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## Top Gainers

Stock	Close	Prev	Change
SWANDEF	773.25	736.45	+5.0%
SUNITATOOL	825.4	786.1	+5.0%
ZENTEC	1413.3	1357.2	+4.13%
ASTRAMICRO	1076.7	1042.25	+3.31%
SOLARINDS	14161.0	13878.0	+2.04%

## Top Losers

Stock	Close	Prev	Change
RELINFRA	205.16	215.96	-5.0%
MARINE	240.85	250.65	-3.91%
MTARTECH	2464.1	2548.1	-3.3%
AZAD	1656.0	1696.6	-2.39%
CFF	668.05	683.6	-2.27%

## Defense Business and Industry

### CSIO Develops Advanced Waveguide HUD for AMCA Stealth Fighter



03-Nov-25

The Central Scientific Instruments Organisation (CSIO) has made significant strides in enhancing India's indigenous defense capabilities with the introduction of a next-generation smart Head-Up Display (HUD) tailored for the Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA) program. This advanced system, which utilizes innovative waveguide technology, promises to revolutionize pilot interfaces in fifth-generation stealth fighters by providing sharper, more efficient data projection while maintaining stealth. The new HUD is expected to be about 30% lighter and consume 50% less power than current models, making it a critical component for improving pilot situational awareness during complex combat operations. With a pre-prototype demonstration already conducted for the Indian Air Force, the project aims for completion within two years, ready to integrate seamlessly with the AMCA's advanced systems. This development is emblematic of India's growing self-reliance in defense technology, particularly amid escalating geopolitical tensions in the Indo-Pacific region. The domestic waveguide market, currently valued at \$200 million, is anticipated to expand further, reducing dependence on foreign imports and enhancing India's defense manufacturing ecosystem. The implications of this advancement are profound, potentially positioning India as a key player in the global defense technology arena while bolstering its strategic capabilities.

### CFF Fluid Control secures Rs. 10.95 crore order from Indian Navy for Project 75.



03-Nov-25

CFF Fluid Control Limited, a small-cap defense manufacturer, has secured an order worth Rs. 10.95 crore from the Indian Navy for equipment related to Project 75, aimed at enhancing India's submarine capabilities. This initiative entails building six modern Scorpene-class submarines, reflecting India's commitment to self-reliance in defense production. The order underscores the significance of indigenization in the defense sector, with CFF providing critical systems for naval applications. Despite a recent decline in revenue, the company maintains strong financial metrics, with substantial promoter ownership indicating confidence in its growth potential. This development is pivotal for reinforcing India's maritime strength and advancing its defense manufacturing ecosystem.

### Indian Army Demonstrates Hand-Held Directed Energy Weapon in Exercise



03-Nov-25

The Indian Army's Fire & Fury Corps recently showcased its capabilities during a large-scale Integrated Firepower Exercise, prominently featuring a hand-held directed-energy weapon (DEW) system developed by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO). This demonstration underscores India's commitment to advancing military technology, specifically in counter-drone operations, while emphasizing multi-domain integration of precision artillery and aerial maneuvers. The successful use of DEWs represents a strategic shift towards non-kinetic

weaponry that enhances force protection and deterrence without collateral damage. As India seeks to enhance its defense technology landscape, this exercise signifies a move towards a more agile, technology-enabled military, poised to address evolving threats and potentially serve as a model for future exports of advanced defense systems.

## **DRDO Transfers Upgraded D-29 EW Suite to Boost IAF's MiG-29 Fleet**

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The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has recently transferred the upgraded D-29 Electronic Warfare (EW) suite technology and associated intellectual property to Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) for industrial-scale production. This transfer, formalized during the SAMANVAY 2025 industry synergy meet held on October 28-29, 2025, aims to enhance the Indian Air Force's MiG-29 fleet with modern electronic warfare capabilities, significantly boosting situational awareness and survivability. The upgraded D-29 system integrates advanced radar warning, jamming, and signal processing functions tailored for the MiG-29 aircraft. This initiative strengthens India's strategic goal of achieving self-reliance in critical airborne electronic defense systems and underscores the commitment to revitalizing legacy platforms amid growing regional challenges. The mass production by BEL is expected to expedite deployment, fortifying India's electronic warfare posture in the Indo-Pacific region. Key actors include DRDO, BEL, and the IAF. The technology transfer reflects the "Make in India" vision and enhances India's tactical edge in electromagnetic warfare domains.

## **IAF to boost Harop loitering munitions procurement post-2025 Indo-Pak conflict success.**

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In the aftermath of the 2025 India-Pakistan conflict, the Indian Air Force (IAF) is set to significantly expand its arsenal of Israeli Harop loitering munitions following their successful operational deployment, which effectively neutralized multiple Pakistani radar systems despite intense electronic warfare. The IAF plans to procure an additional 50 Harop systems by mid-2026, while the Army seeks 100 more to enhance border patrol capabilities. Additionally, the indigenous Agnikaa variant developed by Adani Defence is expected to reduce import dependency and costs by 40%, integrating advanced features like compatibility with the Akash missile system. This procurement surge

underscores India's shift towards self-reliance in defense, reflecting a strategic pivot critical for future military readiness amid evolving regional threats.

## **DRDO's Swayam Raksha Kavach EW for Tejas Mk1A begins flight trials.**

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The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has commenced flight trials of the advanced electronic warfare suite Swayam Raksha Kavach (SRK) for the Tejas Mk1A fighter jet, marking a significant stride in enhancing the Indian Air Force's self-protection capabilities against modern aerial threats. The SRK, an evolution of the D-29 system used on MiG-29s, integrates an internal radar warning receiver and an external jammer pod to provide rapid detection and countermeasures against hostile radar systems. Development began in 2021 under DRDO's Combat Aircraft Systems Development and Integration Centre, with flight tests underway as of late October 2025. Certification and production readiness are expected by mid-2026, aligning with the increased Tejas Mk1A induction. This indigenous system strengthens India's strategic autonomy in electronic warfare and is crucial for operational preparedness in contested airspaces amidst rising regional threats. The first Tejas Mk1A flight was on October 17, 2025, highlighting steady progress in India's LCA program.

## **Cochin Shipyard and Svitzer team up to build electric tugboats in India.**

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Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL) has partnered with Denmark-based Svitzer to manufacture advanced electric TRAnverse tugboats in India, a pivotal development announced during India Maritime Week in Mumbai. This collaboration aims to combine CSL's shipbuilding capabilities with Svitzer's extensive towage expertise to produce eco-friendly vessels, aligning with India's Maritime India Vision 2030. The innovative tug design will enhance operational efficiency and significantly reduce emissions, supporting India's green port initiatives. This alliance not only signifies a step towards decarbonization in the maritime sector but also reinforces India's strategic position as a global hub for sustainable maritime manufacturing, bolstering local supply chains and enhancing port operations domestically and internationally.

## Indonesia Receives First Airbus A400M to Enhance Military Logistics



03-Nov-25

On November 3, 2025, Indonesia received its first Airbus A400M tactical transport aircraft at Halim Perdanakusuma Air Force Base, a significant advancement in modernizing its military logistics and strategic airlift capabilities. This aircraft, capable of carrying 37 tonnes and operating from short runways, supports multi-role missions, including humanitarian aid and disaster response. With plans for a second delivery in 2026 and the potential integration of firefighting modules, Indonesia is enhancing its readiness for natural disasters across its vast archipelago. This development reflects Indonesia's commitment to upgrading its military assets, which is crucial for addressing regional security challenges and improving overall defense preparedness.

## Australia opens Ghost Shark AUV factory to boost maritime security and local manufacturing.



03-Nov-25

On November 3, 2025, Australia inaugurated a state-of-the-art manufacturing facility in Sydney for the Ghost Shark XL-AUV, an advanced autonomous underwater vehicle developed under a \$1.7 billion contract with Anduril Industries. This facility, which integrates cutting-edge technologies such as robotic assembly and AI-driven logistics, aims to enhance the Royal Australian Navy's maritime security capabilities and establish sovereign undersea deterrence. The program not only strengthens Australia's defense posture in the Indo-Pacific region but also promotes local manufacturing and job creation, with significant contributions from Australian SMEs. The deployment of these vehicles is pivotal for regional intelligence and surveillance, highlighting Australia's commitment to maintaining operational independence in a complex geopolitical environment.

## Ukraine bolsters defenses with new Patriot systems amid Russian assaults.



03-Nov-25

Ukraine has received additional Patriot air defense systems from the United States, aimed at bolstering its defenses against intensified Russian missile and drone attacks. President Volodymyr Zelenskyy announced the operational deployment of these systems across the country, which are crucial for protecting key infrastructure and urban areas from ongoing strikes, particularly as winter approaches. Germany contributed

by delivering two Patriot batteries, highlighting the collaborative Western military support essential for Ukraine's national security. Despite these reinforcements, Zelenskyy underscored the need for further systems to address remaining vulnerabilities, reflecting the critical importance of air defense in Ukraine's strategic response to continuous Russian aggression. This development emphasizes the sustained commitment of Western allies in facilitating Ukraine's defense efforts amid a protracted conflict.

## Russia introduces drone production grading system to enhance capabilities nationwide.



03-Nov-25

On November 2, 2025, Russia introduced a new grading system to evaluate provincial capabilities in drone production and training, known as the "dronification" score. This initiative aims to enhance unmanned aerial vehicle capabilities across the nation, excluding recently annexed Ukrainian territories, by assessing critical factors such as infrastructure and financing. The Republic of Bashkortostan topped the inaugural rankings, reflecting a shift from agricultural drones to combat munitions, while major cities like Moscow and Saint Petersburg scored lower due to concentrated infrastructure strengths. This strategic move underscores Russia's commitment to boosting domestic drone capabilities in response to Western sanctions, enhancing resilience in ongoing military operations, particularly in Ukraine, by diversifying production capabilities across its regions.

## Austal and Australian startup develop autonomous systems for Royal Navy ships.



03-Nov-25

An Australian startup has partnered with shipbuilder Austal to develop autonomous systems for the Royal Navy, marking a significant advancement in maritime technology. The collaboration builds upon successful autonomous trials with decommissioned vessels and aims to integrate advanced navigation, communication, and control systems, enabling ships to operate with reduced crew intervention. This initiative aligns with broader maritime modernization efforts under AUKUS, enhancing operational safety and mission capabilities. The project's significance lies in its contribution to sovereign naval capabilities and collective defense objectives among allies, underscoring a strategic shift towards optionally crewed or fully autonomous vessels.

in contested maritime environments, thereby bolstering fleet readiness and flexibility.

## Politics

### Omar Abdullah revives Darbar Move in J&K, balancing tradition and modernization. SHARE

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Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah has officially revived the historic Darbar Move tradition after a four-year suspension, with the biannual administrative shift resuming from November 3, 2025. The Darbar Move, initiated in 1872 by Maharaja Gulab Singh, involves relocating government offices between Srinagar and Jammu to ensure governance accessibility across regions, reinforcing the area's cultural integration and political unity. The suspension began in 2021 under the previous Lieutenant Governor, citing digital governance efficiencies and cost savings. Omar Abdullah signed the government order restoring this practice, which was welcomed as a tribute to the Maharaja's legacy and a step toward bridging Jammu and Kashmir administratively. The move included full relocation of several key offices and officials to Jammu, with heightened security arrangements during the transition. The revival also reflects Abdullah's broader political intent to strengthen regional ties amid ongoing calls for stability and statehood restoration in J&K.

## Geopolitics and Security Alliances

### Trump Exposes Pakistan's Secret Nuclear Tests, Igniting Alarm Over Islamabad's Covert Weapons Program SHARE

03-Nov-2025

US President Donald Trump has sparked controversy by alleging in a recent CBS 60 Minutes interview that Pakistan is conducting secret underground nuclear tests, alongside Russia, China, and North Korea. Trump claimed that these nations are carrying out explosive nuclear tests deep underground, escaping global monitoring systems, which, according to him, justifies the United States' own decision to resume nuclear testing after a 33-year moratorium. The assertion has caused alarm globally and is especially significant for India, given its proximity to Pakistan and long-standing security concerns related to Islamabad's nuclear posture. Indian officials have often raised international

attention towards the risk posed by Pakistan's nuclear arsenal, with Defence Minister Rajnath Singh previously urging global oversight. Notably, both India and Pakistan have observed an informal halt to nuclear testing since their respective tests in May 1998, but Trump's statement now challenges claims of regional stability. The claims have invited both skepticism and calls for greater international scrutiny, as analysts warn this could increase tensions in South Asia, reigniting fears of a regional arms race.

### Pakistan to enhance Arabian Sea capabilities with Chinese submarines by 2026. SHARE

03-Nov-25

Pakistan is set to enhance its naval capabilities by introducing Hangor-class submarines, developed with Chinese assistance, into its fleet by 2026. This development, part of a \$5 billion deal for eight submarines, aims to bolster Pakistan's strategic deterrence in the Arabian Sea, particularly in light of recent military conflicts exposing vulnerabilities. The first three submarines have been launched in China, and the remainder will be assembled in Pakistan to foster local technical expertise. Admiral Naveed Ashraf emphasized the significance of this program in strengthening Pakistan's maritime operations and underscored a growing Sino-Pakistani partnership that extends beyond hardware to encompass emerging technologies such as AI and electronic warfare. While Pakistan strengthens its navy, the Indian Navy maintains a dominant position in the Indian Ocean Region, operating advanced assets including nuclear-powered submarines and aircraft carriers, which highlights the ongoing arms competition. This regional arms buildup signifies not only the military aspirations of Pakistan but also reflects broader geopolitical dynamics, including China's expanding influence in South Asia, which raises strategic concerns for India, given its longstanding rivalry with Pakistan. The developments underscore the critical balance of power in the region and the implications for future security and military preparedness.

### Army Chief Dwivedi Warns of Unpredictable Security Challenges Ahead SHARE

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Army Chief General Upendra Dwivedi addressed a gathering in Rewa, Madhya Pradesh, emphasizing the unpredictable nature of future security threats, which he encapsulated as instability, uncertainty, complexity, and



ambiguity. He referenced the fast-evolving global landscape, including challenges from traditional conflict, terrorism, and emergent domains such as cyber and space warfare. Highlighting Operation Sindoor, a recent military campaign aimed at neutralizing terrorist infrastructure in Pakistan-administered Kashmir, General Dwivedi noted the rampant misinformation that often accompanies military actions, stressing the importance of readiness and adaptability in countering these challenges. He remarked on the emotional resonance of the operation's name, chosen by the Prime Minister, uniting the nation under a common cause. General Dwivedi underscored the transformative role of technology in modern warfare and urged the engagement of the youth, particularly Generation Z, in national defense efforts. He advocated for leveraging this digitally fluent generation's potential to advance India significantly, emphasizing that contemporary conflicts require not only military prowess but also intellectual engagement and public participation. This addresses broader strategic needs as India navigates an increasingly complex geopolitical landscape, reinforcing the imperative for a modernized and agile military.

## India and Arab League enhance cooperation for economic growth. SHARE

03-Nov-25

Neena Malhotra, Secretary (South) at the Ministry of External Affairs, chaired a consultation meeting with Arab Ambassadors in New Delhi to enhance cooperation between India and the League of Arab States (LAS). The meeting emphasized India's historical ties with the Arab nations, rooted in trade and cultural exchange, and aimed to strengthen economic partnerships crucial for India's external trade, particularly through key maritime routes. With the LAS comprising 22 member states, India seeks to deepen engagement in a region vital for international economic dynamics. This initiative reflects India's strategic emphasis on fostering robust relationships with its extended neighborhood, enhancing stability and promoting sustainable economic growth.

## Jaishankar and Bahrain's Foreign Minister discuss strengthening bilateral ties. SHARE

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External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar and Bahrain's Foreign Minister Abdullatif bin Rashid Alzayani co-chaired the 5th India-Bahrain High Joint Commission meeting in New Delhi, focusing on enhancing bilateral

relations across trade, security, defense, health, and cultural sectors, while exploring opportunities in space, fintech, and cybersecurity. Jaishankar expressed optimism about deepening ties as Bahrain assumes the presidency of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), emphasizing the historical friendship and shared goals for regional peace and prosperity. Alzayani highlighted the longstanding economic relationship and Bahrain's intent to enhance connectivity with India. This dialogue underscores India's strategic partnerships in the Gulf, essential for fostering stability and mutual economic growth in the region.

## India-US Defence Pact Enhances Strategic Stability Against China SHARE

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The recent India-US defence pact marks a significant strategic development in the Indo-Pacific region, enhancing India's role as a counterbalance to China's growing influence. This agreement allows the United States to extend its influence in Asia without the need for troop deployments, while facilitating greater military collaboration with India. The pact underscores the importance of regional stability and the potential for increased cooperation among ASEAN nations in addressing mutual security challenges. As China continues to assert its presence, the strengthening of US-India ties not only fortifies bilateral relations but also serves as a crucial component in the broader strategy of maintaining a free and open Indo-Pacific, thereby contributing to global security dynamics.

## Trump hints at potential US military action in Nigeria over violence. SHARE

03-Nov-25

U.S. President Donald Trump recently indicated the possibility of deploying U.S. troops or conducting air strikes in Nigeria to address the ongoing violence against Christians in the country. While speaking to reporters, Trump emphasized the alarming increase in killings of Christians and reiterated that military action could be considered if Nigeria does not take substantial measures to combat these atrocities. His remarks followed the U.S. administration's decision to reclassify Nigeria as a "Country of Particular Concern" due to religious freedom violations, joining other nations such as China and Pakistan on this list. This development underscores a growing international concern regarding religious persecution and may impact U.S.-Nigeria relations amid ongoing humanitarian crises in the region.

## Trump delays Tomahawk missile sales to Ukraine to avoid escalation.



03-Nov-25

U.S. President Donald Trump has stated that he is currently not considering the sale of long-range Tomahawk missiles to Ukraine, despite Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy's request. Trump's reluctance stems from a desire to avoid escalating the conflict with Russia, as the missiles have the capability to strike deep within Russian territory. Discussions regarding this issue took place with NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte, who noted that the matter remains under review, emphasizing that the ultimate decision lies with the United States. This development reflects the ongoing tension in U.S.-Russia relations and highlights the complexities in military support for Ukraine amidst concerns of further escalation in the region.

## Naval Chief urges global collaboration to tackle maritime challenges.



03-Nov-25

Vice Admiral Tarun Sobti, Deputy Chief of Naval Staff, emphasized the need for coordinated efforts to address global maritime challenges at the Maritime Information Sharing Workshop in Gurugram. He highlighted the Indian Ocean Region's significance to global prosperity and the rising threats from piracy, smuggling, and geopolitical tensions. With participants from 29 countries, the workshop aims to enhance real-time information sharing and strengthen regional collaboration to safeguard vital maritime routes. Sobti underscored the interconnectedness of national security and economic stability through maritime safety, advocating for a cooperative approach reflective of the Indian philosophy "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam," which envisions the world as one family. This gathering underscores India's leadership in maritime security within a strategically crucial region.

## Pakistan reopens Torkham border for Afghan repatriation amid ceasefire.



03-Nov-25

Pakistan has reopened the Torkham and Chaman border crossings, facilitating the repatriation of Afghan refugees after a suspension since October 11. Approximately 10,700 Afghan nationals returned to Afghanistan in a single day, with ongoing efforts aiming to repatriate around 1.56 million Afghans under Pakistan's plan to reduce undocumented migrants. While refugee movements have resumed, bilateral trade

remains on hold until security stabilizes. Diplomatic talks mediated by Turkey and Qatar have extended the ceasefire agreement, emphasizing the importance of a monitoring mechanism to prevent future border tensions. This development underscores the ongoing geopolitical dynamics in South-Central Asia, highlighting the need for stability amid humanitarian and economic challenges.

## Trump warns Xi about Taiwan consequences amid US-China trade truce.



03-Nov-25

In a recent interview, President Trump emphasized the potential consequences for China regarding Taiwan, despite not discussing the issue during his talks with Xi Jinping, following a temporary trade truce. He highlighted the importance of America's military strength as a deterrent against aggressive moves by Beijing, reinforcing the U.S. policy of strategic ambiguity towards Taiwan, which plays a critical role in global semiconductor production. Heightened Chinese military activities around Taiwan have raised regional tensions, while ongoing maritime disputes in the South China Sea further complicate U.S.-China relations. Trump's comments signal a delicate balancing act between maintaining economic cooperation and ensuring military preparedness, underscoring the significance of stability in the Indo-Pacific for both regional security and international economic systems.

## China's rare earth export restrictions unite the West against its economic tactics.



03-Nov-25

China's recent export restrictions on rare earth-related technologies have prompted significant backlash from Western nations, notably the United States, which views these actions as a miscalculation that may undermine China's reliability as a trading partner. In response to Beijing's curbs, Washington is accelerating efforts to diversify its rare earth supply chains through partnerships in Southeast Asia and Australia. This situation has heightened tensions in US-China trade negotiations, leading to Beijing's temporary suspension of the export controls. Analysts predict that this incident will catalyze a broader international movement towards establishing independent and resilient rare earth ecosystems, ultimately diminishing China's leverage in this critical sector. The unfolding dynamics signify a pivotal shift in global resource security,

emphasizing the importance of reducing reliance on single suppliers.

## **Pakistan's Defense Minister accuses India of strategic distraction tactics.**



03-Nov-25

In recent statements, Pakistani Defence Minister Khawaja Asif accused India of engaging in a "proxy war" against Pakistan, alleging that India seeks to destabilize its western neighbor while maintaining pressure on the eastern front. He cited the recent ceasefire agreement between Pakistan and Afghanistan as a backdrop for his claims, suggesting India's actions, particularly following the May 2025 conflict, are aimed at keeping Pakistan strategically occupied. India asserts its military operations, including Operation Sindoor, are legitimate counterterrorism initiatives aimed at ensuring regional stability. This rhetoric underscores Pakistan's persistent narrative of externalizing security challenges onto India, complicating the already tense dynamics in South Asia, where mutual mistrust continues to hinder lasting peace efforts.

## **Sikkim Governor meets Defence Minister to discuss regional security and defense issues.**



03-Nov-25

Sikkim Governor Om Prakash Mathur met with Defence Minister Rajnath Singh in New Delhi, discussing key issues pertinent to the defense sector and regional security. This engagement underscores the collaborative efforts between state and central governance in enhancing India's defense preparedness and strategic capabilities. The meeting reflects the Indian government's commitment to fostering stronger ties between military leadership and regional administrations, which is vital for addressing geopolitical challenges in the region. Strengthening these connections is crucial as India navigates its security landscape, particularly amidst rising tensions in its vicinity, thereby reinforcing the nation's resolve to maintain stability and sovereignty.

## **Canadian ministers condemn Khalistani protest against Minister Anand, stressing democratic principles.**



03-Nov-25

Canadian ministers have condemned a recent Khalistani protest that targeted Foreign Affairs Minister Anita Anand, describing it as a direct assault on democratic principles. The protest, which featured

Khalistani flags and mock executions resembling the assassination of former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, drew sharp criticism for inciting violence and hate against public officials. This incident occurs against a backdrop of improving India-Canada relations, following strained diplomatic ties after accusations against India regarding the killing of Khalistani extremist Hardeep Singh Nijjar. The heightened tensions prompted Minister Anand's visit to India in October 2025 to reset bilateral relations, emphasizing the need for accountability and cooperation between the two nations to foster regional stability and counter extremist narratives.

## **PM Modi Champions Africa's Self-Reliance Ahead of G20 Summit**



03-Nov-25

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has advocated for Africa's self-reliant growth ahead of the G20 Summit, emphasizing mutual cooperation free from conditional aid. His approach, rooted in the shared history of colonial struggles, seeks to reshape global governance, as exemplified by the African Union's recent admission to the G20. Modi's vision promotes sustainable partnerships, with India-Africa bilateral trade nearing USD 100 billion and investments around USD 75 billion. By calling for vigilance against modern dependencies, Modi's leadership aims to empower developing nations to define their own developmental paths, highlighting a significant shift from traditional aid models to a partnership of equals, fostering trust and shared prosperity among nations of the Global South.

## **Dhaka evaluates India's stance on Zakir Naik's potential visit amid diplomatic sensitivities.**



03-Nov-25

Dhaka is currently assessing India's position regarding the potential visit of controversial cleric Zakir Naik, who is wanted in India on allegations of hate speech and money laundering. Amid plans announced by a private company to host Naik in Bangladesh in 2025, officials in Dhaka have refrained from making definitive statements, emphasizing the need for careful evaluation by the Foreign and Home Ministries. This scenario reflects the delicate balance Bangladesh must maintain between domestic public sentiment and regional security imperatives, particularly in relation to its diplomatic ties with India. The outcome of this review is significant as it could impact bilateral relations and showcase Bangladesh's commitment to mutual legal principles.

## US Energy Secretary states no nuclear explosions planned currently. SHARE

03-Nov-25

U.S. Energy Secretary Chris Wright announced that current nuclear testing ordered by President Trump will not involve actual nuclear explosions but will focus on system tests to ensure the functionality of nuclear weapon components. Trump's call to resume testing, after a 33-year halt, appears aimed at sending a message to nuclear rivals China and Russia. While he emphasized the importance of simulating nuclear blasts using advanced computational techniques, it remains unclear whether this could lead to future underground tests. The broader implications of these developments signal a potential shift in U.S. nuclear strategy that could escalate tensions in global geopolitics, particularly with other nuclear powers.

## India to play a crucial role at G20 Summit in Johannesburg. SHARE

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India is set to play a crucial role at the upcoming G20 Summit in Johannesburg in November 2025, leveraging its position as the world's fastest-growing major economy with a 7.8% growth rate in Q1 2025. Building on the diplomatic foundation laid during its 2023 G20 presidency, India aims to drive inclusive global economic growth, sustainable development, and equitable governance reforms under the theme "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam" (One Earth, One Family, One Future). Key focus areas include supporting small and medium enterprises, digital trade, climate finance, and green transitions, aligning with the Global South's priorities. India is also expected to bridge divergent interests amid global geopolitical tensions, asserting its strategic autonomy while advocating multilateral cooperation on economic recovery, climate action, and peacebuilding. The summit marks a significant opportunity for India to consolidate its global leadership role in shaping a fair and sustainable post-pandemic world order.

## Military Operations

## INS Savitri reaches Mauritius for joint EEZ surveillance with Coast Guard. SHARE

03-Nov-25

Indian Naval Ship (INS) Savitri, an Offshore Patrol Vessel of the Eastern Fleet, has arrived at Port Louis, Mauritius, for a joint surveillance operation in the

Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) with the National Coast Guard of Mauritius. This deployment emphasizes India's commitment to enhancing maritime security and strengthening defense cooperation with Mauritius, a partnership founded on mutual interests and shared values. During the visit, the crew will conduct professional training sessions to refine joint operational procedures and engage in friendly sports activities to foster camaraderie. The presence of INS Savitri underscores India's strategic focus on maintaining stability in the Southwest Indian Ocean and deepening ties with regional partners, which is crucial in the context of evolving maritime security challenges.

## Indian Army launches course to enhance soldiers' skills for modern asymmetric warfare. SHARE

03-Nov-25

The Indian Army has inaugurated a new Unconventional Warfare Course at the Counter Insurgency and Jungle Warfare School in Mizoram, aimed at equipping soldiers with skills to tackle modern asymmetric threats, including terrorism and sabotage. This initiative reflects the Army's commitment to enhancing tactical agility and leadership development in complex conflict environments. The course expands upon previous training, such as the tri-services Future Warfare Course, which addresses evolving operational dynamics involving artificial intelligence and cyber warfare. By leveraging its extensive experience in counter-insurgency operations, the Indian Army aims to bolster its readiness against emerging threats, thereby reinforcing national security in an increasingly unpredictable geopolitical landscape.

## Terrorism and Counterterrorism

## Latvian citizen arrested for allegedly spying for Russian military intelligence. SHARE

03-Nov-25

Latvian authorities have arrested a citizen for allegedly spying for Russia's GRU military intelligence service, focusing on the country's defense sector. The suspect, whose identity remains undisclosed, was taken into custody following a coordinated operation by Latvia's State Security Service (SSS) and Military Intelligence (MIDD). Investigations reveal that the individual gathered and transmitted sensitive information regarding NATO forces stationed in Latvia, private aviation infrastructure, and logistics for acquiring prepaid mobile SIM cards—all at the behest of Russian



intelligence. Conducted raids on October 17-18 led to the seizure of data carriers linked to the suspect, and the individual has been remanded in custody as the investigation progresses. This incident highlights growing concerns about espionage and security threats in the Baltic region, particularly in light of increasing tensions with Russia and recent intrusions into NATO airspace. As European nations continue to bolster their defenses, incidents like this underscore the imperative for vigilance and preparedness against foreign intelligence operations, which could undermine regional stability and security in a geopolitically sensitive environment.

## Army and Police Uncover, Destroy Two Terrorist Hideouts in Kulgam SHARE

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In a decisive joint operation, the Indian Army's 9 Rashtriya Rifles and Kulgam Police have successfully uncovered and destroyed two long-dormant terrorist hideouts in Kulgam district, Jammu and Kashmir. This operation reflects ongoing anti-terror efforts, with over 60 terrorists neutralized this year, as security forces remain vigilant against potential resurgences. The hideouts, located in a rugged terrain ideal for concealment, revealed survival gear and signs of recent activity, prompting an expanded search for overground workers and arms caches. This proactive approach is crucial in maintaining stability in the region, underscoring the commitment of Indian forces to dismantle terrorist infrastructure and safeguard national security.

## Explosions at Peshawar police station highlight escalating security concerns in Pakistan. SHARE

03-Nov-25

Multiple explosions have occurred at the Counter-Terrorism Department (CTD) police station in Peshawar, resulting in the death of one personnel and injuries to two others. The blasts reportedly happened near the munitions storage area within the facility, raising concerns of a possible coordinated attack amidst an increase in militant activities along Pakistan's western border. Security forces promptly secured the area and initiated a search operation, while bomb disposal units were deployed to investigate the cause. This incident underscores the deteriorating security situation in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and highlights the ongoing challenges faced by Pakistani authorities in combating terrorism, reflecting broader regional instability that

could have implications for India's security environment.

## Cybersecurity and Information Warfare

### Hackers exploit trucking sector vulnerabilities, collaborating with organized crime to steal cargo. SHARE

03-Nov-25

Hackers are increasingly infiltrating the trucking and logistics sectors, collaborating with organized crime to execute sophisticated schemes aimed at stealing cargo shipments, according to research by cybersecurity firm Proofpoint. This growing threat, active since June 2025, exploits vulnerabilities in trucking carriers and freight brokers, often utilizing remote monitoring and management (RMM) software to gain unauthorized access. Attackers employ tactics such as spear-phishing emails, compromised accounts, and fraudulent freight listings to lure victims into installing malicious software, which enables deep infiltration into corporate networks. The stolen goods, primarily food and beverage products, are likely sold online or shipped overseas. The use of RMM tools is particularly concerning as it allows attackers to remain undetected while executing their schemes, thus posing a significant risk to the logistics industry. This development underscores the urgent need for enhanced cybersecurity measures in the transport sector to safeguard against financial losses and operational disruptions, highlighting the intersection of cybercrime and traditional organized crime tactics in undermining critical supply chains.

### Google declares Android as the top secure mobile OS, reshaping cybersecurity perceptions. SHARE

03-Nov-25

In a significant announcement, Google has declared its Android operating system as the most secure mobile OS, surpassing Apple's iOS. This assertion stems from a global survey during Cybersecurity Awareness Month, revealing that Android's AI-driven security framework effectively counters billions of cyber threats weekly. Google's findings challenge the long-held belief in iOS supremacy, highlighting that Android users are often targeted by scams and cybercriminals. However, enhanced security measures are substantially reducing successful attacks. This development is crucial, as it underscores the evolution of mobile security and

reassures users about the safety of their devices, marking a pivotal moment in the competitive landscape between Android and iOS regarding user security and trust.

## India to enforce cybersecurity checks for all connected devices nationwide. SHARE

03-Nov-25

India is set to implement a mandatory cybersecurity certification framework applicable to all connected devices across critical sectors such as healthcare, energy, transport, telecom, and industrial infrastructure. This initiative, prompted by concerns over vulnerabilities in imported technology and the safeguarding of national infrastructure, will involve rigorous security testing and the establishment of uniform standards. The National Security Council Secretariat, along with various governmental departments, will coordinate the rollout, expected to unfold over three to four years to ensure compliance and local capacity-building. This proactive approach underscores India's commitment to enhancing its cybersecurity posture and mitigating systemic risks, ultimately supporting its growing digitized infrastructure in an increasingly interconnected world.

## Mil Personnel & Veterans

### Army Naik dies from accidental rifle discharge during duty in Poonch. SHARE

03-Nov-25

In a tragic incident in Jhulass village, Poonch district, Jammu and Kashmir, Army Naik Amarjeet Singh was killed due to the accidental discharge of his service rifle while on sentry duty. Despite being promptly transported to an Army field hospital, he succumbed to his injuries. The police have initiated an inquiry to investigate the circumstances surrounding this unfortunate event. This incident underscores the importance of stringent safety protocols within military operations to prevent accidental injuries, highlighting ongoing challenges in maintaining operational readiness while ensuring soldier safety in sensitive areas like Jammu and Kashmir.

### Delhi High Court orders pension arrears for soldier's widow, 47 years later. SHARE

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The Delhi High Court has ordered the Centre to pay arrears of Special Family Pension to Guddi Bish, the

widow of Indian Army Havaldar Puran Chandra Singh Bisht, who died in service in 1978 due to an electric shock. The court criticized the Pension Sanctioning Authority's previous rejection of her claim, stating it contradicted the findings of a Court of Inquiry that confirmed the death was attributable to military service. This decision underscores the importance of honoring commitments to military families and ensuring timely benefits, reflecting a broader commitment to veterans' rights and welfare in India. The court's ruling not only addresses past injustices but also reinforces the legal and moral obligations owed to those who serve the nation.

### Vice Admiral K Srinivas appointed as Director General Naval Projects in Visakhapatnam. SHARE

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Vice Admiral K Srinivas has officially taken over as the Director General Naval Projects in Visakhapatnam, following his tenure as Admiral Superintendent at the Naval Dockyard. With a distinguished career spanning over 35 years since his commissioning in 1990, he has held various crucial positions, including overseeing the repair of INS Vikramaditya in Russia and serving in key roles at Naval Headquarters, New Delhi. His extensive experience in naval operations and modernization efforts will be instrumental in advancing India's naval capabilities. This appointment is significant, as it underscores India's commitment to enhancing its defense infrastructure and self-reliance in naval projects, aligning with broader strategic objectives in an increasingly competitive maritime environment.

### Man arrested for impersonating Army soldier to deceive women. SHARE

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In Tawang, a 32-year-old man named Sangey Choyu was arrested for impersonating an Indian Army soldier, using the false identity of Naik Lobsang Wangdi Kee to deceive two women into marriage. His fraudulent actions came to light when one wife filed a complaint, leading to a police investigation that confirmed the non-existence of the claimed soldier. Choyu, who had previously worked as an Army porter, exploited this connection to fabricate identity documents and uniforms, while also accumulating significant debts. This incident underscores the critical need for public vigilance regarding online interactions and identity verification, particularly against the backdrop of increasing impersonation cases that can undermine trust in genuine military personnel.

## Miscellaneous

### ISRO successfully launches CMS-03 satellite, boosting naval communication and space capabilities. SHARE

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On November 2, 2025, the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) achieved a landmark milestone with the successful launch of the CMS-03 satellite aboard its LVM3-M5 rocket, also referred to as the "Bahubali." Weighing 4,410 kg, CMS-03 is the heaviest communication satellite launched from Indian soil, designed to enhance space-based communication for the Indian Navy, particularly over the Indian Ocean Region. This mission showcased significant advancements in India's space capabilities, particularly the first-ever in-flight reignition of the CE-20 cryogenic engine, which allows for deploying satellites into multiple orbits in a single mission and represents a crucial step forward in ISRO's technological prowess. The LVM3-M5 vehicle, with a total lift-off mass of 642 tons and standing 43.5 meters tall, effectively placed the CMS-03 satellite into its designated Geosynchronous Transfer Orbit (GTO), marking the fifth consecutive successful flight of this operational launch vehicle and solidifying India's self-reliance in advanced space technology under the Aatmanirbhar Bharat initiative. The launch not only underscores ISRO's growing capabilities in heavy-lift launches but also highlights India's commitment to enhancing its defense communication infrastructures, thus reinforcing national security and operational readiness in maritime defense. This achievement resonates with broader geopolitical and defense strategies, demonstrating India's increasing autonomy and innovation in space technology, critical for maintaining a strategic edge in an evolving security landscape.

### DoT launches campaign to activate digital life certificates for pensioners. SHARE

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The Department of Telecom (DoT) is set to enhance the digital experience for retired personnel by launching a campaign aimed at facilitating the activation of digital life certificates. The Central Government's CGCA wing will organize over 320 camps across 171 cities by November 2025, addressing the needs of approximately 22,300 pensioners whose life certificates are due for renewal next year. This initiative not only simplifies the verification process but also promotes

digital literacy among retired staff, reflecting a commitment to leveraging technology for better service delivery. The broader significance lies in supporting the welfare of pensioners and ensuring they remain connected to essential services in an increasingly digital world.

### India plans to expand rare earth magnet manufacturing investment to enhance self-reliance and capacity. SHARE

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India is set to significantly expand its investment in rare earth magnet manufacturing with a planned allocation of \$788 million (around ₹7,000 crore), nearly tripling the initial outlay, as part of a strategic push to reduce dependence on Chinese imports and enhance self-reliance in critical minerals. The proposal, awaiting cabinet approval as of early November 2025, aims to build a robust domestic ecosystem for rare earth permanent magnets, essential for electric vehicles, renewable energy, and defence technologies. This move follows China's April 2025 tightening of rare earth export controls, which disrupted global supply chains. The enhanced investment will support about five companies through production-linked incentives and capital subsidies, aiming to triple India's magnet production capacity by 2030, fortifying the country's strategic and security posture amid heightened geopolitical competition over critical materials. The initiative aligns with the National Critical Mineral Mission launched in January 2025 and complements ongoing efforts in mining reforms and research ecosystem developments.

### ISRO plans seven missions, including Gaganyaan, by March 2026. SHARE

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ISRO Chairman V Narayanan announced that the Indian Space Research Organisation aims to launch seven missions by March 2026, including three uncrewed missions as part of the ambitious Gaganyaan program, which is currently in advanced stages of development. The first uncrewed mission, G1 Mission, is expected to be achieved by the end of the current financial year. Following the recent successful launch of the CMS-03 satellite, ISRO plans further missions, including commercial payload launches and technology development initiatives. This strategy aligns with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision for ISRO to conduct 50 launches over the next five years, highlighting India's commitment to advancing its space capabilities and enhancing its presence in the global space industry.

## IIT study reveals Android apps collect more user data than expected.



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A recent study by IIT Delhi has revealed that Android applications with precise location access can collect significantly more data about users than they realize, utilizing low-level GPS signals to infer behaviors and surroundings without the need for cameras or microphones. The system, named AndroCon, employs nine GPS parameters to identify user activities—such as whether one is indoors, outdoors, or in a crowded area—with remarkable accuracy. While this technology could enhance context-aware applications, it also raises serious privacy concerns, as any app granted location permissions could potentially exploit this data without user consent. The findings underscore the need for heightened awareness regarding privacy risks associated with GPS technology, highlighting an often-overlooked aspect of user data security in an increasingly digital world.

## Defence Department completes cleanliness drives in 5,377 locations nationwide, promoting sustainability and efficiency.



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The Department of Defence (DoD) has successfully concluded the Special Campaign 5.0, conducting cleanliness drives in 5,377 locations across India, achieving 100% disposal of identified targets, and addressing public grievances. The initiative generated revenue of Rs. 10.01 Lakh through the disposal of obsolete office and IT equipment, while unclogging 57,648 sq. feet of workspace. Significant milestones included the Barrackpore Heritage Grove and the Waste to Wonder Park in Secunderabad, showcasing a commitment to sustainability. This campaign underscores the DoD's dedication to improving operational efficiency and environmental conservation, enhancing its operational readiness through organized infrastructure and community engagement, thus aligning with broader national cleanliness and sustainability goals.

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# Defence Sector Stocks

Stock	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	RSI14	SMA20	SMA200
SWANDEF	773.25	773.25	773.25	773.25	6619	5.0	100.0	506.07	79.1
SUNITATool	793.0	825.4	793.0	825.4	323250	5.0	53.51	825.23	790.73
ZENTEC	1425.0	1446.1	1393.4	1413.3	1322819	4.13	50.5	1387.27	1589.08
ASTRAMICRO	1057.0	1084.0	1043.7	1076.7	391389	3.31	51.11	1084.8	917.75
SOLARINDS	13840.0	14195.0	13826.0	14161.0	49738	2.04	53.81	14038.1	13219.36
MIDHANI	387.0	394.2	382.15	392.15	376375	1.82	55.22	383.79	358.35
DYNAMATECH	7968.0	8077.5	7875.5	8050.5	14174	1.7	64.73	7729.1	6849.25
TANEJAERO	359.9	365.0	355.05	362.95	8142	1.64	46.23	365.84	367.97
JYOTICNC	867.0	896.6	856.1	876.7	485699	1.47	41.82	910.45	1033.02
BHARATFORG	1324.1	1355.7	1316.6	1340.7	797023	1.21	69.85	1262.48	1187.72
MAZDOCK	2720.0	2757.0	2701.0	2748.6	606854	0.72	40.8	2817.1	2783.99
LMW	15694.0	15914.0	15661.0	15853.0	2386	0.72	61.48	15264.35	15643.01
GRSE	2556.1	2580.0	2546.0	2573.8	374801	0.69	47.2	2620.63	2248.24
GOODLUCK	1265.0	1274.5	1251.0	1264.3	68762	0.68	55.04	1262.34	962.48
APOLLO	278.5	289.7	277.0	278.25	4229183	0.52	39.19	299.85	187.46
KRISHNADEF	791.25	800.0	780.0	795.0	14500	0.47	47.9	804.1	772.11
BDL	1530.0	1541.0	1515.0	1536.6	664625	0.44	51.31	1524.17	1513.68
HAL	4680.0	4709.0	4655.4	4694.7	470190	0.32	43.66	4788.6	4417.22
DATAPATTNS	2744.0	2775.3	2722.8	2751.5	95006	0.27	50.35	2777.14	2409.14
SIKA	1170.0	1218.7	1169.95	1177.35	15068	0.26	43.31	1220.94	937.32
DCXINDIA	225.26	227.7	224.02	225.42	247453	0.07	31.76	232.82	273.87
IDEAFORGE	483.05	486.8	481.35	482.5	126288	-0.04	46.54	483.16	475.16
LOKESHMACH	189.0	192.59	187.31	188.75	19794	-0.13	46.63	190.38	196.51
COCHINSHIP	1789.5	1797.8	1783.5	1787.0	313736	-0.14	47.0	1799.55	1687.45
PREMEXPLN	665.0	669.25	648.2	658.5	523095	-0.25	60.89	634.76	492.49
ROSSELLIND	61.53	63.1	61.01	61.25	12884	-0.46	39.61	62.71	67.23
TEMBO	650.5	658.0	637.5	644.15	40907	-0.48	63.68	593.34	550.32
ADANIENT	2484.0	2501.9	2457.5	2467.0	731108	-0.56	42.7	2528.24	2412.64
BEML	2188.0	2209.0	2164.0	2187.0	333246	-0.59	52.04	2189.63	1877.28
PTC	168.6	169.44	166.01	166.82	1043328	-0.75	44.9	166.59	169.14
BEL	428.0	431.0	416.4	422.3	27222212	-0.89	59.54	413.18	350.98
HIGHENE	580.5	588.7	575.05	583.0	4472	-0.98	40.6	609.69	600.37
WALCHANNAG	177.5	180.01	173.3	175.58	190573	-1.04	44.92	178.62	199.84
LT	4030.0	4041.0	3974.9	3980.5	1154072	-1.25	67.82	3861.58	3523.69
PARAS	709.65	713.05	697.0	699.9	303324	-1.28	46.36	711.17	653.04
DRONACHRYA	60.15	60.5	58.71	59.02	63000	-1.3	45.01	57.94	76.74
AVANTEL	171.99	172.5	168.59	169.1	1531129	-1.43	41.58	187.33	143.67
NIBE	1213.2	1239.0	1187.35	1190.0	3794	-1.51	32.88	1298.5	1383.65
HBLPOWER	1004.2	1013.3	980.1	988.4	1079116	-1.57	65.81	936.11	631.89
RTNINDIA	52.3	52.38	51.01	51.35	1364392	-1.59	42.5	51.72	51.63
URAVIDEF	238.69	238.69	233.99	234.66	4550	-1.69	34.39	240.89	419.61
AXISCADES	1616.0	1660.0	1549.0	1573.2	54049	-1.74	52.35	1566.43	1134.59
CENTUM	2530.0	2532.9	2446.0	2464.8	18512	-1.91	41.76	2550.84	2115.04
TECHERA	295.0	300.0	288.15	289.1	19200	-2.02	57.21	281.96	188.16
MACPOWER	841.6	848.0	819.95	824.0	13393	-2.1	43.68	835.44	917.98
CFF	685.0	689.0	668.05	668.05	31200	-2.27	59.97	639.88	578.24
AZAD	1720.0	1747.9	1636.3	1656.0	772476	-2.39	49.89	1667.57	1557.36
MTARTECH	2529.0	2542.1	2400.0	2464.1	550934	-3.3	70.16	2183.19	1588.73
MARINE	252.0	252.6	240.0	240.85	496522	-3.91	61.36	225.41	196.91
RELINFRA	210.0	212.1	205.16	205.16	1106455	-5.0	29.01	226.79	282.98