHARE

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The Indian Army, under the aegis of Operation Sadbhavna, recently conducted a transformative medical mission at the Jammu and Kashmir border, performing over 2,000 complex eye surgeries to restore sight for civilians affected by cross-border shelling. The initiative, led by Major General Sanjay Sharma and renowned ophthalmic surgeon Brigadier Sanjay Kumar Mishra, involved extensive outreach to remote areas, screening more than 1,500 individuals, including soldiers and local residents. The operation not only demonstrated the Army's commitment to humanitarian aid but also highlighted the resilience and bravery of the local population, fostering hope in a region often overshadowed by conflict. This humanitarian effort underscores India's dedication to providing care and support to its border communities amidst challenging circumstances.

Eli Zeira, criticized for intelligence failures during the 1973 Yom Kippur War, has died at 97. SHARE

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Eli Zeira, former chief of the Israel Defence Forces (IDF) Intelligence Directorate, has passed away at the age of 97. Zeira was a controversial figure during the 1973 Yom Kippur War, criticized for failing to predict the Egyptian and Syrian attack, which led to Israel being caught off guard. Following the war, the Agranat Commission deemed him negligent, prompting his resignation. Despite acknowledging his shortcomings, Zeira attributed some blame to Mossad for failing to provide adequate intelligence, raising questions about the effectiveness of Israeli intelligence agencies during critical periods. His legacy remains intertwined with significant military failures and the complexities of intelligence operations in wartime.

Sanjay Seth enhances India-Oman defense ties during New Delhi meeting. SHARE

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Sanjay Seth recently met with Oman's Defence Secretary General in New Delhi, enhancing bilateral defense cooperation between India and Oman. This engagement underscores India's strategic commitment to fostering strong ties with Gulf nations, particularly in defense and security sectors. The meeting is significant as it reflects India's proactive approach in consolidating partnerships to address regional security challenges and fostering stability in the Indian Ocean region. Such collaborations are essential for enhancing India's influence and operational capabilities, thereby contributing to broader geopolitical stability and mutual defense interests.

AUSINDEX exercise strengthens India-Australia defense ties for Indo-Pacific security. SHARE

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The latest updates on Exercise AUSINDEX highlight the growing defense cooperation between India and Australia, aimed at enhancing maritime security and operational interoperability in the Indo-Pacific region. This exercise involves extensive naval drills that focus

on anti-submarine warfare, air defense, and humanitarian assistance, showcasing both nations' commitment to maintaining regional stability amidst rising geopolitical tensions. Furthermore, the collaborative efforts underscore India's strategic pivot towards strengthening partnerships with key allies, reinforcing its role as a crucial player in ensuring security in the Indo-Pacific. As India continues to forge deeper military ties, the implications for regional security dynamics and defense preparedness are significant, marking a pivotal moment in its defense strategy.

Delhi airport incident highlights need for improved safety protocols and navigation systems. SHARE

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On November 23, 2025, at around noon, an Ariana Afghan Airlines Airbus A310 flight FG-311 from Kabul mistakenly landed on runway 29R at Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport instead of the cleared runway 29L. Runway 29L was designated exclusively for landings, while 29R was being used for departures, and an Air India flight to Riyadh had just taken off from 29R at the time. The pilot reported losing the Instrument Landing System (ILS) signal approximately 4 nautical miles from the runway due to a failure of the ILS system after the Final Approach Fix in poor visibility conditions, which caused the aircraft to deviate right and land visually on the wrong runway. The pilot also stated that air traffic control did not inform them of the deviation during the approach. The Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has launched an investigation into the incident, while initial findings indicate no error on the part of air traffic control in giving clearance. The incident highlights the critical need to maintain rigorous safety protocols and reliable navigation systems at busy airports to prevent collisions and near-misses.

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Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	RSI14	SMA20	SMA200
SWANDEF	1087.85	1087.85	1087.85	1087.85	5907	5.0	100.0	711.9	112.06
JYOTICNC	999.0	1055.9	994.95	1039.4	2935017	4.76	68.27	934.22	1019.09
SUNITATOOL	864.0	864.0	831.05	863.0	9375	2.55	59.44	810.23	780.15
BHARATFORG	1410.2	1430.1	1402.7	1412.2	3019271	0.14	65.21	1363.28	1200.02
DRONACHRYA	59.9	59.9	58.51	58.55	28000	-0.12	46.95	59.0	73.38
LT	4025.0	4038.0	4003.7	4013.3	1584741	-0.29	62.04	3974.98	3557.1
MACPOWER	939.65	973.0	930.0	936.7	18015	-0.31	61.46	865.37	888.12
NIBE	1094.5	1098.85	1066.0	1085.0	2961	-0.65	33.32	1171.79	1361.27
CFF	620.0	630.0	611.25	615.5	25200	-0.88	38.69	655.43	579.52
ADANIENT	2426.2	2432.3	2393.1	2399.2	691419	-0.95	42.21	2446.47	2417.77
LMW	15299.0	15473.0	14913.0	15105.0	6262	-1.16	42.07	15616.0	15620.98
HBLPOWER	899.5	909.0	876.0	885.2	2213927	-1.3	40.83	986.56	662.34
PARAS	722.9	725.55	701.0	708.9	555556	-1.73	48.28	713.35	666.4
COCHINSHIP	1697.3	1702.7	1656.7	1667.4	663284	-1.76	36.57	1747.32	1705.99
PTC	162.79	163.2	159.42	159.81	828901	-1.81	32.88	166.32	170.85
KRISHNADEF	796.0	810.0	776.0	778.1	36000	-1.98	44.31	793.75	779.12
MTARTECH	2607.0	2649.0	2530.0	2551.6	249910	-2.08	58.54	2508.08	1655.21
ZENTEC	1396.0	1409.9	1373.6	1382.8	315231	-2.11	46.75	1388.14	1550.44
URAVIDEF	207.0	207.0	188.34	194.01	4993	-2.14	25.32	219.71	405.2
RTNINDIA	43.89	44.42	42.6	42.94	1309792	-2.14	18.96	48.84	50.99
MAZDOCK	2725.0	2730.9	2681.6	2686.1	615558	-2.15	40.59	2747.4	2813.42
GOODLUCK	1145.3	1152.8	1105.8	1118.4	103948	-2.25	37.01	1193.69	984.35
ROSSELLIND	55.3	59.8	55.3	56.7	17155	-2.34	31.09	60.69	66.5
BDL	1498.0	1511.8	1472.1	1477.0	1306842	-2.36	43.02	1523.64	1533.52
WALCHANNAG	152.0	154.06	145.66	147.6	135510	-2.62	30.2	165.89	194.37
DYNAMATECH	9199.5	9219.0	8933.0	8968.0	26693	-2.73	55.65	8771.7	6988.08
SOLARINDS	13790.0	13790.0	13318.0	13367.0	148239	-2.84	39.89	13791.4	13508.94
DATAPATTNS	3018.4	3018.4	2925.0	2941.2	483756	-2.88	54.59	2854.62	2459.95
BEL	414.0	415.35	401.0	403.8	23696864	-3.01	40.99	417.99	361.13
TANEJAERO	320.0	326.2	306.1	314.7	14755	-3.03	32.78	342.5	364.82
AVANTEL	155.99	155.99	148.0	149.93	1384211	-3.22	31.17	164.7	145.44
HAL	4425.0	4502.5	4405.0	4445.1	3443005	-3.26	32.1	4704.64	4475.24
IDEAFORGE	477.0	477.0	456.1	463.1	188729	-3.4	43.68	477.72	470.97
SIKA	1025.05	1039.85	975.0	998.6	25209	-3.51	24.95	1103.88	980.06
HIGHENE	632.4	632.4	575.0	596.0	6003	-3.67	47.04	595.33	602.23
GRSE	2809.8	2810.0	2705.0	2711.9	1036557	-3.73	49.59	2703.29	2335.61
ASTRAMICRO	974.0	974.7	936.5	939.8	270654	-3.77	32.09	1025.8	936.78
CENTUM	2505.4	2505.4	2370.0	2380.1	11536	-3.78	40.4	2468.29	2161.56
AXISCADES	1467.2	1498.0	1393.9	1408.9	94741	-3.97	40.49	1492.73	1188.33
TEMBO	774.7	774.7	738.0	742.7	94912	-4.13	56.43	714.49	553.03
AZAD	1693.0	1694.7	1614.1	1622.0	258723	-4.19	46.05	1658.49	1563.64
BEML	1917.0	1917.0	1816.8	1823.7	357348	-4.21	25.56	2046.3	1890.46
APOLLO	272.0	272.5	258.15	259.7	2463187	-4.42	36.62	276.37	197.39
TECHERA	245.0	246.0	234.6	234.65	70400	-4.98	40.33	268.71	192.73
RELINFRA	167.0	168.0	157.02	157.02	1383222	-5.0	23.52	189.3	276.8
DCXINDIA	186.78	186.99	178.0	178.78	984186	-5.01	18.24	210.46	264.17
MARINE	240.15	241.8	223.35	227.95	451228	-5.08	45.69	239.9	198.29
MIDHANI	341.0	344.0	326.0	327.05	420833	-5.39	25.01	371.18	361.35
PREMEXPLN	558.0	558.0	520.0	525.0	434984	-5.49	33.37	594.26	501.41
LOKESHMACH	174.0	174.0	160.0	160.55	87584	-6.01	30.55	182.79	188.29