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Let's check this news about (Parag Jain). Then, we will move ahead

Parag Jain Takes Charge as New RAW Chief After Key Involvement in Operation Sindoor

Parag Jain, a veteran 1989-batch IPS officer of the Punjab cadre, has taken charge as the new Secretary of India's external intelligence agency, R&AW, starting July 1, 2025, succeeding Ravi Sinha. Known for his pivotal role in Operation Sindoor—where his Aviation Research Centre supplied crucial intelligence for precision missile strikes on terror camps—Jain brings expertise in HUMINT, TECHINT, and counter-terror operations. His career spans sensitive postings in Jammu and Kashmir, Canada (monitoring Khalistani activity), and Sri Lanka, positioning him to navigate India's evolving security challenges.



[Image source: Telegraph India]

India Engages with China Over Rare Earth Magnet Supply Amid Export Limitations



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India has initiated diplomatic talks with China to secure the supply of rare earth magnets, as Beijing's April export restrictions threaten India's tech, automotive, and energy sectors. With over 90% of global processing controlled by China, Indian automakers rely on just 4–6 weeks of inventory. New Delhi is sending industry delegations, offering end-user certificates, planning incentives, and fast-tracking domestic mining, processing, recycling, and stock-pile schemes to build resilience.



[Image source: Mint]

India to Set Up Global Potato Innovation Centre in Agra

The Union Cabinet has approved the establishment of the International Potato Center's South Asia Regional Centre (CSARC) in Singna, Agra, marking a major boost to India's agri-food research. With 111–120 crore rupees funding from the government and CIP, the 10-hectare facility will focus on developing climate-resilient potato and sweet potato varieties, enhancing seed systems, pest control, post-harvest handling, processing, and farmer training. This center aims to uplift farmer incomes across Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, West Bengal, and South Asia while generating rural employment and strengthening India's position in global root crop innovation.



[Image source: The Indian Express]

Rath Yatra of Lord Jagannath Celebrated with Grandeur Across the Nation

The annual Rath Yatra of Lord Jagannath has been celebrated with grandeur across India, led by the iconic procession from the Jagannath Temple in Puri to Gundicha Temple on June 27. The nine-day festival includes rituals like Snana Purnima, Gundicha Marjana, Hera Panchami, Bahuda Yatra, Suna Besha, and concludes with Niladri Bije. Millions of devotees nationwide – from Puri to Ahmedabad, London, and Edinburgh – pulled chariots, chanted hymns, and performed 'chhera pahanra'. Enhanced security, IMD weather alerts, and community-driven events highlight the festival's cultural and spiritual unity.



[Image source: NDTV]

Centre Introduces 'Adi Karmyogi' Initiative for Enhanced Tribal Welfare Program Delivery

The Centre has launched the Adi Karmyogi initiative under the Ministry of Tribal Affairs to ensure better outreach and delivery of tribal welfare schemes, complementing existing drives like PM JANMAN and the Dharti Aaba Abhiyan. Running until June 30, the fortnight-long campaign in over 500 districts and 100,000 tribal villages focuses on saturation-level benefit camps—providing Aadhaar, health cards, pensions, bank accounts, land rights, and more—with the active participation of district officials, community leaders, and 17 Union ministries. It aims for inclusive, last-mile service access for tribal communities.

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[Image source: The Hindu]

India Unveils Nation's Longest Wildlife Overpass on Delhi-Mumbai Expressway

The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has inaugurated the country's first dedicated wildlife corridor on a 12 km stretch of the Delhi–Mumbai Expressway, traversing the buffer of Ranthambore Tiger Reserve. Featuring five 500 m overpasses and a 1.2 km underpass, the design allows species—tigers, bears, deer—to cross safely over the eight-lane highway. Collaborated with the Wildlife Institute of India and Environment Ministry, the corridor includes eco features: 35,000 trees, rainwater harvesting, sound barriers, and wildlife monitoring systems.



[Image source: Hindustan Times]

Meta Highlights Decade-Long Boom in Indian Startup Landscape in Latest Report



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A recent Meta-commissioned report by Alvarez and Marsal India highlights a transformational decade for Indian startups. Over 70% of them now integrate AI in core operations, with 87% of adopters achieving ~30% reductions in marketing costs. Startups are diversifying into omnichannel models (67%), collaborating with creators (88%), expanding to Tier-2/3 cities, and targeting cross-border markets. India now boasts 150,000+ DPIIT-recognized startups—with non-metro founders making up half—and ranks third globally in unicorn valuation and tech funding.



[Image source: The Hindu]

India Rejects Additional Verdict by Court of Arbitration on Indus Waters Treaty

On June 27, 2025, India officially rejected a supplemental ruling by the Pakistan-backed Court of Arbitration in The Hague, which asserted jurisdiction over India's Kishenganga and Ratle hydropower projects under the 1960 Indus Waters Treaty. The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) labelled the court "illegal," deeming its formation a violation of the treaty and Pakistan's influence a "charade." India emphasized the treaty is in abeyance following the Pahalgam terror attack and affirmed that only a Neutral Expert, not this court, remains a valid dispute-resolution forum.



[Image source: India Today]

Union Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways Inaugurates SMFCL

On June 26, 2025, Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurated Sagarmala Finance Corporation Limited (SMFCL), India's first NBFC dedicated to the maritime sector. Registered with RBI as a Mini Ratna PSU, SMFCL aims to bridge financing gaps by providing customised short-, medium-, and long-term credit to ports, MSMEs, startups, shipping companies, and maritime educational institutions. It will also support strategic segments like shipbuilding, cruise tourism, renewable energy, and digital ports—bolstering the government's Amrit Kaal Vision 2047 and accelerating growth under the Sagarmala initiative.



[Image source: The Economic Times]

Agricultural and Allied Sectors Output Report Released for 2011–2024 Period

The National Statistical Office (NSO), under MoSPI, has released its "Statistical Report on Value of Output from Agriculture and Allied Sectors" covering 2011–12 to 2023–24. The Gross Value Added (GVA) surged ~225% in current prices (Rupees 1,502 trn to Rupees 4,878 trn), while Gross Value of Output (GVO) rose ~54.6% in constant prices (Rupees 1,908 trn to Rupees 2,949 trn). Crops led the output (~54%), with livestock, forestry, and fisheries also showing strong growth. Horticulture and aquaculture notably expanded, reflecting India's diversified agri-sector boom.



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[Image source: The Economic Times]

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