

## 18 December 2025

1. What is the total financial allocation approved by the Union Cabinet for the Census of India 2027? Ans: ₹11,718.24 crore
2. Which company signed an MoU with Tata Electronics to explore semiconductor chip manufacturing in India? Ans: Intel Corporation
3. Which public sector bank partnered with the Government of Nagaland for the Hornbill Festival 2025? Ans: Bank of Baroda
4. What is the name of the Bill approved to open the nuclear power sector to private companies? Ans: SHANTI (Sustainable Harnessing and Advancement of Nuclear Energy for Transforming India) Bill
5. The proposed Viksit Bharat Shiksha Adhikshan Bill aims to replace which three regulatory bodies? Ans: University Grants Commission (UGC), All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), and National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE)
6. What is the new name approved for the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA)? Ans: Pujya Bapu Gramin Rozgar Yojana
7. Which country won the 14th FIH Men's Junior Hockey World Cup 2025 held in Tamil Nadu? Ans: Germany
8. Which Indian city launched the country's first hydrogen-powered water taxi service? Ans: Varanasi
9. Where was the 2nd World Health Organization (WHO) Global Summit on Traditional Medicine held? Ans: New Delhi
10. Which country was announced as a new member under the US-proposed "New G20" plan for the 2026 Summit? Ans: Poland
11. What was the percentage growth in India's telecom exports from 2020-21 to 2024-25? Ans: 72%
12. Which three companies have been issued licenses for Satellite Communication (SATCOM) services in India? Ans: Starlink, OneWeb, and Reliance
13. With which country did the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) sign a Work Plan for 2025-2027? Ans: Argentina
14. Which organization received two Public Relations Society of India (PRSI) National Awards 2025 for "Har Ghar Museum" and "Waste to Art"? Ans: National Council of Science Museums (NCSM)
15. What is the name of the India-UAE Joint Military Exercise held in Abu Dhabi in December 2025? Ans: Exercise DESERT CYCLONE-II
16. Which institute conducted the evaluation study of the Jiyo Parsi Scheme during 2025? Ans: International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS)
17. Which airport was voted the world's best international airport for 2025 by Travel+Leisure? Ans: Singapore Changi Airport
18. Singapore announced the termination of work permits for which specific group starting June 2026? Ans: Foreign performing artists
19. Which airline retained the title of Best Domestic Airline at the Travel + Leisure India Awards 2025? Ans: Air India
20. Who has been elected as the next president of Chile? Ans: José Antonio Kast

21. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed restrictions on which cooperative bank due to liquidity concerns? Ans: Gauhati Co-operative Urban Bank
22. The Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) seized Alprazolam worth ₹22 crore under which operation? Ans: Operation White Cauldron
23. The National Commodity and Derivatives Exchange (NCDEX) received SEBI approval to launch a platform for what purpose? Ans: Mutual Fund transactions
24. According to official data, the Gross Non-Performing Assets (GNPA) of banks dropped to what percentage by March 2025? Ans: 2.31%
25. State Bank of India (SBI) signed a Euro 150 million Line of Credit with which German development bank? Ans: KfW (Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau)
26. From which date will the RBI's new guidelines on transaction accounts come into effect? Ans: April 1, 2026
27. India signed a tripartite MoU with which country and Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders for submarine maintenance? Ans: Brazil
28. Which company built the Indian Navy's first indigenously designed Diving Support Craft (DSC A20)? Ans: Titagarh Rail Systems Limited
29. Which professional wrestling superstar announced his retirement from World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE) after a final match? Ans: John Cena
30. Which IIT developed the 'Adi Vaani' app demonstrated at the Bhartiya Bhasha Utsav 2025? Ans: IIT Delhi
31. The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) plans to launch the 'Bluebird-6' satellite for which US-based company? Ans: AST Spacemobile
32. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman-cum-Managing Director of Coal India Limited (CIL)? Ans: B. Sairam
33. Who has been appointed as the 11th Director General of the National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER)? Ans: Suresh Goyal
34. According to the World Inequality Report 2026, what percentage of total wealth is held by the top 1% in India? Ans: 40%
35. The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) provided its first-ever project financing to which state PSU? Ans: Odisha Power Transmission Corporation Ltd (OPTCL)
36. Where did the Survey of India host a national workshop on the geospatial ecosystem? Ans: Yashobhoomi, New Delhi
37. What was the year-on-year growth rate of bank credit reaching ₹195.3 lakh crore? Ans: 11.5%
38. Which state government developed a software to streamline organ transplant registration and prevent trafficking? Ans: Gujarat
39. What is the name of India's first indigenous 64-bit dual-core microprocessor unveiled by C-DAC? Ans: Dhruv 64
40. Researchers from which institute developed a nanoparticle-based therapy for Alzheimer's disease? Ans: Institute of Nano Science and Technology (INST), Mohali



41. Which state leads the country in rooftop solar installations under the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana? Ans: Gujarat
42. Japanese firm Mizuho Securities is acquiring a majority stake in which Indian investment bank? Ans: Avendus
43. Who became the costliest overseas player in IPL history after being bought by KKR for ₹25.20 crore? Ans: Cameron Green
44. The SHANTI Bill proposes allowing what percentage of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in the nuclear power sector? Ans: Up to 49%
45. Under the renamed MGNREGA scheme, the guaranteed employment days have been increased to how many? Ans: 125 days
46. What is the revised minimum daily wage under the Pujya Bapu Gramin Rozgar Yojana? Ans: ₹240
47. Vinesh Phogat is aiming to qualify for which upcoming Olympic Games? Ans: Los Angeles 2028 (LA28)
48. What is the theme of the Bhartiya Bhasha Utsav 2025 organised by the Ministry of Education? Ans: Many Languages, One Emotion
49. The humanoid robot 'Vyommitra' will fly on board which ISRO mission in early 2026? Ans: Gaganyaan

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