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14th India-Korea Coast Guard high-level meeting held in Incheon

Representatives of the Indian and Korean Coast Guards met in Incheon on 14 Oct 2026 to deepen maritime cooperation.

Why it matters: What was the venue and purpose of the 14th ICG-KCG high-level meeting?

Source: PIB

Assam drug crackdown nets 945 arrests and ₹182 crore seizures

The Home Ministry reported 945 arrests, 547 cases and drug seizures worth over ₹182 crore in Assam's anti-narcotics operation.

Why it matters: How many arrests and what value of drugs were seized in Assam's recent anti-narcotics drive?

Source: PIB

148.67 kg hydroponic weed seized from Bangkok at IGI Airport

Customs officers at the IGI air cargo complex intercepted a consignment from Bangkok containing 148.67 kg of hydroponically grown cannabis.

Why it matters: From which city was the hydroponic cannabis shipment intercepted at IGI?

Source: PIB

DRI seizes 6.2 kg foreign gold via unaccompanied baggage

The Directorate of Revenue Intelligence uncovered a new smuggling method using unaccompanied baggage and seized about 6.2 kg of foreign-origin gold, arresting three suspects.

Why it matters: What novel channel did DRI target in the gold-smuggling bust and how much gold was seized?

Source: PIB

National Strategic Trade Command Centre launched by Piyush Goyal

Union Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal inaugurated the NSTCC at Vanijya Bhawan to provide data-driven trade monitoring and identify export opportunities.

Why it matters: Which minister launched the NSTCC and what is its primary purpose?

Source: PIB

Indigenous 32-slice CT scanner development backed by TDB-DST

The Technology Development Board, under DST, approved funding for Panacea Medical Technologies to commercialise a home-grown 32-slice CT scanner under Make-in-India.

Why it matters: Which two agencies are supporting the indigenous 32-slice CT scanner project?

Source: PIB

April-Sept 2026-27 exports rise 13.84% to $476.20 bn

India's cumulative merchandise and services exports for April-September 2026-27 reached $476.20 billion, up 13.84% from the previous year, with merchandise exports up 18.51%.

Why it matters: What was the total export value for April-Sept 2026-27 and the percentage growth over the previous year?

Source: PIB

Appointments

Resignation of Dr L Murugan accepted from Union Council of Ministers

The President, on the Prime Minister's advice, accepted Dr L Murugan's resignation from the Union Council of Ministers under Article 75(2).

Why it matters: Under which constitutional article was Dr L Murugan's resignation accepted?

Source: PIB

Today's quiz

1. In which month did the Indian and Korean Coast Guards representatives meet to deepen maritime cooperation?

A. A) October 2026
B. B) September 2026
C. C) November 2026
D. D) December 2026

2. Which statement is correct regarding the President's action?

A. A) He accepted a resignation from the Union Council of Ministers
B. B) He dismissed a minister
C. C) He appointed a new minister
D. D) He resigned himself

3. Consider the following statements: I. The Home Ministry reported 945 arrests, 547 cases and drug seizures worth over ₹182 crore in Assam's anti-narcotics operation. II. The Home Ministry reported 345 arrests, 247 cases and drug seizures worth over ₹182 crore in Assam's anti-narcotics operation. Which is/are correct?

A. A) I only
B. B) II only
C. C) Both I and II
D. D) Neither I nor II

4. Which of the following is true regarding the NSTCC inauguration?

A. A) It was inaugurated by the Prime Minister
B. B) It was inaugurated by the Commerce Minister
C. C) It was inaugurated by the Union Home Minister
D. D) It was inaugurated by the Union Finance Minister

5. Match the following pairs: I. Union Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal II. NSTCC III. Vanijya Bhawan IV. Data-driven trade monitoring and identifying export opportunities

A. A) I-III, II-IV, III-I, IV-II
B. B) I-II, II-III, III-IV, IV-I
C. C) I-IV, II-III, III-I, IV-II
D. D) I-III, II-II, III-IV, IV-I

Answers: 1. A 2. A 3. A 4. B 5. A

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