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CENTUM	2500.4	2376.8	+5.2%
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DYNAMATECH	7147.0	7299.0	-2.08%
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## Defense Business and Industry

### India's S-400 Delivery Schedule Confirmed Amid Geopolitical Challenges

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Russia has confirmed the delivery schedule for the remaining two S-400 Triumf air defense systems to India, with the fourth battery expected in 2026 and the fifth in 2027, following delays due to the ongoing Russia-Ukraine conflict. These discussions took place between Indian Defense Minister Rajnath Singh and Russian Defense Minister Andrey Belousov on June 26, during the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Defence Ministers meeting. Despite the setbacks, India has successfully inducted three S-400 squadrons since December 2021, enhancing its air defense capabilities against threats from both China and Pakistan, particularly highlighted during Operation Sindoor in May 2025. The S-400, a crucial component of India's integrated air defense network, is designed to counter various aerial threats and is integrated with the Indian Air Force's command and control system. The ongoing partnership between India and Russia remains strong, as both nations discussed broader defense cooperation, including upgrades to India's Su-30MKI fighter jets and the development of indigenous systems like Project Kusha, which aims to enhance India's strategic autonomy in air defense. Overall, the reaffirmation of the S-400 delivery timeline, amidst geopolitical challenges, underscores the resilience of the Indo-Russian defense relationship, critical for India's national security amidst evolving regional threats.

### DAC to Discuss Minesweepers for Navy, QR-SAM for Army on July 1

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The Defence Acquisition Council (DAC), chaired by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, is set to meet on July 1 to deliberate on crucial defense acquisitions, notably the indigenous construction of 12 advanced minesweepers for the Indian Navy and the procurement of Quick Reaction Surface-to-Air Missile (QR-SAM) systems for the Army. The minesweepers, valued at around Rs 43,000 crore, will significantly enhance India's maritime security capabilities, addressing threats from Chinese and Pakistani submarines and effectively filling a critical operational gap after the retirement of older vessels. These vessels will incorporate advanced technologies such as sonar and unmanned underwater vehicles, enabling the Indian Navy to secure its extensive coastline and vital shipping routes. Concurrently, the DAC will assess a proposal worth Rs 30,000 crore for three regiments of the QR-SAM, designed to bolster the Army's air defense capabilities against aerial threats. Both initiatives align with India's strategic objectives of self-reliance and modernization in defense infrastructure amid evolving regional security challenges. The decisions taken during this upcoming meeting will not only advance India's operational readiness but also reaffirm its commitment to enhancing indigenous defense production capabilities.

### UK F-35 jet in Kerala to be moved for repairs amid defense ties

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A British F-35B fighter jet has been stranded at Thiruvananthapuram International Airport in Kerala since June 14 due to a hydraulic failure following an

emergency landing caused by low fuel and adverse weather. Despite attempts by Royal Navy technicians to repair the aircraft, it remains inoperable and is set to be moved to a local maintenance facility for further repairs with the support of UK engineering teams. The situation has drawn significant attention, particularly regarding the estimated parking fees of approximately INR 26,261 per day, which may eventually be covered by the Indian government given the jet's defense significance. This incident underscores the strong defense cooperation between India and the UK, with the Indian Air Force providing logistical and refueling support to the British crew. Additionally, the decision not to transfer the jet to a hangar offered by Air India highlights concerns over protecting sensitive technology, showcasing the complexities involved in military aircraft maintenance abroad. The overall situation not only reflects on the capabilities of the F-35B but also demonstrates India's strategic role in facilitating international defense operations, further strengthening bilateral ties.

## Former Defence Secretary's Fund Invests \$2M in Robotics Firm SHARE

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Coratia Technologies, a robotics startup specializing in underwater solutions, has raised \$2 million in a Pre-Series A funding round led by MGF Kavachh, a venture fund established by former Defence Secretary Ajay Kumar. The investment reflects India's growing emphasis on self-reliance in defense technology, crucially enhancing maritime security and operational readiness. As tensions rise globally, including the ongoing Israel-Ukraine conflict, the Indian government is ramping up defense procurement, expecting contracts worth nearly INR 2 trillion in FY26. This supports the broader strategy to boost indigenous defense capabilities and exports, highlighting India's commitment to fostering innovation in the defense sector.

## Pratt & Whitney XA-103: Engine for U.S. 6th-Gen NGAD Jets SHARE

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The Pratt & Whitney XA-103 engine, designed for the U.S. Air Force's sixth-generation NGAD jets, features a three-stream adaptive cycle architecture that enhances fuel efficiency and thrust, making it one of the most powerful fighter engines developed. Innovations include the use of heat-resistant ceramic matrix composites and fully digital design processes, which expedite development and reduce costs. The XA-103 is tailored for sustained supersonic cruise and advanced thermal

management, aiming to ensure U.S. air superiority. This development underscores the significant technological advancements in military aviation, highlighting the ongoing competitive edge that nations like India must consider as they enhance their own defense capabilities.

## CEL's Crucial Role in BrahMos, Akash, and Defense Systems SHARE

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Under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's guidance, India is enhancing its defense manufacturing capabilities, exemplified by the establishment of two industrial corridors in Uttar Pradesh and Tamil Nadu. The Lucknow node has commenced production of the BrahMos missile, capable of manufacturing 80 to 100 units annually, showcasing India's strides toward self-reliance. CEL is pivotal in supplying advanced components for BrahMos and Akash missiles, which have successfully demonstrated their effectiveness during Operation Sindoor against Pakistan, bolstering India's defense stature globally. The inauguration of CEL's Green Data Centre further signifies the company's evolution and commitment to integrating advanced technology in defense and civilian sectors, reinforcing India's position as a leader in defense manufacturing.

## HAL Collaborates with L&T and TATA to Boost TEJAS MK-1A Deliveries SHARE

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HAL is accelerating the delivery of 97 TEJAS MK-1A jets, valued at approximately \$7.8 billion, through partnerships with private sector giants like L&T and TATA, aiming for 24 aircraft annually by 2026. This initiative addresses the urgent need to modernize the IAF's aging fleet. Despite challenges with engine supply from GE Aerospace causing delays, HAL remains confident in overcoming supply chain issues. The TEJAS MK-1A, equipped with advanced technology, is pivotal for enhancing India's defense capabilities and reducing dependency on foreign imports, thereby reinforcing the 'Make in India' initiative. Successful execution of this production model is crucial for the IAF's modernization and operational readiness.

## TEJAS MK-1A: India's Emerging Multi-Role Fighter Advantage SHARE

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The TEJAS MK-1A Light Combat Aircraft is set to significantly enhance India's air combat capabilities, evolving from a basic replacement for aging Soviet aircraft into a formidable multi-role fighter. Key

upgrades include conformal fuel tanks, dual-rack pylons, and the advanced Uttam AESA radar, making it equipped to carry a diverse range of munitions, including long-range air-to-air missiles and precision-guided bombs. With over 75% indigenous content, the TEJAS MK-1A not only reduces reliance on foreign technology but also bolsters India's defense ecosystem. This aircraft positions India as a strong competitor in the global defense market, appealing to various regions for potential exports.

## Putin's Key Role in the Success of the BrahMos Missile Project SHARE

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Dr. A. Sivathanu Pillai, former CEO of BrahMos Aerospace, highlighted the pivotal role of Russian President Vladimir Putin in the success of the Indo-Russian BrahMos missile project during a recent interview. He underscored Putin's personal commitment to the collaboration, which helped navigate bureaucratic challenges and align efforts between India's DRDO and Russia's NPO Mashinostroyeniya. This joint venture, initiated in 1998, has led to the development of a world-class supersonic cruise missile, showcasing the technological synergy and strengthening bilateral ties between India and Russia. The BrahMos missile stands as a testament to this successful defense collaboration, enhancing India's strategic capabilities and defense industry stature.

## Indian Army Pursues Advanced Helicopters for Special Ops SHARE

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The Indian Army is seeking advanced medium-class helicopters to enhance its operational capabilities, particularly for special operations and high-risk missions. While the Ministry of Defence focuses on replacing the aging Mi-17 fleet with indigenous models, the Army emphasizes the need for helicopters equipped with stealth and speed to ensure survivability in combat. The push for advanced helicopters reflects the evolving landscape of modern warfare, where rapid response and versatility are paramount. Advocating for a balanced approach, the Army aims to integrate cutting-edge technology with local production to meet both conventional and specialized mission requirements effectively.

## HAL's LCH Prachand to Use Imported Gun Initially Due to Delays SHARE

27-Jun-25

Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) will initially equip its 156 Light Combat Helicopter (LCH) Prachand units with an imported Nexter 20mm cannon due to delays in developing an indigenous alternative. While the indigenous chin-gun is part of HAL's roadmap for enhancing local content from 45% to over 55%, its integration may not occur until after the first 50 units, potentially delaying availability until 2027. This approach ensures timely delivery to meet urgent operational needs along India's borders while aiming for future exports, particularly with Nigeria as a potential buyer. Overall, HAL's strategy balances immediate military requirements with long-term self-reliance objectives.

## DRDO's 1500 HP Engine for Arjun Tank Nears Trials with 90% Indigenous Content SHARE

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The DRDO's indigenously developed Datran 1500 HP engine is nearing mobility trials, showcasing 90% indigenous content and marking a significant step towards self-reliance in defense technology. Set for integration into the Arjun Main Battle Tank by late 2025, the engine offers a 7% power boost over its predecessor, enhancing mobility across diverse terrains. Mobility trials will begin after extensive ground runs, reflecting India's commitment to reducing reliance on foreign technology and bolstering its defense manufacturing capabilities. The project underscores India's growing expertise in developing advanced military hardware that meets stringent battlefield conditions.

## OCCAR Proposes Customized Eurodrone for India, Enhancing Defense Collaboration SHARE

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OCCAR has offered India a customized variant of the Eurodrone, a medium-altitude, long-endurance UAV, marking a significant step in defense collaboration between India and Europe. This development follows India's recent observer status in the Eurodrone program, with DRDO officials exploring its capabilities in Germany. The Eurodrone's modular architecture allows for integration of Indian technologies, particularly those from DRDO's Tapas and Archer-NG programs, enhancing India's surveillance capabilities along the

Line of Actual Control and in the Indo-Pacific. This partnership aligns with India's strategic goals, leveraging advanced UAV technology to bolster its defense posture.

## India Provides Spares to Seychelles as INS Teg Docks in Victoria



27-Jun-25

India has bolstered its strategic outreach in the Indian Ocean Region by handing over spares to the Seychelles Defence Forces as INS Teg docks at Port Victoria. This five-day operational visit aims to enhance maritime security cooperation, featuring high-level engagements with Seychelles officials and cultural activities highlighting Indo-Seychellois friendship. A joint surveillance operation to counter illegal fishing in Seychelles' Exclusive Economic Zone will also be conducted, underscoring India's commitment to regional stability. This collaboration reinforces India's position as a key maritime security partner and demonstrates its dedication to maintaining safe global commons in the region.

## ICG inducts Adamya, first of eight indigenous Fast Patrol Vessels.



27-Jun-25

The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) has inducted "Adamya," the first of eight Fast Patrol Vessels (FPVs) built by Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL), enhancing its maritime capabilities. This vessel features advanced technologies such as Controllable Pitch Propellers, a 30mm CRN-91 gun, and integrated management systems, allowing for improved maneuverability and operational efficiency. Designed entirely in India, Adamya exemplifies the nation's commitment to Aatmanirbhar Bharat, significantly boosting ICG's ability to conduct law enforcement, surveillance, and rescue operations within India's Exclusive Economic Zone. This induction marks a pivotal advancement in India's indigenous shipbuilding and maritime security strategy.

## HAL Pursues Partnership with General Atomics for MQ-9B Support



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Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) is negotiating a partnership with General Atomics to provide maintenance for the MQ-9B Predator drones, integrating them into India's tri-service operations. This collaboration aims to leverage HAL's expertise with the Honeywell TPE331 engine for localized maintenance, enhancing operational readiness and supporting India's Aatmanirbhar Bharat initiative. Additionally, HAL is

establishing a facility for manufacturing and repairing these engines, which will bolster India's aerospace ecosystem and reduce reliance on foreign support. The acquisition of 31 MQ-9B drones, set to be delivered starting in 2026, signifies a significant advancement in India's defense capabilities.

## Tejas MkII: India's Fighter Jet to Replace Mirage-2000, Boost Self-Reliance



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The Indian Air Force is set to induct the Tejas MkII, a medium-range fighter jet designed to replace the Mirage-2000 fleet and reduce dependence on Russian aircraft. With advanced capabilities inspired by the Rafale, the Tejas MkII will feature improved avionics, payload capacity, and indigenous content, aimed at countering threats from China and Pakistan. The development, sanctioned in 2009, addresses the IAF's squadron shortfall and is expected to enter production by 2029, with 70% indigenous components. The Tejas MkII not only enhances India's defense capabilities but also supports the Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative, strengthening the domestic defense industry and reducing maintenance costs.

## India Considers AW109 Helicopter to Replace Aging Cheetah Fleet



27-Jun-25

India is considering the Italian AW109 TrekkerM helicopter as a potential replacement for its aging Cheetah and Chetak fleets, as the long-standing agreement with Russia for Kamov Ka-226T helicopters remains stalled due to manufacturing disagreements. Leonardo's AW109, which boasts twin engines suitable for India's high-altitude operations, aligns with the 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' initiative by proposing local manufacturing partnerships. This move not only addresses the immediate need for modern helicopters but also enhances operational capabilities with its versatility in various mission profiles. The introduction of the AW109 could effectively complement India's indigenous HAL Light Utility Helicopter, filling critical gaps in the Army's aviation capabilities.

## IAF Considers 20 More AMCA Mk1 Jets to Avoid Production Gap



27-Jun-25

The Indian Air Force (IAF) is contemplating the acquisition of 20 additional Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA) Mk1 jets to prevent a 18 to 24-month production halt during the transition to the advanced Mk2 variant. This strategic decision aims to maintain



the manufacturing ecosystem and prevent disruption in skilled labor at Hindustan Aeronautics Limited's Nashik facility. The AMCA program, crucial for modernizing the IAF's fleet, will utilize a Special Purpose Vehicle model for efficient collaboration between public and private sectors. The successful induction of these aircraft is vital for enhancing India's air combat capabilities amid a challenging security environment in the region.

## Geopolitics and Security Alliances

### India Pushes for Lasting Resolution to Border Dispute with China SHARE

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Indian Defence Minister Rajnath Singh emphasized the need for a permanent solution to the long-standing border dispute with China during his recent bilateral meetings at the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Defence Ministers' meeting in Qingdao. He called for a structured roadmap to bridge the trust deficit created by the 2020 standoff, which resulted in a deadly clash in Galwan Valley, and urged China to take permanent actions on the ground for de-escalation and stability. Singh highlighted the importance of maintaining positive momentum in bilateral ties and expressed satisfaction over the resumption of the Kailash Mansarovar Yatra, indicating enhanced people-to-people connectivity. He also underscored India's commitment to counter terrorism, referring to a recent attack in Jammu and Kashmir, which he felt was not adequately addressed in the joint statement of the SCO meeting. This reflects India's cautious diplomacy as it seeks to stabilize its relationship with China amidst regional complexities, fostering communication while asserting its security concerns. Singh's refusal to sign the joint statement due to the omission of significant issues, such as terrorism, underscores India's proactive stance in safeguarding its interests and emphasizes the need for mutual understanding in achieving long-term stability in the region. Overall, these high-level engagements between India and China are pivotal in steering their relationship towards constructive dialogue and cooperation, crucial given the geopolitical dynamics in Asia.

### Bangladesh clarifies no intent to isolate India in trilateral talks. SHARE

27-Jun-25

Recent trilateral talks among Bangladesh, China, and Pakistan in Kunming have raised concerns in India, especially following differing characterizations of the

meeting. While Bangladesh's foreign affairs adviser emphasized that the gathering was informal and not aimed at sidelining India, China and Pakistan portrayed it as the initiation of a new trilateral mechanism. The discussions focused on various cooperative areas, including trade, climate change, and education, but have occurred against a backdrop of heightened trade tensions between India and Bangladesh, where India has recently restricted imports through land ports in response to Bangladesh's trade policies. India's Ministry of External Affairs reiterated its commitment to closely monitor developments in its neighborhood that may impact its security interests and emphasized the need for reciprocity in trade relations. The changing dynamics in South Asia, particularly the emerging cooperation between China, Pakistan, and Bangladesh, underscore the complexities of regional diplomacy. India's cautious approach and emphasis on safeguarding its national interests reflect its awareness of the shifting geopolitical landscape, particularly as its relations with Bangladesh undergo a phase of readjustment following recent political changes in the latter. Overall, India remains vigilant as it navigates the intricate balance of maintaining regional stability and fostering beneficial diplomatic ties.

### EAM Jaishankar emphasizes India's anti-terror stance at SCO summit. SHARE

27-Jun-25

India's firm stance on terrorism was underscored by External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar and Defence Minister Rajnath Singh during the recent Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Defence Ministers' meeting in China. India refused to endorse a joint declaration due to its lack of references to terrorism, specifically citing the Pahalgam attack that resulted in the deaths of 26 people. Jaishankar emphasized that the SCO's core purpose is to combat terrorism and criticized any nation that obstructs this objective, implicitly referring to Pakistan, which is known to shield terrorist narratives. Contrary to initial reports suggesting that the declaration mentioned Balochistan but omitted the Pahalgam attack, sources clarified that neither was included, reinforcing India's concerns about the document's language. Jaishankar reiterated the importance of a united front against terrorism and condemned the double standards that some member countries exhibit. This incident highlights India's continued struggle for a unified approach within the SCO against terrorism and reinforces its commitment to regional stability, showcasing India's leadership as it holds the chairmanship in 2023 while advocating for

accountability and cooperation among member nations.

## India Aims to Strengthen Ties with Canada Post-Modi's Visit SHARE

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India is actively seeking to strengthen its partnership with Canada following Prime Minister Narendra Modi's recent visit, focusing on trade, energy, and mobility. This comes in the wake of tensions related to the Nijjar case, which has strained diplomatic relations since allegations of an Indian link to the separatist's killing arose. External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal emphasized the need for constructive engagement, noting the productive meeting between PM Modi and Canadian PM Mark Carney. Both leaders agreed to restore diplomatic ties and enhance ministerial engagements, indicating a potential thaw in relations and a shared interest in rebuilding trust.

## India Confident in US Ties Despite Pakistan's White House Visit SHARE

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India has acknowledged Pakistan Army Chief Asim Munir's recent visit to the White House but reaffirmed its confidence in the robust India-US partnership, emphasizing their shared democratic values and strategic convergence. Ministry of External Affairs spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal highlighted this partnership's broad scope, which includes cooperation across sectors such as trade, technology, energy, and defense. The Indian government remains focused on strengthening its global strategic partnership with the United States, viewing it as critical for the 21st century. This response underscores India's commitment to fostering strong international relations despite regional dynamics involving Pakistan, reinforcing its strategic priorities.

## China's military faces turmoil as Miao Hua is ousted amid corruption. SHARE

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China's military leadership faces significant upheaval as senior official Miao Hua was removed from the Central Military Commission amid an anti-corruption campaign led by President Xi Jinping. Miao, previously under investigation for serious disciplinary violations, is part of a broader trend where multiple PLA generals and defense executives have been implicated in corruption scandals. This situation highlights the internal instability within the Chinese military establishment, potentially impacting its operational effectiveness and

strategic posture. Such turmoil could provide India with strategic advantages in the region, allowing it to strengthen its defense capabilities and bolster its position against evolving geopolitical dynamics.

## US Hosts QUAD Foreign Ministers Meeting on July 1 to Boost Indo-Pacific Partnership SHARE

27-Jun-25

The upcoming QUAD foreign ministers meeting on July 1, hosted by the US, underscores the commitment of the US, India, Australia, and Japan to strengthen their strategic partnership in the Indo-Pacific amid rising Chinese influence. External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar will represent India, advocating for enhanced anti-terror measures and discussing broader geopolitical issues, including the situation in West Asia. This meeting aims to set the agenda for the QUAD Leaders Summit in New Delhi later this year, reaffirming the coalition's focus on regional security, prosperity, and technological collaboration. The QUAD continues to play a vital role in promoting stability and cooperation in the Indo-Pacific region.

## India Stands Firm on Indus Waters Treaty Amid Pakistani Claims SHARE

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India's Minister Patil has firmly stated that the Indus Waters Treaty (IWT) remains suspended, emphasizing national security and a response to terrorism following a tragic attack in Jammu & Kashmir. In light of Pakistan's aggressive rhetoric, including threats from Bilawal Bhutto, India remains resolute and prioritizes its interests, dismissing these claims as politically motivated. The Indian government is also pursuing projects to utilize water previously allocated to Pakistan for domestic needs in various states, indicating a strategic shift. Additionally, India has requested a pause in World Bank-mediated discussions regarding the treaty, reinforcing its stance against political pressure from Pakistan.

## Belarus Defence Minister highlights India's role in foreign policy. SHARE

27-Jun-25

India is recognized as a pivotal area of Belarus' foreign policy, as highlighted by Belarus Defence Minister Lieutenant General Viktor Khrenin during his meeting with Indian Defence Minister Rajnath Singh at the SCO Defence Ministers Meeting in Qingdao. The two leaders emphasized mutual cooperation in defense, military education, and shared stances on international security.

Singh also met with Russian Defence Minister Andrey Belousov to reinforce longstanding defense ties, underscoring India's commitment to joint production and advanced technology development. Additionally, Singh called for global unity against terrorism, advocating for accountability in addressing cross-border terror threats, exemplified by India's recent Operation Sindoor.

## Modi to attend BRICS summit in Brazil next week. SHARE

27-Jun-25

Prime Minister Narendra Modi is expected to visit Brazil next week for the BRICS summit in Rio de Janeiro, scheduled for July 6-7, as part of a five-nation tour that includes Ghana, Trinidad and Tobago, Argentina, and Namibia. This visit aims to strengthen India's ties with these nations, emphasizing India's commitment to enhancing its role in global forums like BRICS. By participating in this summit, India not only showcases its diplomatic engagement but also aims to bolster economic cooperation and strategic partnerships within emerging economies, reflecting Modi's proactive foreign policy approach in a changing geopolitical landscape.

## Chinese Claim of Territory to Ganga Provokes Indian Outrage SHARE

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A recent claim by Chinese analyst Victor Gao, suggesting that China's territory extends to the Ganga River, has sparked outrage and mockery in India. This assertion, which follows China's long-standing rejection of the McMahon Line, is seen as a dramatic escalation of territorial ambitions devoid of historical basis. Indian analysts dismiss the claim, emphasizing the region's deep historical ties to India and the absurdity of such assertions. The Indian Ministry of External Affairs has not officially responded, but views this rhetoric as part of China's broader strategy to provoke India amid ongoing border disputes, reflecting a pattern of aggressive posturing that could potentially undermine China's credibility on the international stage.

## Military Operations

### One terrorist killed in Udhampur, three others trapped in gunfight. SHARE

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A significant operation is underway in Udhampur's Basantgarh area, where security forces have engaged a group of terrorists believed to be associated with the Pakistan-based Jaish-e-Mohammed. During this ongoing encounter, one terrorist has been killed, while three others remain trapped. The operation, which began early Thursday in challenging weather conditions, is a part of the broader security measures leading up to the annual Amarnath Yatra, starting July 3. The Indian Army and Jammu & Kashmir Police, supported by drones and sniffer dogs, have been tracking this group for over a year. The strategic importance of Basantgarh as a traditional infiltration route for terrorists from Pakistan underscores the urgency of this operation, especially after a rise in terror-related activities. This situation highlights the Indian forces' proactive stance in counter-terrorism, demonstrating their commitment to maintaining security and ensuring the safe passage of pilgrims during the Yatra. The successful neutralization of threats ahead of significant public events reflects the effectiveness of intelligence-led operations and the coordinated efforts of various security agencies, reinforcing India's resolve against terrorism in the region.

### Indian Navy Planned Strike on Karachi Docks, Ceasefire Halted Attack SHARE

27-Jun-25

The Indian Navy was on the verge of launching a significant strike on Pakistani warships in Karachi during Operation Sindoor, following deadly terrorist attacks in India. Equipped with BrahMos supersonic cruise missiles and Klub missiles on submarines, the Navy had its assets on hot standby to target critical naval infrastructure, a move that could have severely crippled Pakistan's maritime capabilities. However, the operation was aborted after Pakistan requested a ceasefire, underscoring India's strategic leverage and deterrent posture in the region. Despite not executing the strike, the naval readiness demonstrated India's dominance in the Arabian Sea, as evidenced by the absence of Pakistani naval movements during this tense period. Vice Admiral AN Pramod hinted at the potential for future strikes should provocations

continue, aligning with India's policy of measured responses to aggression. This situation highlights India's growing capabilities as a blue-water navy and its strategic intent to maintain pressure on adversaries while avoiding wider escalations that could invite international intervention. The aborted operation reflects both the Indian Navy's readiness to project power and the recognition by Pakistan of its naval disadvantage, particularly in light of India's superior fleet size and advanced weaponry.

### **Lieutenant General K.S. Brar reviews training and readiness at MLIRC.** **SHARE**

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Lieutenant General K.S. Brar, the General Officer Commanding of Dakshin Bharat Area, recently inspected the operational readiness and training standards at the Maratha Light Infantry Regimental Centre in Belagavi. He highlighted advancements in training infrastructure, particularly for Agniveer recruits, and stressed the crucial integration of modern technology to prepare soldiers for future combat scenarios. Additionally, he engaged with veterans at the ECHS Polyclinic, reinforcing the Army's commitment to their welfare, and inaugurated a new Outpatient Department at the Military Hospital, enhancing medical facilities for personnel and families. This visit underscores the Indian Army's dedication to operational excellence and veteran care as it adapts to evolving challenges.

### **Ukrainian Forces Halt Russian Advance in Northern Sumy Region** **SHARE**

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Ukrainian forces have successfully halted a Russian advance in the northern Sumy region, stabilizing the front line near the border, according to Col. Gen. Oleksandr Syrskyi. Despite incremental Russian gains at a high cost, Ukraine's reliance on drones has been pivotal in defending its territory. The conflict continues with ongoing prisoner exchanges, while fierce fighting persists in eastern Donetsk, where Russia claims to have captured two villages. The situation demonstrates the challenges both sides face, with Ukraine managing to bolster its defenses despite pressures from Russian offensives and international diplomatic efforts showing limited effectiveness.

## **Terrorism and Counterterrorism**

### **NIA Raids Punjab, Haryana, UP to Target Khalistani Terror Network** **SHARE**

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The National Investigation Agency (NIA) conducted extensive raids across Punjab, Haryana, and Uttar Pradesh, targeting the Khalistani terror network linked to the banned Babbar Khalsa International (BKI) and its operatives. These operations, involving searches at 18 locations, aimed to gather evidence against those associated with BKI and foreign-based gangsters, including Kulbir Sidhu, implicated in multiple acts of terror. This crackdown follows a grenade attack on a former Punjab minister's residence, illustrating the ongoing threat from Khalistani elements operating both domestically and internationally. The NIA's proactive approach underscores India's commitment to counter-terrorism and national security, addressing emerging threats decisively.

### **Rajnath Singh briefs Tajikistan, Belarus, Kazakhstan on Pahalgam attack and Operation Sindoor.** **SHARE**

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Defence Minister Rajnath Singh engaged in bilateral discussions with counterparts from Tajikistan, Belarus, and Kazakhstan during the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Defence Ministers' meeting in Qingdao, China. He briefed them on the recent terror attack in Pahalgam and India's Operation Sindoor aimed at dismantling terrorist networks in Pakistan. Singh emphasized India's strides in defense production and self-reliance, while also rejecting the SCO joint declaration due to its lack of mention of the Pahalgam attack, indicating India's firm stance against terrorism and commitment to robust defense collaboration with partner nations. The engagement reinforces India's proactive approach to regional security and counter-terrorism efforts.

### **Three Insurgents Arrested for Extortion and Firearms in Manipur** **SHARE**

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Security forces in Manipur have arrested three militants, including a woman from the banned Peoples Liberation Army, for involvement in extortion and threats against officials and civilians. Additionally, an active member of the Kangleipak Communist Party was apprehended



with a pistol, while another cadre from Prepak was also detained with firearms. These arrests come amid ongoing security operations following ethnic violence that has claimed over 260 lives since May 2023, prompting the Centre to impose President's rule in the state in February. This proactive approach by security forces aims to restore order and stability in the region, demonstrating the government's commitment to tackling insurgency and protecting citizens.

### Three arrested in Sopore for promoting terrorism and unrest

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Three individuals were arrested in Sopore, Jammu and Kashmir, for their alleged involvement in anti-national activities, following police surveillance due to their connections with terrorist handlers across the border. They reportedly used encrypted communication to motivate local youth towards terrorism, despite prior legal actions against them under laws like the Public Safety Act and Unlawful Activities Prevention Act. The J&K Police emphasized their commitment to countering terrorism and maintaining peace, especially after a recent deadly attack in Pahalgam attributed to Pakistan-backed militants. The authorities continue to monitor overground workers and drug-related activities that fund terrorism in the region, showcasing a proactive defense strategy against such threats.

## Cybersecurity and Information Warfare

### DoT proposes mobile ID checks to enhance cybersecurity and combat fraud.

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The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) in India is proposing amendments to enhance cybersecurity by introducing a mobile number validation platform aimed at reducing online fraud and spoofing. This initiative will require telecom operators, banks, and e-commerce entities to verify user identities through a centralized government system, which could also lead to stricter regulations for mobile device manufacturers regarding tampered International Mobile Equipment Identity (IMEI) numbers. While this move aims to bolster digital security and accountability, concerns have been raised about data privacy and the operational challenges for smaller platforms. Ultimately, the effectiveness of these regulations will depend on their implementation and impact on the digital landscape.

## Scale AI Secures Sensitive Files After Data Exposure Incident

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Scale AI has secured sensitive project files for clients like Meta and xAI after reports revealed that thousands were publicly accessible via Google Docs. The company has implemented a lockdown, disrupting contractor access and workflow, as cybersecurity experts warned of potential hacking risks. Although Scale AI emphasized its commitment to data security and is investigating the issue, the incident has raised concerns about vulnerabilities in handling sensitive information. Additionally, the recent shifts in client relationships, including project pauses by Google and OpenAI, have added uncertainty for contractors, exacerbating the challenges faced in the competitive AI landscape.

## Miscellaneous

### Remembering Field Marshal Sam Manekshaw: A Legacy of Leadership

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The 17th death anniversary of Field Marshal Sam Manekshaw, the first Indian Army officer to hold this esteemed rank, was commemorated with solemnity across various events, including a wreath-laying ceremony at his memorial in Udhagamandalam, organized by the Madras Regimental Centre and attended by military personnel and community members. Celebrated for his extraordinary leadership during the 1971 Indo-Pakistan War, which resulted in the liberation of Bangladesh, Manekshaw is remembered as a symbol of courage, integrity, and strategic brilliance, with tributes emphasizing his lifelong commitment to military excellence. His daughter Maja Daruwala fondly shared insights into his vibrant personality, detailing his mischievous nature, sense of humor, and profound connection with family, which enriched his legacy beyond military achievements. Despite the controversies surrounding his state recognition posthumously, Sam Manekshaw's contributions continue to inspire generations of Indian soldiers and civilians alike, reinforcing his status as one of India's greatest military figures and an enduring cultural icon. The collective remembrance of his life and values highlights not only his military acumen but also his charismatic, approachable character that endeared him to those around him, demonstrating that true

leadership encompasses both bravery on the battlefield and warmth in personal interactions.

## Shubhanshu Shukla's ISS Mission: Key to India's Gaganyaan Program

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India's Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla has made history as the first Indian astronaut to enter the International Space Station (ISS) while piloting the Axiom-4 mission. Shukla's spacecraft, DragonX, docked with the ISS earlier than scheduled, marking a significant milestone for India's space program after 41 years since Rakesh Sharma's flight. Experts highlight that his participation will provide critical insights for India's Gaganyaan human spaceflight mission, which is set for launch in 2027. Shukla's research aboard the ISS will focus on food and space nutrition, particularly the potential of microalgae as a food source, directly informing the planning and execution of future missions. This achievement has been celebrated by Indian leaders, emphasizing its role in enhancing India's global footprint in space exploration. The collaborative spirit witnessed on the ISS, with astronauts from various countries welcoming Shukla and his crew, underscores the significance of international cooperation in space endeavors. Overall, Shukla's journey represents not just a personal achievement but a pivotal step for India in establishing itself as a major player in human space exploration, paving the way for the successful realization of Gaganyaan and future missions beyond.

## Civil-military workshop concludes, boosting regional collaboration

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A six-day civil-military workshop and a subsequent two-day seminar concluded in East Siang district, focusing on enhancing collaboration between military and civil administration for regional development and security. Attended by key stakeholders, the events emphasized disaster management, infrastructure development, and tourism promotion, aligning with national objectives. The initiatives aimed to foster a whole-of-nation approach to nation-building, highlighting the Indian Army's role in empowering local communities through skilling and training programs. Such integrated efforts are crucial for addressing both traditional and non-traditional challenges, showcasing India's commitment to a secure and resilient future.

## Three Bangladeshi illegal immigrants arrested with fake IDs in Maharashtra.

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Three illegal immigrants from Bangladesh were arrested at a construction site in Maharashtra's Ahilyanagar for possessing fake Aadhaar and PAN cards, following intelligence input from the Southern Command Military Intelligence. The suspects, who had allegedly resided in the area for two years, are being investigated for possible links to a larger document forgery racket. This operation, part of a broader initiative by military intelligence to enhance national security, underscores the proactive measures being adopted by Indian authorities to combat illegal immigration and maintain order, reflecting a commitment to safeguarding the nation's integrity and security. Further questioning aims to uncover additional illegal immigrants and associated networks.

## Ambegaon Police Arrest Three in Illegal Immigration Document Bust

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Ambegaon Police have successfully dismantled an illegal immigration racket, arresting two Bangladeshi women and a man for creating forged Indian identity documents. The operation was triggered by intelligence reports regarding one suspect's frequent travel to Bangladesh, leading to a raid that uncovered their true identities and a Bangladeshi passport. The trio is now in custody, with investigations ongoing to uncover a larger network involved in such activities. This incident highlights the ongoing challenges of illegal immigration and the need for robust security measures to protect national integrity and prevent unauthorized entry into India.

## India's Axiom-4 Mission: Researching Biology for Spaceflight

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India's ISRO is conducting significant research aboard the Axiom-4 mission, focusing on the biological effects of microgravity on astronauts and exploring sustainable food sources like microalgae and cyanobacteria. This collaboration with NASA and Redwire aims to enhance astronaut health and develop closed-loop life support systems for long-duration space missions. The mission also addresses muscle dysfunction in weightlessness and tests crop seed growth for future space agriculture, emphasizing international cooperation in space exploration. By participating in these studies, India is solidifying its role in global space science and

contributing to advancements that can benefit future human spaceflight endeavors.

## India's Oil Imports from Iran Depend on Global Market Factors [SHARE](#)

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India's oil import strategy, particularly concerning Iran, remains contingent on global market dynamics and geopolitical factors, as reiterated by the Ministry of External Affairs amid rising tensions in West Asia. The country is shifting towards diversifying its oil sources, with increased imports from Russia and the United States, to mitigate risks associated with disruptions from the ongoing Israel-Iran conflict and threats to the Strait of Hormuz. While current imports from Iran are limited due to US sanctions, India's flexible approach focuses on energy security and maintaining diplomatic engagement, allowing for potential future interactions with Iran should conditions permit. This strategy exemplifies India's commitment to securing its energy needs amid global uncertainties.

## NPCIL Extends Small Reactor Proposal Deadline Amid Rising Interest [SHARE](#)

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The Nuclear Power Corporation of India Ltd. (NPCIL) has extended the deadline for proposals on small nuclear reactors (220 MWe) to September 30, 2025, due to growing industrial interest in cleaner energy. This initiative aligns with India's objective to increase nuclear power generation to 100 GW by 2047 from the current 9 GW. The new framework allows private Indian companies to build nuclear plants, with foreign entities permitted to hold up to 49%. This strategic move, coupled with amendments to nuclear liability laws, aims to attract investment and support India's net-zero and decarbonization goals, positioning the country as a leader in sustainable energy solutions.

## S Somanath appointed Honorary Chief Technical Advisor at Skyroot Aerospace [SHARE](#)

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Former ISRO chairman S Somanath has been appointed as Honorary Chief Technical Advisor at Skyroot Aerospace, a leading private rocket developer in India. His role will support the launch of Vikram-1, India's first privately developed launch vehicle designed to deploy satellites into orbit. This 23-meter carbon-composite rocket features an innovative liquid-engine powered Orbital Adjustment Module for precise satellite delivery. Somanath's involvement highlights his dedication to fostering India's burgeoning private space sector, following his successful tenure at ISRO, marked by achievements such as the Chandrayaan-3 mission and the development of the Small Satellite Launch Vehicle. This collaboration underscores the potential for private-public partnerships in advancing India's space capabilities.

## India Rejects UN Assistance in Air India Crash Investigation [SHARE](#)

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India has declined the United Nations' offer to send an investigator to assist in the probe of the Air India crash that killed at least 260 people. The Indian Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau is leading the investigation, and questions have been raised about delays in analyzing crucial black box data. Critics highlight a lack of transparency and timely updates from Indian authorities, while the government insists it is adhering to international protocols. The refusal to accept external assistance from the UN underscores India's commitment to maintaining control over its investigative processes, reflecting a robust approach to national aviation safety and sovereignty.

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# Defence Sector Stocks

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	RSI14	SMA20	SMA200
MACPOWER	0.0	1043.25	1032.0	1033.5	14587	9.99	72.24	868.82	1184.21
CENTUM	2452.6	2580.0	2429.1	2500.4	114553	5.2	61.63	2340.05	1810.08
CFE	621.05	661.0	621.0	646.0	33800	5.18	61.39	621.94	585.47
TEMBO	499.05	524.0	495.0	524.0	83316	5.0	69.09	479.88	576.05
SWANDEF	197.46	197.46	197.46	197.46	614	5.0	99.95	129.23	18.98
AXISCADES	1380.0	1427.6	1358.0	1426.3	123644	4.9	72.7	1235.67	743.81
GOODLUCK	1110.0	1163.0	1083.0	1149.2	318763	4.45	76.78	1034.84	906.0
RTNINDIA	61.0	65.49	60.99	63.23	55594780	4.44	67.71	56.04	57.51
BDL	1834.9	1907.0	1827.3	1890.1	3184051	3.44	53.84	1909.07	1311.0
TECHERA	200.0	216.4	195.8	213.0	97600	3.35	57.7	202.76	-
ADANIENT	2587.7	2681.6	2582.0	2646.3	4049316	2.32	64.51	2522.18	2535.23
PTC	178.0	181.3	178.0	179.57	1609680	1.9	56.1	175.09	170.03
BHARATFORG	1287.9	1324.5	1287.9	1309.7	1393640	1.8	59.46	1296.64	1270.09
HAL	4835.0	4905.2	4828.5	4897.9	1454498	1.68	49.7	4978.62	4272.75
GRSE	3005.0	3065.0	2982.1	3032.6	2498494	1.67	52.17	3168.76	1824.11
LMW	16250.0	16654.0	16197.0	16461.0	9275	1.67	50.85	16333.25	16196.04
MAZDOCK	3137.0	3198.7	3094.0	3174.0	4003805	1.67	45.44	3294.22	2485.61
ZENTEC	1901.9	1942.0	1892.4	1923.9	576638	1.37	50.95	1997.48	1760.17
SOLARINDS	17290.0	17795.0	17151.0	17484.0	634965	1.26	72.73	16906.7	11452.62
BEL	410.5	416.8	409.5	414.5	41398277	1.07	66.84	399.78	303.65
PARAS	1628.0	1635.3	1612.9	1629.9	299238	1.04	53.92	1631.34	1139.38
HBLPOWER	586.0	602.35	586.0	590.95	839096	0.94	54.07	593.71	558.94
AZAD	1599.6	1636.0	1590.1	1600.6	333624	0.88	41.43	1663.71	1559.23
LT	3665.0	3731.4	3665.0	3679.2	2720600	0.54	59.49	3638.37	3513.51
WALCHANNAG	230.02	232.9	226.0	229.35	85340	-0.18	50.48	238.72	238.66
JYOTICNC	1140.2	1143.9	1120.0	1125.6	117270	-0.3	42.79	1177.99	1141.33
KRISHNADEF	895.1	907.0	882.0	893.55	22750	-0.31	50.61	910.35	727.41
MIDHANI	437.7	442.0	430.7	432.55	750843	-0.44	54.82	432.15	341.28
BEML	4463.5	4521.0	4406.8	4425.9	488160	-0.51	57.28	4400.68	3631.74
AVANTEL	157.99	159.85	156.0	156.45	729044	-0.68	54.49	160.06	144.78
SIKA	1442.0	1447.0	1395.05	1414.45	49068	-0.9	62.75	1315.64	630.12
NIBE	1697.5	1704.05	1668.65	1682.0	10016	-0.92	49.37	1744.15	1550.13
DCXINDIA	280.0	282.6	271.4	273.45	1447197	-0.96	35.38	298.75	305.89
URAVIDEF	490.0	505.55	482.65	488.5	3236	-0.97	43.38	495.41	442.99
IDEAFORGE	593.2	597.8	584.1	586.25	592264	-0.99	54.7	586.75	531.13
RELINFRA	421.0	422.0	402.2	413.05	2193893	-1.04	68.41	384.31	281.45
ROSSELLIND	68.51	70.69	68.51	69.07	21659	-1.1	44.77	69.99	100.12
DATAPAT'TNS	2873.5	2897.9	2805.0	2824.0	324827	-1.34	48.49	2972.96	2292.36
PREMEXPLN	588.0	590.2	576.0	577.05	263776	-1.38	51.19	596.59	468.8
MARINE	217.0	219.0	210.1	212.53	154010	-1.43	48.21	220.09	216.89
MTARTECH	1625.0	1650.6	1585.0	1590.0	125730	-1.64	39.9	1686.67	1581.0
ASTRAMICRO	1065.0	1086.5	1041.3	1047.2	521889	-1.86	44.58	1123.32	818.95
HIGHENE	813.75	813.75	813.75	813.75	6834	-2.0	72.65	717.67	596.92
SUNITATOOL	786.0	786.0	781.95	781.95	2250	-2.0	52.57	787.49	728.62
DRONACHRYA	78.43	78.43	78.43	78.43	32000	-2.0	30.57	92.7	101.16
APOLLO	197.13	198.69	192.15	192.79	4388534	-2.02	54.71	198.1	122.95
DYNAMATECH	7299.0	7400.0	7120.0	7147.0	27711	-2.08	55.57	7007.97	7158.23
LOKESHMACH	186.0	186.0	178.0	180.05	12396	-2.13	56.4	170.93	266.35
COCHINSHIP	2104.9	2126.8	2023.1	2044.2	2745762	-2.25	48.75	2164.31	1585.38
TANEJAERO	426.0	430.0	411.5	415.0	32624	-2.84	66.72	387.2	387.47