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Top Gainers

Stock	Close	Prev	Change		
AZAD	1754.3	1578.15	+11.16%		
BDL	994.15	935.4	+6.28%		
AVANTEL	155.25	146.75	+5.79%		
COCHINSHIP	1364.25	1299.3	+5.0%		
APOLLO	96.03	91.49	+4.96%		

Top Losers

Stock	Close	Prev	Change
ROSSELLIND	77.52	95.32	-18.67%
KRISHNADEF	639.55	704.25	-9.19%
SOLARINDS	9961.95	10036.95	-0.75%
LOKESHMACH	345.25	346.8	-0.45%
TEMBO	729.55	730.7	-0.16%

Defense Business and Industry

BEL Upgrades Bofors 40mm Gun with Drone Guard for Air Defense SHARE

25-Nov-24

Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) has successfully upgraded the Bofors 40mm L/70 Automatic Gun by integrating its Drone Guard System (DGS), enhancing its capabilities to counter aerial threats, particularly drones. This modernization allows the L/70 to detect, track, and neutralize both traditional aircraft and modern threats like swarm drones while aligning with India's Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative. The DGS utilizes advanced technologies such as RF detection and EO-IR sensors for precision targeting and effective neutralization through electronic jamming. innovative integration not only strengthens India's defense posture but also positions the country as a potential exporter of advanced air defense solutions demand for counter-drone amid rising global technologies.

Pakistan Unveils Shahpar-III Drone Amidst Skepticism on Claims Share

25-Nov-24

Pakistan has unveiled the Shahpar-III drone at Ideas 2024, claiming it can operate at altitudes of 35,000 feet, with a flight endurance of 24 to 30 hours and a payload capacity of 500 kilograms, including heavy weaponry. It features advanced avionics and sensor systems for precision strikes and reconnaissance, positioning Pakistan's capabilities alongside international drones like the MQ-9 Reaper. This development signals a significant enhancement in Pakistan's military

capabilities and could impact regional security dynamics, particularly in relation to India. However, the actual effectiveness of the Shahpar-III remains to be critically assessed, as its claimed capabilities may exceed practical performance.

GRSE Aims for ₹25,000 Crore Order Book, Boosting Defense Growth Share

25-Nov-24

Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE) is projected to conclude the fiscal year with a substantial order book of 25,000 crore, predominantly linked to the Indian Navy and Coast Guard, with 85-90% sourced domestically. The company aims to secure additional contracts worth 1,500-2,000 crore in the near term, particularly for the Indian Navy's Corvette project. GRSE targets a revenue of 10,000 crore by FY30, reflecting a robust growth trajectory, including a remarkable 34% year-on-year increase recently. The impressive market capitalization exceeding 20,000 crore signals strong defense investor confidence in India's highlighting the strategic focus on enhancing indigenous defense capabilities and boosting national security.

Is Algeria Set to Acquire Russia's Su-57 Stealth Fighter? SHARE

25-Nov-24

Algeria is reportedly on the verge of acquiring Russia's Su-57E stealth fighter, driven by military upgrades in response to Morocco's recent F-16C/D purchases. This acquisition could enhance Algeria's air superiority and assert its dominance in North Africa, marking a significant milestone for Russia's defense exports. Unlike India, which diversifies its procurement with Western technology, Algeria remains committed to Russian military hardware, reflecting its strategic

ambitions in the region. While Algeria's economic stability supports such purchases, Iran's sanctions limit its military capabilities, highlighting the geopolitical dynamics at play in North Africa. The deal could escalate regional tensions as neighboring countries may feel pressured to bolster their military capabilities.

Boeing to Deliver India's First Apache Helicopters by Dec 2024 S SHARE

25-Nov-24

The Indian Army is set to receive its first three AH-64E Apache attack helicopters from Boeing in December 2024, following delays due to global supply chain issues. These helicopters will enhance the Army's aerial combat capabilities, particularly in desert regions along the western borders, providing close air support, precision strikes, and reconnaissance. The acquisition, part of a 2020 contract, strengthens joint operational capabilities with the Indian Air Force, which already operates 22 Apaches. This development highlights the critical need for localizing defense production under initiatives like "Make in India," as Boeing collaborates with Tata Boeing Aerospace Limited for Apache fuselage production, promoting self-reliance in India's defense sector.

ADE Seeks Skilled UAV Pilots for Design Validation Trials SHARE

25-Nov-24

The Aeronautical Development Establishment (ADE), part of DRDO, is actively seeking experienced UAV pilots for design validation flight trials of various unmanned aerial vehicles under development. Candidates must possess a minimum of 1000 flying hours and at least five years of UAV operation experience, along with relevant academic qualifications and instructor certification. This initiative underscores India's commitment to enhancing its defense capabilities through advanced UAV technology, addressing both current and future operational needs. By recruiting skilled personnel, ADE aims to ensure successful trials and innovations in UAV design, crucial for maintaining a strategic edge in the evolving defense landscape.

DRDO Boosts Indian Startups to Create Swarm Drone Radar Systems Share

25-Nov-24

The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) is encouraging Indian startups to develop swarm drones that can function as a static early warning radar system to monitor aerial threats. This innovative project leverages drone technology and AI to

create a resilient, dynamic radar array, enhancing defense against saturation attacks and stealth platforms. The system's reconfigurable nature makes it challenging for adversaries to neutralize, ensuring continuous surveillance. DRDO will support startups with funding and technical mentorship, aiming to revolutionize early warning systems while also opening applications in disaster management and border surveillance, thereby significantly strengthening India's defense capabilities.

HAL's CATS Warrior to Debut at Aero India 2025, Showcasing Innovation S SHARE

25-Nov-24

Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) is set to showcase the CATS Warrior, an advanced loyal wingman program, at Aero India 2025 in Bengaluru. The CATS Warrior features a new turbojet engine, Al-based software for autonomy, and capabilities to engage targets with advanced armaments, reflecting significant design advancements influenced by the Indian Air Force. With plans for its first flight in late 2025, the platform underscores India's commitment developing modern unmanned combat air vehicles (UCAVs) to meet contemporary combat challenges. This initiative highlights India's growing capabilities in indigenous defense technology, enhancing its strategic position in high-threat environments.

Boeing Optimistic About F-15EX for IAF's MRFA Amid Concerns S SHARE

25-Nov-24

Boeing is optimistic about its F-15EX fighter jet as a contender for India's Multi-Role Fighter Aircraft (MRFA) tender, despite the Indian Air Force (IAF) showing hesitance toward heavy fighters due to operational costs. The F-15EX, featuring advanced avionics and hypersonic missile capability, is positioned as a versatile platform to support India's future 5th-generation aircraft while offering substantial payload capacity. However, the IAF's evolving doctrine favors medium-weight platforms for flexibility and efficiency, raising questions about the suitability of the F-15EX in alignment with India's strategic priorities. The outcome will depend on whether Boeing can address operational cost concerns amidst evolving IAF needs.

Indigenous Dalia Actuators to Enhance LCA Tejas Fighter Jet S SHARE

25-Nov-24

Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) is set to integrate locally developed actuators, codenamed Dalia, into the

Limited Series Production (LSP) version of the LCA-Tejas fighter jet, marking a significant step towards indigenization. The integration testing at HAL's facility in Bengaluru aims to validate the performance of these indigenous actuators, which are critical for the flight control system. Notably, the Dalia actuators perform better and are significantly cheaper—costing only a quarter of the imported Moog actuators—highlighting the initiative's potential for enhancing self-reliance in India's aerospace sector. Despite initial delays, this advancement underscores India's commitment to bolstering its defense capabilities through domestic manufacturing.

Astrogate Labs Innovates Laser Communication for Defense and

Space Share

25-Nov-24

Bengaluru-based Astrogate Labs is innovating Free Space Laser Communication (FSLC) systems under DRDO's Dare to Dream 4.0 initiative, aiming to enhance data transmission for military and space applications. By utilizing laser technology, the startup promises faster and cost-effective communication compared to traditional radio signals, which are slow and can cause significant delays in interplanetary messaging. Their advancements could revolutionize not only military communications but also planetary exploration and satellite operations, enabling near real-time data relay. This initiative emphasizes India's growing capabilities in defense technology and space exploration, strengthening its strategic global position geopolitics.

IAF Evaluates A400M vs. C-2 as IL-76 Successor Options Share

25-Nov-24

The Indian Air Force (IAF) is exploring replacements for its aging Ilyushin Il-76 transport aircraft, with the Airbus A400M and Kawasaki C-2 as key contenders. The A400M offers versatility and can operate from unpaved runways, but its slower speed and higher cost may limit its effectiveness. Meanwhile, the Kawasaki C-2 presents advantages in speed, range, and affordability, making it better suited for India's strategic airlift needs across diverse terrains. Given India's extensive geography and operational requirements, the C-2 stands out as a more balanced choice for enhancing the IAF's logistics and rapid response capabilities.

ADA Seeks Raw Materials for AMCA ECS Valves Production Share

25-Nov-24

On November 4, 2024, the Aeronautical Development Agency (ADA) issued a tender for raw materials to manufacture Environmental Control System (ECS) valves for the Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA), focusing on high-performance alloys like Nimonic and Inconel. These materials are crucial for the aircraft's optimal performance, ensuring survivability, and structural integrity in demanding conditions. This procurement highlights commitment to indigenization and enhancing local production capabilities in defense manufacturing, aligning with the government's strategy for self-reliance. By sourcing advanced materials domestically, the ADA is bolstering India's defense readiness and supporting the growth of its aerospace sector.

Ciphor Unveils STAMBA Surveillance Tower and 6U Satellite Bus Share

25-Nov-24

Bengaluru-based startup Ciphor has made strides in defense innovation. launching the **STAMBA** autonomous surveillance tower and a 6U satellite bus, backed by five contracts from the Ministry of Defence's IDEX program. The STAMBA tower enhances real-time monitoring with advanced sensors for detecting human activities and drones, while the 6U satellite bus supports secure communication and scientific missions in low Earth orbit. These developments highlight Ciphor's commitment to bolstering India's defense capabilities and align with the Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative, emphasizing self-reliance indigenous technology. This positions Ciphor as a key player in advancing India's strategic defense landscape, enhancing national security and infrastructure modernization.

India Eyes Guided Pinaka Rocket Sale to Modernize Vietnam's Artillery SHARE

25-Nov-24

India is in early discussions with Vietnam to supply Guided Pinaka Rockets, aimed at modernizing Vietnam's artillery by replacing outdated Soviet-era MLRS systems. The Guided Pinaka, developed by DRDO, is gaining international interest due to its advanced precision strike capability, recently validated through successful flight trials. This initiative not only supports Vietnam's defense upgrade but also aligns with India's strategy to expand its defense exports, as seen with Armenia's orders for the system. The engagement with

Vietnam reflects India's growing role in the global defense market, particularly in providing cutting-edge military technology that enhances operational effectiveness.

Defense Policy and Budgeting

Trump's Policies Could Boost India's Defense Sector Collaboration Share

25-Nov-24

The Trump administration is poised to expedite major arms deals with India, potentially resolving longstanding delays in defense contracts, particularly the Indian Air Force's acquisition of 114 Multi-Role Fighter Aircraft (MRFA), with American contenders like the F-21 and F/A-18 in the running. A recent \$3 billion contract for 31 MQ-9B Sea Guardian drones highlights India's dedication to enhancing its drone capabilities, with U.S. firms supporting local assembly, indicating a deepening industrial collaboration. This partnership is expected to strengthen in the face of mutual concerns regarding China's growing influence in Asia, with Trump likely adopting a more pragmatic stance on India's strategic autonomy, thus allowing it to maintain its defense relationships with Russia while building ties with the U.S. Furthermore, Trump's "America First" policy could stimulate local production and assembly of military equipment in India, aligning with its ambition to become a defense manufacturing hub. However, while these developments present opportunities for growth in defense cooperation, Trump's trade policies could introduce challenges for India, particularly if tariffs on Indian exports are enacted, potentially straining the defense and broader economic nexus. Overall, the evolving U.S.-India defense relationship under Trump appears to hold promise for enhanced military collaboration and technological advancement, despite the potential risks posed by trade tensions.

Parliamentary Panel Urges Quick Purchase of Fifth-Gen Fighter Jets SHARE

25-Nov-24

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Defence is likely to recommend the over-the-counter purchase of fifth-generation fighter jets to address the Indian Air Force's (IAF) urgent needs amid delays in the Multi-Role Fighter Aircraft (MRFA) project. The IAF requires prompt enhancements to its dwindling squadron strength, as the indigenous Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA) is not expected to be operational until 2035. While immediate acquisitions, like the American F-35,

could temporarily bolster capabilities, they may undermine long-term domestic production efforts essential for self-reliance. Balancing short-term solutions with the development of indigenous capabilities remains crucial for India's defense strategy.

Geopolitics and Security Alliances

Trump's Return to Boost India-China Relations Amid Geopolitical Shifts Share

25-Nov-24

The return of Trump to the U.S. presidency is expected to bolster defense ties with India, enhancing military cooperation and potentially facilitating accelerated arms deals amid rising Chinese assertiveness. While Trump's "America First" policy may lead to trade tensions, particularly with India's significant trade surplus, there is optimism for renewed Free Trade Agreement negotiations and reciprocal agreements that align with U.S. interests. Notably, Trump's administration is likely to encourage India to diversify its military procurement away from Russia, reinforcing strategic alignment. Diplomatic overtures from China suggest an attempt to normalize relations with India as a countermeasure to U.S. influence, highlighting the complex geopolitical landscape in which India must navigate its partnerships amid evolving dynamics with both superpowers.

India and Italy Strengthen Defense Ties for GCAP Jet Project SHARE

25-Nov-24

India and Italy are deepening their defense cooperation, focusing on a roadmap for collaboration through a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) aimed at joint ventures and technology transfers. This initiative includes enhancing interactions between their armed forces and securing mutual classified information exchanges. Notably, Italy is interested in incorporating India into the Global Combat Air Program (GCAP), a sixth-generation jet project, leveraging India's growing aerospace capabilities to advance military technology. This partnership is significant for India's self-reliance in defense production and offers Italy strategic access to a major defense market, amplifying both countries' influence in the Indo-Pacific region amidst a dynamic global defense landscape.

Ukraine Urgently Boosts Air Defenses Against Russian Drone Threats Share

25-Nov-24

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy emphasized the urgent need for stronger air defenses following a significant Russian drone attack, with his forces intercepting 50 out of 73 drones. He highlighted the continuous threat posed by Russia, which has recently deployed over 800 guided bombs and 460 attack drones. Amidst these developments, Ukraine is exploring new air defense systems in response to the Kremlin's medium-range Oreshnik missile, which was recently fired as a warning against Western support for Ukraine. This situation underscores the escalating military tensions and the necessity for enhanced defense capabilities in the face of evolving threats.

Iran Gears Up for Retaliation Against Israel Amid Rising Tensions S SHARE

25-Nov-24

Iran is reportedly preparing to retaliate against Israel following a series of Israeli airstrikes on Iranian military targets, amidst escalating tensions marked by missile exchanges. Iranian officials suggest plans to enhance missile capabilities and potentially alter their nuclear strategy, while Israeli intelligence indicates Iran may launch an attack from Iraqi territory using drones and ballistic missiles through pro-Tehran militias. The U.S. has bolstered Israel's defenses with THAAD systems, underscoring the gravity of the situation and the likelihood of further conflict. This dynamic highlights the broader regional instability driven by Iran's aggressive posturing and Israel's defensive measures, reflecting a critical phase in Middle Eastern geopolitics.

North Korea Expands Missile Plant Amid Rising Regional Tensions S SHARE

25-Nov-24

Recent satellite imagery indicates that North Korea is expanding its missile production facility, which reportedly manufactures missiles similar to those used by Russia in Ukraine. This development raises alarms about a potential increase in weapons production amid ongoing denials of arms transfers between North Korea and Russia, both of which have committed to enhancing their military cooperation. The situation underscores the evolving military dynamics in the region, highlighting the need for India to remain vigilant and strengthen its own defense capabilities in the face of these growing threats. Enhanced military ties between adversaries could destabilize regional security, necessitating a robust strategic response from India.

U.S. Confirms Israel and Lebanon Near Deal to End Hezbollah Conflict Share

25-Nov-24

Israel and Lebanon have reportedly reached an agreement to end the ongoing Israel-Hezbollah conflict, as confirmed by a senior U.S. official, with Israel's government indicating a move towards a ceasefire despite some unresolved issues. This development signals potential stabilization in a region that has been fraught with tension and violence, which could have broader implications for regional security dynamics. For India, a peaceful resolution in this area is crucial, as it could positively affect geopolitical relations and reduce the risk of adverse spillovers affecting its own security interests, particularly in light of its strategic partnerships in the Middle East.

Military Operations

Ukraine Investigates Debris from Russia's New Oreshnik Missile Share

25-Nov-24

Ukrainian investigators are analyzing debris from Russia's newly launched Oreshnik intermediate-range ballistic missile, which marked its first use in the conflict against Ukraine, striking Dnipro. This missile, claimed by Russia to be nearly impossible to intercept, reportedly reached speeds exceeding 13,000 kmph. Ukrainian President Zelenskyy described its use as a significant escalation and called for allied support, while U.S. military analysts noted the missile's design is based on the longer-range RS-26 Rubezh ICBM. Russia asserts it will continue testing this new missile in combat, although details on the damage inflicted remain unclear.

Russian Forces Intercept Ukrainian Drones and Missiles in Kursk Share

25-Nov-24

Russian forces successfully intercepted two Ukrainian missiles and 27 drones over the Kursk region, where recent Ukrainian incursions have led to a territorial seizure. The Ukrainian military claims to have destroyed a Russian S-400 missile system during these operations, which have resulted in Russia deploying 59,000 troops to regain lost ground. Despite the Ukrainian advances aiming to disrupt Russian supply lines and leverage future peace talks, Russian forces continue to make progress in eastern Ukraine. Additionally, North Korean troops remain in training to

support Russia, highlighting the growing geopolitical complexities in the region.

Chhattisgarh CM Lauds Forces for Neutralizing 210 Naxalites in 11 Months S SHARE

25-Nov-24

Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Vishnu Deo Sai praised the state's security forces for eliminating over 210 Naxalites in 11 months, highlighting significant progress in the fight against Naxalism. He emphasized the government's commitment to a zero-tolerance policy and ensuring peace and development in the Bastar region. After a recent operation in Sukma, where 10 Naxals were killed, CM Sai expressed confidence that Chhattisgarh could be Naxal-free by March 2026. He recently met with Union Home Minister Amit Shah to discuss strategies for eradicating Naxalism, reflecting a coordinated effort between state and central authorities to enhance security and stability in the region.

Kharga Corps Showcases Combat Readiness in 'Kharga Shakti' Exercise Share

25-Nov-24

The Indian Army's Kharga Corps recently conducted a two-day exercise named 'Kharga Shakti' in Rajasthan, demonstrating its robust combat readiness. The troops showcased integrated capabilities through coordinated maneuvers and live firing drills, effectively employing advanced technologies such as swarm drones and loitering munitions. Lieutenant General Rajesh Pushkar praised the soldiers for their operational excellence and preparedness, highlighting the Army's commitment to integrating modern technology in defense strategies. This exercise underscores India's proactive approach to enhancing military capabilities in a rapidly evolving geopolitical landscape, reinforcing its position as a formidable force ready to address emerging security challenges.

Terrorism and Counterterrorism

Security Forces Uncover Major Terrorist Hideout in Handwara Share

25-Nov-24

Security forces in Jammu and Kashmir dismantled a terrorist hideout in Handwara on November 24, 2024, recovering 10 grenades and a significant cache of ammunition and explosives. This operation, involving

the Indian Army, local police, and the CRPF, was based on specific intelligence and has disrupted terrorist activities, preventing potential threats to local security. The successful intervention highlights the ongoing commitment of Indian security agencies to combat terrorism in the region, especially given the persistent threats from militant groups. Such operations are crucial in maintaining peace and stability in Jammu and Kashmir, demonstrating the effectiveness of coordinated efforts against insurgency.

Hezbollah Launches 170 Rockets at Tel Aviv Amid Escalating Conflict Share

25-Nov-24

Hezbollah launched a heavy rocket barrage at Tel Aviv, firing 170 rockets, some of which were intercepted, causing minor injuries and damage to buildings. This retaliation followed Israeli airstrikes that killed at least 29 people in Beirut, marking a significant escalation in hostilities since the onset of conflict triggered by the October 7 Hamas attack. Israel's military response has targeted Hezbollah installations embedded in civilian areas, raising concerns over civilian casualties, which have now reached 3,754 since the conflict began in October 2023. The ongoing cycle of violence reflects the complexities of regional geopolitics, where Iranbacked Hezbollah continues to challenge Israeli military operations, necessitating a careful balance in Israel's defense strategy to protect its citizens while addressing threats.

Miscellaneous

Jaishankar Unveils New Indian Embassy in Italy, Celebrates Ties SHARE

25-Nov-24

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar inaugurated the new Indian Embassy Chancery in Rome, emphasizing the deep-rooted historical and cultural ties between India and Italy. He highlighted Italy's role as a crucial European partner and a significant player in the Mediterranean, commending the proactive approach of Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni's government in enhancing bilateral cooperation across various sectors, particularly in defence, trade, and clean energy. The visit follows a strategic action plan established between Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Meloni, which outlines ten pillars for advancing bilateral engagement from 2025 to 2029, including economic cooperation, energy transition, space, and security. Jaishankar also underscored the potential of the India-Middle East-

Europe Connectivity Corridor (IMECC) as a transformative initiative for trade and infrastructure, advocating for increased Italian investment in India's growing market. He expressed appreciation for the significant Indian diaspora in Italy, which plays a vital role in strengthening these bilateral relations, while affirming the Indian government's commitment to their welfare and highlighting India's active participation in international organizations based in Rome, thus reinforcing India's strategic presence in Italy and its collaborative efforts on global issues.

Coast Guard's Major Drug Bust: 6,000 kg of Meth Seized in Andaman Share

25-Nov-24

The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) has made a significant drug seizure in Andaman waters, intercepting a vessel with six Myanmarese crew members and confiscating 6,000 kg of Methamphetamine, packed in 3,000 packets. This operation, initiated after a Dornier aircraft spotted suspicious activity near Barren Island, underscores the ICG's vigilant patrolling capabilities. The drugs are believed to be destined for India and neighboring countries. This incident highlights ongoing challenges with narcotics trafficking in the region, but the Coast Guard's proactive measures reinforce India's commitment to safeguarding its maritime boundaries and combating drug-related threats effectively.

Police Crack Down on Landlords Sheltering Rohingyas in Jammu S SHARE

25-Nov-24

Jammu and Kashmir Police have registered five cases landlords for providing against undocumented Rohingya refugees, citing potential security threats. This action reflects a commitment to public safety, with mandatory police verification of tenants implemented to curb illegal activities. The District Commissioner has emphasized the importance of due diligence among property owners. The police's proactive approach aims to address growing concerns over anti-social elements potentially exploiting rented properties, reinforcing the state's commitment to safeguarding community interests and maintaining law and order.

25-Nov-24

Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau labeled his own officials as "criminals" following a report suggesting India's Prime Minister Modi was aware of a plot to assassinate Hardeep Singh Nijjar, a designated terrorist by India. Trudeau's comments came amidst a national inquiry into foreign interference, with Canada's National Security Adviser affirming there is no evidence linking Modi or Indian officials to such actions. India's Ministry of External Affairs dismissed the allegations as "ludicrous," framing them as a smear campaign against India. This controversy highlights ongoing tensions in Canada-India relations and underscores the need for accurate intelligence assessments rather than speculative leaks.

Putin Set to Visit India in Early December for Key Summit S SHARE

25-Nov-24

Russian President Vladimir Putin is expected to visit India in the first week of December, marking a significant diplomatic engagement under framework of the India-Russia annual summit, which alternates between the two nations. This visit comes after nearly three years since Putin's last trip in December 2021. Prime Minister Narendra Modi had previously invited him during their discussions in Moscow earlier this year, indicating a strong commitment to maintaining robust ties. Such high-level visits reinforce India's strategic partnership with Russia, crucial for defense collaboration and geopolitical stability amidst evolving global dynamics.

Indian Navy Strengthens Global Leadership Through Humanitarian

Aid SHARE

25-Nov-24

The Indian Navy has significantly enhanced its global leadership role through humanitarian assistance and disaster relief (HADR) operations, particularly since the 2004 tsunami, with notable missions like Operation Sukoon and Samudra Setu. These efforts not only demonstrate the Navy's logistical capabilities but also strengthen India's diplomatic relations and regional security, as seen in responses to natural disasters in Bangladesh and Myanmar. Despite challenges in scaling operations due to a lack of specialized medical ships, the Navy's proactive humanitarian stance underlines India's commitment to being a responsible maritime power. Looking forward, as climate change intensifies natural disasters, the Navy is expected to expand its HADR capabilities to further solidify India's regional influence.

Gaganyaan's Unmanned Mission Set for March 2025 Launch with Global Tracking Share

25-Nov-24

ISRO's Gaganyaan unmanned mission is set to launch tentatively on March 1, 2025, with two ships deployed in the Pacific and North Atlantic Oceans for real-time tracking and telemetry support. Each ship will host a team of eight ISRO scientists responsible for monitoring equipment, ensuring stable positioning, and facilitating data transmission to ISRO's control center. This mission is crucial for testing technologies in preparation for a manned flight planned for 2026. The commitment to detailed monitoring and post-mission analysis underscores India's strategic advancements in space exploration, reinforcing its position in the global space race while showcasing its robust scientific capabilities.

Manipur postpones school reopening in Imphal Valley amid unrest. S SHARE

25-Nov-24

The Manipur Government has decided to cancel the reopening of schools and colleges in the Imphal Valley and Jiribam district due to ongoing violence, with institutions remaining closed on November 25 and 26. This decision follows a week of prohibitory orders affecting districts like Imphal West and Thoubal. While the government has relaxed prohibitory measures to allow essential purchases from 5 am to 12 pm, the situation remains tense. This reflects the authorities' commitment to ensuring the safety and security of students amid unrest, prioritizing public safety over educational operations in a challenging environment.

Mehbooba Mufti urges J-K govt to address Army's treatment of civilians. S SHARE

25-Nov-24

Mehbooba Mufti, president of the Peoples Democratic Party, has called on the Jammu and Kashmir government to take action against Army personnel accused of mistreating civilians during an anti-terror operation in Kishtwar district, where five civilians reportedly sustained severe injuries. The Army has initiated an investigation into these allegations, emphasizing accountability and the need to maintain civilian trust. Mufti's appeal highlights the importance of safeguarding human rights and the need for transparency to prevent further alienation of the local population. The Army's commitment to investigate reflects its awareness of the delicate balance required

in counterinsurgency operations while upholding human rights.

SC grants Centre 4 weeks to address defaced currency issue in J-K Share

25-Nov-24

The Supreme Court has granted the Indian government an additional four weeks to respond to a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) regarding the exchange of defaced currency notes worth Rs 30 crore, allegedly linked to a Kashmiri separatist group called Kashmir Graffitti. The petitioner claims that the Reserve Bank of India's Jammu branch's actions were illegal, as they contributed to destabilizing peace in Jammu and Kashmir by facilitating the circulation of stamped currency promoting separatism. This case underscores concerns about financial mechanisms potentially being exploited to undermine law and order in the region, highlighting the need for vigilance in upholding regulatory standards against such activities.

IIFCL seeks infrastructure status for space sector financing Share

25-Nov-24

State-owned IIFCL has urged the government to classify the space sector as part of the harmonized list of infrastructure, facilitating easier financing for satellite vehicle manufacturing in India. IIFCL, through its subsidiary IPL, has supported ISRO in transferring satellites and is keen to enhance private sector engagement following liberalized FDI policies. This move aims to bolster employment and technology absorption, promoting self-reliance in the space domain. Additionally, IIFCL reported significant profit growth, underscoring its strong financial performance and potential for further investment in the burgeoning space sector, which is vital for India's strategic and economic ambitions.

Pakistan Brokers Seven-Day Ceasefire Amid Sectarian Violence Share

25-Nov-24

The Pakistani government has successfully brokered a seven-day ceasefire between warring sectarian factions in the Kurram district, following violent clashes that resulted in at least 68 fatalities. The violence arose from attacks on civilian convoys, predominantly affecting Shiite Muslims, leading to retaliatory assaults against Sunni residents. Both sects have agreed to exchange prisoners and bodies, with hopes that the ceasefire will be extended and smaller skirmishes quelled. The situation underscores ongoing sectarian

tensions in Pakistan, revealing challenges in governance and security that could have implications for regional stability, especially given the proximity to Afghanistan.

Centre tells SC Rajoana's mercy plea raises sensitive issues S SHARE

25-Nov-24

The Centre informed the Supreme Court that the mercy petition of Balwant Singh Rajoana, convicted for the 1995 assassination of Punjab Chief Minister Beant Singh, involves sensitive matters requiring consultation with agencies. Rajoana's plea seeks to commute his death sentence due to delays in the mercy petition decision, noting he has served over 28 years in prison. Solicitor General Tushar Mehta emphasized the need for careful review, as the issue is currently with the home ministry. The Supreme Court will hear the plea in four weeks, highlighting the importance of timely decisions on mercy petitions while balancing sensitivity concerning national security and public sentiment.

CoHNA and CIJA Unite Against Antisemitism and Hinduphobia in

Academia 🚫 SHARE

25-Nov-24

The Coalition of Hindus of North America (CoHNA) and the Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs (CIJA) convened in Toronto to address the rising antisemitism and Hinduphobia in academic settings. Speakers highlighted the necessity of Jewish-Hindu cooperation to combat extremism and misinformation, particularly in an era dominated by social media. Joel Finkelstein emphasized that such partnerships are vital for mutual protection, while Prasiddha Sudhakar called for alliances across communities to address shared challenges and counteract extremism. The discussions underscored the urgency of defending vulnerable groups against the escalating threats posed by hatred and misinformation, advocating for active engagement and collaboration.

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Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	RSI14	SMA20	SMA200
AZAD	1605.0	1804.0	1582.75	1754.3	1226288	11.16	68.51	1563.57	1473.69
BDL	961.0	1014.85	961.0	994.15	1032458	6.28	43.41	1024.44	1171.9
AVANTEL	151.55	157.0	149.54	155.25	1428049	5.79	42.5	161.36	_
COCHINSHIP	1357.95	1364.25	1334.6	1364.25	582192	5.0	41.83	1407.61	1628.49
APOLLO	94.4	97.9	93.11	96.03	2799503	4.96	46.47	98.12	108.11
TANEJAERO	413.9	440.0	406.15	424.15	51529	4.94	48.54	412.53	490.81
GRSE	1434.85	1450.0	1415.0	1443.05	463461	4.93	41.61	1496.78	1480.43
MAZDOCK	4150.0	4194.0	4105.5	4175.6	1375174	4.59	52.48	4073.11	3532.35
HAL	4280.0	4319.1	4231.25	4289.95	2249045	4.34	51.65	4220.78	4273.89
LT	3660.0	3761.0	3654.0	3753.0	4753829	4.15	64.16	3549.45	3577.46
PARAS	1015.2	1025.7	996.2	1016.9	280515	4.09	50.54	998.31	994.77
BEL	290.0	299.0	287.95	292.35	49366681	4.09	55.7	285.83	265.74
BEML	3895.0	4058.7	3875.0	3940.65	317133	3.29	52.44	3931.7	3833.25
ZENTEC	1815.0	1844.75	1794.65	1812.6	410013	2.79	52.33	1800.04	1321.2
PTC	170.0	173.45	166.21	168.02	2135349	2.27	39.61	175.8	205.22
CFF	618.0	623.0	605.0	614.0	13200	2.22	50.7	611.39	596.02
PREMEXPLN	427.0	430.85	419.0	422.4	79977	2.12	38.77	444.91	499.49
MARINE	230.5	236.32	227.1	229.76	542399	2.08	53.33	221.01	173.26
ASTRAMICRO	752.55	773.25	752.55	763.25	224167	1.94	46.39	767.27	782.86
MTARTECH	1758.7	1782.0	1744.05	1775.35	132442	1.79	62.45	1636.7	1817.39
NIBE	1730.0	1750.0	1670.0	1693.0	21886	1.55	45.99	1736.89	1688.81
ADANIENT	2315.0	2333.65	2238.0	2257.5	7466733	1.32	24.04	2784.58	3085.54
DATAPATTNS	2313.05	2353.9	2300.0	2312.15	117506	1.28	49.24	2294.2	2682.17
DCXINDIA	322.95	329.85	322.0	324.5	296743	1.25	49.87	327.98	333.64
IDEAFORGE	577.6	587.4	572.0	573.55	90655	1.0	40.0	584.87	708.48
HIGHENE	620.0	620.0	600.9	605.9	4694	0.94	45.52	615.3	709.6
MIDHANI	318.5	323.9	313.05	314.15	433702	0.88	37.35	325.22	416.85
SIKA	2489.0	2525.0	2340.0	2460.0	1507	0.57	44.62	2494.77	2380.95
HBLPOWER	569.7	575.6	560.95	562.0	754153	0.26	50.15	550.68	548.43
BHARATFORG	1328.0	1350.0	1314.55	1319.55	1609259	0.26	36.22	1379.4	1433.26
TEMBO	0.0	729.55	729.55	729.55	13677	-0.16	87.63	556.19	311.98
LOKESHMACH	356.0	356.0	342.85	345.25	70804	-0.45	45.53	356.06	390.1
SOLARINDS	10105.7	10407.7	9901.0	9961.95	144161	-0.75	42.64	10117.82	9668.29
KRISHNADEF	0.0	639.55	639.55	639.55	7500	-9.19	40.98	680.97	591.01
ROSSELLIND	0.0	77.52	77.52	77.52	10407	-18.67	24.21	91.14	426.69