

▶ Malayali to receive Kirti Chakra in 2026

Prashant Balakrishnan Nair

- Prashant Balakrishnan Nair is one of the four people selected for India's Gaganyaan project to send Indians to space.

▶ Malayali Navy officer who completed a world tour in a sailboat, who was awarded the Shaurya Chakra in 2026

K. Dilna

- Lieutenant Commander A. Rupa, a native of Puducherry who was with Dilna on her world tour, was also awarded the Shaurya Chakra.

▶ Autobiography of Former Army Chief General Manoj Mukund Naravane  
Four Stars of Destiny

▶ The project aimed at mining and processing of rare earth minerals in coastal states including Kerala, announced in the Union Budget for 2026-27

Rare Earth Corridor

- This corridor, which passes through the states of Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Odisha, aims to break the Chinese dominance and make India self-reliant in the production of raw materials required for electric vehicles, smartphones and defense equipment.

▶ The state where the Patna Bird Sanctuary is located, which was included in the Ramsar list in 2026

Uttar Pradesh



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