

The week from 3 August 2026 to 9 August 2026

India observed National Handloom Day to honour traditional weavers and promote indigenous textiles nationwide. Schools across the country hosted special assemblies highlighting the rich heritage of the Swadeshi movement and encouraging students to support local artisans. This initiative plays a vital role in preserving India's rich cultural legacy and boosting the rural economy.

The nation marked the anniversary of the historic 1942 Quit India Movement with solemn remembrance. Educational institutions organised essay writing and quiz competitions to remind students of Mahatma Gandhi's powerful "Do or Die" call that accelerated India's freedom struggle.

The National Cadet Corps (NCC) launched an ambitious nationwide Cyclothon to foster community engagement. Celebrating 79 years of India's independence, thousands of young cadets cycled across cities to promote physical fitness, environmental awareness, and a spirit of national integration. This large-scale event successfully inspired citizens to adopt healthier lifestyles while strengthening the bonds of unity across diverse regions.

Talented Indian shuttler Tanvi Sharma delivered a stellar performance by claiming her maiden BWF World Tour title at the Taipei Open. Her remarkable victory showcased immense skill, tactical brilliance, and dedication, bringing immense pride to the nation's sporting fraternity.

FIFA announced on 31 July that it was officially abandoning a controversial proposal to create a \$20-billion subsidiary and sell a 20% stake in it. The proposal had faced fierce opposition from several continental football bodies, which severely criticised the consultation process and governance arrangements. Consequently, world football governing bodies opted to maintain existing operational structures following extensive stakeholder pushback.

New Delhi hosted the prestigious "GI & Beyond 2.0 Summit" to discuss intellectual property rights and regional merchandise. The conference focused on protecting indigenous products, handicrafts, and agricultural goods through Geographical Indication tags, encouraging young entrepreneurs to value authentic regional manufacturing.

NASA's James Webb Space Telescope revealed breathtaking new details about complex warped structures inside nearby protoplanetary disks like TW Hydrae. These high-resolution observations are offering astronomers fresh, unprecedented clues regarding how distant planetary systems form and evolve over time.

In international tennis action, India's Ramkumar Ramanathan and Vijay Sundar Prashanth triumphed magnificently at the Bonn Open. The dynamic duo clinched the prestigious doubles title with a masterclass display of seamless teamwork, strategic execution, and mental resilience under pressure. Their victory highlights the growing competitive strength of Indian tennis players on the European Challenger circuit.



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