

The week from 30 June 2025 to 06 July 2025

India, along with Japan, the US, and Australia, has launched the first-ever 'QUAD at Sea Ship Observer Mission' under the Wilmington Declaration to boost maritime coordination in the Indo-Pacific. It is a multilateral maritime cooperation initiative enabling observer-level cross-embarkation of officers from QUAD nations on each other's coast guard vessels.

The Union Cabinet approved the National Sports Policy (NSP) 2025, replacing the 2001 policy, with the vision of positioning India as a global sporting leader and preparing for major events like the 2036 Olympics. It is a comprehensive national framework designed to promote sports excellence, increase participation, and integrate sports into the economy, education, and governance.

The 14th Dalai Lama declared that the Gaden Phodrang Trust would be the sole authority to recognize his reincarnation, reaffirming his earlier 2011 statement. The Trust, under the Dalai Lama's instructions, guides this process through a pre-defined Tibetan tradition and the final decision is endorsed solely by the Gaden Phodrang Trust, ensuring doctrinal integrity.

The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways notified the Motor Vehicle Aggregator Guidelines (MVAG), 2025, revising the 2020 norms to reflect new mobility trends like bike taxis, EVs, and app-based autorickshaws. MVAG is a regulatory framework under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 that governs how app-based ride-hailing platforms like Ola, Uber, and Rapido operate in India.

The 17th BRICS Summit kicked off in Brazil's Rio de Janeiro, bringing together leaders from major emerging economies. The 2025 summit also marks a new chapter in which BRICS energizes and promotes the sound and steady growth of cooperation among Global South countries.

The 19th National Statistics Day was celebrated on June 29, 2025, marking the 132nd birth anniversary of Prof. P.C. Mahalanobis, with the theme '75 Years of National Sample Survey'. This year celebrates the evolution and contributions of the National Sample Survey (NSS) since its inception in 1950 and Promote awareness among youth about the importance of statistics in national planning and governance.

On July 1, 2025, SBI celebrated 70 years since its formation in 1955 after the nationalisation of the Imperial Bank of India. With origins tracing back to 1806, SBI has grown into India's largest and most trusted bank, boasting ₹61 trillion in assets, 50+ crore customers. To commemorate this, SBI also organised the SBI Scholar Quiz on financial literacy and the BFSI sector, in 16 cities, followed by a National Round, which witnessed participation from more than 2000+ teams. The Series was conducted by Seema Chari and Kunal Savarkar of Xpress Minds Edutainment.

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