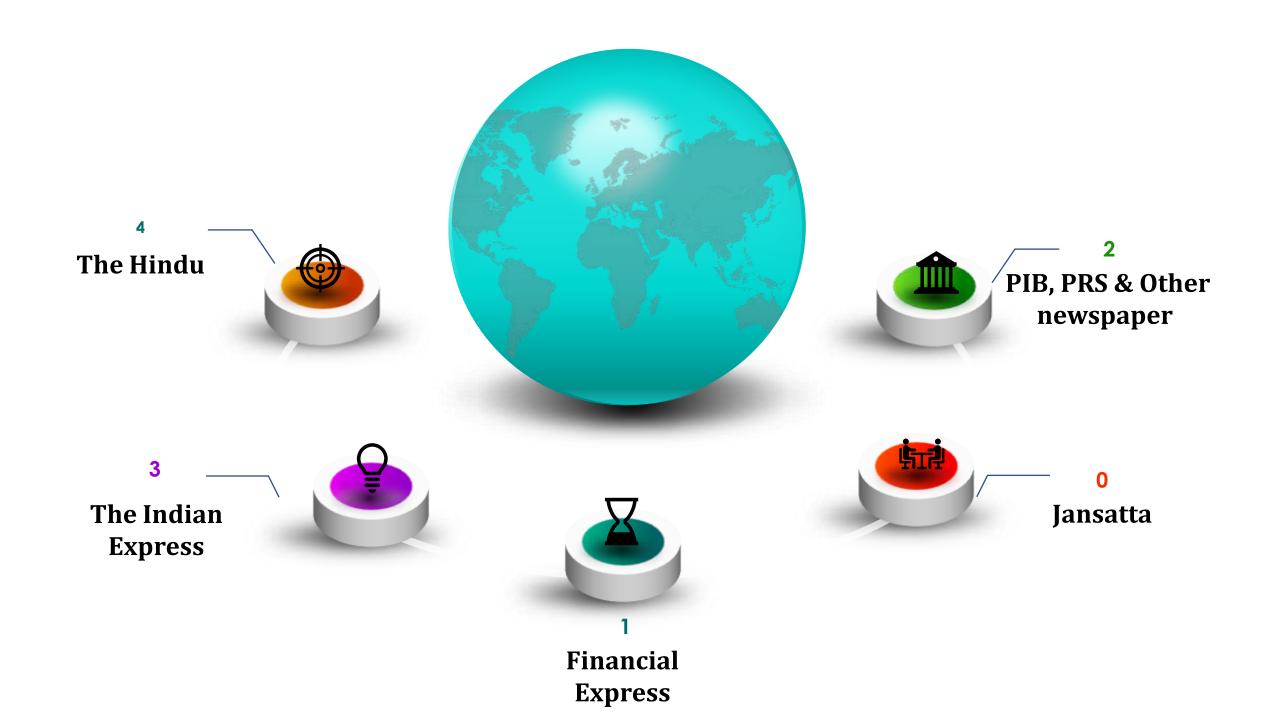


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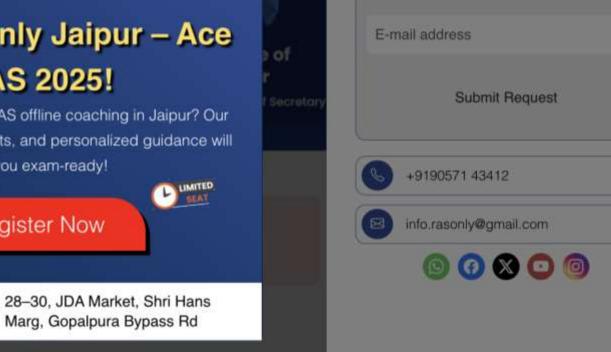
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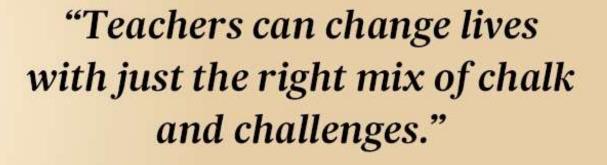
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12 killed as bridge collapses in Vadodara

Vehicles tumble into the Mahisagar river as a slab of the Gambhira bridge gives way near Padra town Nine people were injured in the incident; police say a few more vehicles remain submerged in the river Minister says maintenance of the 40-year-old bridge was carried out periodically as required

Abhinay Deshpande AHMEDABAD

t least 12 people were killed and nine injured after a section of the Gambhira bridge near Padra town in Vadodara district of Gujarat collapsed early on Wednesday, sending multiple vehicles crashing into the Mahisagar river.

Videos showed the portion of the bridge between two piers collapsed, dragging down vehicles that were crossing at the time. Eyewitnesses described a chaotic scene as trucks, vans, and other vehicles tumbled into the water as a 15-metre-long slab of the 40-year-old bridge – a key link between central Gujarat and the Saurashtra region – gave way.

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Superintendent of Police, Vadodara (Rural), Roshan Anand told *The Hindu* that rescue teams pulled out nine survivors, with five receiving treatment at SSG Hospital in Vadodara. "Two or three more vehicles remain submerged, and we fear the toll may rise," he said. Efforts were on to retrieve the trapped vehicles, he added. "None of the survivors is in a critical condition," Mr. Anand said.

The victims include two siblings, officials said.

Rescue team

A multi-agency rescue operation involving fire brigade teams, local volunteers, and National Disaster Response Force personnel continued at the collapse site late into Wednesday evening, officials said.

Gujarat Health Minister Rushikesh Patel said the



Rescuers at work after the collapse of a portion of the Gambhira bridge in Gujarat on Wednesday. AP

bridge was constructed in 1985, and its maintenance was carried out periodically as and when required. "The exact reason for the incident will be probed," he said.

District Collector Anil Dhameliya said at least six vehicles – two trucks, two vans, an autorickshaw, and a two-wheeler – plunged into the river. In a stroke of luck, two vehicles teeter-

ing on the edge of the collapsed bridge were pulled back to safety by rescue teams.

Additionally, three persons travelling on a twowheeler survived after managing to swim ashore, the Collector said.

President Droupadi Murmu expressed deep condolences to the bereaved families. She prayed for the quick recovery of those injured.

"The news of the death of several people in a bridge accident in Gujarat's Vadodara district is extremely tragic. I express my deep condolences to the bereaved families. My prayers are that all those injured in this accident recover quickly," President Murmu said in a post on X in Hindi.

Ex-gratia announced

Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced an ex-gratia of ₹2 lakh for the families of the deceased, and ₹50,000 for each injured person.

Gujarat Chief Minister

Bhupendra Patel announced ₹4 lakh and ₹50,000, respectively.

"The loss of lives due to the collapse of a bridge in Vadodara district, Gujarat, is deeply saddening. Condolences to those who have lost their loved ones. May the injured recover soon," Mr. Modi said.

Mr. Patel directed technical experts to reach the site and conduct a probe into the reason for the collapse.

The Opposition parties condemned the State government over the incident. Former Chief Minister Shankersinh Vaghela launched a scathing attack, claiming "this tragedy is the price of BJP's 30-year misrule".

Congress leaders Amit Chavda and Manish Doshi demanded a high-level judicial probe.

Q Incident Overview

- Location: Near Padra town, Vadodara district, Gujarat
- Structure: Gambhira bridge over the Mahisagar river
- Date of collapse: July 10, 2025 (Wednesday)
- Casualties:
 - 12 people killed
 - 9 injured, treated at SSG Hospital, Vadodara
 - Victims include two siblings

🛠 Cause & Structure

- A 15-metre-long slab between two piers gave way.
- Constructed in **1985**; age: **40 years**
- Bridge linked central Gujarat to the Saurashtra region
- Alleged that maintenance was **done periodically** by the government

Key Statistics & Trends

- **42 major bridges collapsed** nationally between 2019 and 2024, as reported in an August 2024 government press release The Economic Times +6.
- On national highways alone, 21 bridges collapsed between 2021 and 2024 (15 completed and 6 under construction) The Economic Times +1.
- NCRB (2021–2022):
 - 2021: 8 bridge collapse incidents nationally
 - 2022: 5 such incidents dataful.in +15 The Times +7

Notable Bridge Collapses (2019–2025)

Year	Location	Incident	Fatalities/Injuries
2022	Morbi, Gujarat	Suspension bridge collapse	~141 killed, 180+ injured Wikipedia +11
Aug 2023	Mizoram	Under-construction railway bridge	26 labourers killed
Jun 2025	Pune, Maharashtra	Kundmala iron bridge collapse	4 killed, 51+ injured
Jul 2025	Gambhira (Padra), Vadodara, Gujarat	Road bridge collapse	9–11 killed

🔍 Insights & Analysis

- Frequency: Bridge collapses remain a concern—roughly 8–10 major incidents per year, with highwayspecific spikes.
- Causes: Include structural neglect (e.g., gambhira warnings ignored), natural forces (monsoons), overloading, and subpar materials info.cecr.in +15 The Federal +9.
- Human cost: High-fatality events like Morbi (141 deaths) and the Gambhira collapse (11 deaths) highlight serious safety risks.
- **Policy response**: Following Morbi, tighter structural audits and accountability measures were introduced, yet incidents continue, signaling gaps in implementation The Indian Express +14 lemonde.fr .

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- Policy Challenge: Despite regulatory frameworks, enforcement is weak—bridge maintenance remains reactive rather than preventive.
- 2. Infrastructure Governance: Highlights the balance needed between rapid development and safety assurance.
- 3. Disaster Management: High casualty rates underscore the need for effective emergency response.
- State-Central Roles: Many efforts stem from highway or state agencies—coordination and accountability are key.
- 5. Civil Society Role: Public reporting (RTI, local warnings) plays a crucial role in exposing risks before catastrophe strikes.

Centre is yet to decide on updating NPR along with Census 2027, say officials

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Register of Citizens

2015-16

Vijaita Singh NEW DELHI

The Centre has not yet decided whether to update the National Population Register (NPR) during the upcoming Census 2027, senior Home Ministry officials have told Census directors during preparatory meeting.

When questions were raised about the NPR during a two-day conference of the Directors of Census Operations held on July 3 and 4, participants were told that no decision had yet been made regarding the database, and that they would be informed at an appropriate time, sources told The Hindu.

Data for NPR was The conference sessions collected simultaneously during the first phase of the were addressed by Union 2011 Certaus Home Secretary Govind Mohan and Registrar-General of India (RGD and Census Commissioner of India Mritunjay Kumar Narayan. This was the first preparatory meeting for the Census, the first phase of which begins in April 2026. A June 27 letter from the RGI to the Chief Secretaries of all States on preparations for the Census also did not mention the NPR. The NPR is the first step towards the creation of a National Register of Citizens (NRC), according to ta. the Citizenship Rules, 2003 under the Citizenship Act, 1955. The NPR was first created in 2010 and data was collected simultaneously during the September. first phase - called the House Listing and Housing (HLO) schedule - of the 2011 Census. The NPR database was then updated in 2015-16. The NPR database has household-wise details of

A census official collects information from a household at Bonda on the outskirts of Guwahati in 2011. AP The NPR was first created The NPR has details of in 2010 and updated in

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Census took place in 2019, Census data, which is only covering more than 26 shared in an aggregate format, specific individual lakh people in all States. It and household data from included questions on household amenities from the the NPR can be shared first phase, and questions with Central and State governments and agencies. from the second Popula-Enumerators for the tion Enumeration phase, 2027 Census will begin as well as questions for the training for the exercise in NPR database. the last week of July, a go-This time around, however, only questions pervernment official said. This will be the first Census in taining to household which enumerators use mobile apps to collect da-The pre-test exercise to check the efficacy of the entire process will be held in the last week of August said and the first week of Pre-test questionnaires

This is the first Census since 2011 as the Census scheduled to take place in 2021 was delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic and will now be completed the country's 119 crore in 2027. The pre-test exerthe population by caste is vet to be finalised.

amenities in the first phase will be asked in the pretest. There will not be any trial exercise of the questionnaire for Population Enumeration, the official This second phase, expected to take place in February 2027, will include a question on caste as this is

the first Census in Independent India to enumerate caste. The fact that it is not being included in the pretest exercise indicates that the methodology to count

usual residents. Unlike cise for the planned 2021

- NPR (National Population Register):
 - First created in 2010, updated in 2015-16
 - Collected during the first phase of Census 2011
 - Contains household-wise database of 119 crore usual residents
 - Data can be shared with Central/State agencies (unlike Census data)
- Census 2027:
 - First full Census since 2011
 - Originally scheduled for 2021, delayed due to COVID-19
 - Preparatory phase begins April 2026
 - Pre-test exercise: August-September 2025
 - Enumerators to use **mobile apps** for the first time

m Institutional Updates

- Union Home Ministry hasn't decided whether NPR will be updated with Census 2027
- Census conference held on July 3–4, 2025, chaired by:
 - Govind Mohan (Union Home Secretary)
 - Mritunjay Kumar Narayan (RGI & Census Commissioner)
- No mention of NPR in the letter sent to State Chief Secretaries on June 27

Pre-Test 2025

- Will check efficacy of mobile-based data collection
- Focused only on household amenities
- No questions on Population Enumeration or NPR during the pre-test

Q. With reference to the National Population Register (NPR) and Census 2027 in India, consider the following statements:

- 1. The NPR data is collected during the second phase of every decadal Census.
- 2. NPR data can be shared with both Central and State agencies, unlike Census data.
- 3. Census 2027 will be the first to include caste enumeration since India's independence.
- 4. NPR is legally linked to the creation of the National Register of Citizens (NRC).

Which of the above statements are correct?

- A. 1, 2 and 4 only
- B. 2, 3 and 4 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. All of the above

Comparison: NPR vs Census of India

Feature	NPR (National Population Register)	Census of India	ð
Definition	Register of usual residents of India	Official enumeration of the entire population of India	
Purpose	Create a comprehensive identity database	Collect demographic, socio- economic, and housing data	
Conducted by	Office of Registrar General & Census Commissioner (MHA)	Office of Registrar General & Cens Commissioner (MHA)	sus
Frequency	Not fixed; first in 2010, updated in 2015	Every 10 years (decennial)	
Legal Basis	Citizenship Act, 1955 and Citizenship (Registration of Citizens and Issue of National Identity Cards) Rules, 2003	Census Act, 1948	

Scope	Only "usual residents" (staying ≥6 months or intending to stay ≥6 months)	Entire population (citizens and non- citizens)
Data Collected	Name, DOB, place of birth, parent details, nationality, address, etc.	Personal, household, economic, linguistic, education, etc.
Citizenship Focus	Yes — indirectly linked to National Register of Citizens (NRC)	No — Census is purely statistical
Mandatory or Voluntary	Mandatory under law	Mandatory under law
Public Disclosure	Individual data may be used for NRC	Aggregate data only; individual data confidential
Last Conducted	Updated in 2015	2011 (next delayed due to COVID-19)
Upcoming Round	Was scheduled with Census 2021, now postponed	Census 2021 pending (after delays due to COVID-19)

SC takes suo motu cognisance of ED summons to lawyers

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Three-judge Bench led by CJI to hear arguments on first The Supreme Court has taken a suo motu case of the ammons issued by the Di-ectorate of Enforcement rectorate of Enforcement (ED) to senior advocates for their legal advice to clients. The case is listed for hearing before a three-judge bench of Chief Jun-tice R.R. Gavai, Justices Vi-need K. Chandran and N.V. Anjaris on July 14, the first working day after mammer

vorking day after manmer The top court's Bar asso-clations had earlier written to Chief justice Claval on to Chief Junice Cavai on the 'chilling offsct' the summons had on the inde-pendence of the legal pro-fession, and eventually the entire justice administra-tion process. Sentor advocates Arvind Data and Protas June

Datar and Pratap Venuge-pal had recently received ED sammons for their profeasional advice to a client. The KD had later withdrawn the summons. On June 25, the top court had counsel/advocates who adcounsel/advocates who ad-vice parties in a given case would seriously under-mine autonomy of legal profession and would even constitute a direct threas to independence of adminis-tration of justics." A Bench handed by Justice K.V. Vis-womethan bud chasered. June 25, the top court had deprecated investigating agorecise for directly num-moning lawyers in relation to professional advice or help, provided to their clients, anying the practice would imperil the aniono-my of the legal profession. waruathan had observed.

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year. "An IAF Jaguar Trainer-aircraft met with an acci-dent during a continue train-ing mission and crashed near Charu in Bajandhan, today. Both pilots sais-rained fatal kujurios in the accelerat. No durings to we could reserve to buch see system: Such nummers are prime fixed sutternible, "the court had noted." "What is at status to the term of justice and the sa-pacity of the lawyers to concentriously, and more importantly, fortlessly dis-charge their professional datases. Permitting investany sivil property has been reported," the LAF said in a gating agencies/police to directly summon defence post on X. "The IAF deeply regrets.

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IAF orders probe; trainer aircraft faced technical malfunctions, forcing pilots to crash the plane in a field in Rajasthan, say officials, IAF is world's only Air Force still operating twin-engine Jaguars

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6 members of radical Manipur outfit held for attack on police

Flurnder, July 10, 2025



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police spokesperson said. The remaining two KCP (PWG) members - 34-year old Laitoniam Ramakanta Mettei and 38-year-old Thongam Herodit Singh -

Thongam Horoge singh -were arrested from Biohum-pur district's Utlou area. They were raising funds for their banned outfit by isstorting money from the general public and busi-neasmen in Nambol area." the spokesperson add.

HC rejects plea seeking repeal of BNS provisions

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'FATF comments on state financing of terror reinforce FATF report on terrorist financing India's position on Pakistan'

T.C.A. Sharad Baghayan

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Govt. fast-tracks procurement of MALE class drones to enhance border surveillance

Saurabh Trivedi NEW DELHI

In a bid to enhance surveillance along its sea and land borders, India has accelerated the procurement of 87 Medium Altitude Long Endurance (MALE) drones from local manufacturers.

The move is aimed at bolstering real-time monitoring and operational readiness across critical areas. A source close to the project said that the worth over drones ₹20,000 crore will be procured under the Make In India initiative. The aim is promoting indigenously developed drone technology and reduce dependence on foreign suppliers. The project is in its final stage before it is placed before a high-level committee of the Defence Ministry for clearance.

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The MALE class drones will be equipped with advanced surveillance and combat capabilities: including real-time intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance in all kinds of terrain. It should have the capability to fly for over 30 hours at an altitude of at least 35,000 feet. The essential requirement is that it should be 60% indigenous, said an official.

The official added that it was the first time Indian manufacturers have been asked to supply MALE drones. An Israeli company had been supplying these drones previously.

"The induction of MALE class drones will enhance the surveillance capabilities of all three services, especially the Indian Air Force to monitor the Eastern and Western Border," the official added.

X Making a Drone in Class – Overview Table

Component	Details 🗇
Drone Type	Quadcopter (4-propeller drone) – stable and ideal for beginners
Objective	Learn electronics, aerodynamics, coding, and mechanical assembly
Frame	Lightweight material (plastic, carbon fiber, or aluminum)
Motors (4x)	Brushless DC motors – one for each arm/propeller
Electronic Speed Controllers (ESCs)	Control the motor speed based on signals from flight controller
Propellers (4x)	Must match motor specifications (typically 5–6 inches for small drones)

Flight Controller	Main processor – e.g., KK2.1.5, APM, or Pixhawk
Battery	Li-Po (Lithium Polymer), 2S or 3S (7.4V or 11.1V), based on motor requirement
Remote Controller	Transmitter (TX) and Receiver (RX), usually 6+ channels
GPS Module (optional)	For navigation and flight stabilization
Software	Open-source (e.g., Mission Planner, Betaflight)
Tools Required	Soldering iron, screwdriver set, wire cutters, glue gun
Skills Gained	Circuitry, flight dynamics, teamwork, coding (if programmed), safety
Safety Precautions	Fly in open areas, propeller guards, battery care, teacher supervision
Cost (Estimated)	₹3,000–₹8,000 (for a basic classroom drone project)



🚀 Key Highlights

- What? India will procure 87 MALE-class drones (Medium Altitude Long Endurance) for border surveillance.
- Why? To strengthen real-time intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance (ISR) along land and maritime borders.
- Value: ₹20,000 crore
- Under: Make in India initiative



🋠 Technical Details

Feature	Description
Altitude Capability	Over 35,000 feet
Endurance	30+ hours of continuous flight
Purpose	Real-time ISR, combat readiness
Use Case	Especially for Indian Air Force to monitor Eastern & Western borders

🚅 Indigenous Push

- Trials were conducted to verify if private Indian manufacturers meet military standards.
- The drones must be at least 60% indigenous.
- Earlier, MALE drones were imported from Israeli companies.
- First time Indian companies have been asked to supply this drone class.

Q. Consider the following statements regarding India's recent procurement of MALE-class drones:

- 1. MALE drones are capable of flying for more than 30 hours at altitudes above 35,000 feet.
- 2. The drones are being procured exclusively from Israeli manufacturers to ensure technological edge.
- 3. The procurement aims to enhance real-time border surveillance under the Make in India initiative.
- 4. This is the first time Indian private defence manufacturers have been invited to supply MALE drones.

Which of the above statements are correct?

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India seeks to cooperate, not compete, with Africa, says Mr. Modi; he also congratulated Namibia

SC dismisses petition to stop release of Udaipur Files

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India, Africa must work side by side, says PM in Namibia

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Kallol Bhattacherjee NEW DELHI

ontinuing his diplomacy focused on the Global South, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday highlighted India's support to Namibia's decolonisation, "not just in words, but in action".

Addressing a special session of the Namibian Parliament, Mr. Modi congratulated the African nation for adopting India's UPI digital payment system. The Prime Minister also highlighted the country's wider Africa policy, emphasising that India does not aspire to "compete" with anyone in the African continent, but rather seeks to "build together".

"India is proud to have stood with Namibia - not just in words, but in action. Like the tough and elegant plants of Namibia, our friendship has stood the test of time. And, just like your national plant Welwitschia mirabilis, it only grows stronger with age and time," Mr. Modi told the joint session of the Parliament of Namibia, highlighting the historic support that India extended to Namibia's freedom from



Close links: Prime Minister Narendra Modi with Namibia President Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah in Windhoek. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

the 1940s. According to the records of the Ministry of External Affairs, India was among the first countries to raise the cause of Namibia's independence at the United Nations in 1946.

Africa must lead

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Mr. Modi met with Namibian President Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah and signed several agreements, including MoUs to set up an Entrepreneurship Development Centre in Namibia and to cooperate in the field of health and medicine.

Namibia also completed the formalities to join the India-led Coalition of Disaster Resilient Infrastructure and the Global Biofuel Alliance.

The launch of a digital payments system in Namibia later this year was also announced as an outcome of the UPI technology licensing agreement signed between the National Payments Corporation of India and the Bank of Namibia in April 2024.

Mr. Nandi-Ndaitwah also conferred Mr. Modi with the Order of the Most Ancient Welwitschia Mirabilis, Namibia's highest civilian award.

Earlier, Mr. Modi paid homage to the hero of Namibia's freedom movement Sam Nujoma, describing him as "a great friend of India". He recollected Dr. Nujoma's role during the establishment of diplomatic relations between India and Namibia in 1986.

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1. Global South Diplomacy

- PM Modi reiterated India's support for Africa's development not in **competition**, but in **cooperation**
- Highlighted India's historic and active role in Namibia's decolonisation and freedom struggle

2. Namibia's UPI Adoption

- Namibia will launch its UPI digital payments system later in 2025
- Based on agreement between NPCI (India) and Bank of Namibia (April 2024)

3. Civilian Honour for PM Modi

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 - Establishment of an Entrepreneurship Development Centre
 - Cooperation in health and medicine
- Namibia joined India-led initiatives:
 - Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI)
 - Global Biofuel Alliance

E Historical Support

- India supported Namibia's independence in 1946 at the UN
- Supported SWAPO (South West Africa People's Organisation), instrumental in Namibia's freedom
- Diplomatic relations established in 1986

🜍 Africa Must Lead – PM Modi's Remarks

- Africa must:
 - Go beyond being a source of raw materials
 - Become a hub for value creation and sustainable growth

"With Africa, we seek not to compete, but to cooperate."

***** Relevance for UPSC GS Paper

GS II - International Relations:

- India-Africa relations
- Global South diplomacy
- Soft power through digital public infrastructure (UPI)

GS III - Economy:

- Digital inclusion via UPI exports
- Biofuel and disaster infrastructure cooperation

India ↔ South Africa Trade Relations: Key Metrics (2023–2025)

Aspect	India \rightarrow South Africa	South Africa → India	Total Bilateral Trade
2023–24 Trade Volume	Exported US \$10 billion (2023) India Briefing +3 Press Information Bureau +1	Exported US \$8 billion (2023)	US \$18 billion
2024 Total Bilateral Trade	<u> </u>	· <u> </u>	~US \$19 billion (up from pre- pandemic levels)
Mar 2025 Monthly Data	US\$514 million in exports (↓29% y-o-y)	ZAR 9.05 billion in exports (+24% y-o-y)	
Trade Trend (2018– 2023)	From US\$8b → US\$10b (≈25% growth)	From US\$9.14 b → US\$8 b (slight dip)	From US\$8b → US\$13b over 5 years
Top Exports (India → SA)	Mineral fuels (US\$3.52b), vehicles (US\$1.52b), pharma (US\$625m)	_	
Top Exports (SA → India)	-	Pearls/precious stones (US\$5.51b), coal (US\$3.84b), ores (US\$641m)	

Q. With reference to India's engagement with Namibia and Africa, consider the following statements:

- 1. Namibia is the first African country to adopt India's UPI digital payments system.
- 2. India's first diplomatic mission in Namibia was established in 1946.
- 3. The Order of the Most Ancient Welwitschia Mirabilis is Namibia's highest civilian award.
- 4. India's support to Namibia's freedom included backing the SWAPO movement.

Which of the above statements are correct?

A. 1 and 4 only

B. 1, 3 and 4 only

C. 2 and 3 only

D. All of the above

INSPACe gives nod to Starlink to launch services in India

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA NEW DELHI, JULY 9

INDIA'S SPACE regulator INSPACe has granted a licence to Elon Musk-run Starlink to offer space-based internet services in the country.

"Indian National Space Authorisation and Promotion Centre (INSPACe) granted authorisation to M/s Starlink Satellite Communications Private Limited, New Delhi (SSCPL) for enabling provisioning of Low Earth Orbit (LEO) satellites constellation, namely Starlink Gen1. The authorisation will enable SS-CPL to provide satellite communication services in India," a statement from INSPACe said.

The authorisation is valid for a five-year period from the date of authorisation (July 8) or the end of the operational life of the Gen1 constellation – whichever is earlier.

The rollout of services is subject to the stipulated regulatory provisions and the requisite clearances, approvals and licences from the relevant government departments.

The Starlink Gen1

Constellation is a global constellation with 4,408 satellites orbiting Earth at an altitude between 540 km and 570 km, and is capable of providing an approximately 600-GBPS throughput over India.

Starlink had been eyeing the Indian market since 2022 for launching commercial operations.

Last month, Starlink became the third company after Eutelsat OneWeb and Jio Satellite Communications to get a licence from the Department of Telecommunications to provide satellite internet services in India.

Unlike conventional satellite services that rely on distant geostationary satellites, Starlink utilises the world's largest Low-Earth Orbit or LEO constellation.

Recently, Starlink signed pacts with Reliance Jio and Bharti Airtel, which together control more than 70 per cent of India's telecom market, to bring the US satellite internet giant's services to the country.

कार्यालय परियोजना प्रबंधक, यूनिट-17 कन्सट्रक्शन एण्ड डिजाइन सर्विसेज **उत्तर प्रदेश जल निगम** (नगरीय) (30प्र0 सरकार का उपक्रम) कार्यालय: कृष्णानगर मथुरा-281004 (3.प्र.)

- INSPACe (Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Center) has granted a 5-year licence to Starlink Satellite Communications Pvt. Ltd. (SSCCPL) to provide satellite-based internet services in India.
- Starlink will now operate using its Low Earth Orbit (LEO) satellite constellation named Starlink
 Gen1.

📡 Technical Details

- Starlink Gen1 comprises 4,408 satellites in LEO orbit (altitude: 540–570 km)
- Provides approx. 600 Gbps throughput over India
- Unlike traditional geostationary satellites, LEO satellites offer lower latency and better performance

Terms of Licence

- Licence valid for 5 years from July 8, 2025, or till Gen1's operational life ends (whichever is earlier)
- Subject to clearances, approvals, and licenses from other govt. departments (like DoT)

📈 Industry Context

- Starlink had been waiting since **2022** to enter the Indian market
- Recently, it became the third company after:
 - 1. Eutelsat OneWeb
 - 2. Jio Satellite Communications

to get a licence from the Department of Telecommunications (DoT)

 Starlink signed agreements with Reliance Jio and Bharti Airtel, who together control over 70% of India's telecom market **Q.** With reference to Starlink's operations in India, consider the following statements:

- 1. Starlink has been authorised by ISRO to launch satellite internet services in India.
- 2. The Starlink Gen1 constellation operates in Low Earth Orbit and comprises over 4,000 satellites.
- 3. Starlink requires additional clearances and licences from the Department of Telecommunications.
- 4. LEO satellites used by Starlink have lower latency compared to traditional geostationary satellites.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- A. 2, 3 and 4 only
- **B.** 1, 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 4 only
- D. All of the above

Ø What is IN-SPACe?

- A single-window, autonomous agency under the Department of Space, established on 24 June 2020
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- **Mission**: To **promote**, **authorize**, **enable**, **and supervise** non-governmental entities across the entire space ecosystem—launch vehicles, satellites, ground stations, and space-based services (isro.gov.in +3).

m Structure & Leadership

- Headquarters: Ahmedabad, Gujarat LinkedIn .
- Guided by Chair Dr. Pawan Goenka; supported by multi-disciplinary directorates: Promotion, Technical, and Program Management & Authorization Wikipedia +2.

Key Roles & Initiatives

- 1. Authorizing Private Space Ventures
 - Licensed private companies (e.g., Dhruva Space, Digantara Aerospace) for satellite launches and ground station operations (wikipedia +11).
 - In Dec 2024, allowed Hyderabad's Ananth Technologies Ltd to operate India's first private geosatcom satellite Times of India .
- 2. Facilitating Infrastructure Access
 - Enables NGEs to use ISRO facilities such as ground stations (GSaaS) and satellite-bus platforms (SBaaS) wikipedia +2.
- 3. Financial & Technical Support Schemes
 - Introduced a ₹500 cr Technology Adoption Fund (TAF) in Feb 2025 to accelerate space-tech adoption wikipedia +2.
 - Launched Satellite-Bus-as-a-Service (SBaaS) in April 2025 for indigenous satellite platform development wikipedia +11
- 4. Startup Incubation Programs
 - Launched the **Pre-Incubation Entrepreneurship (PIE)** program guiding space startups from
 ideation to prototype phase over 21 months indiatechnologynews.in +4

Is palm oil bad for health? Here's what the science says

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A FOOD and beverage industry association has said that the use of labels such as "palm oil free" or "no palm oil" are misleading, and rooted more in marketing than science.

The Indian Food and Beverage Association (IFBA) said in a statement issued on Tuesday that palm oil has been consumed by Indians since the the 19th century, and that the oil has a well-rounded

EXPLAINED

HEALTH

fatty acid profile. Palm oil is among the most

affordable and versatile edible oils globally, valued for its long

shelf-life and neutral taste. Most packaged foods, including potato chips, biscuits, ice cream, and chocolates use palm oil.

Of late, the oil has been getting a bad rap, from online influencers, celebrities, and fitness gurus. For instance, actor-producer Jackky Bhagnani recently called palm oil "the most dangerous thing in life", "It's suicidal [to consume palm oil]," he said.

Are such claims scientific? Or are these just a marketing gimmick, as the IFBA claims?

High in saturated fats...

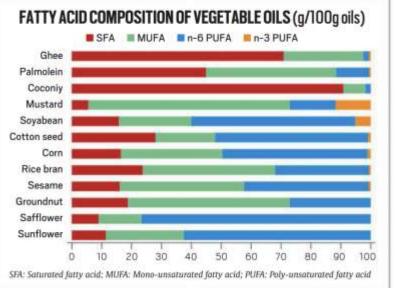
All oils mainly contain three types of fatty acids: the "bad" saturated fatty acid (SFA) and the "good" mono-unsaturated fatty acid (MUFA) and poly-unsaturated fatty acid (PUFA).

Consumption of oils with high SFAs is known to increase the levels of bad cholesterol (low density lipoproteins) which in turn increases inflammation in the body, decreases insulin sensitivity, and enhances the tendency of clot formation. Therefore, con-

suming such oils can increase the risk of heart attacks and strokes, as well as the onset of type-2 diabetes.

Fats that remain solid or semi-solid at room temperatures — including palm oil, coconut oil, ghee, butter, and lard — are high in saturated fatty acids (See Chart).

According to the Indian Dietary Guidelines, prepared by the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), coconut oil and ghee have the highest SFA content, around 90 grams and 70 grams respectively per 100 grams of oil. Palmolein, the liquid part of palm oil, contains around 40 grams of SFA and 40 grams of MUFA, with the rest being



PUFA. Mustard, safflower, and sunflower have the lowest SFA content, less than 10 grams per 100 gram of oil.

...But it isn't hydrogenated

Apart from these three fatty acids, trans fatty acids (TFA) are produced during the hy-

drogenation of liquid vegetable oils. The addition of hydrogen atoms into such oils converts liquid oil to semi-solid, and increases their shelf-life.

Studies have shown that the consumption of TFAs can increase the risk of diabetes, breast cancer, colon cancer, pre-eclampsia (high blood pressure during pregnancy), and disorders of the nervous system.

Since palm oil is semi-solid at room temperature, it does not need to be hydrogenated. In fact, the rise in popularity of palm oil from the 1990s onwards was driven by health concerns about hydrogenated oils.

Most oils also contain minor components such as tocopherols and sterols – naturally occurring antioxidants that give oils their distinct flavours. Palm oil contains tocotrienols, which help lower blood cholesterol levels.

Mix of oils, in moderation

According to the ICMR's guidelines, a mix of oils that are low in SFA and high in PUFA should ideally be used. This would mean avoiding palm oil as much as possible.

But the alternatives that are often pushed

by influencers are not necessarily much healthier. Some of them swear by ghee and coconut oil, which have an even higher content of SFAs.

At the end of the day, an individual's health outcomes are determined by a number of factors that go beyond just the type of oil consumed.

The ICMR's guidelines suggest that consumption of oil should be limited to between 20 and 50 grams (four to 10 teaspoons) per person per day. Those living sedentary lifestyles should stick to the lower end of this range (20-30 grams).

The guidelines recommend getting most of one's fat requirement from nuts and seeds such as walnuts, flaxseed, chia seeds, soyabean, and fenugreek seeds. Marine fish, other sea foods, and eggs are also good natural sources of PUFA, they say.

The ICMR recommends that oils should not be reheated. This is because once heated, PUFAs in the oil start to oxygenate, and form harmful compounds that increase the risk of cardiovascular disease and cancers. If one does have to reuse oil, such oil should not be used for high-temperature cooking, and should be consumed within a day or two.

- Palm oil has been consumed in India since the **19th century**.
- It is a versatile, affordable, and widely used edible oil in processed foods (e.g., biscuits, ice cream, chocolates).
- Recently criticized by celebrities & influencers; labeled as "unhealthy" or even "dangerous".



All oils contain:

- SFA: Saturated Fatty Acids (bad cholesterol ↑)
- MUFA: Mono-unsaturated Fatty Acids
- **PUFA**: Poly-unsaturated Fatty Acids (n-6 & n-3 PUFA)

Key Fatty Acid Composition (g/100g oil):

Oil	SFA (g)	MUFA (g)	PUFA (g)
Palmolein	40	40	Rest PUFA
Ghee	60-65	~30	Minor
Mustard/Sunflower/Safflower	<10	High	High PUFA

- Palmolein has a balanced fatty acid profile: ~40g SFA, ~40g MUFA
- Ghee/Coconut oil have highest SFA content (~90g/100g for ghee)

🔔 Health Risks

- High SFA intake → ↑ LDL (bad cholesterol), ↑ insulin resistance → ↑ risk of heart attack, diabetes, stroke
- Trans fatty acids (TFAs) from hydrogenated oils are more dangerous Palm oil is not hydrogenated
- Palm oil does not contain TFAs if unprocessed

ICMR Dietary Guidelines (India)

- 1. Oil intake:
 - 20–50 g/day (lower range for sedentary people)
- 2. Prefer:
 - PUFA-rich sources: walnuts, flaxseeds, fish, soybean oil
- 3. Reheating oil:
 - Avoid reheating oils high in PUFA (oxidation risk)
 - Reused oil should be consumed within 1-2 vs

4. Mix oils:

- Use a combination of low-SFA and high-PUFA oils
- Don't rely on one oil type (esp. not high-SFA oils)



- Palm oil isn't inherently dangerous if used in moderation
- Criticism is often marketing-driven, not fully backed by science
- No oil is healthy in excess, and overall diet and lifestyle matter most

🔪 Top 5 Oils Used in India & Health Impact

Oil Туре	Common Regions	Health Impact
Refined Sunflower Oil	Urban India, Northern states	X Bad (High omega-6, low stability when heated)
Mustard Oil	North & East India (Bihar, Bengal)	Good (Rich in MUFA, antimicrobial)
Groundnut (Peanut) Oil	Gujarat, Maharashtra, South India	Good (Stable, heart-friendly fats)
Soybean Oil	Popular in Madhya Pradesh, urban areas	Moderate/Bad (High omega-6, refined forms less healthy)
Coconut Oil	Kerala, coastal regions	Good (High in MCTs; good in moderation)

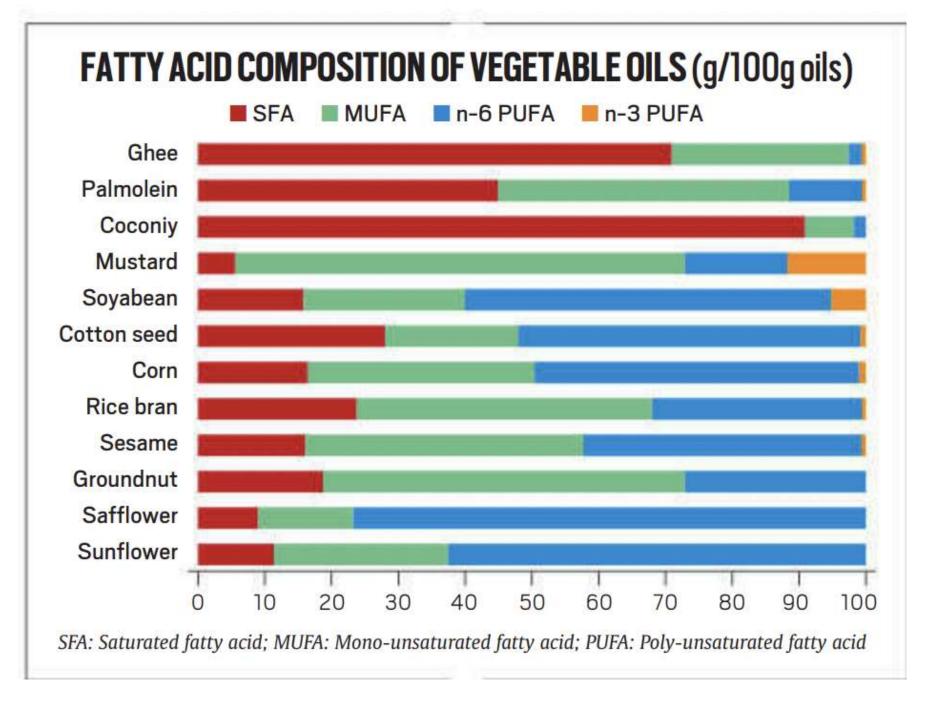


Q. With reference to edible oils and health, consider the following statements:

- 1. Palm oil contains a higher percentage of trans fats than most vegetable oils.
- The Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) recommends a mix of low-SFA and high-PUFA oils in the diet.
- 3. Oils high in PUFA should ideally not be reused for cooking.
- 4. Ghee contains more saturated fat than palmolein oil.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- A. 1, 2 and 4 only
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Nvidia becomes first company to clinch \$4 tn in market value



A screen displaying news on Nvidia on the floor at the New York Stock Exchange. Reuters

REUTERS

BENGALURU, JULY 9

NVIDIA NOTCHED a market capitalisation of \$4 trillion on Wednesday, making it the first public company in the world to reach the milestone and solidifying its position as one of Wall Street's most-favoured stocks.

Shares of the leading chip designer rose as much as 2.5 per cent to an all-time high of \$164, benefiting from the ongoing surge in demand for artificial intelligence technologies. Nvidia's soaring market value underscores Wall Street's confidence in the rapid growth of Al, with the company's high-performance chips forming the backbone of this technological advance.

The stock's recent rally follows a sluggish start to the year, when the emergence of a Chinese discount artificial intelligence model developed by DeepSeek shook confidence in stocks linked to the sector. Nvidia achieved a \$1 trillion market value for the first time in June 2023 and tripled it in about a year, faster than Apple and Microsoft, the only other US firms with a market value of more than \$3 trillion. Microsoft is the second biggest US company, with a market capitalisation of \$3.75 trillion.

UP 20% IN 2025 Largest cos by mcap* (\$tn) Nvidia 3.98 Microsoft 3.7 Apple 3.1 Amazon 2.4 Alphabet 2.2 Meta 1.8 *At 2245 hrs IST. Nvidia had hit \$4tn mark intra-day

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Global Significance

- Nvidia becomes the first public company in the world to reach a \$4 trillion market capitalisation (as of July 2025).
- Its rise highlights the dominance of AI technologies in the global tech economy.

💹 Market Milestone

- Nvidia's stock price rose **2.5%** to an all-time high of **\$164**.
- It has tripled its valuation from \$1 trillion (June 2023) to \$4 trillion in just one year.
- Surpassed Apple and Microsoft in valuation speed and volume.

Technological Backbone

- Demand driven by AI revolution.
- Nvidia is the leading chip designer for high-performance GPUs critical for AI/ML applications (ChatGPT, self-driving cars, data centers, etc.).

Volatility and Global Al Race

- Start of 2024: Investor concern due to **DeepSeek**, a Chinese discount AI model.
- Despite early year volatility, Nvidia surged ahead, regaining market trust and momentum.

- **Q.** Consider the following statements regarding Nvidia and the global AI economy:
- 1. Nvidia became the first public company globally to achieve a market capitalisation of \$4 trillion.
- 2. The recent surge in Nvidia's valuation was driven primarily by its leadership in AI hardware technologies.
- 3. Nvidia reached \$4 trillion market cap faster than Apple or Microsoft reached \$3 trillion.
- 4. Microsoft is currently the largest US company by market valuation.

Which of the above statements are correct?

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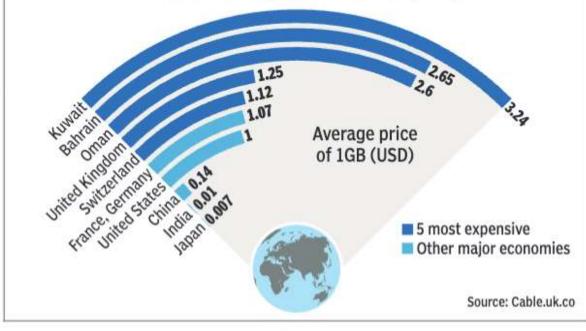
STATOISTICS A slice of life in numbers

By Richa Gandhi

Look Who Beat India On Cheaper Internet

In 2023, the top five countries with the costliest mobile data were mostly in West Asia and Europe, with Kuwait charging \$3.24 per GB, over 300 times India's \$0.01. Even among major economies prices vary wildly; the US pays \$1 per GB, while China pays just \$0.14

What countries pay for internet (2023)



Guru Purnima: Time To Celebrate Sacred Bond

Anandmurti Gurumaa

lso known as Vyas Purnima, Guru Purnima is a truly significant day for seekers and disciples. It is a time when we express our love, devotion, feelings, gratitude to our revered guru. The celebration prompts us to reflect honestly: 'Have i fulfilled my duty as a good disciple, or have i been dishonest? Have i followed the guru's words in my life, or have i, driven by delusion and laziness, chased worldly pleasures, befriended the impermanent world by mistaking it to be stable, and forgotten the friendship i forged with my guru?' If i have, then this day serves as a reminder to introspect and ask, 'Where am i?'

Have we given importance to the material world, to objects, money, position and prestige? Or have we practised meditation before sleep and thanked the guru? Have we woken up every morning. resumed our spiritual practice, and lived

each day in such a way that we neither harm nor hurt anyone, be it through words, thoughts, or actions? Have we maintained a constant awareness within, an unbroken vigilance. recognising that life is not for accumulating material comforts?

This life is not for fulfilling desires or creating a materialistic sense of purpose, but for understanding desires and releasing our attachment to them. Even as we engage with the world, our sense of discernment must remain active. Get married, adorn yourself as a bride, but

remember that the one you are marrying and the body that participates in the marriage ceremony are both transient. They are impermanent, and you must not lose yourself in the pursuit of bodily pleasures. For householders, this understanding becomes essential, as they often

surround themselves with a world where honour and respect are granted only to those with wealth and power.

A seeker lives knowing that life's duration is unknown, and so is the breath's continuity. Time is limited. Those who adhere to the discipline of morning and evening practice may accomplish several tasks in a day. Yet, within them, remains an unshakable joy, a subtle fragrance, an enduring happiness.

An excellent householder can only be someone who practises diligently. Without THE SPEAKING TREE such practice, one can be

consumed by greed, anger, or pride, which can destroy relationships.

A person who never finds time for meditation, contemplation, or breathing exercises cannot be considered a disciple. The sacred bond is fractured. Guru Purnima reminds us that life is a precious opportunity for self-realisation, for strengthening discipline and perseverance.

Bodies will perish, but knowledge endures. The tradition of knowledge, beginning with Mahadev, was carried forward by Sage Ved Vyas, who shaped the Vedas, gave us Brahmasutras, and illuminated the essence of the Bhagwad Gita. Sage Vyas traversed the whole country, preparing sages and teachers to disseminate wisdom of Vedanta.

Thus, Guru Purnima is the day of Sage Ved Vyas. Today, we remember him and all spiritual luminaries who have held the title of guru. We bow before them, seeking their blessings, aspiring to become a sage or a seer ourselves. May we not squander our lives in indulgence or false pride but make them meaningful. This is a day of prayer and supplication to the Guru, a time to seek divine grace, so that no obstacle may hinder our spiritual path.

Guru Purnima is on July 10



📅 What is Guru Purnima?

- Also known as Vyas Purnima.
- Celebrated to express gratitude and devotion to spiritual teachers (Gurus).
- It is a day for introspection, self-discipline, and renewed spiritual focus.

🚴 Spiritual Significance

• Encourages disciples to ask:

"Have I followed my Guru's teachings with sincerity?"

- Stresses detachment from materialism and awareness of impermanence.
- Highlights the importance of:
 - Daily spiritual discipline (e.g., meditation)
 - Contemplation and mindfulness
 - Restraint from desires and ego-driven actions

🔠 Role of a Householder

- Must engage in the world without losing spiritual awareness.
- Should balance worldly duties with inner discipline and gratitude to Guru.

Historical & Philosophical Roots

- Celebrates Sage Ved Vyas, compiler of the Vedas, Brahmasutras, and Bhagavad Gita.
- Vyas traversed India to train sages and spread Vedantic wisdom.
- A day to honor all gurus and spiritual traditions passed down from Mahadev (Shiva).



Word of the day

Pan (used as a noun and a verb):

cooking utensil consisting of a wide metal vessel; make a sweeping movement; express a totally negative opinion of

Synonyms: tear apart, trash

Usage: The critics panned the performance.

Pronunciation:

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International Phonetic Alphabet: /pæn/







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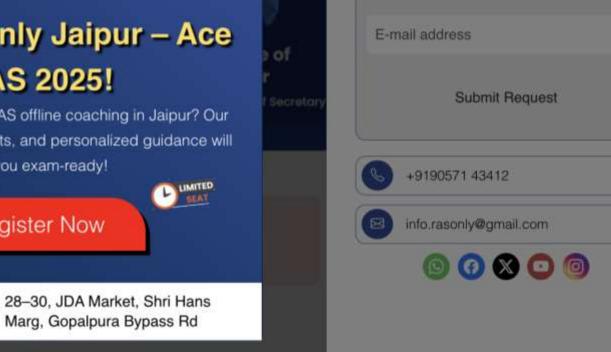
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