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India Lifts ICC Trophy with Pride



India defeated New Zealand in the final at the Dubai International Cricket Stadium on March 9, 2025, to win the ICC Champions Trophy. India became the first team to win the tournament three times consecutively. The match was thrilling, with both teams struggling hard until the last moment. New Zealand won the toss and decided to bat first. Their batsmen performed well, with Daryl Mitchell making 63 runs and Michael Bracewell remaining not out on 53. But India's spinners, Kuldeep Yadav and Varun Chakravarthy, bowled extremely well to limit New Zealand to just 252 runs. Their accurate bowling and vital wickets kept New Zealand struggling to score at ease.

India responded positively, with their captain Rohit Sharma leading by example. He scored a steady 76 runs, providing a good platform for India. But there was some anxiety in the middle of the innings when New Zealand's Glenn Phillips pulled off a spectacular catch,

making the game competitive. But India didn't panic. Shreyas Iyer, Axar Patel, and KL Rahul also contributed significantly during the chase. KL Rahul didn't get out and scored 34 runs without getting out and led India to a win with one over to spare.

Rohit Sharma was awarded Player of the Match for his exceptional batting and captaincy. India's spinners also played a vital role in the team's success, as they picked up crucial wickets at the right time. New Zealand's Rachin Ravindra was awarded the Player of the Tournament for his consistent showings throughout the tournament.

India's strategy worked perfectly as they made good use of the spin-friendly pitch in Dubai. Rohit Sharma's smart decisions as captain helped the team control the game. With this wicket and gave their fans a moment to celebrate.

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Mahakumbh: World's Biggest Spiritual Gathering

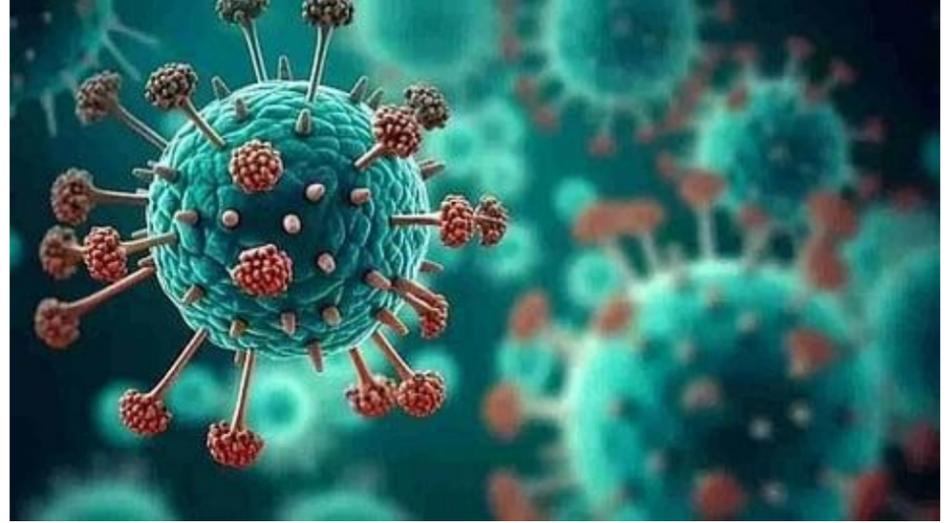


The Great event is the peak of the regular Kumbh Mela this Mela comb takes place roughly every 144 years making it extremely important. A key aspect of the mahakumbh is ritual bathing (snaan) which hold great spiritual significance. They are different types of bathing the most notable being the shahi snaan where naga sadhus and various akharas take part in an involved march before absorb each other in the holy water. Individual worship takes their own bath to receive blessings. The timing of the bath is important to live up astrology arrangements that increase spiritual power. The benefit of attending mahakumbh is a very spiritual easy to culture understanding. It is a chance to watch away sins achieve conservation and extreme inner peace. They promote a strong sense of community unity of people from different backgrounds in a shared religious experience. It also serves as a vibrant culture showcase with traditional music dance. Although mahakumbh faces server challenges like high crowd in the event, risk of safety and security. Crowd controls become a huge task requiring careful planning and execution. A huge

crowd of people put pressure on the sanitation and wastemanagement system Such a crowded situation increased the risk of disease spread. Report from January 2025 indicates that a crash happened between the Crowd at the Kumbh Mela in Prayagraj server death and injuries. Mahakumbh is always attended by many notable personalities. Religious leaders from various Hindu sects, spiritual Guru refined the event with their presence of ring guidance and blessings to the people. Political leaders attend the culture and social importance of the Mela. celebrities and well-known figures from various field also attend. Coming together to search for diverse personalities mark the wide appeal of mahakumbh and its role as a culture event The 2025 mahakumbh Mela was a complex and mixed event balancing profound spiritual significance with logical and environmental challenges organized on the scale of a mahakumbh further increasing the significance of the event and impact it will have on all who attend.

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HMPV Emerges in Bengaluru: A New Challenge for Indian Healthcare



The discovery of the first human metapneumovirus (HMPV) viruses in Bengaluru. This marks an important shift in the country's ongoing battle against lung illnesses. In result of all that data, both national and local insurance companies arrived up their attention and taken more measures, particularly for premature babies transferred to Baptist Medical Center Clinic. Both that was confirmed cases, a boy he was only eight months old and a girl she was just three months old, demonstrated how vulnerable infants are to this lungs illness. Since no baby had ever traveled outside, there is a greater chance regarding social getting sick, that's why there are issues associated with the illness spreading inside the neighborhood. Despite not being a novel virus worldwide, HMPV is gaining increased attention because of its capacity to cause significant respiratory injury, especially in high-risk populations. Unlike the virus that causes respiratory infection (RSV), that often leads a variety of symptoms, it belongs to the paramyxovirus family. For such, an effective treatment depends on an accurate diagnosis. Cough, fever, a stuffy nose, C issues with respiration are signs that frequently mirror the signs of major lung disorders and are easily mistaken for viruses or even COVID-19. Watching closely and proper care are necessary due to the risk of dangerous results, including an infection of or a cold, especially throughout youngsters, seniors, and patients with weakened immune systems. The Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) is adopting an active role by incorporating HMPV observation into the prevailing lung

disease control program. Monitoring viral transmission, identifying pandemics, and directing public health efforts are the goals of this planned action. In order to improve state health agencies' capacity for ability and reaction, the Union Minister of Health takes an active role by offering advice and assistance. The urgency of how governments are taking on the latest medical problem can be seen by a united front at the state and levels of government. This finding comes at a time when concerns about lung virus pandemics are common, especially in places like China where there has been a recorded increase in lung-related illnesses. This is possible by effective monitoring and quick reactions to fresh infections. The spread of HMPV in India acts as an indicator of the ongoing danger that influenza viruses and the necessity of ongoing caution. First of all, it highlights how important it is to improve lung disease to track systems in order to quickly identify and monitor fresh pathogens. Secondly, it shows how important it is to run public education about good breathing habits for example wash your hands timely, covering your sneeze, social distancing if you are not well Third it is an important need for testing elements Notice hmpv from other lungs disease for proper clinical treatment The Health Minister provided a warning in reaction to the first case in Bangalore stress the importance of timely recognition and Fastly attention in newborn and young children showing lungs disease

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Rekha Gupta Appointed as Chief Minister of New Delhi



Rekha Gupta, a veteran politician from the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), has made history by becoming the 9th Chief Minister of Delhi. Her journey to the top began in 1992 as a student leader at Delhi University's Daulat Ram College, where she was part of the Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP). Gupta's rise to prominence was swift, and she soon became the President of the Delhi University Students' Union (DUSU) from 1996 to 1997. Her dedication to public service earned her a reputation as a rising star within the BJP. She went on to serve as a councillor from Uttari Pitampura (Ward 54) for three terms and even held the position of Mayor of the South Delhi Municipal Corporation. Rekha Gupta's political journey began in 1992 when she joined the Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP) during her college days at Delhi University. Her leadership skills quickly propelled her to the position of President of the Delhi University Students' Union (DUSU) in 1996-1997. She worked tirelessly to develop basic facilities in the area, such as libraries, parks, and swimming pools. She also launched initiatives like the "Sumedha Yojana," which provided financial assistance to economically weaker female students pursuing higher education.

Throughout her career, Gupta has held various positions, including:

- General Secretary of BJP Mahila Morcha in Delhi: She worked to empower women and promote their welfare.
- National Executive Member of the BJP: She played a key role in shaping the party's policies and decisions.
- Chairperson of the Women Welfare and Child Development Committee: She worked to promote the welfare of women and children in Delhi.

In the 2025 Delhi assembly elections, Gupta defeated Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) candidate Bandana Kumari by a significant margin of 29,595 votes, securing the Shalimar Bagh seat. This victory marked a significant turning point for the BJP, which had been out of power in Delhi for 27 years.

As Chief Minister, Gupta is expected to focus on key issues such as healthcare, education, and infrastructure development. Her leadership will be crucial in shaping the future of Delhi and addressing the concerns of its citizens.

Gupta's swearing-in ceremony took place on February 20, 2025, alongside six ministers. The BJP's historic win in the 2025 Delhi elections, securing 48 out of 70 seats,

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Inauguration of Z-Morh Tunnel in Jammu and Kashmir

On January 13, 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the Z-Morh Tunnel in the Ganderbal district of Jammu and Kashmir, marking a significant milestone in regional infrastructure. This significant event will also be attended by Union Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari, Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha, and Chief Minister Omar Abdullah. The Z-Morh Tunnel, measuring 6.5 kilometers in length, is a two-lane bi-directional road tunnel constructed at a cost of ₹2,700 crores. It seamlessly connects

Gagangir and Sonamarg in central Kashmir and includes a parallel 7.5-meter escape passage for emergencies. Situated at an altitude exceeding 8,650 feet above sea level, the tunnel will ensure all-weather connectivity between Srinagar and Sonamarg, effectively bypassing routes that are prone to landslides and avalanches on the way to Leh. This essential infrastructure is expected to significantly enhance tourism by providing year-round access to Sonamarg. Built under the supervision of National Highways and Infrastructure



Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL), the Z-Morh Tunnel has been described as an "engineering marvel" by the NHIDCL. The term "Z-Morh" originates from the Z-shaped roadway that was in place prior to the construction of the tunnel. This roadway was located at an elevation exceeding 8,500 feet and was vulnerable to snow avalanches during winter months, which consequently resulted in the closure of access to Sonamarg during the colder seasons. The Z-Morh project, started by the Border Roads Organization (BRO) in 2012, was taken over by the National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) in 2019, which then retendered the contract. It is one of the 31 road tunnels, 20 in Jammu and Kashmir and 11 in Ladakh. In conjunction with the Zojila Tunnel, projected for completion in 2028, the Z-Morh Tunnel will reduce the distance between the Kashmir Valley and Ladakh from 49 kilometers to 43

kilometers, while increasing vehicle speed capabilities from 30 km/h to 70 km/h. This improved connectivity is anticipated to boost defense logistics, promote economic development, and foster socio-cultural integration in both Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh. The groundwork for the Z-Morh Tunnel project commenced in May 2015, with an initial completion timeline set for 2016-2017. However, due to challenges faced by Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services (IL&FS), the original concessionaire, including financial difficulties that led to a halt of work in 2018, the project's completion was significantly delayed. The foundation stone for this critical project, valued at ₹2,716.90 crores, was laid in October 2012 by the then Surface Transport Minister C.P. Joshi, alongside notable figures including former Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah and Congress MP Rahul Gandhi.

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January 18: Sanjay Roy Convicted for the 2024 Kolkata RG Kar Hospital Case



On August 9, 2024, a tragic incident occurred in Kolkata's RG Kar Hospital and Medical College. A 31-year-old trainee doctor was found raped and murdered in seminar room after completing a 36-hour shift Sanjay Roy, a 33 year old civic volunteer with the Kolkata police, was arrested on August 10, 2024 under suspicion of committing the crime. Initially, the Kolkata police handled the investigation but due to concern about its integrity, the case was transferred to the central bureau of investigation (CBI).

On January 18, 2025, after trial, Sanjay Roy was convicted of both rape and murder. The seal dah court, led by judge Anirban Das. The court said that it finds the accused guilty on the basis of evidence put forward by the

central bureau of investigation for which the highest punishment will be death and least will be life imprisonment. The judge said the accused is being held guilty of section 64, 66, 103 (1) of Bharatiya Nyay Samhita. The judge informed Sanjay Roy that he had entered the hospital on August 9 and smothered the victim to death and committed sexual assault to her. The judge sentenced him to life imprisonment until death and imposed a fine of Rs.50,000. He said that he does not think it is rarest of rare case and the court also directed that the victim's parents will get compensation of 17 lakh.

The victim's family expressed dissatisfaction with the investigation and alleged that the central bureau of investigation and did not investigate the case properly. Speaking to

media person the parents claimed that if CBI had properly investigated the case then several other would have been arrested because It is not Sanjay Roy only one involved in this murder, Mamta Banerjee's government has destroyed the evidence. More than 50 people were standing at the crime scene; the body has been brought there from another place. And victim's parents also reject compensation ordered by court. On rejection of compensation, the judge said that "I know this death can't be compensated. It is liability of state because she was on duty doctor, and we have to pay this compensation because we are bound by

law". "The case is not complete. It will only be completed after others who were involved in killing our daughter are punished" parents said. This case sparked nationwide protest, with demands for stricter punishment and enhanced safety measure for women, especially in public hospitals. In response, the west bangal government filled an appeal seeking the death penalty for Sanjay Roy, challenging the life sentence. This incident has intensified discussions about women's safety and the effectiveness of current legal provision in addressing such heinous crimes.

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On January 27, 2025, India and China announced a major step toward improving their strained ties. The two nations agreed to resume direct air services and allow journalist exchanges after nearly five years of suspended travel links. This decision marks an important move in restoring communication and building trust between the two Asian giants. The agreement to facilitate journalist exchanges is also a welcome step, promoting greater understanding and cooperation between the two nations. This initiative will enable journalists from India and China to work together, share perspectives, and gain a deeper understanding of each other's cultures and viewpoints. Experts believe that these measures will help reduce misunderstandings and promote closer cooperation. Direct air links are not only

vital for business and tourism but also play a key role in strengthening people-to-people connections. With easier access, journalists can report first hand on developments and share a more complete picture of the ongoing relationship between India and China. The move is seen as a positive sign in a region that has experienced several ups and downs in diplomatic relations over the past few years. Improved travel and media exchanges are expected to encourage further dialogue and open new avenues for cooperation in areas such as trade, technology, and cultural projects. As India and China embark on this new chapter in their relations, it is hoped that this renewed cooperation will bring mutual benefits and foster greater understanding between the two nations.

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India and Indonesia Enhance Cooperation, President Prabowo Subianto Visits to New Delhi

President Subinoto became the fourth Indonesian leader to be the chief guest of India. He visited India at the 75th Republic Day celebration as the Chief Guest. President Subinoto and Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveiled the measures to enhance the bilateral relations between the two nations in various sectors like Defense, Trade and Maritime Security. PM Modi stated in front of the media. "Indonesia is our important partner in the Asean and Indo-Pacific regions. "We are both committed to maintaining peace,

security, prosperity and rules-based order in this entire region." Both leaders aimed to accelerate trade between the two nations, more than \$30 billion by 2024. President Prabowo also showed his interest in working with India in the Defense Sector. He, himself a retired general, said he would send a high-level delegation to India to take forward defense collaboration following the ratification of a bilateral defense cooperation agreement. Also at the meeting, Prime Minister Modi said, "To increase cooperation in the



defense sector, we have decided to work together in defense manufacturing and supplychains.

The two leaders renewed their Mou (Memorandum of Understanding) on Martine safety and security cooperation, which focuses on crime prevention, search and rescue and capacity building. It was his first visit to India as the president of the Republic of Indonesia in India, and it became one of the most important meetings. He also said, "I would like to wish the people of India prosperity, Peace and Greatness in the Coming Year. " They also signed three other MOUs (Memorandums of Understanding) between the health ministries that are expected to bolster cooperation to help Indonesia overcome a shortage of healthcare professionals. Indonesia needs some 160,000 doctors and nurses and is looking to India as a potential

source for such personnel. The two leaders also want to work on their age-old cultural ties between India and Indonesia. Prime Minister Modi said that following the conservation of the Borobudur Buddhist temple in Indonesia with Indian assistance, New Delhi will contribute to the conservation of the Prambanan Hindu temple, a ninth-century compound in Yogyakarta that is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Pm Modi also stated that the year 2025 will be celebrated as the India-Asean Year of Tourism to promote cultural exchanges and tourism between the two countries. Finally, Pm Modi said India and Indonesia work together in forums like the G20, ASEAN, and the Indian Ocean Rim Association. He welcomed Indonesia's BRICS membership.

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India's Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman Presents Annual Budget



Financial year outlining key measures to boost infrastructure development, streamline taxation policies, and drive economic growth. The budget aims to sustain India's recovery while addressing long-term structural needs. The government has significantly increased allocations for infrastructure projects, including expansion of highways and expressways to enhance connectivity. Boost to railway modernization with new high-speed corridors and improved passenger facilities. Individuals and businesses, the budget includes potential revisions in income tax slabs to provide relief to middle-class taxpayers. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman Unveils Budget 2025. Continued reforms in the Goods and Services Tax (GST) system to reduce compliance complexities. The budget maintains a focus on fiscal

prudence while ensuring necessary spending for economic recovery.

The fiscal target has been adjusted to balance growth aspirations with financial discipline. Increased allocations for healthcare and education to strengthen human capital. Incentives for the manufacturing sector to support the "Make in India" initiatives Measures to promote digital economy, AI, and technology-driven businesses. Credit facilities. Investments in rural infrastructure, including irrigation and electrification projects.

The budget reflects the government's commitment to driving growth through infrastructure investment and tax reforms. While experts debate its long-term impact, the focus remains on fostering a robust and resilient Indian economy.

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Supreme Court allows BJP government to retract appeal against high court order on

The Supreme Court has allowed the BJP government to withdraw its appeal against the High Court's order on the Pradhan Mantri-Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM) ¹. This decision is a significant step towards implementing the PM- ABHIM scheme in Delhi. Previously, the Delhi High Court had ordered the implementation of the PM-ABHIM scheme in Delhi. However, the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) government had challenged this order in the Supreme Court following the BJP's decision electoral victory in delhi, now the BJP government has decided to withdraw this appeal, and the Supreme Court has granted permission for the same. The court found that the project violated several guidelines stipulated under the environmental protection act, 1986 and other relevant laws, calling for its suspension until proper legal procedures, were followed.

The BJP government responded to the ruling by filing an appeal in the Supreme Court, arguing that the High Court's decision was hasty and overlooked the project's potential broader economic benefits. Essentially, they're saying that the project would bring significant economic advantages, but the High Court didn't



consider these factors when making their decision. This decision is crucial for the residents of Delhi, as the PM-ABHIM scheme will provide them with better healthcare services. Under this scheme, Delhi residents will be eligible for health insurance coverage of up to Rs. 5 lakhs. The project, aimed at promoting industrial development and urbanization faced strong opposition from environmentalists, local communities and opposition political parties Reacting to this decision, Delhi's Health Minister stated that this is a significant step for the residents of Delhi. The government is working to implement the PM-ABHIM scheme in Delhi as soon as possible. With this decision, the path is now clear for the implementation of the PM-ABHIM scheme in Delhi, which will provide better healthcare services to its residents.

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India and the EU are set to begin the 10th round of BTIA negotiations in Brussels



The India-EU BTIA negotiations are a crucial step toward strengthening trade and investment ties. While both sides are eager to finalize the deal, challenges like tariff reductions, investment protection, and regulatory differences still need to be resolved. If they can find common ground, the agreement could open new economic opportunities and deepen cooperation. However, given the long history of stalled talks, achieving a breakthrough by the end of the year will require significant compromises from both sides. Key issues in the negotiations include market access, tariffs, regulatory cooperation, and sustainability standards. India is particularly focused on securing better access for its skilled professionals in the EU, while the EU is pushing for stronger commitments on labor rights, environmental protections, and investment protections. If finalized, the BTIA could significantly boost trade

between India and the EU, which is already India's second-largest trading partner. The negotiation's cover various areas, including goods, services, investment protection, and government procurement. Both sides are working towards a mutually beneficial trade pact, with India seeking greater market access for its goods and services. The India-EU FTA negotiations were initially launched in 2007 but stalled in 2013 due to differences over several issues. The talks resumed in June 2022, with both sides aiming to conclude the agreement by the end of 2025. A successful agreement is expected to boost bilateral trade, which has already surpassed \$200 billion in 2023. The EU is India's second-largest trading partner, and a comprehensive FTA is likely to increase trade and investment between the two economies.

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Union Budget 2025-26: Key Provisions and Implications for Citizens

Honorable Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman presented the Union Budget 2025-26 in Parliament today, outlining a comprehensive fiscal plan designed to harmonize prudent financial management with sustained economic growth. This budget, representing the inaugural full-term financial strategy of the government's third tenure, introduces several significant measures that are expected to influence various economic sectors and directly impact the daily lives of citizens.

Tax Relief for the Middle Class

The budget proposes revisions to income tax slabs under the new tax regime, aimed at providing relief to the salaried class. Specifically, the basic exemption limit has been increased from ₹3 lakh to ₹3.5 lakh. Furthermore, the 20% tax slab has been expanded to encompass income between ₹10 lakh and ₹15 lakh, adjusting the previous upper limit of ₹12 lakh. Economic analysts anticipate that these adjustments will result in a notable increase in disposable income for middle-class taxpayers, potentially fostering greater consumer spending.

The government continues its commitment to infrastructure development with an allocation of ₹11.5 lakh crore. A new "National Urban Development Mission" with a five-year outlay of ₹2 lakh crore is proposed to enhance urban infrastructure in 50 cities. To address employment, "Skill India 2.0" is introduced, aiming to skill 4 crore youth over five years with a budget of ₹20,000 crore. Employers will receive incentives for creating new jobs, with government contributions to EPF for new hires until March 2026.

Agricultural and Rural Development

The agricultural sector receives ₹1.5 lakh crore, with a focus on sustainable farming practices. A ₹25,000 crore "Climate Resilient Agriculture Fund" is established. The PM-KISAN scheme will increase payments from ₹6,000 to ₹8,000 annually, benefiting over 11 crore farmer families.

Promotion of the Digital Economy

The budget proposes a streamlined GST structure and incentives for digital payments. A ₹10,000 crore "Digital India Investment Fund" is allocated to support startups in



Enhancements to the Housing Sector

The government has extended the interest subsidy of up to ₹2.35 lakh for first-time homebuyers in the affordable housing segment until March 2026. Additionally, the definition of "affordable housing" has been broadened to include properties valued up to ₹65 lakh in metropolitan areas and ₹55 lakh in non-metropolitan areas. For existing homeowners, a new deduction of ₹50,000 has been introduced for principal repayment on housing loans, supplementing the existing ₹1.5 lakh deduction under Section 80C.

Strengthening Healthcare Initiatives

A substantial allocation of ₹95,000 crore has been designated for the healthcare sector, reflecting a 12% increase over the previous year. The budget introduces "Ayushman Bharat 2.0," a new scheme aimed at extending health insurance coverage to senior citizens aged 70 and above, regardless of income. Furthermore, a ₹5,000 crore fund has been allocated for the establishment of advanced cancer treatment facilities in 20 government medical colleges nationwide. Infrastructure and Employment Opportunities.

areas such as artificial intelligence, quantum computing, and blockchain technology.

Implications for Citizens

This budget presents a mix of implications for citizens. The middle class will experience immediate financial relief through income tax adjustments and housing benefits. Senior citizens will gain from expanded healthcare coverage, and young job seekers may benefit from increased employment opportunities.

However, adjustments to some indirect taxes could potentially offset the direct tax benefits. Experts emphasize the budget's approach to balancing immediate relief with long-term economic sustainability. The fiscal deficit target is set at 4.3% of GDP for 2025-26, demonstrating the government's commitment to fiscal consolidation. Citizens are advised to review their financial plans in light of these new policies to optimize benefits and navigate the evolving economic landscape.

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Bell Rings, But Who's Learning? State of Indian Schools Today



Indian education system has been a point of debate for a long time. While we have gained a lot of progress in technology, economy, and global reach, our education system is still lacking and back in time. It still depends on rote learning, has a one-size-fits-all approach, and gives importance to English over local languages. In this rigid framework, individuality is lost, and students are not prepared for the challenges of the real world.

Hence, it slows students down and limits their ability to get jobs. Even bright students have no opportunities then to study abroad. Rote Learning is preferred over Critical Thinking. One of the greatest failures of the Indian education system is that it is over-focused on Ratification aka rote learning. Students are supposed to memorize textbooks instead of comprehending ideas. Examinations check memory instead of analytical ability, imagination, or problem-solving capacity. This makes it a system in which students learn to score good marks instead of actually learning.

Due to this, numerous students fail in professional life and higher studies, where practical knowledge and critical thinking are required. Instead of encouraging curiosity, the system forces students to follow a set of pattern where asking question is not allowed. Genuine education should be all about knowledge but it has been converted into a memory test.

One Teaching Method for All

Each student learns in a different manner—some learn more from pictures, some from hands-on training, and some through conversation. Indian schools are adhering to a strict pattern where the same process is used for all students irrespective of their individual capabilities.

There isn't much scope for innovation or creativity in classrooms. Teachers usually work through the syllabus without thinking about whether students truly understand the material. Hands-on learning is hardly ever present, and courses such as arts, music, and sports are neglected. The system doesn't allow talents to develop but

compels students to adapt to a pre-set mould.

English Language: The Only Path to Success?

Another serious weakness of the Indian education system is that it only focuses on English language. Eventhough, English is crucial in the international job markets and creates a lot of opportunities but its imposition in schools generates inequality. Non- English-speaking students struggle, not because they are less intelligent, but because they are compelled to study in a language in which they feel awkward. This bias deprives students belonging to rural and economically disadvantaged regions of opportunities. Japan, Germany, and China have shown that success is not based on English but on the quality of one's own language education. Rather than giving undue importance to English, India should concentrate on ensuring education is made available and is effective in all regional languages.

The Loss of Individualism

The Indian education system emphasizes discipline and conformity rather than individuality. Students are never encouraged to question or pursue something different. Their career paths are predetermined—engineers, doctors, and administrative jobs are appreciated, but arts, sports, and anything other are neglected.

This kind of thinking suffocates innovation and creativity. Most students end up in a career they dislike, which creates dissatisfaction and exhaustion. A marks-based system for measuring talent will definitely fail to deliver truly successful people.

Conclusion

Though India has improved in terms of education accessibility, the system is still fundamentally flawed. To actually move forward, we require an education system that fosters creativity, practical skills, and multiple learning styles. Education must not be solely about exams—it must be about actual learning, individual development, and equipping students for the future.

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From Real to Virtual: India's Metaverse Journey



The metaverse—a virtual world where people can interact, work, and socialize—has been gaining momentum globally, and India is no exception. With its rapidly growing technology, a young digital-savvy population, and increasing investments in artificial intelligence (AI), blockchain, and augmented reality (AR), India is poised to become a key player in this digital revolution.

India has one of the largest internet user bases in the world, with over 800 million people connected online. This makes the country an ideal market for metaverse-related innovations. The rise of affordable smartphones and 5G networks further accelerates the adoption of immersive technologies. Major Indian corporations, startups, and even government initiatives are exploring how the metaverse can be integrated into sectors like education, healthcare, entertainment, and commerce. Several Indian companies are investing in virtual reality (VR) to create new digital experiences. Major brands like Tanishq and FabIndia have launched virtual stores, allowing customers to browse and try on products in a 3D environment before making a purchase. Similarly, real estate companies are using metaverse platforms to showcase properties digitally, offering immersive walkthroughs to potential buyers. Startups like Loka, an Indian metaverse platform, are building localized virtual worlds tailored to Indian users. They offer social experiences that replicate real-world cities, making virtual interactions more relatable and engaging for Indian audiences. Education and Learning in the

Metaverse. The education sector in India is also embracing the metaverse. Virtual classrooms powered by VR and AR provide students with an interactive learning experience. Universities like IIT Madras are experimenting with metaverse-based education to enhance engineering and medical training. These innovations allow students to perform virtual dissections, conduct chemistry experiments, and even explore historical sites through immersive simulations. India's entertainment industry, especially Bollywood and gaming, is tapping into the metaverse. Virtual concerts, movie screenings, and celebrity interactions are becoming increasingly popular. Platforms like Converse, an Indian metaverse project, offer games and digital experiences rooted in Indian mythology and culture. This allows gamers to engage with Indian narratives in a new and immersive way. Despite its potential, India faces challenges in fully adopting the metaverse. Infrastructure limitations, digital literacy gaps, and data privacy concerns remain significant hurdles. Additionally, regulatory clarity on digital assets, NFTs, and cryptocurrency is crucial for a thriving metaverse economy. However, with initiatives like Digital India and growing investments in emerging technologies, India is well on its way to becoming a major hub for metaverse development. As more businesses, educators, and creators explore virtual spaces, the metaverse could redefine how Indians work, learn, and connect in the digital age. In conclusion, India's journey into the metaverse is just beginning, but the possibilities are vast. With the right policies, technological advancements, and public awareness, India has the potential to shape the future of this virtual universe on a global scale.

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Audio Journalism: Challenges and Limitations

Audio Journalism emphasizes fast reporting, technical expertise, teamwork, creativity, innovation and developing strong narratives, for short news reports on live radio. It diversifying and expanding to multiple platforms and using more personal mediums like WhatsApp Channels and Instagram Broadcast Channels to Apps, newsletters, podcasts, and websites, journalists. It increases radio's strengths, the new age of audio journalism which is beyond traditional radio's limitations, and offering on-demand listening. The rise of smartphones and internet access has made audio content incredibly accessible, allowing people to listen anytime, anywhere. Audio storytelling has been a popular form of communication and entertainment for decades. With the rise of digital media technology, it has become an increasingly accessible and powerful medium in the 21st century. The availability of mobile devices and

smartphones has made it easier than ever. The rise of podcasting has led to an area of audio content, with millions worldwide regularly tuning in to their favorite shows. Audio storytelling has also been a powerful tool for journalism. The rise of audio storytelling has led to new opportunities for creators and artists, with audio dramas and fictional podcasts gaining popularity among audiences. Audio journalism in India often emphasizes local issues and stories, which create regional languages and cultures. Community radio and podcasts are actively engaging with local communities, which ensuring that this technologies are benefits to the society of those directly affected. Audio journalism, while offering unique strengths, but it creates accessibility issues for those with hearing impairments, the need for specialized equipment and skills. For Producing high-quality audio journalism requires specific equipment (microphones,

recorders, editing software) and technical skills. This infrastructure and ongoing maintenance of audio recording equipment can be expensive. Audio can be less effective in conveying complex and notable areas compared to text or visual formats. Some interviewees may become nervous or uncomfortable when being recorded and affecting the quality of their responses. Some sources may not allow their interviews to be recorded. This system creates Loss of concentration With audio



conferencing. By which your team members can easily lose concentration, losing out on important information.

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Citizen Journalism Redefining Today's Media



In the rising silicon era, citizen journalism has become a force to be determined with, redefining the light of dominant media. The growth of using digital media, such as cellphones, social media, and fast internet has made it more feasible for regular people to report news in real time, upending traditional journalism and offering a variety of perspectives on global events.

The Emergence of Citizen Journalism

Citizen journalism, (the practice of amateur reporters covering news events for publication and sharing) is most evident in blogs, sites that share videos and social media. In contrast, traditional journalism relies on an editorial board and conventional journalists and citizen journalism is but distribution (the personal publishing tool) with access and immediacy. Now, thanks to the advent of social media sites such as Facebook, YouTube, TikTok and Twitter; people can even capture and share breaking news in real-time often within the few seconds of it actually happening before the mainstream media can deliver.

This trend gathered pace in the early 2000s with enormous international events such as the 2004 Asian Tsunami and the 2011 Arab Spring underlining the power of citizen reporting.

At these times, daily people delivered first line reports, videos and photos that the Mainstream Media could not, highlighting crises for international viewership that would have otherwise been marginalized. Impact on Traditional Media Citizen Journalism influences the mainstream media, shift in nature of news presence being faster C more interactive by now. Nowadays, news breaking and content of the users followed by social media sites are being included in reporting as conventional media organizations started to talk and include more what citizen journalists write. Pro bono journalist equivalents have shone a light on critical

instances where perhaps real reporters might have missed the mark, like police brutality and corruption or social wrongs.

Yet, citizen journalism is not without its woes and advances media diversity/democratization. Because there is no editorial oversight, a lot of misinformation and fake news go viral. Without fact-checking, unverified

reports build confusion and panic-prone voter manipulation. This has spurred a requirement for the audience to evaluate sources and for social media platforms to create filters against misinformation.

The Ethical Dilemma

Besides citizen journalism, ethical issues have also been heard increasing. Professional journalists are bound by strict ethical codes of conduct, which include honesty, impartiality (or more accurately balance), and equity. Citizen journalists, at best biased, second in verification and last in accountability. This has triggered belief of the credibility of the information given and how it changes minds.

Though not compromising the principles of responsible journalism, media companies are also ramping up collaborations with citizen journalists to help solve these problems. Though user-generated content (thanks to partnerships with news outlets, media literacy campaigns and fact-checking initiatives) closes the gap between the two forms of journalism, it's assured to be enticing as a spin.

Technology will only help in how citizen journalism will influence media narratives. As AI improves, as everybody can live stream to wherever our data is going to feed next and decentralized news sites develop, we will never stop people from breaking news completely independently from the established sources in real time.

Citizen journalism is at best an inferior cousin to professional journalism—that is it shall never replace the latter as the source of diverse viewpoints and unrepresented news becomes more and more apparent. With so much information available right now, professional and citizen journalism must live in balance as they complement each other to make a good meaning, true story.

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International Women's Day 2025



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The world is celebrating International Women's Day in 2025, but are women's really be able to enjoy it? Society champions female empowerment, gender quality but issues like women's safety, the right to voice opinions, freedom, objectification on socialmedia remain deeply concerning. Are we truly making the world safer and fairer for women, or is progress just an illusion?

Women's Safety:

Women's safety is still one of the most critical issues in the world today. Harassment, assault, and domestic violence still happens with tough laws and adequate awareness. Public places, the workplace, and even homes remain dangerous surrounding. Most women continue to fear going out alone at night or complaining about harassment for fear of being blamed or neglected.

The question still exist even after many decades, Why do women have to take additional measures to ensure their safety? Rather than putting the burden on women to defend themselves, shouldn't society address mindsets and have stronger enforcement of laws against predators? Women's safety is not a privilege but a right. Do Women's Opinions Really Matter? Women have struggled long enough for the right to be heard, seen yet today their opinions are still dismissed and overseen. In workplaces, politics, and even casual conversation, women are often interrupted, talked down to, and criticized for sharing their opinions.

This is particularly prevalent in traditionally male-dominated fields where women's input is usually minimized. Even in social movements, women activists and leaders are criticized more harshly than men. When a woman asserts herself against something that is unfair, she becomes "too emotional" or "too aggressive." But why does assertiveness for men receive such praise

while being criticized for women? The world must do better than these preconceptions and see that the views of women are accorded the seriousness and respect they rightfully deserve.

Objectification: More Than Just a Feminist Complaint Women's objectification is still a deeply entrenched problem. Advertisements, films, and even societal norms all ends up at women's looks and beauty instead of their talent, intellect, or personality. The media keeps projecting unattainable beauty standards that make women compete with each other to fit the ideal based on how they look, not what they can do. The effect is seen all around—women who don't meet society's "ideal" beauty standard are mocked, while those who do are not necessarily taken seriously. This continuous judging has an effect on self-esteem, mental health, and career prospects. Society needs to realize that women are more than their physical selves and begin appreciating them for who they are.

Social Media: A Double-Edged Sword

Social media has provided women with a voice, but it has also emerged as a breeding ground for misogyny, cyberbullying, and harassment. Women, particularly public figures, are subjected to constant trolling, body shaming, and threats. Women journalists, influencers, and activists are frequently assaulted for expressing their views, while their male counterparts hardly ever face the same degree of aggression. While its poisonous aspect cannot be overlooked, social media also liberates women, making them accessible to communities that motivate and empower them. There should be strict rules against cyberbullying and ensure women's can express their thoughts and emotions without judgment.

Conclusion

International Women's Day must not simply be celebrated—must be an occasion to reflect on how much more work lies ahead in developing a world where women are safe and respected. It's time for change, not promises. Women should be able to live without fear, speak without hesitation, and be appreciated for more than their appearance. The question is, when will society finally make that a reality?

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Pratika Rawal Creates History with Maiden ODI Century



On January 15, 2025, Indian cricketer Pratika Rawal delivered a remarkable performance by scoring her maiden One Day International (ODI) century against Ireland. Playing at the Niranjan Shah Stadium in Rajkot, Rawal's outstanding innings of 154 runs significantly contributed to India's record-breaking total and a commanding victory. Her century was a crucial contribution to India's win, showcasing her skills and composure under pressure. Rawal showcased exceptional skill and composure. She reached her century in 100 balls and continued to accelerate, finishing with 154 runs off 129 deliveries, including 20 fours and one six. This performance made her only the third Indian woman to surpass the 150-run mark in ODIs, joining the ranks of Deepti Sharma and Harmanpreet Kaur.

Before making her international debut, she pursued studies in psychology, a discipline that has contributed to her mental resilience on the field. She is also the

daughter of a Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) umpire, which has provided her with a unique perspective on the game. Rawal made her ODI debut against the West Indies on December 22, 2024, where she scored a commendable 40 runs. She followed this with a half-century in the second match of that series, showcasing her consistent form early in her international career. Rawal's maiden century is not only a personal milestone but also a significant achievement for Indian women's cricket. Her success serves as an inspiration to aspiring cricketers across the country.

Pratika Rawal's maiden ODI century against Ireland not only marked a personal achievement but also played a crucial role in India's record-setting performance. As she continues to develop her skills, Rawal is ready to become a backbone in the Indian women's cricket team, inspiring upcoming cricketers with her dedication and success.

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India's Anshu Kumari Awarded Best Attacker as India Triumphs in the Inaugural Kho Kho World Cup



In a historic achievement, India's women's team emerged victorious in the first-ever Kho Kho World Cup, held at the Mahatma Gandhi Indoor Stadium in New Delhi. The team displayed exceptional skill and dominance, securing a resounding 78-40 win against Nepal in the final match. This victory cements India's position as a powerhouse in the sport of Kho Kho. India's journey in the tournament was remarkable, showcasing their superior agility, strategy, and teamwork. During the group stage, they triumphed over teams from South Korea, Iran, and Malaysia. They continued their winning streak by defeating Bangladesh in the quarterfinals and South Africa in the semifinals before claiming the ultimate victory against Nepal.

One of the standout performers of the tournament was Anshu Kumari, who was honored with the Best Attacker award for her exceptional speed and offensive play. Another key player, Chaithra B, was recognized as the Best Player of the Tournament for her all-round contributions. The Indian team's aggressive approach and well-executed strategies made them the strongest contenders throughout the championship. The Kho Kho World Cup marked a significant step toward global

recognition of this traditional Indian sport. With participation from multiple countries, the tournament aimed to promote Kho Kho on an international level and encourage more nations to adopt it professionally. The event was a major success in boosting the sport's popularity worldwide.

Following their historic victory, the Indian players expressed immense pride and joy in representing their country on such a prestigious platform. Their success was widely celebrated across India, with sports enthusiasts, former athletes, and prominent leaders congratulating the team. Prime Minister Narendra Modi also praised the team's outstanding performance, calling their triumph a proud moment for the nation. India's win in the inaugural Kho Kho World Cup marks the beginning of a new era for the sport. The team's dedication, fitness, and teamwork have set a high standard for future competitions. This victory is expected to inspire young athletes to take up Kho Kho and contribute to its global expansion. With such a dominant performance, India has firmly established itself as a leader in Kho Kho, paving the way for more international success in the years to come.

By Ragini Kumari, BMM, Sem II

Chained by affection

I learned to bend, to shape, to mold, Falling, breaking, doing what they told.

If i behaved just so, just so, Their love for me might grow.
Childhood lessons that were taught, I must accept rules that were bought.

Must i perform? Must i behave? Must i pretend? To keep this love until the very end?

A heart, a soul, utterly confused, Why are they easily bruised?

I wait, i watch, i bide my face,
To find a room in a loveless space.

So though i watch, though i wait, Though i know, it's just a bait.

Should i ask? Or should I bawl?
To fill the cracks before the home fall.

By Nisha Choudhary, BMM, Sem IV

Don't claim you love roses if you cant bear its thorns

Love is like a rose..

You dont get to choose pieces to hold,
it demands to be held fully,
You can't just cherish the fragrance while resenting the sharp edges.

To accept a soul is to accept its history,
To accept a poem is to own the prose.

There's no devotion without sacrifice,
There's no admiration without endurance.

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