

Top Gainers

Stock	Close	Prev	Change
APOLLO	177.31	155.81	+13.8%
ASTRAMICRO	1163.7	1091.6	+6.6%
AVANTEL	146.78	138.9	+5.67%
NIBE	1765.95	1681.9	+5.0%
ZENTEC	2013.6	1917.8	+5.0%

Top Losers

Stock	Close	Prev	Change
DCXINDIA	313.1	336.15	-6.86%
LOKESHMACH	175.37	188.27	-6.85%
MARINE	210.74	218.9	-3.73%
BDL	1917.1	1960.1	-2.19%
BEML	4237.4	4327.6	-2.08%

Defense Business and Industry

India's AMCA: A Bold Step Towards Indigenous Stealth Dominance



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India's Ministry of Defence has officially approved the execution model for the Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA), marking a significant leap towards indigenous fifth-generation stealth capabilities. This decision reflects a strategic necessity amid escalating regional tensions and a need for self-reliance in defense. The AMCA, designed by the Aeronautical Development Agency, aims for a 75% indigenous content, with advanced features like low radar cross-section and AI-powered avionics. Former IAF Chief Air Chief Marshal Bhadauria emphasized that prioritizing the AMCA over foreign options like the Su-57 and F-35 is rooted in achieving technological autonomy, aligning with India's Make in India initiative while aiming to bridge the gap to next-generation warfare.

India's Stealth Frigate Tamal Set for June Commissioning in Navy



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India's latest stealth missile frigate, the Tamal, is set to be commissioned into the Indian Navy at the Yantar Shipyard in Russia by the end of June, with plans for its arrival on India's west coast by September. This frigate, part of a \$2.5 billion deal for four Krivak/Talwar class stealth frigates, will join the Mumbai-based Western Fleet, enhancing India's maritime power in the Indian Ocean region. The deal also includes technology transfer, with two frigates constructed at the Yantar shipyard and two at Goa Shipyard Limited. The first

frigate, INS Tushil, was commissioned last December and showcases the growing maritime capabilities of India, as emphasized by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh during its induction ceremony. The upgraded Krivak III class frigates boast an indigenous content of around 26%, featuring contributions from 33 Indian firms, including Bharat Electronics Limited and BrahMos Aerospace. Armed with advanced weaponry such as BrahMos supersonic cruise missiles and enhanced surface-to-air missiles, these frigates signify a significant leap in India's naval technology and reflect the strengthening of India-Russia defense cooperation, ultimately bolstering India's strategic presence in the region.

L&T Targets \$1 Billion in Defense Operations Amid Growth Surge



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Larsen & Toubro (L&T) is expanding its defense operations with the goal of becoming a multi-billion-dollar enterprise aligned with India's military modernization and indigenization initiatives. The company's defense order book grew by 29% to ₹13,326 crore in the last fiscal year, with revenues rising 32% to ₹6,185 crore. A significant driver of this growth is a ₹7,629 crore contract for 100 additional K9 Vajra-T self-propelled howitzers, scheduled for delivery by the end of 2025. The K9 Vajra-T, co-developed with South Korea's Hanwha Aerospace, will feature 60% indigenous content in the new batch, up from over 50% previously. L&T's robust defense portfolio spans warships, submarines, missile systems, and advanced naval platforms, including its contribution to India's first nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine, INS Arihant, and operations at a state-of-the-art shipyard in Kattupalli. The company is also investing in defense technology start-ups to drive innovation and ensure

field-proven capabilities. These strategic efforts not only enhance L&T's competitiveness in India but also position it to capitalize on global shifts in the defense supply chain, reinforcing its presence in both domestic and international markets.

Russia's R-37M Missile Offer: A Leap for IAF's Air Dominance



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In a significant boost to the Indian Air Force's (IAF) aerial capabilities, Russia has offered the R-37M hypersonic long-range air-to-air missile, enhancing India's air superiority amid regional tensions with Pakistan and China. The R-37M, with a range of 300-400 km and a top speed of Mach 6, is designed to engage high-value aerial targets while allowing the launching aircraft to remain outside adversary defenses. Coupled with this, the IAF is also upgrading its MiG-29UPG and Su-30MKI fighters with the latest RVV-SD missiles, which improve upon the older R-77s by offering enhanced range, precision, and resistance to electronic jamming, with an operational range of up to 110 km. The integration of these advanced systems is crucial for maintaining operational readiness against potential adversaries and reflects India's ongoing commitment to strengthen its air combat capabilities. Furthermore, the potential for local production of the R-37M under the Make in India initiative aligns with India's strategic goal of self-reliance in defense manufacturing, while also enhancing its technological partnership with Russia. As India works towards developing indigenous systems like the Astra missiles, these enhancements signify a robust approach to bolstering national security in an increasingly complex geopolitical environment.

Kaveri Jet Engine Trials in Russia Propel India's UCAV Aspirations



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India's Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) is making notable advancements with the Kaveri jet engine, currently undergoing vital trials in Russia to power a long-range Unmanned Combat Aerial Vehicle (UCAV). This indigenous engine, originally designed for the Tejas Light Combat Aircraft, faced challenges in meeting thrust requirements but is now being repurposed for advanced platforms, reflecting India's commitment to self-reliance in defense technology under the Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative. The public support for the Kaveri project is growing, as evidenced by the trending hashtag #FundKaveriEngine, with citizens and defense experts

advocating for increased funding to reduce dependency on foreign technology. Additionally, collaborations with private industries and successful tests for a maritime variant further underscore the project's momentum. Despite historical challenges, including geopolitical obstacles and past performance issues, the Kaveri engine symbolizes India's resilience in securing its defense technology and building a self-reliant military ecosystem. This push not only aims to enhance India's strategic capabilities but also highlights a broader national desire to develop indigenous military solutions and reduce reliance on imports, emphasizing the importance of continued investment and support for domestic defense initiatives.

India Pursues Safran Engine Partnership for Tejas Mk-2 Amid F-414 Delays



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India is advancing its defense capabilities by exploring a strategic partnership with French aerospace firm Safran to develop advanced engines for the Tejas Mk-2 fighter jet, potentially replacing the initially selected General Electric (GE) F-414 engine, which has faced production hurdles. This partnership is crucial as the Tejas Mk-2 aims to bolster the Indian Air Force, which currently operates only 31 of the targeted 42 squadrons. The collaboration with Safran, focusing on an enhanced M88-4 engine variant, aligns with India's goal of achieving greater self-reliance in defense manufacturing, diversifying its partnerships, and enhancing India-France defense ties. The delays in engine supply from GE have been problematic for the Tejas Mk-1, prompting India to seek rapid indigenous production solutions. The ongoing negotiations with Safran reflect India's commitment to securing cutting-edge technology and ensuring the Tejas Mk-2 program remains on schedule, despite potential delays from developing a new engine variant. By strengthening domestic production capabilities, India aims to mitigate reliance on foreign suppliers and respond robustly to security challenges, reaffirming its stance in regional geopolitics. Overall, this strategic pivot highlights India's proactive approach in enhancing its defense industry and military readiness.

India to Develop E-Hansa Electric Trainer Aircraft for Rs 2 Crore



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India is set to develop the indigenous electric Hansa (E-Hansa), a two-seater trainer aircraft, at a cost of Rs 2 crore, significantly cheaper than imported alternatives. This initiative, led by the CSIR's National Aerospace

Laboratories in Bengaluru, is part of the larger HANSA-3 (NG) program aimed at enhancing pilot training while aligning with India's green aviation goals through clean energy use. Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh emphasized the importance of commercializing indigenous technologies and fostering public-private partnerships for successful technology transfer. This development marks a crucial step in strengthening India's defense capabilities and advancing its aerospace sector.

Virupaksha Radar Boosts Su-30MKI as Stealth Fighter Hunter SHARE

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The Indian Air Force's Su-30MKI jets are set to enhance their capabilities with the integration of the indigenous Virupaksha radar, a GaN-based AESA system designed to detect stealth aircraft from significant distances. This upgrade, part of the "Super-30" program, will improve the fighters' ability to engage low-observable threats like China's J-20 and Pakistan's potential J-35A using the Astra MkIII missile. The Virupaksha radar's advanced detection range and multi-target tracking capabilities position the Su-30MKI as a formidable asset in aerial combat, effectively countering rival stealth advantages. The initiative underscores India's commitment to modernizing its defense capabilities amid evolving regional threats.

Accelerating HTFE-25 Engine Development is Key for India's Stealth UCAVs SHARE

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The rapid development of the HTFE-25 engine by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) is crucial for India's ambitions in next-generation aerial combat systems, particularly stealth UCAVs like the Ghatak and CATS Warrior. This indigenous engine, producing 25 kN of thrust, is vital for enhancing India's air combat capabilities and achieving strategic autonomy. However, challenges in aero-engine development and the need for significant investment in testing infrastructure could delay its operationalization. Accelerating HTFE-25's development aligns with India's self-reliance goals and is essential for ensuring effective military readiness against evolving security challenges, particularly from neighboring countries. Delays may force reliance on foreign suppliers, undermining long-term strategic objectives.

India's SWIFT-K Drone: A Game-Changer Against Advanced Air Defenses SHARE

28-May-25

India is advancing its defense capabilities with the development of the SWIFT-K kamikaze drone, engineered by the Aeronautical Development Establishment (ADE) in partnership with industry and academic institutions. Designed to fly at Mach 0.6, it targets high-value enemy assets, including advanced air defense systems like Pakistan's HQ-9. The SWIFT-K showcases India's commitment to self-reliance in defense technology and rapid innovation, with prototypes already undergoing successful testing. This initiative reflects a strategic focus on enhancing combat flexibility through future adaptations for mobile launches, thereby solidifying India's position in modern warfare preparedness and aligning with the 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' initiative.

DRDO Launches Quantum Technology Centre to Enhance Defense Capabilities SHARE

28-May-25

The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) inaugurated the Quantum Technology Research Centre (QTRC) in Delhi, enhancing India's indigenous quantum capabilities for strategic and defense applications. This advanced facility will focus on critical areas such as quantum sensing, secure communications, and post-quantum cryptography, with significant technologies like ultra-small atomic clocks and atomic magnetometers. The initiative is part of India's National Quantum Mission, reflecting DRDO's commitment to fostering sovereign technologies that bolster national security in the evolving geopolitical landscape. By investing in quantum research, India aims to secure its strategic future against emerging threats, showcasing its dedication to indigenous innovation and technological self-reliance.

Philippine Marine Corps Enhances Mobility with Two-Missile BrahMos SHARE

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The Philippine Marine Corps (PMC) has opted for a two-missile configuration for its BrahMos missile system to enhance mobility, addressing the country's infrastructural challenges. This decision allows the PMC to deploy the supersonic cruise missiles effectively across its diverse terrains while ensuring operational efficiency. The commitment to procure additional replenishment systems highlights the balance between mobility and sustained combat

capability. This strategic adoption of BrahMos bolsters the Philippines' maritime defense, especially concerning regional security in the South China Sea, showcasing the flexibility of Indian defense technology to meet different operational needs in various geopolitical contexts.

India Advances Towards 120kN Engine for AMCA Program SHARE

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India is making significant strides in developing a 120 kN indigenous engine for the Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA), signaling a commitment to self-reliance in defense technology. Key domestic partners, including GTRE and the IAF, are collaborating effectively to overcome previous challenges, and consultations with major global OEMs have enhanced the project's alignment with international standards. The proposal has reached the pre-sanction stage, indicating strong governmental support, which bodes well for India's aspirations in advanced military aerospace initiatives. This development not only enhances India's defense capabilities but also positions the country as a competitive player in the global aerospace domain.

NeoSky's Drones Ace Indian Army Trials, Boosting Defense Capabilities SHARE

28-May-25

Bengaluru-based NeoSky India Limited has successfully completed trials for its precision munition-dropping drones with the Indian Army, marking a significant advancement in India's indigenous defense capabilities and aligning with Aatmanirbhar Bharat initiatives. The drones, developed by Throttle Aerospace Systems, showcased advanced navigation and autonomous capabilities, enabling precise strikes critical for modern warfare. This development highlights the strategic importance of drones in India's military operations, particularly in counter-terrorism efforts against adversaries like Pakistan and China. NeoSky's success reinforces Bengaluru's position as a hub for advanced defense manufacturing, emphasizing the increasing reliance on drone technology for tactical excellence in India's defense strategy.

India Enhances T-90 Tank Firepower with Invar Missile Deal SHARE

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India is set to enhance the firepower of its T-90 Bhishma tanks by procuring 500 Invar anti-tank guided missiles (ATGMs) from Bharat Dynamics Limited, with

an estimated cost of Rs 2,000 to 3,000 crore. This move reinforces India's operational readiness amid rising regional tensions, particularly with China and Pakistan, and aligns with the government's focus on self-reliance in defense manufacturing. The Invar missile, featuring a range of 5 kilometers and high precision, is crucial for countering advanced armored threats. Bharat Dynamics, with a robust production plan, showcases India's commitment to indigenization while addressing critical capability gaps in its armed forces.

DAC Poised to Approve Six Netra AEW&C Mk1A Aircraft for IAF SHARE

28-May-25

The Defence Acquisition Council (DAC) is set to approve the procurement of six Netra Mk1A Airborne Early Warning and Control (AEW&C) aircraft for the Indian Air Force (IAF), enhancing its surveillance capabilities amid regional tensions with China and Pakistan. Valued at approximately Rs 9,000 crore, this acquisition will nearly triple the IAF's AEW&C fleet, addressing critical gaps in air defense. The Netra Mk1A, featuring advanced AESA radar and enhanced mission capabilities, aims to improve detection and coordination in multi-domain operations. This move aligns with India's Aatmanirbhar Bharat initiative, showcasing a commitment to indigenous defense technology and reducing reliance on foreign systems.

DRDO to Test M-1 Missile, Boosting India's Air Defense Capabilities SHARE

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The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) is set to conduct the first test of the M-1 missile under Project Kusha, aimed at enhancing India's indigenous long-range surface-to-air missile capabilities. This initiative, with a budget of Rs 21,700 crore, will create a multi-layered air defense system to counter aerial threats from China and Pakistan, complementing current platforms like the S-400 and Barak-8. The M-1 missile, featuring advanced guidance systems and a range of 150 km, underscores India's strategic autonomy efforts. Although challenges such as reliance on imported components and integration complexities persist, collaboration with private firms will be essential for timely deployment by 2028-2029.

India Launches Advanced 81mm Telemetry Bomb to Boost Artillery Precision SHARE

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India has unveiled a cutting-edge 81mm Mortar Telemetry Bomb, designed to enhance artillery

precision during training and calibration without explosive payloads. Developed by the DRDO in collaboration with private industry partners, this non-explosive round captures critical flight data in real time, significantly improving mortar accuracy and reducing collateral damage, particularly in high-stakes environments like the Line of Control and Ladakh. This advancement aligns with India's Aatmanirbhar Bharat initiative, emphasizing self-reliance and modernization in defense capabilities. The telemetry bomb reflects India's growing expertise in sensor technology, enhancing operational effectiveness and potentially increasing artillery accuracy by up to 30%, contributing to networked warfare strategies.

GE Aerospace to Deliver F404-IN20 Engines for Tejas Mk1A by 2025

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GE Aerospace will resume deliveries of the F404-IN20 engines for India's LCA Tejas Mk1A program, supplying 12 engines to HAL by the end of 2025. This follows the initial engine delivery in March 2025 after a two-year delay attributed to supply chain issues. The timely arrival of these engines is crucial for operationalizing the IAF's first Tejas Mk1A squadron, addressing the current shortfall in fighter squadrons. With 83 aircraft ordered and future plans for increased production, this development significantly enhances India's defense capabilities amid ongoing modernization efforts, showcasing the commitment to bolster the indigenous defense industry and the IAF's operational readiness.

the operational excellence displayed during the operation. The Act, which received parliamentary approval and presidential assent earlier this year, is set to bolster India's military effectiveness in responding to threats. This move underscores India's commitment to enhancing its defense capabilities and operational synergy in an increasingly complex security environment, highlighting its proactive stance in addressing challenges posed by adversaries. The swift implementation of these rules is expected to streamline command structures and improve inter-service coordination, positioning India to effectively counter any security threats posed by regional tensions.

Ktaka Deputy CM vows to safeguard HAL from relocation to AP

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28-May-25

Karnataka's Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar and other state leaders have expressed strong opposition to Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu's reported request to relocate Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) from Bengaluru to Andhra Pradesh, asserting that HAL is an integral asset of Karnataka, originally established by Jawaharlal Nehru. Shivakumar emphasized that the state government will protect its assets and will not allow any shifting of HAL's production units, although he welcomed new investments in the defense sector. Karnataka's Large and Medium Industries Minister, M.B. Patil, announced plans to meet Defence Minister Rajnath Singh to advocate for an aerospace and defense corridor for Karnataka, highlighting that the state contributes 65% to India's aerospace and defense sector. This move underscores Karnataka's significant role in the national defense landscape and the importance of maintaining its existing defense infrastructure. The ministers' statements reflect a broader concern that relocating HAL could undermine Karnataka's standing in the defense industry while also calling for equitable treatment in the allocation of defense corridors. Overall, this situation illustrates the competitive dynamics between states in India regarding defense industrialization and the need for careful dialogue to balance regional interests with national priorities.

Defense Policy and Budgeting

India Implements Rules to Boost Military Efficiency and Jointness

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28-May-25

The Indian government has notified rules under the Inter-Services Organisations (Command, Control and Discipline) Act 2023, which aims to enhance jointness and operational efficiency among the armed forces. This significant development comes amid heightened tensions with Pakistan following Operation Sindoor, which involved precision strikes on terror infrastructures. The new rules, effective from May 27, empower the heads of Inter-Services Organisations (ISOs) to maintain discipline and administrative control without altering the unique service conditions of each military branch. Chief of Defence Staff Gen Anil Chauhan recently reviewed the combat readiness of the Indian Army in northern and western theatres, praising

Geopolitics and Security Alliances

MHA and COCOMI Collaborate to Restore Peace in Manipur SHARE

28-May-25

The Coordinating Committee on Manipur Integrity (COCOMI) met with the Ministry of Home Affairs in New Delhi, expressing commitment to restoring peace in Manipur amidst ongoing tensions. They urged the government to take decisive action against anti-peace elements and highlighted concerns over narco-terrorism and illegal immigration funding armed groups. COCOMI also demanded measures to protect farmers' rights and sacred sites, alongside accountability from government officials for recent incidents. They are intensifying protests following a controversial incident involving media access, emphasizing the importance of regional integrity and stability. This engagement reflects the government's proactive stance in addressing local grievances while maintaining peace in the northeastern state.

Experts Warn of China-Bangladesh Ties Threatening India's Security SHARE

28-May-25

The revival of the Lalmonirhat airbase in Bangladesh, reportedly for potential Chinese military use, has raised security concerns for India due to its proximity to the Siliguri Corridor. Experts warn that increased Chinese engagement could enable real-time access to India's military activities, despite Bangladeshi officials denying foreign involvement. The remarks made by Bangladeshi interim leader Muhammad Yunus, suggesting Bangladesh's pivotal role in the region, have faced backlash from Indian officials, who highlighted vulnerabilities in Bangladesh's own territorial corridors. This situation underscores the complex geopolitical dynamics between India and Bangladesh and necessitates vigilant monitoring of developments that may affect regional security.

Indian Delegation Condemns Pakistan's Army Chief Promotion SHARE

28-May-25

An all-party delegation from India, led by BJP leader Ravi Shankar Prasad, criticized Pakistan's promotion of Army Chief Asim Munir to Field Marshal, contending that it reflects Pakistan's military state's denial of its failures. The delegation emphasized India's longstanding "no first use" nuclear doctrine and

highlighted the global implications of terrorism, asserting Pakistan's direct involvement in acts of terror. Congress MP Shashi Tharoor reinforced this message during meetings in Guyana, pointing to evidence of Pakistani complicity in recent attacks. In response to the Pahalgam terror attack, India has intensified diplomatic efforts globally to raise awareness about terrorism linked to Pakistan, underlining its commitment to counter-terrorism strategies.

Putin seeks NATO expansion halt and sanctions lift for Ukraine peace. SHARE

28-May-25

President Vladimir Putin's conditions for peace in Ukraine include a formal pledge from Western leaders to halt NATO's eastward expansion and the lifting of some sanctions on Russia. While Russia claims it is drafting a peace memorandum, Ukraine and its allies accuse Moscow of stalling while making military gains. Putin demands Ukraine's neutrality and protection for Russian speakers, believing he can leverage military victories to pressure for favorable terms. This situation underscores a broader geopolitical struggle, with NATO's support for Ukraine seen as a direct challenge to Russian influence, highlighting the complexities of securing lasting peace in the region.

Asia's Defense Spending Soars Amid Rising Security Concerns SHARE

28-May-25

Spending on military procurement and research is increasing in Asia, driven by heightened security concerns and a need for self-reliance, according to a recent IISS report. Southeast Asian nations, including Indonesia and Vietnam, saw a \$2.7 billion rise in defense spending from 2022 to 2024. While these countries still rely heavily on imports for advanced military technologies, they are seeking to enhance industrial partnerships, including collaborations with India's Hindustan Aeronautics for projects like the BrahMos missile. As geopolitical tensions mount, particularly regarding China and Taiwan, the demand for military capabilities continues to grow, highlighting the importance of strategic defense collaborations in the region.

Chinese Media's Absurd Claims of Military Success Against India SHARE

28-May-25

Recent Chinese media reports have escalated claims about a fictitious military conflict with India, alleging Pakistan, with Chinese support, launched a massive

drone assault on New Delhi and claimed extraordinary military success against Indian defenses, including the S-400 systems. These exaggerated narratives, including a ludicrous combat loss ratio of 1:700,000 for Chinese laser systems, lack credible evidence and undermine their own credibility. Such propaganda seems aimed at bolstering nationalistic sentiments within China while simultaneously attempting to project military superiority to international audiences. However, the implausibility of these claims reveals a strategic attempt to distract and intimidate India, ultimately risking China's credibility in the international arena.

Pakistan, Turkey, and Azerbaijan to Bolster Defense Ties Against India



28-May-25

Pakistan, Turkey, and Azerbaijan are set to enhance their defense cooperation during a trilateral summit in Lachin, Azerbaijan, as Pakistani Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif visits the region. This gathering follows India's decisive Operation Sindoor, which targeted terrorist infrastructure in Pakistan. The alliance aims to formulate joint strategies in light of heightened tensions with India, with Turkey expressing solidarity with Pakistan. Analysts suggest that this collaboration, particularly Turkey's support for Pakistan's military efforts against India, underscores Islamabad's reliance on a limited circle of allies, while Turkey seeks to assert its leadership in the Muslim world amidst regional conflicts.

India Strikes Underground Facility at Pakistan's Murid Air Base



28-May-25

Recent satellite imagery has revealed significant damage at Pakistan's Murid and Nur Khan airbases following India's military strikes on May 10, which were a response to earlier Pakistani attacks. The striking evidence includes a three-metre-wide crater near a suspected underground facility at Murid, indicating that India targeted deep-buried assets crucial for Pakistan's command-and-control functions and drone operations. The imagery shows additional destruction of command and control trucks and a large building at Nur Khan, a site closely linked to Pakistan's nuclear oversight. Experts note that the heavy fortification of these facilities suggests their strategic importance, likely serving as shelters for specialized equipment or personnel. The coordinated nature of these strikes across multiple airbases, including Sargodha and Jacobabad, showcases India's capability in precision targeting, marking a significant escalation in its military strategy. This operation, termed "Operation Sindoor," signifies India's readiness to counter perceived threats decisively, aiming to degrade Pakistan's military infrastructure and operational capabilities. The developments underscore an evolving defense posture and signal that India is prepared to take strategic actions to protect its national security and deter terrorism emanating from the region.

Gujarat CM Backs Armed Forces Amid Rising Tensions with Pakistan



28-May-25

In response to rising tensions with Pakistan, Gujarat CM Bhupendra Patel extended full support to the armed forces, assuring them operational ease in the state. During a meeting focused on enhancing coordination among various departments and military forces, he emphasized readiness measures, including evacuation preparedness and communication systems, particularly in border districts. The meeting followed Operation Sindoor, where Indian forces targeted nine terror sites in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir after a deadly attack in Jammu and Kashmir. Patel urged the public to rely on official information, highlighting the government's commitment to ensuring citizens' safety and supporting military operations effectively.

Military Operations

Operation Sindoor Stopped Only After Pakistan's DGMO Request



28-May-25

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar clarified that Operation Sindoor, targeting terror camps in Pakistan, was halted only after a direct request from Pakistan's DGMO, dismissing claims of US mediation. He emphasized that the Indian government maintains a zero-tolerance policy towards terrorism and that countries like the US have encouraged dialogue while recognizing India's right to respond to aggression. Jaishankar urged MPs to expose Pakistan's terrorism and narcotics trafficking, asserting that such actions should be viewed as acts of war. The meeting reinforced India's commitment to addressing Pakistan's role in regional instability, emphasizing unity in countering terrorism.

Indian Army Holds Medical Camp in Uri for Ceasefire-Affected Residents



28-May-25

The Indian Army organized a free medical camp in Uri, Baramulla, benefiting over 500 residents affected by recent ceasefire violations. The camp, led by the Pir Panjal Brigade, offered medical consultations, treatment, and mental health support, addressing the community's immediate health concerns and providing essential services amidst challenges in accessing hospitals. Local residents expressed gratitude, acknowledging the Army's commitment to serving the people of Jammu and Kashmir with its motto, "Army for the Awaam, Awaam for the Army." This initiative highlights the Indian Army's proactive approach in fostering goodwill and stability in the region, reinforcing its role as a supportive force in local communities.

Rajnath Singh to Review Naval Operations in Goa, Honoring Savarkar



28-May-25

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh is set to visit Goa for a two-day Defence Operations Review from May 29 to May 30, where he will engage with Indian Navy personnel. His visit coincides with the birth anniversary of Vinayak Damodar Savarkar, whom Singh hailed as a "great revolutionary" and an exemplary patriot, emphasizing his significant contributions to India's freedom struggle. Goa's Chief Minister Pramod Sawant echoed these sentiments, celebrating Savarkar's legacy as a fearless nationalist. This visit underscores the Indian government's commitment to strengthening naval capabilities and honoring historical figures who inspired India's sovereignty.

Terrorism and Counterterrorism

26/11 Mastermind Tahawwur Rana Seeks Court's Family Contact Permission



28-May-25

Jailed 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks mastermind Tahawwur Rana has sought court permission to communicate with his family. Currently in judicial custody in India after being extradited, Rana was a close associate of David Coleman Headley, the main conspirator behind the attacks that occurred on November 26, 2008, resulting in 166 deaths. He is accused of conspiring with terrorist organizations, including Lashkar-e-Taiba. This legal move raises concerns about the continued influence of such figures

and the importance of maintaining strong counter-terrorism measures in India, given the historical context of the 26/11 attacks and the ongoing threat posed by terrorism in the region.

Pakistan's Shift to Terrorism: A Response to Military Defeats



28-May-25

India's delegation briefed international partners on its response to the recent Pahalgam terror attack, emphasizing Pakistan's shift from conventional warfare to state-sponsored terrorism after previous military defeats. The officials accused Pakistan of using terrorism as a strategic tool, urging the global community to recognize its role and push for peace over violence. They sought solidarity from the Democratic Republic of the Congo in condemning Pakistan's actions and highlighted the necessity for a unified global response against terrorism. This outreach aligns with India's zero-tolerance policy and aims to counter misinformation while advocating for multilateral support at international platforms like the UN and FATF.

Tharoor: India's Peaceful Intentions Undermined by Pakistan's Terrorism



28-May-25

Shashi Tharoor recently criticized Pakistan for its persistent promotion of terrorism against India, emphasizing that India's desire for peaceful coexistence has not been reciprocated. He highlighted India's shift towards a more assertive counter-terrorism strategy, citing notable operations like the Uri surgical strike and the Balakot airstrike, which targeted terrorist bases in response to attacks on Indian soil. Tharoor reaffirmed India's commitment to firm retaliation against cross-border terrorism, seeking international support for its zero-tolerance policy while ensuring that acts of terror will not go unpunished. His statements underscore India's resolve to confront terrorism decisively while maintaining a call for global solidarity against this pervasive threat.

Maoists Steal Truckload of Explosives in Odisha's Sundergarh



28-May-25

Suspected Maoists reportedly looted a truck carrying approximately 200 packets of gelatin explosives in Odisha's Sundergarh district. The incident occurred in a known Maoist stronghold near the Saranda forests, where armed individuals allegedly detained the truck

driver at gunpoint. This event highlights the ongoing challenges posed by Maoist insurgents in the region, which continues to threaten local security and stability. Effective counterinsurgency measures and enhanced intelligence operations are essential for the Indian authorities to mitigate such threats and safeguard both civilian and strategic assets in areas impacted by Maoist activities.

Cybersecurity and Information Warfare

NATO Considers Cybersecurity in New Defense Spending Goals SHARE

28-May-25

NATO is preparing to redefine its defense priorities by proposing that cybersecurity be explicitly included in its new defense spending goals. This reflects a strategic acknowledgment of the growing threat posed by cyberattacks and the increasing role of digital warfare in global security. Under the proposed framework, part of the new 5% GDP defense target would be allocated specifically to cybersecurity, critical infrastructure protection, and digital resilience efforts. The initiative aims to ensure that all member states are better equipped to detect, respond to, and recover from cyber threats that could compromise military systems, national infrastructure, or democratic processes. It also aligns NATO's military preparedness with emerging threats in cyberspace, emphasizing proactive investments in both defensive and offensive cyber capabilities. By integrating cybersecurity into formal budgetary goals, NATO is signaling that digital defense is no longer a secondary concern but a fundamental pillar of modern military strategy. This move is expected to strengthen collective defense, enhance deterrence, and ensure regional stability amid escalating cyber operations by state and non-state actors. While some members have expressed concern about rigid targets, the overall direction suggests a future where cyber readiness is treated on par with traditional defense sectors, fostering a more resilient and adaptive NATO alliance.

Mil Personnel & Veterans

Delhi HC Rejects Plea for Gujar Regiment in Indian Army SHARE

28-May-25

The Delhi High Court dismissed a public interest litigation requesting the formation of a Gujar regiment in the Indian Army, labeling it "absolutely divisive." The petitioner argued that the Gujar community has a strong martial history and deserves representation akin to other ethnic regiments. However, the court questioned the constitutional basis for such a demand, indicating there is no legal right to establish a regiment based on community affiliation. This ruling underscores the complexities of ethnic representation in the armed forces and the need for a careful balance between inclusivity and national unity in defense strategies.

IPL Final to Honor Armed Forces and Operation Sindoor Heroes SHARE

28-May-25

The IPL 2025 final on June 3 will honor the Indian Armed Forces and commemorate Operation Sindoor, a military response to a terror attack in Pahalgam that resulted in civilian casualties. The BCCI has invited all three service chiefs to the event, emphasizing solidarity with the armed forces following a temporary suspension of the tournament due to heightened Indo-Pak tensions. As part of the resumed season, national anthems and messages of gratitude towards the military have been consistently featured at matches, showcasing the BCCI's commitment to recognizing the sacrifices of the armed forces during challenging times. This initiative aligns with national sentiments and enhances the integration of sports and patriotism.

Delhi honors armed forces with Operation Sindoor tribute installation SHARE

28-May-25

The Delhi government inaugurated an installation at Dilli Haat to honor the Indian armed forces, specifically highlighting the valor displayed during Operation Sindoor, which targeted terrorist hideouts in Pakistan and Pakistan-occupied Kashmir. Art and Culture Minister Kapil Mishra emphasized that the installation serves as a tribute to the sacrifices of soldiers, inviting visitors to apply sindoor as a gesture of respect. This initiative follows heightened tensions after the tragic April 22 Pahalgam attack, reinforcing India's commitment to counter-terrorism and showcasing the

courage of its military. Such commemorative actions not only enhance national pride but also signal India's resolve to address security challenges effectively.

Young Hero Shravan Singh Supports Soldiers in Operation Sindoor

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A 10-year-old boy named Shravan Singh from Tara Wali village in Punjab has been lauded for his outstanding support to Indian soldiers during Operation Sindoor, which focused on countering threats along the India-Pakistan border. Despite his young age, Shravan provided essential supplies such as water, milk, and lassi to the troops, showcasing remarkable maturity and patriotism. His selfless acts not only offered comfort to the soldiers during heightened tensions but also symbolized the strong community support for the armed forces. The Indian Army recognized his contributions with a certificate of appreciation, highlighting the importance of local bonds in fostering national spirit and solidarity in challenging times.

Indian Navy Celebrates Women Officers' Historic 50,000 km Voyage

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The Indian Navy will celebrate the successful completion of the historic circumnavigation of the globe by the crew of Navika Sagar Parikrama II, led by women officers Lt Cdr Roopa A and Lt Cdr Dilna K, after covering approximately 50,000 km across four continents. Their journey, which faced extreme weather and challenging conditions, showcases India's maritime prowess and commitment to women empowerment in the defense sector. The expedition symbolizes national pride and aligns with India's growing prominence in global maritime activities. The accomplishments of DilRoo have garnered international recognition, reinforcing the importance of women in bolstering national security and inspiring future generations in maritime endeavors.

Miscellaneous

India Resumes Visa Services for Afghan Nationals Amid Taliban Rule

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India has resumed visa services for Afghan nationals, enabling online applications for business, education, and medical purposes following the Taliban's takeover in August 2021. While maintaining a non-recognition

stance toward the Taliban regime, India has re-established a limited diplomatic presence, emphasizing humanitarian aid. Visa categories include business, student, and medical visas, requiring applicants to provide an Afghan National Identity Card and other relevant documents in English. This initiative reflects India's commitment to fostering ties with Afghan citizens while navigating the complexities of the current regime, facilitating a pathway for necessary engagement without formal recognition.

Farooq Abdullah: Dialogue, Not War, Will Revive Kashmir's Tourism

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In a series of recent statements, former Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Farooq Abdullah and current Chief Minister Omar Abdullah emphasized the importance of dialogue over conflict and the resilience of the region in the face of recent terrorism. Following a tragic attack in Pahalgam that claimed 26 lives, both leaders have engaged in efforts to restore confidence in Kashmir's tourism sector, with Omar Abdullah cycling through Pahalgam to signal safety and encourage visitors. They highlighted ongoing government initiatives aimed at enhancing security, which are beginning to bear fruit, as hotel occupancy and tourist activity reportedly increase in popular destinations like Pahalgam and Gulmarg. Farooq Abdullah underscored the need to revoke negative travel advisories from other countries, advocating for Kashmir's promotion as a safe and attractive destination for both domestic and international tourists. Additionally, both leaders acknowledged the significance of the upcoming Amarnath Yatra, reinforcing its role in enhancing tourism. This concerted effort underscores the commitment of the Jammu and Kashmir leadership to counteract the fear instilled by terrorism and unite the region through the promotion of its natural beauty and heritage. The revival of tourism is seen as crucial not only for economic recovery but also for fostering a sense of normalcy and safety in the valley, highlighting the resilience of its people and the strength of Indian resolve against adversity.

Defence Ministry Waives ₹5,000 Fee for Cantonment Land Ownership

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The Indian Defence Ministry has announced the removal of a longstanding ₹5,000 registry fee for land in cantonment areas, a provision dating back to the British era. This decision, confirmed by BJP national executive member Rana Gurmeet Singh Sodhi, aims to alleviate

the financial burden on residents who face challenges such as ineligibility for bank loans due to current ownership regulations. The ministry is forming a committee to implement this change, which is expected to enhance local ownership perceptions and empower residents, thereby fostering a stronger community relationship with the defence forces. This reform reflects the government's commitment to addressing outdated provisions and improving the quality of life for those living in cantonment areas.

Demolition of Kochi's Chander Kunj Army Towers set for Nov 9, 2025. SHARE

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The demolition of the Chander Kunj Twin Army Towers in Kochi, Kerala, is tentatively scheduled for November 9, 2025, as part of a comprehensive four-phase plan approved by the district committee following a Kerala High Court order. The first phase involves evacuating affected families by July 31, 2025, with financial support provided by the Army Welfare Housing Organisation. Subsequent phases include the demolition process, project management finalization, and reconstruction, which is expected to be completed by July 31, 2029. This strategic redevelopment reflects the commitment to modernizing infrastructure while prioritizing the welfare of affected residents, showcasing a balanced approach to urban development in military housing.

Indian Army Launches Swift Flood Rescue Operations in Ahmednagar SHARE

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The Indian Army has successfully initiated rescue operations in Ahmednagar, Maharashtra, where torrential rains have caused severe flooding, trapping residents. Mobilized by a request from the District Magistrate, the Army's Armoured Corps Centre and School deployed a relief column that included medical and engineering teams to assist affected individuals in Khadki village. The unexpected early monsoon rains, attributed to a low-pressure system over the Arabian Sea, have resulted in eight fatalities and significant waterlogging in the region. This prompt response underscores the Army's critical role in disaster management, emphasizing its preparedness and commitment to humanitarian assistance during crises.

SC Wraps Up Case Against Vijay Shah for Comments on Col Qureshi SHARE

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The Supreme Court has closed proceedings before the Madhya Pradesh High Court against state minister Vijay Shah for his objectionable remarks about Indian Army officer Col Sofiya Qureshi, asserting its control over the case as a special investigation team (SIT) investigates. Shah faced backlash for his comments, which were deemed "scurrilous" by the High Court, prompting an FIR for promoting enmity. Although he expressed regret, the situation underscores the importance of respecting military personnel, particularly women officers, who have gained prominence in operations like Sindoor. This issue highlights the need for accountability in public discourse regarding defense forces and their members.

SpaceX's Starship Flight 9 Crashes in Indian Ocean After Malfunction SHARE

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SpaceX's recent Flight 9 of the Starship, intended to advance lunar and Martian exploration, ended in failure as the spacecraft crashed into the Indian Ocean after losing attitude control. The mission began successfully but faced issues with payload door malfunctions and a subsequent fuel leak that caused uncontrollable spinning. Although the flight achieved some milestones, the disintegration during re-entry highlights the challenges of developing reliable reusable spacecraft. This incident underscores the importance of rigorous testing in the aerospace sector, reflecting SpaceX's commitment to overcoming obstacles in its pursuit of making humanity multiplanetary, despite the setbacks faced in this particular mission.

India Now Enjoys Visa-Free Travel to the Philippines for 14 Days SHARE

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Indian passport holders can now enjoy visa-free entry to the Philippines for up to 14 days for tourism, with additional provisions for a 30-day stay for those holding valid visas from select countries (AJACSSUK). This initiative aims to boost tourism and strengthen bilateral ties between India and the Philippines. The visa-free policy supports the Philippines' strategy to revitalize its tourism sector, showcasing the nation's scenic beauty and diverse landscapes. The continuation of the e-visa option ensures access for those who do not meet visa-free criteria, reflecting a comprehensive approach to enhance travel and economic relations between the two nations.

Anand Sharma Highlights India's Restraint Against Terrorism



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In Johannesburg, MP Anand Sharma emphasized India's measured response to terrorism, highlighting that Indian forces acted with "utmost restraint" by targeting only terrorist infrastructure, while condemning Pakistan's role in harboring terrorists. He noted that India's recent Operation Sindoor was a calibrated response, prompted by Pakistan's aggressive actions against Indian air bases, reaffirming India's zero-tolerance policy towards cross-border terrorism. The delegation called for international cooperation to dismantle terrorist networks, advocating for a unified stance against terrorism without distinctions between terrorists and their backers. This diplomatic engagement underscores India's commitment to security and counter-terrorism on the global stage.

Intelsat Secures Indian Government Approval for Satellite Services



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US-based Intelsat has received approval from the Indian government via the Indian National Space Promotion and Authorisation Centre (IN-SPACe) to provide direct satellite broadcast services, marking a significant step for foreign satellite operators in India. This authorization allows Intelsat to operate four geostationary satellites—IS-17, IS-20, IS-36, and IS-39—enhancing content delivery for major Indian media companies. The move is expected to bolster India's media landscape by offering reliable, high-quality connectivity solutions, thereby contributing to the country's growing space commerce sector and reflecting India's commitment to fostering a robust satellite industry.

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Defence Sector Stocks

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	RSI14	SMA20	SMA200
APOLLO	157.0	183.4	155.55	177.31	80568964	13.8	74.76	134.71	112.97
ASTRAMICRO	1095.0	1184.9	1082.95	1163.7	2243015	6.6	79.37	972.42	791.14
AVANTEL	140.01	149.25	140.01	146.78	6334734	5.67	69.18	121.72	147.35
NIBE	1732.45	1765.95	1700.05	1765.95	51041	5.0	70.57	1480.29	1557.72
ZENTEC	1934.5	2013.6	1903.3	2013.6	939739	5.0	81.15	1654.66	1728.23
HIGHENE	699.9	726.0	699.0	714.25	42677	3.07	76.65	600.64	597.03
GRSE	2827.0	2944.0	2822.9	2891.8	4612369	2.73	80.63	2247.04	1684.65
TANEJAERO	373.35	373.35	373.35	373.35	6618	1.99	70.22	327.08	408.5
CFF	545.35	555.95	545.35	555.0	12200	1.78	64.89	537.96	596.04
KRISHNADEF	803.95	814.0	796.15	809.45	39750	1.67	50.5	819.24	703.97
PREMEXPLN	564.7	574.0	550.5	568.85	1336327	1.48	62.49	487.09	466.92
COCHINSHIP	1939.0	1974.7	1937.0	1952.5	3437727	1.4	66.54	1719.98	1578.78
SOLARINDS	15892.0	16205.0	15854.0	16113.0	329888	1.4	80.91	14031.25	10756.56
BEL	385.45	393.5	384.1	390.45	27549144	1.31	86.14	346.98	292.75
MAZDOCK	3659.0	3698.4	3621.5	3663.9	4105099	1.13	73.29	3218.28	2371.7
DATAPATNS	2824.6	2870.0	2801.8	2845.7	763508	1.13	69.05	2548.23	2281.56
HBLPOWER	570.0	579.0	563.7	569.45	1423758	0.97	60.46	533.21	563.27
SIKA	816.7	838.9	805.0	813.45	38029	0.79	62.67	758.18	551.25
WALCHANNAG	214.4	220.01	211.83	214.85	693025	0.65	59.3	199.56	251.53
MIDHANI	418.15	423.4	411.0	418.25	1245037	0.5	74.0	365.18	339.79
MTARTECH	1651.0	1669.0	1645.0	1657.0	122815	0.46	70.13	1534.45	1592.32
AZAD	1771.9	1804.1	1771.9	1776.8	210427	0.46	61.31	1722.48	1551.34
LT	3660.0	3663.0	3620.0	3646.3	1293244	0.17	67.55	3510.88	3510.99
PTC	186.0	189.7	184.51	184.92	1761116	0.13	57.98	180.66	173.89
BHARATFORG	1247.1	1259.3	1242.0	1249.2	1299910	-0.1	63.52	1197.19	1303.04
ROSSELLIND	74.9	75.5	73.2	74.88	20657	-0.13	56.47	72.22	156.01
HAL	5069.0	5075.0	5001.0	5017.8	1273825	-0.22	64.74	4760.17	4246.07
IDEAFORGE	514.0	517.8	501.5	511.3	468682	-0.23	60.68	481.69	544.57
LMW	17650.0	17700.0	17358.0	17524.0	1808	-0.27	61.86	16988.3	16066.0
PARAS	1634.0	1639.5	1605.7	1615.6	688936	-0.54	64.8	1510.06	1096.23
ADANIENT	2559.0	2559.0	2510.0	2515.0	575989	-1.0	57.29	2443.55	2596.13
DYNAMATECH	7045.0	7045.0	6850.0	6926.0	12558	-1.28	57.66	6728.48	7201.54
BEML	4329.0	4352.0	4194.8	4237.4	1020588	-2.08	75.54	3497.99	3578.08
BDL	1862.1	1974.5	1842.0	1917.1	8395164	-2.19	71.82	1719.69	1246.4
MARINE	220.0	220.25	210.0	210.74	856011	-3.73	58.0	200.54	221.98
LOKESHMACH	0.0	175.37	175.37	175.37	6731	-6.85	54.57	168.83	297.48
DCXINDIA	315.0	319.95	307.6	313.1	2428052	-6.86	53.06	311.84	310.63