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Abel Prize 2025

- Winner of 2025 Abel Prize - Masaki Kashiwara
 - Kashiwara was awarded the prize for his contributions to representation theory, the mathematical theory of symmetry, and to the field of algebraic analysis.
 - Masaki Kashiwara is a renowned mathematician from Japan.
 - This is the first time that a Japanese citizen has been awarded this award.
 - 2024 Abel Prize Winner - Michel Talagrand
 - 2023 Abel Prize Winner - Luis Caffarelli

Saraswati Samman Award 2024

- Recipient of K.K. Birla Foundation's 2024 Saraswati Samman Award - Mahamahopadhyaya Sadhu Bhadreshdas
 - Work - Swaminarayana Siddhanta
 - Malayalam poet who had won 2023 Saraswati Samman Award - Prabha Varma (work - Raudra Sathwikam)
 - Tamil writer who had won 2022 Saraswati Samman Award - Sivashankari

Kerala Film Critics Awards 2024

- 48th Kerala Film Critics Awards
- Jury Chairman - Dr. George Onakkoor
- Best Film - Feminichi Fathima (Director: Fazil Muhammad)
- Best Second Film - Sookshmadarshini (Director: M.C. Jithin)
- Best Popular Film - Ajayante Randam Moshanam (Director: Jithin Lal)

- Best Director - Indu Lakshmi (Film: Appuram)
- Best Actor - Tovino Thomas (Films: Ajayante Randam Moshanam, Anweshippin Kandethum)
- Best Actress - Nazriya Nazim (Film : Sookshmadarshini), Rima Kallingal (Film : Theatre Myth of Reality)
- Best Supporting Actor - Saiju Kurup (Film: Bharatanatyam, The Third Murder, Sthanarthi Sreekuttan), Arjun Ashokan (Film: Anand Sreebala, Ennu Swantham Punyalan, Anpodu Kanmani)
- Best Supporting Actress - Shamla Hamsa (Film : Feminichi Fathima), Chinnu Chandni (Film : Vishesham)
- Best Music Direction - Rajesh Vijay (Film: Mayamma)
- Best Playback Male Singer - Madhu Balakrishnan (Song: Om Swasthi, film: Sukhino Bhavantu)
- Best Playback Female Singer: Vaikom Vijayalakshmi (Song: Angu Vanakonil, Film: Ajayante Randam Moshanam), Devananda Girish (Song: Nattinitiyana Chekadi Padathe, Film : Sukhino Bhavantu)
- Critics Ruby Jubilee Award - Jagadeesh
- Film critic who received the Chalachitra Ratnam award, which is given in recognition of his overall contributions - Vijayakrishnan
- Chalachitra Prathibha Award Winners - Seema (Actress), Jubilee Joy Thomas (Film Producer), Babu Antony (Actor), Vipin Mohan (Cinematographer, Director), Thyagarajan Master (Scenography Director)

Khelo India Para Games 2025

- Second edition of Khelo India Para Games
- Venue - New Delhi
- Official Mascot - Ujjwala, a sparrow
- State that topped in the medal list of the 2025 Khelo India Para Games - Haryana

- Second place - Tamil Nadu
- Third place - Uttar Pradesh
- Haryana also topped the medal list in the first edition of the Khelo India Para Games held in 2023.
- The venue for the first edition of the Khelo India Para Games, organized in December 2023, was also New Delhi.

Senior National Kho Kho Championship 2025

- 57th Senior National Kho Kho Championship
- Venue - Puri, Odisha
- Title winner of Championship in Men's category - Railways
 - Railways won the title by defeating Maharashtra in the final.
- Title winner of Championship in Women's category - Maharashtra
 - Maharashtra won the title by defeating Odisha in the final.

Indian Super League (ISL) 2024-25

- The 11th edition of the Indian Super League
- ISL Cup Winners - Mohun Bagan Supergiant
 - Mohun Bagan Supergiant won the title by defeating Bengaluru FC 2-1 in the final.
 - This is Mohun Bagan Supergiant's second ISL title after their first ISL title in the 2022-23 season.
- League Winners Shield won by - Mohun Bagan Supergiant
- This is the first time in the history of the Indian Super League that a club has won both the League Winners Shield and the ISL Cup at the same season.
- Golden Ball - Alaaeddine Ajaraie (NorthEast United FC)

- Golden Boot - Alaaeddine Ajaraie (NorthEast United FC)
- Golden Glove - Vishal Kaith (Mohun Bagan Super Giant)
- Emerging Player - Brison Fernandes (FC Goa)

Miami Open 2025

- Men's Singles Champion - Jakub Mensik
 - Jakub Mensik of the Czech Republic won the title by defeating Novak Djokovic of Serbia in the final.
- Women's Singles Champion - Aryna Sabalenka
 - Belarus' Aryna Sabalenka defeated Jessica Pegula of the United States in the final.

Aryabhata

- The 50th anniversary of the successful launch was celebrated in 2025.
- Aryabhata was India's first satellite.
- Aryabhata was built by the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO).
- The satellite was named after the 6th-century astronomer and mathematician Aryabhata.
- Aryabhata was launched on 19 April 1975 from Kapustin Yar, Russia, aboard a Cosmos-3M rocket.
- Main Objectives - Astronomical experiment, research on gamma and X-ray radiation, etc.
- Re-entered the Earth's atmosphere in 1992 and burned up.
- Project Director - Udupi Ramachandra Rao
- ISRO Chairman at the time of launch - Satish Dhawan
- Indian Prime Minister at the time of launch - Indira Gandhi

WORLD

- Country which announced in April 2025 that it would withdraw its membership from the Hague-based International Criminal Court - Hungary
- President ousted by South Korean Parliament through impeachment - Yoon Suk Yeol
- Company which was fined 150 million euros by France for abusing its dominance in the mobile app market - Apple
 - The allegations include manipulation of the distribution of mobile applications used on iOS and iPad devices between April 2021 and July 2023.
- Reciprocal tariff imposed by the US on India - 26 percent
 - Reciprocal tariffs have been announced for about sixty countries that impose high tariffs on US products.
- The country that installed the Three Gorges Antarctic Eye telescope in Antarctica - China.
 - The telescope was installed at the Zhongshan Station in Antarctica.
 - The telescope was developed in collaboration with China's Three Gorges University and Shanghai Normal University.
- The American city that celebrated April 14, the birthday of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, architect of Indian Constitution, as Ambedkar Day - New York City

- Indian texts included in UNESCO's Memory of the World Register in 2025 - Bhagavad Gita, Natya Shastra
- Country that built the world's first 3D printed railway station - Japan
 - Hatsushima Railway Station in Japan was built using 3D printing technology.
- The photographer who captured the photo chosen as the 'World Press Photo of the Year' for 2025 - Samar Abu Elouf
 - Samar Abu Elouf is a Palestinian photographer based in Qatar working for the New York Times.
 - The award-winning photo is of Ajjour, a Palestinian boy who lost his arms in an Israeli attack on Gaza in March 2024
- City selected as World Book Capital for 2025 - Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- Country that recently tested a non-nuclear hydrogen bomb - China
 - The two-kilogram bomb was built by scientists under the China State Shipbuilding Corporation.
 - Unlike regular nuclear bombs, the new bomb uses magnesium hydride.
- Country that launched the world's first commercial 10-gigabit (10G) broadband network - China
 - Chinese telecom company Huawei and China Unicom have jointly developed 10G using 50G-PON technology.

- The port in Iran where the explosion that killed many people took place in April 2025 - Shahid Rajaei Port
- The basilica where the body of Pope Francis, who passed away in April 2025, was buried - St. Mary Major Basilica, Rome

INDIA

- Raja Ravi Varma's painting that has sold for Rs 16 crore at an auction at Mumbai's Pundole Art Gallery - Riddhi Siddhi Ganapathy
 - The painting 'Riddhi Siddhi Ganapathy' depicts the wives sitting on the lap of Lord Ganesha.
 - A portrait of Hyderabad Nizam Mahbub Ali Khan Asaf Jah VI painted by Raja Ravi Varma was sold for Rs 2.6 crore at an auction.
- Chilean President, who arrived in India for a five-day visit in April 2025 - Gabriel Boric Font
- The system launched by Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare to ensure accurate crop data collection - Digital Crop Survey (DCS)
- The Immigration and Foreigners Bill 2025, which aims to amend and consolidate immigration laws to curb illegal immigration in the country, was introduced in the Rajya Sabha by- Nityanand Rai (Union Minister of State for Home Affairs).
 - The Immigration and Foreigners Bill 2025 was passed by the Lok Sabha on 27 March 2025.

- The Rajya Sabha passed the bill by voice vote on 2 April 2025.
- The new bill has been formed by combining the Foreigners Act (1946), the Passport (Entry into India) Act (1920), the Registration of Foreigners Act (1939), and the Immigration (Carriers' Liability) Act (2000).
- Date of signing **Waqf Amendment Bill 2025** by President Draupadi Murmu - 05 April 2025
 - Passed by Lok Sabha - 03 April 2025
 - Passed by Rajya Sabha - 04 April 2025
 - The Waqf Act, 1995, is an important law that regulates the religious properties of Muslims in India. The Waqf Amendment Bill 2025 seeks to amend the Waqf Act, 1995.
 - The bill, introduced in August 2024, was sent to the Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) by the central government following opposition from various political parties. The revised bill was introduced in 2025 with the changes suggested by the committee.
- New Pamban Rail Bridge at Rameswaram, the first vertical lift sea bridge in the country, was inaugurated in April 2025 by - Narendra Modi (Prime Minister of India)
 - The new Pamban Bridge was built after the old Pamban Bridge was decommissioned in December 2022 due to age.
 - Pamban is India's first vertical lift railway sea bridge.
 - Pamban is a railway sea bridge that connects Pamban Island in Ramanathapuram district and the pilgrimage center of Rameswaram.
- As per the recent changes made by the Central Government, the new definition of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) is as follows:

Micro Enterprise - Investment up to Rs 2.5 crore and annual turnover not exceeding Rs 10 crore. Earlier it was Rs 1 crore and Rs 5 crore respectively.

Small Enterprise - Investment up to Rs 25 crore and annual turnover not exceeding Rs 100 crore. Earlier it was Rs 10 crore and Rs 50 crore respectively.

Medium Enterprise - Investment up to Rs 125 crore and annual turnover not exceeding Rs 500 crore. Earlier it was Rs 50 crore and Rs 250 crore respectively.

- The state which adopted tuberculosis patients as part of its drive to eradicate tuberculosis - Meghalaya
- The first state in the country to implement sub-reservation for Scheduled Castes - Telangana
- Indian hospital that ranked 97th in the 2024 World's Best Hospitals ranking prepared by Newsweek and Statista - All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi
- A new turmeric variety launched by the Indian Institute of Spices Research (ICAR - IISR) recently - IISR Surya
- The first train in India to have an ATM - Mumbai-Manmad Panchavati Express
→ This scheme is being implemented jointly by the Bhusawal Division of Indian Railways and Bank of Maharashtra as part of the Indian Railways' Innovative and Non-Fare Revenue Ideas Scheme (INFRIS).
- State where Amaravati Airport is established - Maharashtra

→ Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis inaugurated the new airport at Amaravati in Vidarbha district of Maharashtra.

- The first state to obtain a composite license for lithium blocks - Chandigarh
 - A composite license for a lithium block is a permit that allows exploration and mining of lithium in a specific area.
- US Vice President who arrived in India for a 4-day visit in April 2025 - J.D. Vance
- State where Similipal, which was recently declared a national park, is located - Odisha
 - Similipal is the 107th national park in India.
 - Similipal is the second national park in Odisha. Bhitarkanika is the first national park.

KERALAM

- Revised MGNREGA minimum wage in Kerala - Rs 369
 - Kerala has increased minimum wage by Rs 23.
 - Haryana is the state that pays the highest wage (Rs 400).
- Minister who has introduced a bill in the Legislative Assembly to allow private universities in the state - R. Bindu (Higher Education Minister)
- Cloves cultivated in Kerala, which recently received Geographical Indication status - Thalanad Cloves
 - Thalanad Cloves cultivated in and around Thalanad in Kottayam district

- A system introduced by Kerala State Electricity Board (KSEB) enabling quick disconnection and restoration of electricity, even in remote areas - Remote Operating System
- The centers started by Kudumbashree to provide psychological support to those arriving at police stations - Snehita Extension Center
 - The aim of the project is to ensure psychological support services through Snehita Extension Centers by delegating Kudumbashree Community Counselors to those who need urgent psychological support and welfare at police stations under the jurisdiction of DySP/ACP offices in the state.
- The Khadi outlets starting by the Disability Welfare Corporation as part of further strengthening the disability-friendly environment in the state and providing livelihood opportunities to persons with disabilities and their relatives - Able Point
 - Units are being established in all districts as part of the Ability Beyond Limits project.
 - This project is being implemented jointly by the Disability Welfare Corporation and the Bharatiya Khadi Village Industries Cooperative Society.
 - The objective of the project is to support the social participation and economic empowerment of persons with disabilities.
- The first tribal product to receive Geographical Indication status - Kannadipaya
 - Kannadipaya is made by people from the Uran, Mannan, Malayan, Kadar, and Irular communities in Ernakulam, Thrissur, Idukki, and Palakkad districts.

- New damselfly species discovered by researchers in the Western Ghats - Wayanadan Aruvian (Wayadan Torrent Dart)
 - Scientific name - *Euphaea wayanadensis*
- State Election Department's unified toll-free number - 1950
 - The toll-free number 1950 will be used to provide information related to the Election Department and information related to Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha/Assembly elections to the public.
- The district where the first sky dining in the state was started - Kasaragod
 - A sky dining facility that can seat 12 people has been set up at Bekal Beach.
- The second phase of Kochi Metro - The Pink Line
 - The second phase of Kochi Metro, known as the Pink Line, extends from Kaloor Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium station to Infopark via Kakkanad.
- The first state in the country to start fatty liver clinics in district-level hospitals for liver care - Kerala
 - The Health Department has set up fatty liver clinics in district-level hospitals across the state with the aim of creating awareness among the public about liver diseases and ensuring treatment.
- Conclave organized by the Local Self-Government Department to present to the world the exemplary activities designed by the state to create a waste-free New Kerala - Vruthi 2025
 - Venue - Thiruvananthapuram

SPORTS

- Indian women's hockey player who retired from international hockey - Vandana Katariya
 - She has scored 158 goals in 320 matches in an international career spanning 15 years.
 - Vandana is the first female player to score a hat-trick for India in Olympics hockey.
 - Vandana is also the player who has played the most matches for the Indian women's hockey team.
 - She received the Arjuna Award in 2021.
 - She was honored with the Padma Shri by the country in 2022.
- Formula One Japanese Grand Prix 2025 winner - Max Verstappen
- Indian shooter who won the gold medal in the women's 50m rifle 3 positions at the ISSF Shooting World Cup held in Buenos Aires, Argentina - Sift Kaur Samra
- Indian shooter who won the gold medal in the men's 10m air rifle at the ISSF Shooting World Cup held in Buenos Aires, Argentina - Rudrankksh Balasaheb Patil
- The first Indian boxer to win a gold medal at the World Boxing Cup - Hitesh Gulia
 - In 2025, Hitesh Gulia won the gold medal in the 70 kg category at the World Boxing Cup held in Brazil.

- Indian shooter who won the gold medal in the men's 25m rapid fire pistol event at the ISSF Shooting World Cup held in Buenos Aires, Argentina - Vijayveer Sidhu
- Indian shooter who won the gold medal in the women's 10m air pistol event at the ISSF Shooting World Cup held in Buenos Aires, Argentina - Suruchi Singh
- The first batsman to hit 1000 boundaries in the history of the Indian Premier League (IPL) - Virat Kohli
- Indian tennis player who holds the record of being the oldest player to win an ATP Masters 1000 level match - Rohan Bopanna
- Cricket player who holds the record of being the oldest captain in the Indian Premier League - M.S. Dhoni
 - M.S. Dhoni is the captain of Chennai Super Kings.
- Title winner of 2025 Paris Freestyle Chess Grand Slam - Magnus Carlsen (Norwegian chess grandmaster)
 - 2nd place - Hikaru Nakamura (American chess grandmaster)
 - 3rd place - Fabiano Caruana (American-Italian chess grandmaster)
- Five new sports to be included in the 2028 Los Angeles Olympic Games - Cricket, Baseball/Softball, Flag Football, Lacrosse (Sixes), Squash
 - Cricket was last included in the Olympics at the 1900 Games in Paris.
 - At the 2028 Los Angeles Olympic Games, cricket will be played in the T20 format.

→ Six teams will compete in both the men's and women's categories.

- Oldest Player to Win Man of the Match Award in the History of Indian Premier League - M.S. Dhoni
- Title winner of 2025 Formula One Bahrain Grand Prix - Oscar Piastri
- Title winner of 2025 Women's World Chess Championship - Ju Wenjun (Chinese Grandmaster)
 - This is Ju Wenjun's fifth consecutive Women's World Chess Championship title.
 - Ju Wenjun is the fourth player to become a five-time world champion in women's chess. Vera Menchik, Nona Gaprindashvili and Maia Chiburdanidze have previously become five-time world champions.
- Indian pair who won the gold medal in the 10m air pistol mixed team event at the 2025 ISSF Shooting World Cup in Lima, Peru - Suruchi Singh and Saurabh Chaudhary
- Indian player who won the bronze medal in the men's individual recurve event at the 2025 Archery World Cup Stage 1 in the United States - Dhiraj Bommadevara
- Indian pair who won the gold medal in the compound mixed team event at the 2025 Archery World Cup Stage 1 in the United States - Rishabh Yadav and Jyothi Surekha Vennam

- Indian trio who won silver in men's team recurve event at 2025 Archery World Cup Stage 1 in the United States - Dhiraj Bommadevara, Tarundeep Rai and Atanu Das
- Indian trio who won bronze in men's team compound event at 2025 Archery World Cup Stage 1 in the United States - Rishabh Yadav, Abhishek Verma and Ojas Deotale
- The youngest player to debut in the history of the Indian Premier League (IPL) - Vaibhav Suryavanshi
 - The player made his debut at the age of just 14 years and 23 days.
 - Vaibhav Suryavanshi is a player for Rajasthan Royals.
- 2025 Khelo India Youth Games mascot - Gajasimha
 - Venue of 2025 Khelo India Youth Games - Bihar
- Malayali athlete who won a silver medal in high jump at the Asian Under-18 Athletics Championship - Devak Bhushan
 - 2025 Asian Under-18 Athletics Championship venue - Dammam, Saudi Arabia
- 2024-25 I-League football champions - Churchill Brothers
 - Churchill are the I-League champions for the third time.

- Indian shooter who won silver medal in women's 25m pistol event at ISSF Shooting World Cup in Lima, Peru - Simranpreet Kaur Brar
- Indian chess grandmaster who won FIDE Women's Grand Prix title in Pune - Koneru Humpy
- Indian pair who won silver in the 10m Air Rifle Mixed Team event at the ISSF Shooting World Cup held in Lima, Peru - Rudrankksh Patil and Arya Borse
- Indian shooter who won silver in the 10m Air Rifle event at the ISSF Shooting World Cup held in Lima, Peru - Arjun Babuta
- The first Indian to win a gold medal in the history of the Asian Under-18 Athletics Championship - Himanshu Jakhar
 - Himanshu Jakhar won the gold medal in the boys' javelin throw at the Asian Under-18 Athletics Championship held in Dammam, Saudi Arabia.
- Title winner of 2025 Formula One Saudi Arabian Grand Prix - Oscar Piastri
- Indian pair who won the mixed doubles title at the 2025 WTT Contender Tunis Table Tennis Tournament held in the capital of Tunisia, Tunis -Manush Shah and Diya Chitale
 - The Indian pair won the title by defeating the Japanese pair of Sora Matsushima and Miwa Harimoto by a score of 3-2.
- 2025 Copa del Rey Football Title Winners - Barcelona

- Barcelona won the title by defeating Real Madrid 3-2 in the final.
- The Copa del Rey is an annual football tournament held between Spanish football clubs.
- The cricketer who holds the record for being the youngest player to score a century in the history of the Indian Premier League (IPL) - Vaibhav Suryavanshi
 - Vaibhav Suryavanshi, who scored a century in 35 balls, is the second fastest player to score a century in the history of the IPL. Chris Gayle, who scored a century in 30 balls, is the fastest player to score a century in the history of the IPL.
 - Vaibhav Suryavanshi is the youngest player to debut in the history of the Indian Premier League (IPL). The player made his debut at the age of only 14 years and 23 days.
 - Vaibhav Suryavanshi is a player for Rajasthan Royals.
- Title winner of 2024-25 English Premier League - Liverpool
 - 2023-24 English Premier League champions - Manchester City
- The Indian who won the gold medal in javelin throw at the 2025 Poch Invitational Meet held in Potchefstroom, South Africa - Neeraj Chopra
- The Pakistan player who withdrew from the first-ever Neeraj Chopra Classic javelin throw competition in India - Arshad Nadeem
 - Arshad Nadeem, the gold medalist in javelin throw at the 2024 Paris Olympics.

- The venue for the first edition of the Neeraj Chopra Classic javelin throw competition organized by the World Athletics Federation- Bengaluru, Karnataka

LITERATURE

- English version of the autobiography of freedom fighter Ram Prasad Bismil - A Glimpse of My Life
 - Translated into English by Awadhesh Tripathi
- Winner of the Mathrubhumi Literary Award for 2024 - Sarah Joseph
 - Winner of the Mathrubhumi Literary Award for 2023 - Zacharia
 - Winner of the Mathrubhumi Literary Award for 2022 - Sethu
- Famous poet awarded Samastha Kerala Sahitya Parishad's 2024 Comprehensive Contribution Award - V. Madhusoodanan Nair
- Book written by Subhash Chandran in tribute to M.T.Vasudevan Nair - MTtham
- Autobiography of prominent gold businessman Jose Alukas - Gold

OTHER AWARDS

- Indian Prime Minister who received Sri Lanka's highest civilian honour, the Sri Lanka Mitra Vibhushan, in April 2025 - Narendra Modi
 - The award was presented to Modi by Sri Lankan President Anura Kumara Dissanayake.
- Indian President who was honoured with the 'City Key of Honour' by the City of Lisbon, Portugal in April 2025 - Draupadi Murmu
- President of India who was honoured with Honorary Doctorate by Constantine, The Philosopher's University in Nitra, Slovakia - Draupadi Murmu
- Malayali chemist awarded Bhatnagar Fellowship by Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) - Dr. A. Ajay Ghosh
- Former England fast bowler included in former British Prime Minister Rishi Sunak's resignation honours list and awarded knighthood in 2025 for his services to cricket - James Anderson
 - The Prime Minister's Resignation Honours are honours granted at the behest of an outgoing UK Prime Minister following his resignation.
- First Indian to win Fred Darrington Sand Art Award - Sudarsan Pattnaik

- Institution which has won Desiya Panchayat Kshamatha Nirman Sarvotham Sansthan Award at the 2025 National Panchayat Awards - KILA (Kerala Institute of Local Administration)
 - KILA is winning the award for the second time.
 - KILA is deserving of the award for its interventions to increase the efficiency of gram panchayats, develop skills and ensure better service.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

- India's public sector undertaking which has developed Prachand helicopters - Hindustan Aeronautical Limited
 - The Ministry of Defence signed a Rs 62,700 crore deal to buy 156 Prachand helicopters from Hindustan Aeronautical Limited in March 2025.
 - Prachand is the first indigenously developed combat helicopter.
 - Prachand, also known as the Light Combat Helicopter (LCH), is a helicopter that can land and take off at an altitude of 5,000 meters.
- World's first manned spaceflight mission successfully launched to explore Earth's polar regions - Fram 2
 - Fram 2 was a private manned spaceflight mission conducted by SpaceX.
 - It was launched from the Kennedy Space Center in Florida, US.
 - The Fram 2 mission is carrying four passengers aboard SpaceX's Crew Dragon capsule, Resilience.
 - The Fram 2 mission is led by cryptocurrency entrepreneur Chun Wang.
 - Unlike typical spacecraft, Fram 2 orbits the Earth in a north-south direction. This is the first time a human-carrying space mission has orbited the Earth in a 90-degree polar orbit.

→ SpaceX named its polar space mission after the Fram, a Norwegian ship that explored the North and South Poles in the 19th century.

- NASA's rover which recently discovered the largest organic molecules ever found on Mars - Curiosity
- A digital platform launched to ensure the availability of rabies and snake venom vaccine at health centers in the country - ZooWIN
 - The portal was developed by the National Center for Disease Control (NCDC).
- An indigenously designed and developed training aircraft launched by the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) and National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL) - Hansa-3 (NG)
- Long-range glide bomb successfully tested by DRDO from Su-30 MKI aircraft in April 2025 - Gaurav
- India's first indigenously developed laser-based weapon capable of neutralizing aircraft, missiles and drones - Surya
 - The weapon was developed by the Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO).
- The sub-orbital spaceflight mission that crewed mission of six-woman on Blue Origin's New Shepard rocket on April 14, 2025 - Blue Origin NS-31
 - NS-31 was the eleventh human spaceflight in the New Shepard program.

- The passengers were singer Katy Perry, producer Kerrian Flynn, activist Amanda Nguyen, aerospace engineer Aisha Bowe, journalist Gayle King, and pilot and journalist Lauren Sanchez.

KERALAM-SCHEMES

- The scheme implemented by the Dairy Development Department to achieve self-sufficiency in the dairy sector in the state - Focus Block
 - The Focus Block project is a comprehensive measure to promote dairy production and improve the living standards of dairy farmers in the state.
- Project implemented by the General Education Department which aims to provide comprehensive sex education to students - Project X
 - Project X is a project being implemented by the district administration, the Kerala State General Education Department, and Canal Innovations Charitable Trust with the help of Guide House India Private Limited.
- The project of Kudumbashree to conduct a detailed survey of tribal villages in the state, identify art forms that have the potential to disappear and bring them to venues - Jan Galsa
 - In the language of the Paniyar, a tribal community of Wayanad, the word 'Galsa' means festival. The word Jan Galsa means festival of the people.

CINEMA

- World's first feature film made entirely using Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology
 - Love You

- Directed by S. Narasimhamoorthy
- With the Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) officially granting a U/A certificate to 'Love You', this Kannada film also achieved the feat of becoming the first Artificial Intelligence (AI) film to be approved for theatrical release in India.

APPOINTMENTS

- Newly appointed head coach of Kerala Blasters FC - David Catala
- Newly appointed Finance Secretary of India - Ajay Seth
 - Ajay Seth takes the baton from Tuhin Kanta Pandey, who has moved on from the post of Finance Secretary to become the new Chairman of Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)
- Person who was sworn in for a seventh term as President of Belarus - Alexander Lukashenko
- Newly appointed Deputy Governor of Reserve Bank of India (RBI) - Poonam Gupta
 - Poonam Gupta replaces Michael D. Batra, who retired in January.
- Newly appointed Economic Advisor to the Prime Minister - Sanjay Kumar Mishra
- Indian-origin scientist who was appointed as Director of National Institute of Health (NIH) in the US - Jay Bhattacharya

- Newly appointed Private Secretary to Prime Minister Narendra Modi - Nidhi Tiwari
- First African woman to become Secretary-General of the Commonwealth - Shirley Botchwey
 - Shirley Botchwey is the seventh Secretary-General of the Commonwealth.
- The person who has been appointed as Chairman of ICC Men's Cricket Committee for the second time - Sourav Ganguly
- Newly appointed Chief Justice of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh High Court - Justice Arun Palli
- Former Supreme Court judge who is appointed as the chairman of the 23rd Law Commission - Dinesh Maheshwari
 - Hitesh Jain and Prof. D.P. Verma were also appointed as members of the LawCommission.
- Newly appointed chairman of Air India Express - Nipun Aggarwal
- Renowned Indian filmmaker who is elected as the president of the UNESCO-supported International Centre of Films for Children and Young People (CIFEJ) - Jitendra Mishra
- Newly appointed 50th Chief Secretary of Kerala - A. Jayathilak

→ A. Jayathilak succeeds Saradha Muraleedharan as Chief Secretary.

OBITUARIES

- Famous Latin American writer who passed away in April 2025 - Mario Vargas Llosa
 - Mario Vargas Llosa is the writer who brought Latin American literature to world fame after Gabriel Garcia Marquez.
 - Mario Vargas Llosa's first novel is 'The Time of the Hero'.
 - He was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 2010.
 - Major works - The Time of the Hero, Conversation in the Cathedral, Feast of the Goat, Own Julia and the Scriptwriter, Captain Pantoja and the Special Service, The War of the End of the World.
- Famous Kathak dancer who passed away in April 2025 - Kumudini Lakhia
 - She was the founder of the Kadamba Centre for Dance in Ahmedabad.
 - Kumudini Lakhia worked as a choreographer in the Hindi film Umrao Jaan (1981).
 - She worked as the Chairperson of the Sangeet Natak Akademi in 1990-91.
 - She also received the Tagore Ratna Award of the Sangeet Natak Akademi in 2012.
 - Winner of the Guru Gopinath National Natya Puraskar in 2021.
 - The country honored him with the Padma Shri in 1987, the Padma Bhushan in 2010, and the Padma Vibhushan in 2025.

- Environmental activist known as the 'Tree Man' of Telangana who passed away in April 2025 - Daripally Ramaiah
 - He was also known as 'Vanajeevi' for his pioneering work in afforestation.
 - More than one crore saplings were planted as part of environmental protection.
 - The country honored him with the Padma Shri in 2017 for his contributions to environmental protection.
- A renowned Malayali cardiologist known as the 'Father of Angioplasty' in India, who passed away in April 2025 - Dr. Mathew Samuel Kalarikkal
 - Dr. Mathew Samuel Kalarikkal performed the first angioplasty in India in 1986 and was instrumental in setting up angioplasty facilities in several countries in the Asia-Pacific region.
 - He was awarded the Padma Shri by the country in 2000.
- The head of the global Catholic Church who passed away in April 2025 - Pope Francis
 - Real name - Jorge Mario Bergoglio
 - Born in Buenos Aires, Argentina.
 - On March 13, 2013, Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio was elected the 266th Pope of the Catholic Church.
 - Pope Francis was the first pope from Latin America.
- Prominent historian, teacher and writer who passed away in April 2025 - Prof. M.G.S. Narayanan
 - Full name - Muttayil Govindamenon Sankara Narayanan
 - Served as the Chairman of the Indian Council of Historical Research (2001–03).
 - Autobiography - Jalakangal : oru charithranweshiyude vazhikal, kazhchakal

- The autobiography titled Jalakangal : oru charithranweshiyude vazhikal, kazhchakal won the 2019 Kerala Sahitya Akademi Award.
- Important books - Indian Charithra Parichayam, Sahithya Aparadhangal, Kerala Charithrathinte Adisthana Shilakal, Kozhikodinte Katha, Secular Jathiyum Secular Mathavum, Janadhipathyavum Communisavum, Perumals of Kerala
- Former ISRO Chairman who passed away in April 2025 - Dr. K. Kasturirangan
 - Full name - Krishnaswamy Kasturirangan
 - Dr. Kasturirangan was the Chairman of ISRO from 1994 to 2003.
 - He was the project director of India's first two Earth observation experimental satellites, Bhaskara 1 and Bhaskara 2.
 - He has also served as the Chairman of the Space Commission and Secretary of the Department of Space.
 - A team led by Kasturirangan submitted a special report evaluating the recommendations made by the Gadgil Committee for the protection of the Western Ghats.
 - He was a member of the Rajya Sabha from 2003 to 2009.
 - He oversaw the formulation of the National Education Policy 2020.
 - He was awarded the Padma Shri in 1982, the Padma Bhushan in 1992 and the Padma Vibhushan in 2000.
- Famous Malayalam film director and cinematographer who passed away in April 2025 - Shaji N. Karun
 - He made his debut in Malayalam cinema as a cinematographer and worked behind the camera in about 40 films.
 - His first film as a director was 'Piravi'.
 - Films directed - Piravi, Swapnam, Swaham, Vanaprastham, Nishad, Oolu, Kutty Srank

- He was the first chairman of the Kerala State Chalachitra Academy, which was formed in 1998. .He also held the position of chairman of the International Film Festival of Kerala (IFFK).
- The country honored him with the Padma Shri in 2011.

International Film Awards and Achievements

- 1989: Cannes Film Festival, Camera d'Or-Special Mention (Film - Piravi)
- 1989: London Film Festival, Outstanding Film Award (Film - Piravi)
- 1994: Cannes Film Festival, Palme d'Or Nomination (Film - Swaham)
- 1999: Order of Arts Letters - French Government
- 1999: Special Screening of Vanaprastham at Cannes Film Festival

National Film Awards

- 1979: Best Cinematography (Film - Thumb)
- 1989: Best Film (Film - Piravi)
- 1989: Best Director (Film - Piravi)
- 1995: Special Jury Mention (Film - Swaham)
- 1997: Best Non-Feature Film (Film - Sham's Vision)
- 1999: Best Film (Film - Vanaprastham)
- 2009: Best Film (Film - Kutty Srank)

State Film Awards

- 1977: Best Cinematographer (Film - Kanchana Sita)
- 1981: Best Cinematographer (Film - Esthappan)
- 1986: Best Cinematographer (Film - Onnu Muthal Poojyam Vare)
- 1988: Second Best Film (Film - Piravi)
- 1994: Second Best Film (Film - Swaham)
- 1999: Best Director (Film - Vanaprastham)
- 2024: J.C. Daniel Award

- Famous Kathakali Maddala Acharyan who passed away in April 2025 - Kalamandalam Narayanan Nair

VENUES

- Venue of 2025 Women's ODI World Cup - India
 - 13th edition of Women's ODI World Cup
- Venue of 6th BIMSTEC Summit - Bangkok, Thailand
 - BIMSTEC is an acronym for Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation.
 - The seven-member BIMSTEC, as the name suggests, is a grouping of seven countries bordering the Bay of Bengal.
 - The members are Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka, and Thailand.
- Venue of 2025 Khelo India Youth Games - Bihar
 - The 7th edition of the Khelo India Youth Games.
- Venue for the first edition of the Neeraj Chopra Classic Javelin Throw competition organized by the World Athletics Federation - Haryana, India
- Venue of the 2025 Global Technology Summit organised by the Ministry of External Affairs of India - New Delhi

- Place where the world's first humanoid robot half-marathon was organized - Beijing, China
- Venue of the 2nd Asian Yogasana Sports Championship - New Delhi
 - The championship is being organized as part of the government's efforts to promote Yogasana as a competitive global sport.

MILITARY EXERCISES

- Tri-Service Integrated Multi-Domain Warfare Exercise conducted by Indian Army under Eastern Command in Arunachal Pradesh - Prachand Pahaar
- US-India Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) amphibious military exercise to strengthen strategic maritime cooperation and strengthen defense partnership - Tiger Triumph 2025
- Air exercise conducted by the Indian Air Force in April 2025 - Operation Aakraman

IMPORTANT DAYS

- World Health Day - April 7
 - 2025 Theme - 'Healthy Beginnings, Hopeful Futures'
 - Since 1950, World Health Day has been observed to mark the founding day of the World Health Organization (April 7, 1948).

- World Homeopathy Day - April 10
 - World Homeopathy Day is observed on the birthday of Dr. Samuel Hahnemann, who is considered the founder of homeopathy.
- Ambedkar Jayanti - April 14
 - Ambedkar Jayanti or Bhim Jayanti is the birthday of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar, who was born on April 14, 1891.
- World Hemophilia Day - April 17
 - 2025 Theme - Access for all: Women and girls bleed too
 - World Hemophilia Day is observed every year on April 17 to create awareness about hemophilia.
- World Heritage Day - April 18
 - Every year, April 18 is observed as World Heritage Day with the aim of creating awareness for preserving our cultural diversity.
- World Liver Day - April 19
 - 2025 Theme - Food is Medicine
 - April 19 is observed as Liver Day to create awareness about liver-related diseases.
- National Civil Services Day - April 21
 - The date is named after Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel addressed the first civil servants of independent India at Metcalfe House on April 21, 1947. In his rousing speech, he referred to the civil servants as the 'steel frame of India'.

- World Earth Day - April 22
 - 2025 Theme - OUR POWER, OUR PLANET
 - World Earth Day has been celebrated since April 22, 1970.
 - The aim of this day is to provide energy to protect the earth along with awareness.
- World Book Day - April 23
 - UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) called for the celebration of World Book Day on April 23, 1995, to promote reading, publishing, and copyright. Since then, April 23 has been celebrated as World Book Day.
 - City selected as World Book Capital for 2025 - Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- National Panchayati Raj Day - April 24
 - April 24, 1993 is a historic day when decentralization of power to the grassroots took place. Panchayati Raj, which was passed on April 24, 1993 as the 73rd Amendment to the Constitution, came into effect on the same day. The Ministry of Panchayati Raj is celebrating this day as National Panchayati Raj Day.
- World Malaria Day - April 25
 - 2025 Theme - Malaria Ends With Us: Reinvest, Reimagine, Reignite
 - This day is celebrated as part of the global effort to combat malaria.
 - World Malaria Day was established in 2007 by the decision of the 60th session of the World Health Assembly, which is part of the World Health Organization.

Thank you

