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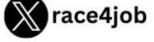




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Union Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy Launches PM E-DRIVE Scheme

- Union Minister for Heavy Industries, H.D. Kumaraswamy, launched the PM E-DRIVE Scheme in New Delhi. The scheme aims to promote the adoption of electric vehicles (EVs) across India, encouraging domestic innovation and reducing carbon emissions.
- The scheme has a financial outlay of ₹10,900 crore over a two-year period.
- ₹3,680 crore has been allocated for e-twowheelers, e-three-wheelers, e-ambulances, trucks, and other emerging electric vehicles.
- ₹500 crore is earmarked for the deployment of eambulances.
- ₹4,391 crore will be used for the procurement of 14,000 e-buses.
- ₹2,000 crore has been allocated for the installation of fast chargers across the country.
- scheme will also introduce Aadharauthenticated e-vouchers for buyers to claim demand incentives, providing a streamlined experience for consumers and manufacturers.
- Q. What is the financial outlay of the PM E-DRIVE Scheme over two years? ₹10,900 crore.















Parth Mane Secures Double Gold at ISSF Junior World Championship in Peru

- Indian shooter Parth Rakesh Mane achieved a remarkable feat by securing double gold in the 10m air rifle event at the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) Junior World Championship in Lima, Peru:
- Parth won the 10m air rifle individual title with a score of 250.7 in the 24-shot final, narrowly defeating reigning junior Asian champion Huang Liwanlin of China by 0.7 points.
- Following his individual success, Parth teamed up with Ajay Malik and Abhinav Shaw to win gold in the 10m air rifle men's team event.
- India secured a third gold medal on the same day when Gautami Bhanot, Sambhavi Kshirsagar, and Anoushka Thakur won the junior women's 10m air rifle team event.
- Ajay Malik and Abhinav Shaw, while performing commendably, finished fifth and seventh in the individual event, with Ajay scoring 186.7 after a shoot-off and Abhinav scoring 144.2.
- With five gold medals to date, India continues to lead the overall medal tally at the championship.

ISSF:

Founded: 1907

Headquarters: Munich, Germany

President: Luciano Rossi

Secretary-General: Willi Grill

Q. Who secured double gold in the 10m air rifle event at the ISSF Junior World Championship in Peru? Parth Rakesh Mane















India and Jamaica Exchange 4 MoUs on Digital Infrastructure, Cultural Exchange, and Sports

Jamaica signed four Memorandums of and Understanding (MoUs) in the areas of Digital Public Infrastructure, Cultural Exchange, and Sports during delegation-level talks held between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the Prime Minister of Jamaica, Dr. Andrew Holness, in New Delhi.

Highlights:

- This is the first bilateral visit by the Jamaican Prime Minister to India.
- Prime Minister Modi emphasized the historical ties, democratic values, and strong people-to-people connections between India and Jamaica.
- India is committed to sharing its expertise in Digital Public Infrastructure, small-scale industries, biofuels, innovation, health, education, and agriculture with Jamaica.
- India will assist in training and capacity building for the Jamaican Army in the field of defence.
- Both nations pledged to combat organized crime, drug trafficking, and terrorism.
- India and Jamaica share the view that reforms are necessary in global institutions, including the United Nations Security Council (UNSC), to promote global peace and stability. www.race4job.com
- Q. How many MoUs were exchanged between India and Jamaica during the delegation-level talks in New Delhi? Four MoUs.















ICC Bans Sri Lanka's Praveen Jayawickrama for **Breaching Anti-Corruption Code**

- The International Cricket Council (ICC) has imposed a Lankan ban Sri cricketer one-year on Jayawickrama for violating the ICC Anti-Corruption Code. The 26-year-old left-arm spinner admitted to obstructing or delaying an investigation by the ICC's Anti-Corruption Unit (ACU). His violations included concealing, tampering with, or destroying information relevant to the investigation.
- Jayawickrama, 26, made his debut for Sri Lanka across all formats in 2021. In his debut Test against Bangladesh in Pallekele, he was named Player of the Match for taking an 11-wicket match haul.
- He has taken 25 wickets in five Test matches, five wickets in as many ODIs, and two wickets in five T20Is. A slow left-arm spinner, Praveen last played in the Major Clubs Limited Over Tournament, a domestic competition in Sri Lanka. He has not participated in international cricket for Sri Lanka since a T20I series against Australia in Pallekele in June 2022.

Highlights:

- Jayawickrama has accepted the one-year sanction, with the last six months suspended.
- The ban applies to all forms of cricket.
- Q. For how long was Praveen Jayawickrama banned from all forms of cricket by the ICC? one-year















ISSF Junior World Championship: Divanshi Wins Gold in Women's 25m Pistol for India

- ISSF Junior World Championship in Lima, Peru, India secured five additional gold medals, bringing the total to 14 medals in the championship, including 10 gold, one silver, and three bronze.
- Divanshi won a gold medal in the women's 25m pistol, defeating Italy's Cristina Magnani by two points with a final score of 35. Heloise Fourre from France secured the bronze medal.
- Divanshi achieved a double gold by teaming up with Tejaswini and Vibhuti Bhatia to win the junior women's 25m pistol team gold, finishing ahead of teams from Czech Republic and Germany.
- Mukesh Nelavalli emerged as another standout, winning two gold medals, increasing his total to three in the championship. He claimed gold in the junior men's 25m pistol with a score of 585, finishing two points ahead of fellow Indian Suraj Sharma, who won the silver medal. In the team event, Mukesh, Suraj, and Pradhyumn Singh secured gold, narrowly defeating Poland by three points.

Q. Who won the gold medal in the women's 25m pistol event for India at the ISSF Junior World Championship? **Divanshi**.















PM Modi Launches Rs 83,000 Crore Tribal Development Schemes

■ Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated a series of development projects worth over Rs 83,000 crore from Hazaribagh, Jharkhand, aimed at tribal upliftment. The central initiative, "Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan," worth Rs 79,156 crore, targets economic empowerment of around 5 crore tribals across 63,000 villages in 2,740 blocks of 549 districts in 30 states and Union Territories.

Key features of the scheme include:

- Construction of 20 lakh houses for tribal families
- Development of 25,000 km of rural roads and bridges
- Provision of clean drinking water, gas, and electricity connections to all households
- Establishment of 100 tribal market centres, mobile health centres, ashrams, and skill development centres
- Additionally, PM Modi launched the PM Jan Man Yojana, inaugurated 40 Eklavya Model Residential Schools, and laid the foundation stone for 25 more schools in Jharkhand. These schools aim to provide quality education to tribal children in remote areas.
- Q. What is the total financial outlay of the tribal development schemes launched by PM Modi on Gandhi Jayanti 2024? Rs 83,000 crore















India's Khushi Wins Bronze at ISSF Junior World Championship 2024

- Indian shooter Khushi secured a bronze medal in the women's 50m rifle 3 positions (3P) event at the ISSF Junior World Championship held in Lima, Peru. This victory brought India's total medal tally to 15 medals—comprising 10 gold, 1 silver, and 4 bronze—with India maintaining the top position in the medal standings.
- Khushi scored 447.3 in the final, finishing behind Caroline Lund (silver) and Synnoeve Berg (gold), both from Norway. Khushi had placed seventh in the qualification round with a score of 585, narrowly securing a spot in the final. She managed to climb to third place in the final, overcoming a wobble in the later shots to claim the bronze.
- In the junior women's 3P team event, the Indian team, consisting of Sakshi Padekar, Melvina Joel Gladson, and Prachi Gaekwad, finished in fifth place with a total score of 1757.
- Q. Which Indian shooter won a bronze medal in the women's 50m rifle 3 positions event at the ISSF Junior World Championship 2024? Khushi















Alcaraz Sets New Record With China Open Win Over Sinner

- Carlos Alcaraz won his first China Open title in 2024 by defeating top seed Jannik Sinner.
- The match lasted three hours and 21 minutes, with Alcaraz winning with a score of 6-7(6), 6-4, 7-6(3).
- This victory gave Alcaraz his 16th ATP tour singles title and made him the second Spaniard, after Rafael Nadal, to win the China Open men's singles title.
- The win also ended Jannik Sinner's unbeaten streak in Beijing.
- Alcaraz credited his team for helping him regain focus after a challenging phase following the American swing.
- In the women's singles, Zheng Qinwen, the Paris Olympic champion, advanced to the quarterfinals by defeating Amanda Anisimova of the United States.
- The 2024 China Open is a professional tennis tournament played on outdoor hardcourts. It is the 23rd edition of the China Open for the men and the 25th for the women.
- Q. Who won the men's singles title at the China Open 2024? Carlos Alcaraz













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Adani Group, Google join hands to drive clean energy adoption in India

- Adani Group and Google have announced a collaboration to promote clean energy adoption in India.
- The Adani Group will supply clean energy from a 61.4 MW solar-wind hybrid project located at Khavda, Gujarat, the world's largest renewable energy plant.
- The project is expected to start commercial operations by the third quarter of 2025.
- This partnership will support Google's 24/7 carbon-free energy goal by powering its cloud services in India with clean energy.
- announced during the 10th collaboration was anniversary of the 'Google for India' initiative.
- The Adani Group is known for its expertise in wind, solar, hybrid, and energy storage projects, providing customised renewable energy solutions to reduce the carbon footprint of industries.
- The Group plans to focus on the commercial and industrial sectors to help decarbonise industries.

AGEL:

- Founded: 2015
- Founder: Gautam Adani
- Managing Director and CEO: Vneet S. Jain
- Q. When is the solar-wind hybrid project between Adani Group and Google expected to start commercial operations? Third quarter of 2025















Affiliate Member India **Becomes** of the International Medical Device Regulators Forum (IMDRF)

- Drugs Standard Control Organization The Central (CDSCO), under the Ministry of Health and Family membership attained affiliate Welfare, has in Medical Device International Regulators Forum (IMDRF).
- IMDRF Overview: The IMDRF is a global network of medical device regulators aimed at promoting regulatory convergence and enhancing public health and safety.
- Membership Application: The CDSCO applied for IMDRF membership in August 2024 to align its medical device regulatory system with global standards.
- Opportunities for Collaboration: The Ministry stated achieving affiliate membership will provide significant opportunities for reliance and collaboration regulatory authorities worldwide, with strengthening "Brand India" in the global market.
- Current IMDRF Members: IMDRF members include national regulatory authorities from countries such as the US, Australia, Canada, EU, Japan, UK, Brazil, Russia, China, South Korea, and the World Health Organization (WHO).
- Q. Which organization in India has become an affiliate member of the International Medical Device Regulators Forum (IMDRF)? Central Drugs Standard Control **Organization (CDSCO)**



















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