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Top Gainers

Stock	Close	Prev	Change	
TEMBO	818.55	779.6	+5.0%	
PTC	148.02	143.42	+3.21%	
MAZDOCK	2364.88	2314.75	+2.17%	
NIBE	1700.75	1666.9	+2.03%	
DCXINDIA	339.65	334.8	+1.45%	

Top Losers

Stock	Close	Prev	Change
SIKA	2494.55	2619.75	-4.78%
MARINE	276.4	289.1	-4.39%
ZENTEC	2464.5	2564.95	-3.92%
TANEJAERO	426.2	437.5	-2.58%
HBLPOWER	632.0	648.4	-2.53%

Defense Business and Industry

China's Sixth-Gen Fighter Jet Flight Raises Global Air Power Concerns S SHARE

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Recent social media claims and images suggest that China's sixth-generation fighter jet has conducted its inaugural flight, marking a significant potential advancement in military aviation technology and raising concerns about the shifting global balance of power. These images, which depict a blended wing-body design optimized for stealth and high-speed performance, align with expert predictions for sixthgeneration fighters. The development traces back to 2019 when officials at Chengdu Aerospace Corporation revealed plans emphasizing advanced technologies such as artificial intelligence and enhanced stealth capabilities, with an operational goal set for 2035. While these reports remain unverified, they could undermine the technological edge currently held by the United States and affect air superiority dynamics in critical regions like the Indo-Pacific. Competitors, including the U.S. and European nations, are expected to closely monitor China's progress and may accelerate their own advanced aviation programs in response. For India, which is also focused on developing state-of-the-art combat aircraft, this development highlights the need accelerated advancements and potential international partnerships to maintain a strategic balance against emerging capabilities from China, underscoring the importance of fostering indigenous innovation in defense technologies. The discourse surrounding this event reflects the broader challenges India faces in ensuring its air power remains robust in an increasingly competitive and technologically advanced regional environment.

Navantia Offers Complete Tech Transfer for Advanced AIP Submarine System to India S SHARE

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In a significant development for India's submarine capabilities, Spanish shipyard Navantia has proposed a complete Transfer of Technology (ToT) for its advanced Air-Independent Propulsion (AIP) system, the Bio-Ethanol Stealth Technology (BEST), which is poised to enhance operational capabilities in strategic submarine programs like Project-75 (I) and future Project-76 initiatives. The BEST system allows submarines to recharge batteries while submerged, effectively eliminating the need for snorkelling, thus enhancing stealth and reducing vulnerability to detection. This innovative technology employs a bioethanol reforming process to generate hydrogen on demand, negating the risks associated with storing compressed gas onboard, which significantly boosts crew safety and strategic autonomy. Navantia touts the BEST system as a thirdgeneration AIP solution that surpasses the Fuel-Cellbased AIP systems developed by India's DRDO, claiming superior stealth, endurance, and operational simplicity. The extensive sensorization of the system also promises to reduce manpower needs while enhancing safety and efficiency. Navantia's offer not only aims to support Project-75 (I) but also extends to future submarine projects, aligning with India's Aatmanirbhar Bharat initiative by empowering local shipyards and research organizations to manufacture and develop this technology domestically. This cutting-edge collaboration could therefore play a crucial role in enhancing India's self-reliance in defense technologies and strengthen its strategic underwater capabilities, positioning India as a formidable maritime power in the region.

India's defence exports hit a record Rs 21,083 crore, growing 32.5% in FY2023-24. Share

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India's defence exports have reached a record Rs 21,083 crore (USD 2.63 billion) in FY2023-24, marking a 32.5% increase from the previous year, reflecting a 31fold growth over the last decade. The Defence Ministry attributes this success to the combined efforts of private sector players and Defence Public Sector Undertakings (DPSUs), which contributed 60% and 40%, respectively. Furthermore. indigenous production soared to Rs 1,26,887 crore, a 16.7% rise, indicating strong implementation of government policies aimed at boosting Aatmanirbharta and reducing imports. As Defence Minister Rajnath Singh aims for exports worth Rs 50,000 crore by 2029, the outlook for India's defence industry remains robust and promising.

Indian Army to Replace BEML-TATRA 1212 with Indigenous Vehicles Share

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The Indian Army plans to transition from the BEML-TATRA 1212 High Mobility Special Military Vehicle (HMSMV) to indigenous alternatives by late 2026, emphasizing India's commitment to enhancing its defense manufacturing capabilities and reducing foreign dependence. The BEML-TATRA 1212, known for its robustness and high payload capacity, has been pivotal for logistics in difficult terrains. The new vehicles must match or exceed its specifications, ensuring operational efficiency in diverse combat scenarios. This strategic move illustrates a significant step towards self-reliance in defense, fostering domestic innovation and industry growth while ensuring the military's logistical needs are effectively met.

Nilgiri-Class Frigates to Feature Advanced SRGM Against Modern Threats SHARE

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The P17A Nilgiri-class frigates represent a significant advancement for the Indian Navy, incorporating the 76/62 mm Super Rapid Gun Mount (SRGM) integrated with the Strales fire control system and Dart programmable guided ammunition. This state-of-the-art system enhances the frigates' capability to counter modern threats like swarm UAVs and subsonic cruise missiles, highlighting India's commitment to

indigenization through the Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative. The SRGM's precision and versatility in multi-threat scenarios underscore its importance in safeguarding India's maritime interests and regional stability, showcasing the Indian Navy's proactive approach in modern naval warfare.

IAF Boosts Airborne Missile Defense with Advanced Protection Systems Share

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The Indian Air Force (IAF) is enhancing the defense of its critical airborne platforms, such as AWACS and inflight refuelling tankers, by integrating advanced Airborne Missile Protection Systems (AMPS) to counter evolving missile threats. These systems will employ technologies like Directional Infrared Countermeasures (DIRCM), which disrupt incoming missiles' guidance systems, thereby complementing existing defenses. The IAF aims to collaborate with the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) for indigenous development, ensuring these force multipliers can operate securely in hostile environments. This proactive strategy underscores India's commitment maintaining operational superiority and enhancing mission flexibility amid growing aerial threats.

Airbus and Germany Propose Eurofighter Typhoon for India's MRFA SHARE

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Airbus, in collaboration with Germany, is positioning the advanced Eurofighter Typhoon Tranche 5 for India's upcoming Multi-Role Fighter Aircraft (MRFA) tender, aiming to procure 110 new jets by mid-2025. The Tranche 5 features cutting-edge upgrades and aligns with India's Make in India initiative, potentially partnering with Hindustan Aeronautics Limited. Airbus contends that, given the recent price hikes of the Dassault Rafale, the Typhoon could emerge as the most cost-effective option among strong competitors like Boeing's F-15EX and Sukhoi's Su-35. This tender represents a crucial opportunity for enhancing India's air power and strategic defense capabilities amidst evolving regional security dynamics.

HFCL launches advanced defense manufacturing unit in Hosur 👩 SHARE

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HFCL has inaugurated a state-of-the-art defense manufacturing unit in Hosur, Tamil Nadu, aimed at producing critical defense technologies such as thermal weapon sights, electronic fuzes, high-capacity radio relay systems, and surveillance radars. The facility

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is designed to manufacture up to 5,000 thermal weapon sights and 250,000 electronic fuzes annually, enhancing the capabilities of the Indian armed forces. This initiative underscores HFCL's commitment to innovation and national security, facilitating the delivery of world-class technologies that empower defense personnel in critical missions. The development is a significant step towards bolstering indigenous defense production, aligning with India's broader strategy of self-reliance in defense manufacturing.

Indian Army Embraces Hydrogen-Powered Trucks for Enhanced Logistics SHARE

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The Indian Army is transitioning from battery-operated Heavy Motor Vehicle trucks to hydrogen-powered technology, collaborating with major automotive companies like Ashok Leyland and Tata Group. This shift is driven by the challenges of inadequate charging infrastructure for electric vehicles and the high operational costs associated with them in remote areas. Hydrogen trucks, with their flex-fuel capabilities, promise greater operational flexibility and lower longterm costs. This initiative not only enhances the Army's logistics in diverse terrains but also aligns with India's to sustainable energy solutions, commitment positioning it as a leader in green military technology.

IAF to Retire S-125 Pechora by 2030, Welcomes Akash NG and MRSAM Share

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The Indian Air Force (IAF) plans to retire its aging S-125 Pechora air defense systems by 2030, transitioning to the more advanced Akash NG and MRSAM systems as part of modernization efforts. Despite upgrades in 2016 to prolong the Pechora's service life, it is now deemed outdated against modern threats. The phased retirement will facilitate the induction of systems better equipped to handle contemporary challenges such as stealth aircraft and drones. This transition underscores India's commitment to enhance its air defense capabilities, ensuring operational readiness while integrating superior technologies into its defense framework.

Brazil Considers BrahMos-NG Missile for Gripen-E Fighters SHARE

26-Dec-24

Brazil is keen on acquiring the BrahMos-NG supersonic cruise missile, a joint venture of India and Russia, to equip its Gripen-E fighter jets. Notably, the BrahMos-NG boasts a Mach 3 speed and a compact design, making

it compatible with various platforms and enhancing its appeal to modern air forces. With a strike range of 290 kilometers, it offers a tactical advantage over traditional subsonic missiles, particularly highlighted by the ongoing conflict in Ukraine. This missile's development, supported by the Indian Air Force, reflects India's growing defense capabilities and potential for international defense partnerships, bolstered by BrahMos Aerospace's expansion in production capacity.

Russia Blocks HAL's Push for More Indigenous AL-31FP Engine Parts Share

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India's Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) faces challenges in boosting indigenous production of AL-31FP engines for the Su-30MKI due to Russian restrictions linked to technology transfer agreements. Currently, HAL can only source raw materials from Russia, limiting its ability to localize components. Although HAL plans to enhance indigenization from 54% to 63%, Russia's insistence on protecting its intellectual property rights means that any unauthorized modifications could jeopardize warranties and increase maintenance complexities for the Indian Air Force. Despite these hurdles, HAL remains committed to foreign dependence, underscoring the reducing strategic importance of self-reliance in defense capabilities.

IAF's Boost in 4.5+ Gen Fighters Risks Long-Term Tech Gap S SHARE

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The Indian Air Force (IAF) plans to expand its fleet with 4.5+ generation fighter jets, including 83 Tejas Mk1A and 97 MkII units, along with 110 medium-weight jets under the MMRCA 2.0 tender. While this addresses immediate operational needs, analysts warn it may hinder long-term technological parity as global rivals advance towards 5th and 6th generation aircraft. The strategy, though necessary for maintaining combat readiness, may risk leaving India at a disadvantage if regional powers enhance their stealth capabilities before the indigenous AMCA project matures. Continued investment in R&D for next-gen technologies is essential for India to remain competitive in aerial warfare.

Defense Policy and Budgeting

Taiwan's Defense Ministry Alarmed by Potential Budget Cuts Share

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Taiwan's Defence Ministry has raised alarms over a potential T\$80 billion (USD \$2.45 billion) cut in its defense budget, following the opposition's legislative move to shift funds to local municipalities. This cut could reduce defense spending to below 2% of GDP, undermining Taiwan's military buildup amid escalating threats from China, which views Taiwan as its territory. The ministry warns that such reductions will delay or cancel critical equipment upgrades, sending a negative signal to international allies regarding Taiwan's willingness to defend itself, potentially impacting future support. The ruling Democratic Progressive Party's proposed budget increase of 7.7% aims to enhance deterrence but faces significant opposition challenges.

Geopolitics and Security Alliances

India and China Effectively Implement Agreement to Resolve Ladakh Standoff SHARE

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China's Defence Ministry has confirmed that both Indian and Chinese militaries are effectively implementing the October 21 agreement to resolve the eastern Ladakh standoff, emphasizing steady progress in restoring relations frozen since April 2020. Senior Colonel Zhang Xiaogang noted that high-level discussions between Indian NSA Ajit Doval and Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi have facilitated ongoing communication, reflecting an important consensus between Prime Minister Modi and President Xi Jinping. This cooperation serves the fundamental interests of both nations, enhancing military-to-military relations and contributing to lasting peace in border areas, showcasing India's diplomatic engagement and commitment to regional stability.

India and China Reach Consensus on LAC Stability and Security S SHARE

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The Indian defense ministry reported a stable yet sensitive situation along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) following recent disengagement agreements with

China, emphasizing principles of "equal and mutual security." The ministry highlighted operational readiness along all frontiers while asserting the importance of infrastructure development in border areas, with a plan to construct approximately 27,000 km of roads by 2028. Additionally, the Indian Navy has been actively ensuring maritime security amid rising threats in the Western Arabian Sea, successfully escorting over 230 merchant vessels. Notably, defense exports reached a record high of ₹21,083 crore, reflecting robust growth in India's defense industry.

India Deploys 5,200 Troops in UN Missions, Strengthening Global

Ties SHARE

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The Indian Ministry of Defence has reported that approximately 5,200 military personnel are actively engaged in ten United Nations missions across 118 countries, highlighting India's growing global diplomatic influence. Emphasizing the 'Aatmanirbharta' and 'Make in India' initiatives, the Indian Army is deploying advanced indigenous equipment and personnel, including female engagement teams and yoga instructors, to support local populations in conflict zones. The establishment of additional Defence Wings and the increase of joint military exercises signal India's commitment to enhancing military cooperation and humanitarian assistance, reflecting its strategic emphasis on global peacekeeping and disaster relief efforts while fostering international military partnerships.

Azerbaijan mourns plane crash victims amid Russian shootdown speculation. S SHARE

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Azerbaijan observed a day of mourning for 38 victims of a plane crash that occurred while attempting to land in Aktau, Kazakhstan. Speculation surrounds the cause, with theories suggesting a possible Russian air defense system shootdown amidst ongoing tensions. particularly following recent Ukrainian drone attacks in the region. While Russian authorities attribute the crash to a bird strike and a subsequent emergency landing, some observers highlight the presence of unusual damage on the aircraft, leading to further inquiries. Azerbaijani and Kazakh officials urge caution against premature conclusions, emphasizing the importance of thorough investigation before any allegations are made, reflecting a measured approach amid rising geopolitical tensions.

Russia Launches Major Assault on Ukraine's Energy Infrastructure S SHARE

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Russia has launched a significant attack on Ukraine's energy infrastructure, utilizing cruise missiles and drones, resulting in casualties and extensive damage, particularly in Kharkiv and Dnipropetrovsk. This assault aims to disrupt civilian access to heating and electricity during winter, as confirmed by both Ukrainian military and governmental sources. U.S. President Biden condemned the strikes, pledging continued military aid to Ukraine amid concerns about future support under an incoming Trump administration. Additionally, Moldova reported incursions into its airspace during the attacks, reflecting the broader regional implications of Russia's actions. This ongoing conflict highlights the strategic importance of energy security and regional stability in Eastern Europe.

Military Operations

Chhattisgarh: Security Forces Deal Major Blow to Naxals Share

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In 2024, security forces in Chhattisgarh successfully killed 219 Naxalites as part of a determined effort to eradicate Left-Wing Extremism (LWE) by March 2026, as announced by Union Home Minister Amit Shah. The year began with a tragedy when three CRPF personnel were killed in a Naxal ambush, yet the forces quickly regrouped, conducting significant operations in Abujhmad and establishing a camp in Sukma, the birthplace of a notorious Naxalite leader. Key victories included the elimination of 31 Naxalites in an encounter on October 4 and 29 in April, contributing to a broader tally of 837 arrests and 802 Naxalites laying down their arms throughout the year. While the state government under Vishnu Deo Sai employed technology to enhance surveillance and response capabilities Naxalism, it also faced challenges such as allegations of fake encounters and criticisms regarding law and order maintenance. The BJP solidified its political dominance in the state by winning 10 out of 11 Lok Sabha seats, despite opposition claims of misuse of investigative agencies against former Congress officials tied to corruption scandals. The state witnessed significant unrest, marked by protests and violence, highlighting ongoing societal tensions. Nevertheless, initiatives like the Krishak Unnati Yojana and Mahtari Vandan Yojna were launched to support farmers and women, demonstrating the government's commitment to socio-economic development amid security challenges. Overall, while substantial gains against Naxalism were achieved, the government must navigate political and social complexities to ensure sustained peace and development in Chhattisgarh.

Fresh clashes in Imphal East prompt deployment of extra forces S SHARE

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A gunfight erupted in Imphal East, Manipur, as armed groups clashed, with armed village volunteers retaliating against assaults from hilltops in Kangpokpi district. Additional security forces have been deployed in response to the violence, which has led to over 250 fatalities and mass displacements amid ongoing ethnic strife between Meiteis and Kuki-Zo groups since May last year. The situation underscores the urgent need for enhanced stability in the region, as security forces work to restore order and protect civilians. India's commitment to addressing such internal conflicts is crucial for maintaining national sovereignty and social cohesion, especially in ethnically diverse areas like Manipur.

BSF Neutralizes Intruder Attempting to Breach India-Pakistan Border Share

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A suspected intruder was killed by Border Security Force (BSF) personnel while attempting to breach the India-Pakistan border in Rajasthan's Sriganganagar district. The incident occurred when the intruder ignored warnings from BSF soldiers and continued toward the border. Pakistani currency notes, a cigarette packet, and other items were recovered from the scene, indicating potential cross-border smuggling activities. This incident underscores the ongoing vigilance of Indian security forces in safeguarding the nation's borders and reflects the continuous challenges posed by unlawful intrusions, which necessitate robust defense strategies and coordination between armed forces and local law enforcement.

Shah Commends CRPF's Role in Combating Naxalism and Restoring

Peace SHARE

26-Dec-24

Union Home Minister Amit Shah praised the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) for its significant contributions in combating Naxalism and restoring peace in Jammu and Kashmir and the Northeast during his recent visit to their headquarters. He reviewed the

force's operations and highlighted welfare initiatives for the families of martyred personnel. Shah also emphasized the adoption of Hindi for linguistic unity and encouraged soldiers to leverage Ayurveda for health benefits. This visit underscores the government's acknowledgment of the CRPF's dedication to national security and its vital role in nation-building, reflecting a strategic focus on internal stability and community welfare in India.

Mumbai Harbor Tragedy Sparks Urgent Call to Relocate Naval Ops S SHARE

26-Dec-24

A tragic accident in Mumbai Harbor resulted in the loss of fourteen lives when an Indian Navy speedboat collided with a civilian ferry, prompting discussions on relocating naval operations to less congested areas like Karwar. The incident highlights the increasing risks associated with conducting naval exercises amid heavy maritime traffic in Mumbai, where urban growth has outpaced naval infrastructure. Analysts advocate for this strategic shift to improve safety, minimize environmental impact, and enhance operational readiness in the Indian Ocean Region. This tragic event could accelerate the ongoing transition, as public sentiment and expert opinions increasingly question the viability of current naval practices in busy waterways.

Pakistani Airstrikes Claim 46 Lives in Eastern Afghanistan Share

26-Dec-24

Pakistani airstrikes in eastern Afghanistan reportedly killed 46 civilians, primarily women and children, prompting Afghanistan to summon Pakistan's diplomat and protest the actions as a violation of international principles. While Pakistan claims the strikes targeted a training facility for the Pakistani Taliban (TTP), the Taliban government warns of retaliation, underscoring rising tensions between the two nations. The incident highlights the complex security dynamics in the region, with Pakistan accusing Afghanistan of harboring TTP militants responsible for attacks within its territory. This ongoing conflict illustrates the fragile relationship between Afghanistan and Pakistan, exacerbated by cross-border terrorism and military actions.

Terrorism and Counterterrorism

Assam Police STF Nabs Two More Ansarullah Bangla Team

Members SHARE

26-Dec-24

The Assam Police's Special Task Force (STF) arrested two additional members of the Ansarullah Bangla Team (ABT), linked to Al-Qaeda in the Indian Subcontinent (AQIS), following the earlier arrest of eight individuals. The operation, named Praghat, involved simultaneous searches across Kerala, West Bengal, and Assam, yielding crucial evidence, including pen drives and documents. Notably, a Bangladeshi national, Md. Sad Radi, was apprehended while attempting to establish sleeper cells in India to promote extremist ideologies. The STF's proactive measures reflect India's commitment to counter-terrorism and national security, reinforcing its vigilance against emerging threats from radical elements.

Security agencies hunt for local accomplices of KZF terrorists post-Pilibhit encounter.

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Security agencies have intensified their efforts to trace local accomplices of Khalistan Zindabad Force (KZF) terrorists following the killing of three members in Pilibhit, Uttar Pradesh. The terrorists, linked to a grenade attack in Gurdaspur, were engaged in a gunfight with police, marking a significant victory against Pakistan-backed terror networks, according to Punjab's Director General of Police. In addition, a threatening video surfaced regarding disruptions during the Maha Kumbh in Prayagraj, leading to increased vigilance. The ongoing investigations underscore the commitment of Indian security forces to counter terrorism and ensure public safety, demonstrating their proactive stance against such threats.

Akhada Parishad Denounces Khalistani Threats to Maha Kumbh S SHARE

26-Dec-24

The Akhada Parishad has condemned Khalistani terrorist Gurpatwant Singh Pannun for threatening to disrupt the Maha Kumbh, a crucial cultural and spiritual event, following the death of three Khalistani militants. Mahant Ravindra Puri emphasized the unity between

Sikhs and Hindus during the Magh Mela and dismissed Pannun's threats as an attempt to instigate division. He highlighted the shared heritage of both communities, stating that Pannun's inflammatory rhetoric aims to undermine their traditions. The Akhada's strong stance reflects a broader commitment to safeguarding social harmony and the integrity of Sanatan Dharma against extremist ideologies.

Delhi Faces Surge in Bomb Threats and Gang Violence in 2024 S SHARE

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In 2024, Delhi faced a troubling surge in bomb threats, mysterious explosions, and a rise in extortion calls targeting local businesses, leading to increased gang violence. The Delhi police struggled with over 100 bomb threats, all declared hoaxes, while investigating two explosions and a notable uptick in targeted killings tied to gang rivalries. Despite challenges, law enforcement identified 11 active gangs, resulting in several arrests, including those involved in high-profile murders. This situation highlights the escalating security concerns in the capital, necessitating stronger law enforcement measures and community engagement to restore safety and order, ultimately bolstering the police's role in combating organized crime effectively.

Mil Personnel & Veterans

Indian Army Chief mourns the loss of 5 soldiers in Poonch accident Share

26-Dec-24

Indian Army Chief Gen Upendra Dwivedi and fellow personnel expressed deep sorrow over the tragic death of five soldiers in a road accident in Poonch, Jammu and Kashmir, while on operational duty near the Line of Control. The soldiers were identified as Subedar Dayanand Tirakannavar, Lance Havildar Anoop, Naik Ghadge Shubham Samadhan, Sepoy Nikure Digamber, and Sep Mahesh Marigond. Local leaders, including Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah and Chief Congress Mallikariun Kharge. extended condolences and assured support for the bereaved families. This incident underscores the risks faced by military personnel while serving in challenging terrains, highlighting the Indian Army's commitment to safeguarding the nation.

Miscellaneous

India Investigates Chinese LNG Tank Imports for Dumping Claims Share

26-Dec-24

India has launched an investigation into the alleged dumping of liquefied natural gas (LNG) fuel tanks from China, prompted by a complaint from domestic manufacturer Inox India Ltd, which claims that these imports are undermining profit margins within the local industry. The Directorate General of Trade Remedies (DGTR) is assessing whether the influx of these inexpensive tanks, critical for transporting methane in large vehicles, constitutes material injury to domestic producers. Should the investigation confirm such claims, the DGTR will recommend anti-dumping duties, with the final decision resting with the finance ministry. This action aligns with India's broader strategy to ensure fair trading practices and protect domestic industries from the adverse effects of cheap imports, particularly from China, as evidenced by previous antidumping measures imposed on various products. Notably, LNG tank imports from China reached \$93.6 million in the current fiscal year, compared to \$42.7 million in the first half of the fiscal year and \$84.7 million in the previous year, highlighting the growing concern among Indian manufacturers regarding the impact of these imports on market stability and competitiveness. The investigation signifies India's commitment to fostering a level playing field for its domestic industries and reflects a proactive approach to countering potential economic threats posed by unfair foreign competition.

Maharashtra ATS nabs 17 Bangladeshi nationals for illegal stay SHARE

26-Dec-24

The Maharashtra Anti-Terrorism Squad (ATS) has arrested 17 Bangladeshi nationals across four cities, including Mumbai, for illegal entry and unauthorized stay in India. This operation was conducted in collaboration with local police and involved the arrest of 14 males and 3 females. Ten cases have been registered against these individuals under the Foreigners Act and related laws. This crackdown underscores India's commitment to enhancing national security and effectively managing illegal immigration, which poses potential risks. The proactive action by ATS reflects the urgency in addressing cross-border

illegal activities and safeguarding the integrity of the nation's borders.

India's Jaduguda uranium discovery boosts resources for 50 years Share

26-Dec-24

India's discovery of significant uranium deposits around Jaduguda Mines is set to extend the mine's life by over 50 years, adding 15,598 tonnes of uranium oxide resources across Andhra Pradesh, Jharkhand, and Rajasthan. The Department of Atomic Energy noted the commercial operation of two indigenous 700 MWe PHWR reactors at Kakrapar and milestones achieved in the Prototype Fast Breeder Reactor. Additionally, a joint venture named ASHVINI was established to develop nuclear power facilities, while advancements in cancer care and radiopharmaceuticals were highlighted, showcasing India's commitment to indigenization and healthcare improvements through nuclear technology. This progress underscores India's strategic focus on enhancing its energy security and healthcare capabilities.

Drishti-10 Starliner: India's Eye in the Arabian Sea Share

26-Dec-24

The Drishti-10 Starliner has become operational at the Naval Air Enclave in Porbandar, Gujarat, marking India's first indigenously developed MALE UAV. This development aligns with the Aatmanirbhar Bharat initiative and enhances India's defense capabilities in the strategically vital Arabian Sea. Modeled after the Israeli Hermes 900, the Drishti-10 incorporates local modifications to meet India's unique maritime needs. Its deployment strengthens India's ability to monitor vital sea lanes, deter hostile activities, and safeguard Exclusive Economic Zones, thus supporting national security and maritime interests while promoting self-reliance in advanced defense technology.

BJP Accuses Congress of Displaying Distorted Map of India S SHARE

26-Dec-24

The BJP has accused the Congress of displaying a distorted map of India at a welcome event in Belagavi, suggesting it undermines India's sovereignty by depicting Kashmir as part of Pakistan. BJP spokesperson Sudhanshu Trivedi questioned whether the Congress is influenced by anti-India forces, including US billionaire George Soros, noting this is not the first instance of such alleged distortions. He asserted that the Modi government remains vigilant against such threats and expressed confidence in the Indian populace's awareness of these issues. This incident highlights ongoing political tensions regarding national integrity and the representation of India's territorial claims.

Indian Coast Guard Rescues Nine Crew from Sunken Vessel in Arabian

Sea 🕲 SHARE

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On December 26, 2024, the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) successfully rescued nine Indian crew members from the MSV Taj Dhare Haram, which sank in the Arabian Sea, approximately 311 km west of Porbandar, Gujarat. This operation, conducted under difficult weather conditions, highlighted the effective collaboration between India's Maritime Rescue Coordination Centres (MRCCs) and their counterparts in Pakistan. The crew was located aboard a life raft after the vessel encountered severe flooding, and they were promptly brought aboard ICGS Shoor, receiving medical assistance. This incident underscores the ICG's commitment to safeguarding maritime safety and enhancing regional cooperation in search and rescue operations.

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Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	RSI14	SMA20	SMA200
TEMBO	809.1	818.55	790.0	818.55	40245	5.0	63.42	757.76	378.19
PTC	143.7	148.6	142.25	148.02	2043937	3.21	30.49	165.87	200.88
MAZDOCK	2325.0	2425.0	2311.0	2364.88	6195066	2.17	51.38	2417.91	1913.08
NIAZDOCK	1664.2	1728.0	1664.2	1700.75	22257	2.03	43.43	1774.17	1737.91
DCXINDIA	340.2	349.6	336.3	339.65	890496	1.45	56.66	329.97	333.4
ADANIENT	2378.05	2410.0	2368.0	2400.25	895785	1.17	40.76	2459.02	2997.61
BEL	293.0	296.0	292.5	295.2	9172485	0.94	43.84	307.4	278.36
SOLARINDS	10091.0	10248.0	10065.8	10215.15	37665	0.94	46.83	10505.15	10071.12
HAL	4233.0	4245.0	4195.0	4229.2	637396	0.30	37.12	4493.61	4434.5
ROSSELLIND	78.68	78.68	76.0	76.82	15141	0.08	30.71	82.9	365.15
DATAPATTNS	2499.0	2529.5	2465.25	2483.45	112469	-0.16	48.44	2563.83	2722.24
COCHINSHIP	1479.8	1479.95	1450.0	1465.8	175014	-0.18	38.83	1600.42	1708.56
LT	3658.0	3665.15	3610.35	3629.5	1124705	-0.28	40.71	3780.17	3617.28
GRSE	1569.8	1588.0	1548.1	1557.1	303857	-0.39	40.71	1695.84	1575.19
IDEAFORGE	580.0	586.3	576.0	577.3	45937	-0.47	38.51	606.87	691.8
APOLLO	96.0	96.55	93.95	94.35	760355	-0.75	41.6	97.94	104.91
BHARATFORG	1328.0	1331.85	1308.1	1314.25	962802	-0.8	43.19	1339.92	1451.2
MIDHANI	343.0	344.95	337.0	339.2	153298	-0.82	38.78	365.44	408.96
BEML	4055.0	4086.1	4001.7	4011.3	90900	-0.89	39.16	4286.94	3951.37
LOKESHMACH	331.0	336.1	326.0	327.15	31279	-0.98	36.23	355.76	390.17
HIGHENE	621.0	637.5	616.05	619.2	2989	-1.01	41.4	650.28	716.34
KRISHNADEF	779.5	780.0	756.5	760.5	24000	-1.19	60.45	711.65	646.07
PARAS	1004.95	1010.95	985.0	990.65	79205	-1.28	36.86	1077.28	1031.49
LMW	17147.9	17265.2	16830.0	16937.3	1959	-1.48	51.71	17000.07	16138.41
AVANTEL	159.38	161.7	156.15	156.74	250424	-1.66	42.88	163.94	-
AZAD	1717.0	1732.3	1672.4	1679.25	49596	-1.91	47.44	1742.79	1541.6
ASTRAMICRO	784.0	786.75	764.95	768.25	117066	-1.96	42.78	805.88	800.7
CFF	695.6	695.8	676.25	682.05	19400	-1.96	49.91	702.67	618.45
MTARTECH	1675.0	1676.75	1640.0	1643.45	56941	-1.99	44.75	1707.55	1792.3
BDL	1215.0	1223.5	1181.5	1188.85	277683	-2.12	51.05	1216.44	1207.02
PREMEXPLN	556.0	556.95	530.0	534.2	179740	-2.15	56.28	504.62	522.01
HBLPOWER	648.85	657.95	629.2	632.0	889480	-2.53	48.28	656.65	561.06
TANEJAERO	438.1	446.9	422.0	426.2	13546	-2.58	40.43	456.46	491.12
ZENTEC	2562.0	2562.0	2440.05	2464.5	643354	-3.92	72.1	2160.58	1463.48
MARINE	291.55	293.2	274.15	276.4	752014	-4.39	49.3	288.61	192.57
SIKA	2619.8	2635.0	2279.2	2494.55	3017	-4.78	40.72	2627.99	2497.1