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Top Gainers

Stock	Close	Prev	Change
SWANDEF	1087.85	1036.05	+5.0%
WALCHANNAG	173.52	165.96	+4.56%
DYNAMATECH	9247.5	8872.0	+4.23%
RELINFRA	171.92	165.85	+3.66%
LOKESHMACH	158.33	153.19	+3.36%

Top Losers

Stock	Close	Prev	Change
JYOTICNC	1010.25	1039.35	-2.8%
APOLLO	263.2	267.2	-1.5%
PTC	157.8	160.07	-1.42%
ASTRAMICRO	932.4	945.4	-1.38%
PREMEXPLN	530.3	536.4	-1.14%

Defense Business and Industry

India and US sign Rs 7,995 cr deal for MH-60R support.

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India has signed Letters of Offer and Acceptance (LOAs) with the United States for sustainment support of its MH-60R helicopter fleet, valued at approximately Rs 7,995 crore, ensuring comprehensive maintenance and operational readiness for five years. This initiative, inked under the U.S. Foreign Military Sales program, will establish in-country repair capabilities, including periodic inspections and component servicing, significantly reducing dependency on U.S. facilities and enhancing the operational availability of these advanced helicopters, which are pivotal for India's anti-submarine warfare strategy amid rising submarine threats in the Indian Ocean. The agreements also aim to foster indigenous development by involving Indian micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) in maintenance activities, aligning with the government's Aatmanirbhar Bharat vision. Additionally, the sustainment package enhances India's underwater domain awareness and reinforces defense cooperation with the U.S., facilitating a strategic partnership that is essential for future naval operations, particularly as India prepares to integrate additional MH-60Rs into its fleet by late 2025.

India to Fast-Track Procurement of 300 S-400 Missiles from Russia

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India's Ministry of Defence is set to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the procurement of nearly 300 missiles for its S-400 Triumf air defence systems from Russia, valued at over ₹10,000 crore, to replenish the inventory expended during Operation Sindoor. This procurement underscores India's commitment to bolstering its air defence capabilities amid evolving regional threats, particularly after the S-400's demonstrated effectiveness in intercepting multiple Pakistani aircraft and drones during recent conflicts, including a record kill of an enemy aircraft at a distance of 314 km. The Indian Air Force (IAF) is also considering acquiring five additional S-400 squadrons, which would further enhance its layered air defence architecture, especially along the western frontier, where the system has proved to be a formidable deterrent. Discussions surrounding this expansion are expected to be prominent during Prime Minister Narendra Modi's upcoming summit with Russian President Vladimir Putin, although no formal announcements are anticipated. The ongoing procurement reflects the strategic partnership between India and Russia, utilizing proven Russian missile technology to ensure national security and operational readiness in the face of growing aerial militarization in the Indo-Pacific region.

Tejas' future remains secure despite Dubai crash, affirms HAL chairman.

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Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) Chairman DK Sunil affirmed the safety and reliability of the Tejas light combat aircraft following a tragic crash during an aerobatic display at the Dubai Air Show, which resulted in the death of Wing Commander Namansh Syal. Sunil emphasized that the incident does not reflect issues with the aircraft, asserting that it has an excellent safety record and is a proud example of India's advanced indigenous defense technology. He

acknowledged the significant research and development efforts invested in the 4.5 generation fighter jet and dismissed speculation surrounding the crash as unfounded conspiracy theories. Furthermore, he highlighted HAL's commitment to expanding its export capabilities, aligning with the Government of India's goal to establish India as a global player in defense manufacturing. This incident, the second involving the Tejas since its induction into the Indian Air Force a decade ago, underscores the ongoing challenges and scrutiny faced by indigenous defense projects, as well as the strategic importance of self-reliance in defense capabilities amidst a competitive geopolitical landscape.

Hanwha Aerospace wins significant contract for L-SAM missile production.

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On November 27, 2025, Hanwha Aerospace secured a mass-production contract worth 705.4 billion South Korean won (approximately USD 482 million) for the Long-Range Surface-to-Air missile (L-SAM) system from South Korea's Defense Acquisition Program Administration. This initiative is pivotal for strengthening South Korea's air and missile defense capabilities, particularly in intercepting high-altitude ballistic threats. The L-SAM system incorporates advanced technologies for precise interception, while a separate contract for the multifunction radar further enhances its operational effectiveness. Additionally, the development of the advanced L-SAM II variant aims to significantly broaden engagement capabilities, reflecting South Korea's commitment to enhancing national security amid evolving regional threats. This contract underscores the strategic necessity of robust defense mechanisms in light of regional security challenges.

Anduril launches AI-driven EagleEye combat helmet to enhance Australian forces' situational awareness.

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Anduril Industries Australia has launched the AI-driven EagleEye combat helmet, a sophisticated soldier system designed to significantly boost situational awareness through AI and augmented reality (AR) technologies. This system integrates mixed-reality displays, an AI-powered mission command interface, and a sensor fusion platform that consolidates battlefield data in real-time, enhancing decision-making in complex environments. Available in multiple configurations including full ballistic protection and lightweight daytime variants, EagleEye also features rear and flank sensors, spatial audio, and radio frequency detection to alert soldiers of concealed threats. The helmet's design balances advanced protection with ergonomic comfort for extended use and enables control of unmanned systems on the move. This innovation aligns with global military trends toward AI-enabled soldier systems to reduce cognitive load and enhance operational efficiency. For India, adopting such technology is critical for modernizing forces amid evolving threats, improving battlefield awareness, and integrating autonomous capabilities—imperative goals given India's strategic environment in the near future. The launch follows Anduril's US Army $159 million contract in September 2025 to develop helmet-mounted mixed reality systems, signaling rapidly advancing soldier-centric AI defense tech relevant for Indian armed forces modernization efforts.

HENSOLDT launches TAERVUS, an advanced EW solution for battlefield superiority.

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HENSOLDT has unveiled its new Electromagnetic Warfare (EW) solution, TAERVUS, designed to enhance battlefield capabilities through advanced signal processing and jamming systems. This integrated system combines state-of-the-art radio direction finders and receivers with AI-driven functionalities for tactical reconnaissance and predictive jamming, significantly reducing the OODA loop for users. By disrupting enemy communications and ensuring a comprehensive situational awareness, TAERVUS promises to provide a substantial tactical advantage in modern warfare. Its modular design and system integration reflect a notable advancement in defense technology, underscoring the critical role of timely and accurate information on contemporary battlefields.

Trump announces increased B-2 bomber orders to enhance U.S. military capabilities amid geopolitical tensions.

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President Donald Trump announced the U.S. military has ordered additional B-2 Spirit stealth bombers from Northrop Grumman, citing their effective role in recent strikes on Iranian nuclear sites. He praised the bombers for their capability to "totally obliterate" Iran's nuclear potential, characterizing them as "incredible" and "totally invisible." This procurement reflects a strategic emphasis on enhancing U.S. aerial capabilities amid

rising geopolitical tensions in the region. The decision underscores the importance of advanced military technology in contemporary defense strategies, potentially influencing global military dynamics and strategic deterrence in areas of concern, including Iran.

Italy's AI-driven Michelangelo Dome to bolster defense against Russian threats. SHARE

28-Nov-25

Italy's Leonardo unveiled the 'Michelangelo Dome' on November 27, 2025, a multi-domain air defense system designed to counter rising threats from Russia, particularly hypersonic missiles and drone swarms. This AI-driven architecture integrates land, air, sea, and cyber capabilities, enhancing NATO's defense landscape by enabling predictive threat detection and optimal asset positioning. CEO Roberto Cingolani emphasized its critical role for Italy and Europe, especially in light of vulnerabilities exposed by recent conflicts in Ukraine. The system is set for partial rollout with Italian armed forces soon, achieving full operational capability by 2027-2028, highlighting the urgent need for robust air defenses among NATO allies.

PM Modi Unveils Plan to Open Nuclear Sector to Private Investment SHARE

28-Nov-25

Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced a landmark reform to open India's nuclear sector to private players, ending a 60-year government monopoly under the Atomic Energy Act of 1962. The forthcoming Atomic Energy Bill, 2025, will facilitate private participation in nuclear power generation, including the development of small modular reactors and advanced technologies, thereby enhancing energy security and fostering innovation. This initiative aims to attract investments, accelerate nuclear power capacity to meet India's growing energy demands, and position India as a leader in global nuclear advancements. By mirroring successful reforms in the space sector, the government envisions a transformative shift towards market liberalization, promoting self-reliance and advancing clean energy objectives in line with India's 2047 independence centenary goals.

India to Modernize Su-30MKI Fleet During Modi-Putin Summit. SHARE

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India is set to initiate a significant modernization effort for its Su-30MKI fleet, valued at ₹63,000 crore, during the upcoming Modi-Putin summit. This program aims to extend the aircraft's lifespan by up to 30 years through indigenous advancements, including the cutting-edge 'Virupaksha' AESA radar and a comprehensive electronic warfare suite, with Hindustan Aeronautics Limited targeting 78% local content. The upgrades will enhance the Indian Air Force's capabilities amid regional threats from China and Pakistan, especially as squadron strength has dipped below 30 due to MiG-21 retirements. Concurrently, India is balancing global defense ties, securing substantial contracts with both the U.S. and Russia, reinforcing its multi-alignment strategy while promoting self-reliance in defense manufacturing.

Safran confirms complete tech transfer for India's fifth-gen fighter engine development. SHARE

28-Nov-25

In a landmark boost to India's defense self-reliance, French aerospace giant Safran confirmed on November 26, 2025, a complete technology transfer—including critical hot-section components—for co-developing a 120-140 kN engine powering the indigenous fifth-generation Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA). The agreement, announced by Safran CEO Olivier Andriès during events in New Delhi, partners with DRDO's Gas Turbine Research Establishment (GTRE) in Bengaluru under a $7 billion joint venture, granting India full intellectual property rights on compressors, turbines, and single-crystal blade technology. This unprecedented collaboration, backed by the French government, overcomes past hurdles like the Kaveri engine and involves private firms such as Tata, L&T, and Adani for manufacturing, with prototypes targeted by 2028 and production by the early 2030s. The move elevates India's strategic aerospace prowess amid global partnerships.

France offers Rafales for IAF, but source code access is crucial. SHARE

28-Nov-25

On November 27, 2025, France offered to co-develop a customized Rafale fighter jet for the Indian Air Force (IAF) under the Multi-Role Fighter Aircraft (MRFA) programme, signaling a strategic shift from off-the-shelf acquisitions to bespoke solutions tailored to India's operational environment. However, a key issue remains unresolved as the IAF insists on access to the Rafale's proprietary source codes, critical for integrating indigenous weapon systems such as the Astra Mk3 and BrahMos-NG missiles. France's reluctance to share source code stems from concerns over intellectual

property protection and strategic security, fearing exposure of sensitive technologies that could compromise future international sales. Despite this, France has indicated a willingness to negotiate a phased technology transfer and local assembly at Indian facilities, including partnerships with Tata Advanced Systems Limited. The deal aims to bolster India's combat capability amid declining squadron strength and growing regional threats, reflecting India's emphasis on defense autonomy and self-reliance in advanced military technology. High-level diplomatic talks are expected to resolve the impasse in the coming months.

Defense Policy and Budgeting

India plans 20% defense budget increase for FY26 to enhance capabilities.

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India's Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh announced on November 28, 2025, plans to seek a nearly 20% increase in the defence budget for FY26, building on the current Rs 6.8 lakh crore allocation to bolster military modernization and operational readiness amid a challenging neighbourhood. This strategic push addresses the dip in defence spending as a percentage of GDP—currently at 1.9%—aiming to elevate it toward 2.5% while prioritizing domestic procurement exceeding Rs 1 lakh crore to foster self-reliance under the Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative. The enhancement underscores India's resolve to counter regional threats through advanced acquisitions like helicopters, patrol vessels, and fighter jets, ensuring robust border deployments and technological superiority for national security.

Geopolitics and Security Alliances

Gen Dwivedi stresses combat readiness amid a fracturing multipolar world with 50 ongoing conflicts.

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Army Chief Gen Upendra Dwivedi emphasized the need for the Indian military to transform decisively amidst over 50 ongoing global conflicts, as he inaugurated the Chanakya Defence Dialogue in Delhi. He described the current multipolar world as increasingly fractured, prompting a shift towards national security and deterrence. Gen Dwivedi outlined a "Decade of Transformation" from 2023 to 2032, segmented into three phases to enhance the Army's preparedness for multi-domain operations encompassing land, air, cyber, and space. Central to this transformation are four "springboards": self-reliance via indigenisation, accelerated innovation in advanced technologies, adaptation to evolving warfare, and military-civil fusion to strengthen resilience and reduce foreign dependencies. The Army Chief referenced Defence Minister Rajnath Singh's declaration of 2025 as the "Year of Reforms" to underscore the operational impacts of these initiatives, citing Operation Sindoor as a successful example. The overarching aim is to align military capabilities with India's national security imperatives and developmental aspirations, working towards a "Sashakt, Surakshit, and Viksit Bharat" (Empowered, Secure, and Developed India). President Droupadi Murmu's presence at the dialogue highlighted the significance of collaborative military reforms in shaping India's defense posture.

India emerges as a trusted partner for Indo-Pacific, Global South: Rajnath Singh

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India has positioned itself as a "voice of balance and responsibility" in the evolving global landscape, with Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh emphasizing the country's economic growth, technological advancements, and principled foreign policy during the Chanakya Defence Dialogue 2025. He highlighted how India is perceived as a reliable partner by nations in the Indo-Pacific and Global South, contributing to global stability and ethical standards in emerging technologies. The minister announced Project Ekam, a strategic initiative aimed at developing indigenous artificial intelligence solutions for the military, which will enhance data security and operational effectiveness. Singh underscored the need for reforms and modernization within the armed forces to address geopolitical challenges and maintain national sovereignty, reinforcing India's commitment to peace while ensuring readiness to defend its interests. This strategic approach not only strengthens India's defense capabilities but also fosters a resilient defense industrial ecosystem, promoting innovation and reducing reliance on external sources.

Bangladesh's military ties with Pakistan intensify, raising regional security concerns. SHARE

28-Nov-25

Bangladesh's military cooperation with Pakistan has intensified since the ousting of Sheikh Hasina in August 2024, with reports indicating the training of Bangladeshi pilots in Pakistan and proposed upgrades to its tank fleet by Pakistan's Heavy Industries Taxila. This growing partnership suggests a strategic shift in Bangladesh's foreign policy, leaning towards Islamabad amidst a power vacuum. High-level military visits from Pakistan, including discussions on joint training and potential technology transfers, reflect a coordinated effort to strengthen defense ties, positioning Bangladesh as a crucial player in South Asia's evolving geopolitical landscape and potentially countering India's regional influence. The collaboration raises concerns about an emerging axis between Bangladesh, Pakistan, and China, altering the security dynamics in the region.

Putin calls US peace plan a negotiation starting point, urges Ukrainian withdrawal. SHARE

28-Nov-25

Russian President Vladimir Putin characterized U.S. peace proposals for the Ukraine conflict as a starting point for negotiations, urging Ukrainian forces to withdraw or face military consequences. Despite the potential for diplomatic discussions, analysts suggest that Putin aims to outlast Western support for Ukraine, with Russian officials asserting battlefield momentum. Recent drone attacks and ongoing military operations underscore the continued violence, while Ukraine grapples with internal corruption and financial challenges, having secured an IMF agreement for $8.1 billion. The tensions between Russia and European nations persist, with retaliatory consulate closures reflecting the evolving geopolitical landscape.

Russia warns of severe retaliation to Japan's missile plans near Taiwan. SHARE

28-Nov-25

Russia has issued a stern warning regarding Japan's plans to deploy missiles near Taiwan, suggesting that such a move could provoke a strong retaliatory response from Moscow. This development adds to the already heightened tensions in the Asia-Pacific region, where military maneuvers and strategic alliances are increasingly scrutinized. The potential for escalated conflict underscores the delicate balance of power in the region, particularly amidst ongoing geopolitical rivalries. Japan's missile deployment could not only affect its relations with Russia but also impact regional security dynamics, necessitating a careful assessment by other nations, including India, regarding their strategic interests in the area.

Pakistan's CJCSC Gen Shamshad Mirza retires amid military restructuring. SHARE

28-Nov-25

General Sahir Shamshad Mirza has retired as Pakistan's Chairman of Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee, coinciding with the enactment of the 27th Constitutional Amendment that introduces the position of Chief of Defence Forces (CDF). Army Chief Field Marshal Asim Munir, who was appointed in 2024 for a three-year term, will hold this newly created position, allowing him to remain in office until 2030. The CJCSC role, originally designed to enhance military synergy post-1971 war, proved ineffective as real power remained concentrated with the army chief. This structural change reflects the ongoing dominance of the military in Pakistan's governance and security policy, with potential implications for regional stability, particularly concerning India.

Indian Navy sends 67 tons of medical aid to flood-affected Yemen. SHARE

28-Nov-25

The Indian Navy delivered approximately 67 tons of medical aid to Yemen on November 25, aimed at supporting communities affected by severe flash floods earlier in August that resulted in at least 14 fatalities. This mission, executed by Indian Naval Ship (INS) Chennai, reinforces India's commitment to humanitarian assistance and disaster relief, emphasizing its role as a reliable partner in the region. Historically, India has maintained a strong relationship with Yemen, being one of the first to recognize its independence and consistently providing aid, including COVID-19 vaccines and wheat to mitigate food shortages. Such humanitarian efforts further solidify India's stature as a proactive responder to crises in its vicinity.

India launches Operation Sagar Bandhu to aid Sri Lanka after Cyclone Ditwah. SHARE

28-Nov-25

India has launched Operation Sagar Bandhu to provide emergency relief to Sri Lanka following the devastating

Cyclone Ditwah, which has resulted in significant loss of life and widespread destruction. Prime Minister Narendra Modi expressed condolences and reaffirmed India's commitment to aid the island nation, emphasizing solidarity with Sri Lanka as a key maritime neighbor. The Indian Navy's aircraft carrier, INS Vikrant, is being deployed to assist with flood rescue efforts, with relief materials already being sent to Colombo. This humanitarian response underscores India's Neighbourhood First policy, highlighting the importance of regional cooperation and support during crises.

Trump blames Biden for Afghan entry amid DC shooting, Taliban distances itself.

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28-Nov-25

US President Donald Trump condemned a shooting incident involving two National Guard soldiers near the White House, attributing the attack to Rahmanullah Lakanwal, an Afghan national who entered the US during the 2021 airlift. Trump criticized the Biden administration for allowing individuals from Afghanistan to enter the country, labeling them a national security risk, while the Taliban distanced itself from the incident, asserting its policy against using Afghan territory for attacks. The incident has prompted the US Citizenship and Immigration Services to suspend processing applications for Afghan nationals indefinitely. This event highlights ongoing concerns regarding national security and immigration policy in the context of the US's withdrawal from Afghanistan.

Military Operations

CDS stresses military's need to anticipate and prepare for future conflicts.

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Chief of Defence Staff Gen Anil Chauhan emphasized the existential necessity for the Indian military to visualize, anticipate, and prepare for future conflicts during his address at the Chanakya Defence Dialogue 2025. He warned that the evolving nature of warfare, coupled with the weakening stability in the nuclear domain and the erosion of global geopolitical norms, presents significant challenges to national security. The CDS underscored the importance of understanding both oneself and the enemy in warfare, suggesting that preventing the enemy from gaining self-awareness may be crucial in future battles. The dialogue, attended by military leaders and defense experts, aims to refine India's strategic posture amidst a rapidly changing global landscape.

India Issues NOTAM for K-4 SLBM Test Near Visakhapatnam, Strengthening Deterrence.

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28-Nov-25

India has issued a Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) for a potential missile test in the Bay of Bengal, suggesting a submarine-launched ballistic missile (SLBM) trial likely involving the K-4 variant from its Arihant-class nuclear submarines, with a striking radius of 3,500 kilometers. This demonstration signifies India's commitment to refining its underwater nuclear deterrence capabilities amid rising geopolitical tensions in the Indo-Pacific. While there is speculation about the K-5 SLBM—a more advanced missile with a range of 5,000 to 6,000 kilometers and possible Multiple Independently Targetable Re-entry Vehicles (MIRVs)—no official confirmation has been provided regarding the specifics of the test. The NOTAM, effective from December 1 to 4, underscores India's strategic posture and readiness in response to regional threats, particularly from China, which has been observed deploying surveillance vessels in the Indian Ocean. This advancement in India's undersea capabilities will enhance its second-strike nuclear deterrent, reinforcing the country's defense strategy and contributing to the overarching goal of achieving self-reliance in defense technologies.

US deploys MQ-9A Reapers to strengthen Philippine maritime surveillance.

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On November 28, 2025, the U.S. Marine Corps initiated a temporary rotational deployment of MQ-9A Reaper drones to Basa Air Base in the Philippines, enhancing the nation's maritime surveillance amid rising Chinese assertiveness in the South China Sea. This deployment, part of the Enhanced Defense Cooperation Agreement, aims to bolster intelligence, reconnaissance, and situational awareness while remaining non-offensive and compliant with Philippine laws. The integration of these unmanned systems reflects a significant escalation in U.S.-Philippine defense ties and supports Philippine modernization efforts, reinforcing regional stability and sovereignty. The development underscores India's strategic interest in a rules-based Indo-Pacific, highlighting the importance of alliances in countering coercive tactics and ensuring maritime security in vital sea lanes.

Terrorism and Counterterrorism

Security forces dismantle Maoist memorials in Chhattisgarh to boost local confidence.

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On November 27, 2025, security forces from Basaguda police, District Reserve Guard (DRG), and Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) demolished four Maoist "shaheed stambhs" in Bijapur district's dense forests of Guttum and Nendra villages, Chhattisgarh, acting on precise intelligence. These concrete memorials, erected by CPI(Maoist) to honor slain cadres, intimidated villagers, fueled recruitment, and sustained ideological terror in south Bastar. The operation, part of intensified anti-Naxal drives amid recent surrenders like 41 cadres on November 26, signals eroding Maoist grip, bolsters state control, and advances India's March 2026 Naxalism eradication goal from a strategic security lens. Villagers hailed the move, easing forced participation in insurgent events, as forces ramp up area domination without casualties.

Pakistan military kills 22 TTP terrorists in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa operation.

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At least 22 terrorists affiliated with the outlawed Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) were killed during an intelligence-led operation conducted by Pakistani security forces in Dera Ismail Khan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province. The military's media wing reported that the operation targeted a hideout after intelligence indicated the presence of militants known as "Fitna Al-Khawarij." Following intense exchanges of fire, security personnel successfully neutralized the terrorists, and combing operations are underway to ensure the area is free from any remaining threats. This operation underscores the ongoing challenges Pakistan faces in combating terrorism and highlights the regional implications for stability and security.

Cybersecurity and Information Warfare

DoT confirms TCS Rules, 2025, enhance India's telecom cyber resilience.

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The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) reaffirmed that the amended Telecommunication Cyber Security (TCS) Rules, 2025, notified on October 22, remain enforceable despite an inadvertent republication of the rules on October 29, which has since been rescinded. These amendments aim to enhance India's cyber resilience and address vulnerabilities associated with the integration of telecom identifiers in digital services such as banking and e-commerce. Key provisions include the establishment of a Mobile Number Validation (MNV) platform to prevent identity fraud and the requirement for resale entities to scrub IMEI numbers against a centralized blacklist to combat the circulation of stolen and cloned devices. Additionally, the amendments define Telecom Identifier User Entities (TIUEs) and impose obligations on them to share relevant data with the government, thereby enhancing traceability and accountability in tackling telecom-enabled fraud. Collectively, these measures are significant for safeguarding India's digital ecosystem, bolstering consumer protection, and ensuring responsible use of telecom identifiers in an increasingly digitized economy.

Rockwell Automation launches SecureOT suite to enhance industrial cybersecurity in India.

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Rockwell Automation has launched its SecureOT solution suite, aimed at enhancing industrial cybersecurity for manufacturers and critical infrastructure in India, amidst rising cyber threats targeting operational technology (OT) systems. As industries increasingly adopt AI and connected systems, the need for a robust cybersecurity framework is emphasized by the managing director of Rockwell Automation India, Dilip Sawhney, who aligns this initiative with India's Make in India vision. The SecureOT suite integrates real-time asset visibility, vulnerability management, and 24/7 monitoring, supporting organizations in mitigating risks and ensuring operational continuity. This strategic move reflects a significant shift towards prioritizing cybersecurity in India's manufacturing sector, ultimately aiming to boost competitiveness on a global scale.

India warns of AI-generated fake videos targeting Army Chief by Pakistani sources.

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India's Press Information Bureau (PIB) has flagged a series of AI-generated fake videos targeting Army Chief General Upendra Dwivedi, disseminated by Pakistani propaganda accounts. These doctored clips falsely

portray the Army Chief making inflammatory statements regarding sensitive geopolitical issues, such as the alleged custodial death of climate activist Sonam Wangchuk and territorial concessions to China. PIB has reiterated the importance of relying on verified and official sources for information, emphasizing that such disinformation campaigns aim to undermine public trust in national institutions. The government continues to urge citizens to exercise caution and verify content before sharing, highlighting the ongoing threat posed by misinformation in the digital age.

Mil Personnel & Veterans

Supreme Court upholds dismissal of soldier over religious conflict. SHARE

28-Nov-25

The Supreme Court of India upheld the dismissal of Lieutenant Samuel Kamalesan from the Indian Army for refusing to enter the sanctum of a gurdwara during mandatory parades, citing military discipline, necessity, and the constitutional power under Article 33. While the court emphasized the importance of a unified military ethos that accommodates diverse beliefs, it simultaneously faced criticism for not allowing a reasonable accommodation for Kamalesan's sincere religious objections. The judgment raised concerns about the implications for minority soldiers within the armed forces, suggesting that even respectful participation in ceremonies may not safeguard personal beliefs. Critics argue that the Indian Army, known for its commitment to secularism and inclusivity, could have found a middle ground that respected both duty and conscience, thus reinforcing trust among its diverse ranks. This case illustrates the delicate balance between maintaining military cohesion and honoring individual faiths, highlighting a broader need for dialogue and understanding within the institution to preserve its pluralistic ethos.

Navy officer's wife dies after altercation with TTE on train. SHARE

28-Nov-25

Aarti Yadav, the wife of a Navy officer, tragically lost her life after allegedly being pushed from a moving train by a travelling ticket examiner (TTE) named Santosh Kumar during a dispute over her ticket status. The incident occurred on November 25 when Aarti, who had a confirmed reservation on another train that was delayed, boarded the Anand Vihar Terminal Special train in a rush to reach Delhi for medical treatment. According to her family's complaint, a quarrel broke out between Aarti and the TTE over her ticket, leading to a physical confrontation in which the TTE reportedly threw her bag from the train before pushing her out, resulting in her death. The Government Railway Police (GRP) in Etawah has registered a murder case against Santosh Kumar and has commenced an investigation, which includes reviewing passenger statements and call records. The police have recovered Aarti's bag several kilometers from the crime scene, raising suspicions regarding the handling of evidence, as her mobile phone remains unaccounted for. The incident highlights serious concerns about passenger safety and accountability within the Indian Railways, prompting a demand for thorough investigations and stricter regulations to prevent such tragic occurrences in the future.

Lt Gen Zubin Minwalla appointed Deputy Chief of Integrated Defence Staff. SHARE

28-Nov-25

Lieutenant General Zubin A. Minwalla assumed charge as Deputy Chief of Integrated Defence Staff (DCIDS) at Headquarters Integrated Defence Staff on November 27, 2025, succeeding Lt Gen Vipul Shinghal who moves to the position of Deputy Chief of Army Staff. This transition marks a pivotal step in India’s ongoing efforts to strengthen its unified military command, ensuring continuity in developing joint doctrines and enhancing operational integration among the Army, Navy, and Air Force. Previously, Lt Gen Minwalla commanded the Trishakti Corps at Sukna, West Bengal, where he led vital operations along the sensitive northern and eastern frontiers, including the Siliguri Corridor and the Line of Actual Control with China. Under his leadership, the Corps gained prominence for its high-level preparedness and synergy, contributing to India’s modernisation and joint capability development. This appointment further consolidates India's strategic focus on theatreisation, interoperability, and integrated defence reforms.

Miscellaneous

President Murmu launches Brahma Kumaris' 2025-26 theme for global unity and trust in Lucknow. SHARE

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The President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu, attended the launch ceremony of the Brahma Kumaris' annual theme for 2025-26, titled "Meditation for World Unity

and Trust," in Lucknow on November 28, 2025. During her address, the President emphasized the remarkable advancements in science and technology, highlighting the simultaneous rise in societal challenges such as stress and distrust. She called for a journey of introspection, asserting that true peace and joy lie within individuals, and underscored the importance of spiritual awakening in fostering love, brotherhood, and unity. The President commended the efforts of the Brahma Kumaris in promoting world peace, human values, and women's empowerment, expressing her confidence that their commitment will contribute to building a more peaceful and trusting global community. This initiative reflects broader themes of mental well-being and the need for cohesive societal values in an increasingly complex world.

Indian refiners, SCI pursue joint shipbuilding venture with Korea. SHARE

28-Nov-25

The Shipping Corporation of India (SCI), alongside major public sector oil refiners, is negotiating with South Korean shipbuilders to establish a joint shipbuilding facility in India, potentially located in Andhra Pradesh. This initiative aims to enhance India's energy security by reducing reliance on foreign-chartered vessels, with Indian refiners needing approximately 112 ships over the next decade. The push for domestic shipbuilding aligns with India's Maritime India Vision 2030, which seeks to elevate the country's shipbuilding capacity from below 1% to a significant portion of global production, thereby fostering self-sufficiency and economic stability in energy transport amidst global supply chain challenges.

Indian Navy showcases guided-missile corvettes for public viewing in Kolkata. SHARE

28-Nov-25

The Indian Navy is showcasing its advanced capabilities by allowing public access to two of its guided-missile corvettes, INS Khanjar and INS Kora, at Kidderpore Dock in Kolkata from Friday to Sunday. This initiative provides a unique opportunity for citizens, especially students, to explore operational warships that are integral to India's maritime defense strategy. INS Khanjar, affiliated with the Kumaon and Naga Regiments, and INS Kora, named after a traditional Gurkha sword, are each over 90 meters long and equipped for precise surface strikes and operational support for helicopters. This event underscores the Navy's commitment to enhancing public awareness and pride in India's naval forces while fostering a deeper connection between the military and the community.

Indian Army′s Trek in Dzukou Valley Enhances Teamwork and Community Ties SHARE

28-Nov-25

The Indian Army's Red Shield Division recently organized a two-day trek to Dzukou Valley in Nagaland for fifty students and four teachers from St. Joseph Higher Secondary School, fostering teamwork, environmental awareness, and community ties. This initiative, part of a broader effort to engage youth and strengthen bonds with the local Naga community, included a Cleanliness Drive aligned with the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, emphasizing ecological responsibility. As a prelude to the upcoming Hornbill Festival, the trek underscored the Army's commitment to promoting physical well-being, discipline, and civic duty among young participants, while celebrating the rich cultural heritage of the region. This event illustrates the Army's role in nation-building and youth empowerment through adventure and cultural engagement.

Eon Space Labs′ MIRA telescope passes testing, enhancing India′s space capabilities. SHARE

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Hyderabad-based deep-tech startup EON Space Labs has successfully completed thermo-vacuum testing of its indigenous MIRA lightweight space telescope, marking a major milestone for India's space capability. The 502-gram telescope cleared NASA-grade standards for temperature stability, vacuum tolerance, and in-orbit operational reliability during tests conducted at an NABL-accredited facility in Ahmedabad. MIRA exhibited negligible outgassing and zero optical or structural drift under extreme thermal conditions from -20°C to +60°C and vacuum levels below 10^{-5} torr. This performance qualifies MIRA for Low Earth Orbit (LEO) missions with dual-use applications in strategic defense and commercial space sectors. The telescope is slated for a heritage space flight aboard an ISRO rocket in December 2025 with the satellite partner TakeMe2Space. The development symbolizes a leap in India’s self-reliance for high-precision electro-optical space imaging, enhancing strategic surveillance and strengthening indigenous technology capabilities amid growing regional space competition. Key actors include EON Space Labs founders and partners such as ISRO and strategic investors supporting advanced payload development.

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Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	RSI14	SMA20	SMA200
WALCHANNAG	170.8	181.0	168.71	173.52	1373282	4.56	55.45	164.37	192.35
DYNAMATECH	8943.0	9325.0	8807.5	9247.5	26580	4.23	59.47	9030.3	7028.58
RELINFRA	169.4	174.14	162.0	171.92	2546326	3.66	40.1	177.83	275.13
LOKESHMACH	153.75	159.8	152.11	158.33	59823	3.36	34.87	175.64	185.86
TANEJAERO	320.5	337.0	320.5	327.2	16695	2.17	42.98	335.3	364.34
MTARTECH	2486.8	2584.0	2463.1	2532.4	437126	1.83	56.47	2542.64	1673.86
MACPOWER	964.15	1012.8	958.8	978.55	29704	1.76	66.29	887.08	883.07
TEMBO	760.85	760.85	728.4	747.05	70338	1.75	56.01	739.78	555.29
GOODLUCK	1150.0	1182.0	1143.0	1172.7	65277	1.58	48.45	1173.04	990.23
HAL	4489.9	4549.0	4477.0	4542.4	786275	1.32	41.71	4662.56	4490.92
MARINE	228.5	235.3	227.2	232.45	363084	1.2	48.97	238.83	198.62
ADANIENT	2267.1	2331.0	2247.8	2280.2	3037620	1.12	33.73	2403.05	2417.9
SIKA	970.0	998.75	970.0	991.1	13813	1.1	28.15	1061.75	990.36
HIGHENE	590.0	591.95	580.0	584.95	2110	1.02	44.53	594.08	603.35
DRONACHRYA	56.1	56.99	55.5	56.99	24000	0.97	43.01	58.29	72.55
HBLPOWER	879.0	894.1	868.3	885.7	1501812	0.93	41.6	962.6	668.45
ROSSELLIND	57.85	58.95	57.24	58.29	21926	0.66	40.22	59.77	66.27
AVANTEL	153.57	157.5	151.75	155.54	752458	0.63	39.39	160.44	145.9
BDL	1514.3	1519.2	1493.2	1513.6	541716	0.6	49.13	1517.23	1539.18
DCXINDIA	184.25	186.89	183.0	185.34	208699	0.59	28.98	202.56	261.5
CFF	619.9	625.95	611.0	615.95	16400	0.38	40.24	650.45	580.22
GRSE	2799.0	2866.0	2775.2	2793.2	1590264	0.28	55.29	2742.39	2360.07
DATAPATTNS	2962.0	3050.0	2958.0	2970.8	656200	0.18	56.5	2893.89	2478.31
MAZDOCK	2673.0	2699.0	2661.0	2679.6	412097	0.08	42.23	2726.79	2821.83
NIBE	1099.3	1114.65	1086.0	1102.15	2350	0.08	39.5	1142.79	1355.6
BHARATFORG	1433.4	1438.3	1412.7	1433.8	1148404	0.03	68.28	1386.24	1205.35
SUNITATOOL	904.9	919.9	885.0	903.0	7500	-0.03	64.68	827.41	779.99
ZENTEC	1402.0	1419.1	1396.6	1406.7	162216	-0.08	50.36	1398.1	1544.75
PARAS	719.25	736.0	711.4	717.65	497693	-0.22	50.68	714.16	670.59
KRISHNADEF	788.8	789.95	780.05	786.6	13250	-0.28	47.01	793.62	782.02
LT	4085.0	4104.2	4054.7	4069.6	1318133	-0.29	65.6	3993.35	3570.35
BEL	414.0	415.25	408.65	411.75	6690232	-0.31	47.35	418.21	363.73
IDEAFORGE	466.25	468.0	461.05	463.35	85907	-0.48	44.01	472.26	470.97
AXISCADES	1420.0	1432.8	1409.0	1417.2	29726	-0.53	41.73	1477.34	1201.7
MIDHANI	332.0	332.8	327.85	328.7	169936	-0.56	27.74	360.56	361.89
COCHINSHIP	1681.0	1687.0	1658.5	1666.1	393249	-0.59	37.31	1721.5	1710.92
SOLARINDS	13379.0	13379.0	13138.0	13272.0	103574	-0.61	39.73	13672.35	13580.75
BEML	1843.6	1852.9	1810.2	1828.0	164120	-0.85	30.23	1978.38	1892.53
LMW	15191.0	15320.0	15000.0	15051.0	1283	-0.92	43.4	15481.85	15612.19
AZAD	1692.1	1692.1	1672.0	1680.6	128429	-0.95	53.47	1650.97	1567.02
RTNINDIA	43.6	44.0	43.11	43.36	712783	-0.98	26.71	46.98	50.76
TECHERA	244.7	244.7	230.55	236.8	19200	-1.09	42.43	254.12	194.21
CENTUM	2366.9	2416.3	2351.1	2364.2	8341	-1.11	39.89	2441.77	2174.38
URAVIDEF	195.0	196.0	187.63	188.28	2437	-1.13	22.98	210.42	400.72
PREMEXPLN	536.2	542.25	528.0	530.3	187478	-1.14	36.68	577.37	503.35
ASTRAMICRO	945.4	950.2	928.2	932.4	170860	-1.38	31.66	1003.49	941.57
PTC	160.2	160.49	157.52	157.8	643488	-1.42	31.11	164.05	171.24
APOLLO	267.2	268.95	262.5	263.2	1464371	-1.5	40.43	273.67	200.22
JYOTICNC	1039.0	1042.7	1002.0	1010.25	198706	-2.8	59.51	964.99	1018.84