

1. **Vijayawada-based Coastal Local Area Bank (LAB) included in the Second Schedule of the RBI Act, 1934, becoming a Scheduled Bank (requires paid-up capital plus reserves of at least ₹5 lakh, CRR 3%, SLR 18%).**
2. **Dubai-based Emirates NBD announced plans to acquire a 60% stake in RBL Bank.**
3. **IRDAI imposed a ₹1 crore fine on ICICI Lombard General Insurance for corporate governance and outsourcing non-compliance.**
4. **Groww, Zerodha and Angel One rank as India's top 3 stockbrokers.**
5. **ICICI Bank acquired an additional 2% stake in ICICI Prudential Life Insurance for ₹1,470 crore, raising its holding to 52.84%.**
6. **InsuranceDekho and RenewBuy merged to create India's largest AI-driven insurance distribution platform under the InsuranceDekho brand (CEO Ankit Agrawal).**
7. **Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme 5.0 (ECLGS 5.0)**
 - Target additional credit is **₹2.55 lakh crore**, including ₹5,000 crore for airlines.
 - Guarantee coverage: 100% for MSMEs; 90% for non-MSMEs and airlines
 - MSMEs and non-MSMEs get 20% of peak Q4 FY26 working capital, capped at **₹100 crore**, for 5 years with a 1-year moratorium
 - Airlines are capped at ₹1,500 crore, for 7 years with a 2-year moratorium.
 - The implementing agency is the **National Credit Guarantee Trustee Company Limited (NCGTC).**
8. **4th UN Climate Week held in Baku, Azerbaijan (Sept 7–11, 2026) to establish groundwork for COP31 in Antalya, Turkey (presided by Murat Kurum).**
 - COP32 will be hosted by Ethiopia.
9. **4th Indo-German Environment Forum in New Delhi (theme "Together for More Resilience")**
10. **Defence Minister Rajnath Singh visited Sri Lanka (Sept 8–10) for maritime security consultations with President Anura Kumara Dissanayake and PM Harini Amarasuriya**
11. **Joint Exercises & Defence Engagements: Veer Guardian 2026, Super Garuda Shield, Sarang in Egypt**
 - Exercise Veer Guardian 2026: 2nd edition of the joint air exercise between the IAF and Japan Air Self-Defense Force at Air Force Station Jodhpur, Rajasthan.
 - Exercise Super Garuda Shield: Conducted in Indonesia by the Indonesian Armed Forces and US Indo-Pacific Command
 - IAF "Sarang" Display Team: The 5-helicopter aerobatic team arrived in Egypt with ALH Dhruv helicopters for the 2nd El Alamein International Airshow.
12. **Indian Army Establishes "AASHVAST" Laboratory**
 - Established at DG EME Headquarters, New Delhi; inaugurated by COAS General Dhiraj Seth.
 - AASHVAST = Assessment and Analysis of Electronic Systems Hardware for Vulnerabilities and Security Threats; focuses on securing drone hardware and electronic warfare systems.
13. **Amit Shah Announces Anti-Narcotics Roadmap – Drug-Free India by 2029**
 - The four pillars are: intelligence and operation-based enforcement; precursor and synthetic drugs control; demand and harm reduction; and capacity building and coordination
 - One target is to dismantle **100 international and inter-state networks** and bring back 100 fugitives
 - **1 lakh Nasha Mukti Mitras** will be trained through the National Cadet Corps (NCC), the National Service Scheme (NSS) and MY Bhara
 - De-addiction centres will be tripled to **1,751**
 - Forensic reports are to be available within **30 days**
 - Anti-Narcotics Task Forces (ANTFs) are to be set up in every state by **March 2027**
14. **RBI mandated banks report AI/cybersecurity incidents within 6 hours; deepfake/voice-cloned content must be taken down within 3 hours**
15. **New Frontier AI Models Released**
 - ☐ **OpenAI: GPT-6 Astra** (agentic computer operations).
 - ☐ **Anthropic: Claude Fable 5.1 and Claude Mythos 5.1.**
 - ☐ **Meta: Muse Voice Transcribe.**

- **Google:** Gemini 3.8 Flash. DeepMind's ALU and AMED agricultural models are expanding to six African nations. "Google Pyx" is unverified.
- 16. Agni Kavach:** An indigenous, GPU-based, open-source AI industrial risk and safety analysis platform, announced by **Dr J.P. Gupta**.
- 17. Ahuti Mk II: Developed by Apollyon Dynamics at BITS Pilani Hyderabad; India's fastest multi-rotor drone at 498 km/h.**
- 18. Jeera Phool Rice: Aromatic short-grain rice from Chhattisgarh's Surguja and highlighted for its GI tag.**
- 19. Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas reduced the minimum gap for domestic LPG refill booking in rural areas from 45 days to 25 days, establishing a uniform 25-day rule across urban and rural areas.**
- 20. 9th Rashtriya Poshan Maah (September 2026) launched in Varanasi by Union WCD Minister Annpurna Devi under the tagline "Hamari Anganwadi Hamari Jimmedari".**
- 21. New High Court Chief Justices Appointed under Article 217**
- Patna HC: Justice Valluri Kameswar Rao
 - Calcutta HC: Justice Ravindra V. Ghuge
 - Rajasthan HC: Justice Sanjay Kumar Agrawal
 - Bombay HC: Justice **Mahesh Chandra Tripathi** (50th)
 - Punjab & Haryana HC: Justice Ashwani Kumar Mishra
 - Chhattisgarh HC: Justice Krushna Ram Mohapatra
 - Madhya Pradesh HC: Justice Alpesh Yeshvant Kogje
 - Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh HC: Justice Dr Pushpendra Singh Bhati
- 22. Dr. Dinesh Sharma Appointed Lieutenant Governor of Andaman & Nicobar Islands**
- Capital city Port Blair was renamed Sri Vijaya Puram.
- 23. Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust: Retd. Air Marshal Jeetendra Mishra (led Western Air Command during Operation Sindoor) – first CEO.**
- 24. Indian Newspaper Society (INS): Karan Rajendra Darda– President.**
- 25. 72nd National Film Awards Hosted at Ekta Nagar, Gujarat**
- Best Feature Film (Swarna Kamal): Article 370 (Director Aditya Suhas Jambhale)
 - Best Debut Film of a Director: Swatantrya Veer Savarkar (Randeep Hooda)
 - Best Popular Film: Kalki 2898 AD (Nag Ashwin)
 - Best Direction: Amaran (Rajkumar Periasamy)
 - Best Actor (Rajat Kamal): Jointly Mammootty (Bramayugam) and Kartik Aaryan (Chandu Champion)
 - Best Actress: Yami Gautam (Article 370)
- 26. Indian Researchers Win 36th Ig Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2026**
- The winning team included **Sanchari Banerjee** and **Subramanian Ramaswamy**. They showed that cockroach milk proteins hold three times the energy of cow milk proteins.
- 27. Important Days**
- World Coconut Day (Sept 2): Organised by ICC (Jakarta); theme "**Coconuts** in Times of Uncertainty: Securing Food, Energy, and **Livelihoods**"
 - International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies (Sept 7): Facilitated by UNEP.
 - 60th International Literacy Day (Sept 8): Hosted globally by Mexico; theme "Literacy for People, the Planet, and Prosperity".
 - International Day for the Elimination of Child, Early and Forced Marriage: UN designated November 27 annually.
- 28. Newly Released Books**
- "**General Brasstacks: The Sundarji Story**" – Probal DasGupta
 - "Every Last Girl" – Safeena Husain.
 - "Memorable Trials, Unforgettable Cases" – Justice H.N. Nagamohan Das.
 - "Sankalp Se Siddhi Ka Modi Yug" – Ghanshyam Tiwari (released by VP C.P. Radhakrishnan).