



US Facing Potential Scientist Exodus Amid Funding Cuts & Visa Issues

The US is experiencing a potential mass departure of researchers, similar to the intellectual exodus from Nazi Germany during WWII. Funding cuts, particularly from premier institutions like the National Health Institute (NIH), and stricter visa regulations are pushing scientists to consider relocating to Europe, Australia, and Canada, where more stable research opportunities exist. Countries like France and Sweden are actively attracting these professionals. Experts, including Maria Leptin, president of the European Research Council, highlight the discouraging environment for independent research in the US. Scientists, such as Alex Kong from USAID, whose fellowship was abruptly terminated, are seeking positions abroad, though visa challenges remain a concern.



UK Condemns Pro-Khalistan Protester's Attempt to Block Jaishankar's Convoy

The United Kingdom has strongly condemned a security breach in which a pro-Khalistan protester attempted to block Indian External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar's convoy outside Chatham House in London. The British government reaffirmed that any effort to intimidate, threaten, or disrupt public events was "completely unacceptable." A spokesperson for the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) stated, "We strongly condemn the incident that took place outside Chatham House during the External Affairs Minister's visit to the UK."



Religious Remarks at Karnataka School Science Exhibition Spark Controversy

A controversy erupted in Karnataka's Chamarajanagar district after a private school student made religious statements during a science exhibition, linking clothing choices to punishment after death. A viral video showed the student comparing a burqa-clad doll and a short-dressed doll in different coffins, making controversial claims based on Islamic scripture. The incident has triggered widespread condemnation, with calls for action from authorities. Karnataka officials, including Deputy Director of Public Instruction (DDPI) Rajendra Raje Urs, have assured a thorough investigation into the matter. The case has also sparked debates on the role of religious beliefs in academic spaces.



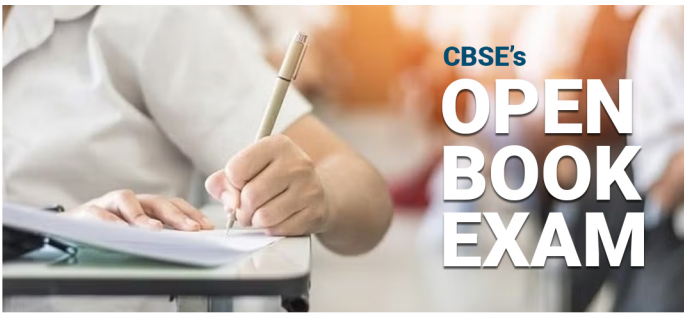
Pakistan Discovers Massive Gold Reserves in Indus River

Pakistan has discovered vast gold reserves in the Indus River, valued at approximately ₹80,000 crore, according to a Dawn News report on March 3. A government-commissioned survey in the Attock district, Punjab province, confirmed the presence of placer gold or nuggets, likely carried downstream from the Himalayas in India. This discovery could provide a much-needed economic boost to the cash-strapped nation, as Pakistan's gold reserves stood at \$5.43 billion as of December 2024, per State Bank of Pakistan data.



JEE-Main Session 2: Impersonation and Cheating Cases Detected

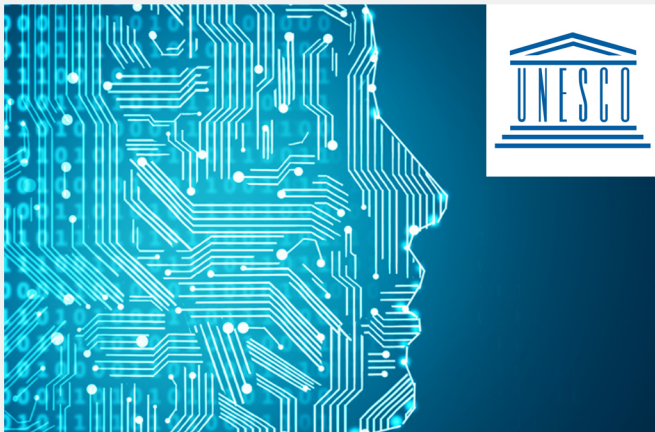
On the first day of the Joint Entrance Examination – Main (JEE-Main) Session 2, one case of impersonation and nine cases of unfair means were identified. The impersonation was detected using remote AI technology that matched biometric data, demonstrating the National Testing Agency's (NTA) enhanced measures to curb exam malpractice. Out of 2.35 lakh registered candidates, around 2.1 lakh appeared for the exam, marking nearly 90% attendance. The NTA had earlier issued a warning against cheating and "mischievous collaborations," emphasizing its commitment to maintaining the integrity of this high-stakes competitive exam. To counter such activities, the agency has implemented multiple hi-tech solutions, ensuring a fair testing environment for all aspirants.



CBSE's Open-Book Exam Initiative: A Step Towards Meaningful Learning

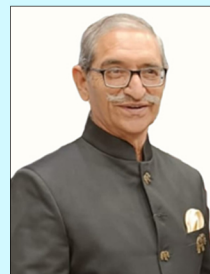
The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) is taking a progressive step by experimenting with open-book examinations (OBE) for students in classes 9 to 12. This initiative aims to combat the deeply ingrained culture of rote learning, the dominance of MCQ-based standardized tests, and the pressure-driven coaching industry. The OBE model encourages students to engage in critical thinking and analytical reasoning rather than mere memorization.

UNESCO's Approach to AI in Education



Artificial Intelligence (AI) presents a transformative opportunity to tackle key challenges in education, enhance teaching methodologies, and accelerate progress toward Sustainable Development Goal 4 (SDG 4). However, rapid advancements in AI come with significant risks, often surpassing policy discussions and regulatory measures. UNESCO is dedicated to helping Member States leverage AI in education while ensuring its use is guided by principles of inclusion and equity. UNESCO emphasizes a human-centered approach to AI, ensuring it addresses inequalities in access to knowledge, research, and cultural diversity rather than deepening technological divides. The organization promotes the idea of "AI for all," ensuring that AI's benefits—such as innovation and knowledge—are accessible to everyone.

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How Studying Abroad Transforms Students into Global Citizens

Moving to a new place for studies immerses young learners in a vibrant cultural education that classrooms cannot replicate. Daily life becomes a hands-on lesson in global citizenship as students navigate diverse customs, languages, and perspectives. Simple acts like sharing meals with international roommates or celebrating unfamiliar festivals break down stereotypes and build intercultural competence. Students develop crucial soft skills—adapting communication styles, resolving conflicts across cultural lines, and appreciating different approaches to learning. While initial culture shock is common, overcoming these challenges fosters remarkable resilience and independence. Universities enhance this growth through multicultural clubs and exchange programs that turn campuses into mini-United Nations. Beyond academic credentials, students gain a global network and cultural fluency that employers value. This transformative experience teaches that beneath surface differences, shared human values connect us all.



Gabba to Be Demolished After 2032 Olympics, New Stadium Planned

Brisbane's iconic Gabba stadium will be demolished after the 2032 Olympics, with a new 60,000-seater stadium set to replace it in Victoria Park. Queensland Premier David Crisafulli announced the decision, citing the Gabba's deteriorating condition and the need for a modern venue. Cricket Australia supported the move, emphasizing the new stadium's long-term benefits for cricket and fans. The decision ensures Brisbane continues to host top-tier cricket while preparing for the Olympics.



India's Triumph in the ICC: A Historic Victory

India's latest ICC victory has once again cemented its place as a cricketing powerhouse on the global stage. The triumph, achieved with a combination of exceptional skill, determination, and strategic brilliance, showcased the team's resilience under pressure. From the group stages to the high-stakes final, India displayed dominance in both batting and bowling, with standout performances from key players. The batting lineup fired consistently, while the bowlers executed game-changing spells, proving instrumental in crucial moments. The final match was a spectacle of nerve and talent, keeping fans on the edge of their seats. A well-calculated chase, backed by steady partnerships and an aggressive finish, sealed India's victory in a thrilling manner. The captain's leadership, along with the team's unity and belief, played a crucial role in overcoming challenges and lifting the prestigious trophy. This victory is more than just another title; it symbolizes India's cricketing evolution and the emergence of new match-winners. Celebrations erupted across the nation, with fans rejoicing in the team's hard-earned success.



Sankar Muthusamy Subramanian's Stunning Upset at Swiss Open

India's Sankar Muthusamy Subramanian delivered a sensational performance at the Swiss Open Super 300, stunning world no. 2 Anders Antonsen in a gripping three-game battle. The 21-year-old from Tamil Nadu, ranked 64th in the world, showcased remarkable defensive skills to defeat the Danish shuttler 18-21, 21-12, 21-5 in a hard-fought 66-minute match. This victory marks one of the biggest achievements of his career and will serve as a major confidence booster as he continues his journey in the senior badminton circuit. Subramanian now faces France's Christo Popov, the world no. 31, in the quarterfinals. Popov has been in fine form, winning titles at the German and Hylo Opens in 2024.



Arson Attack Targets Tesla Vehicles in France Amid Growing Backlash

A suspected arson attack outside a Tesla dealership near Toulouse, France, on Sunday night left 12 vehicles torched, with eight completely destroyed and four severely damaged. Authorities confirmed the fire was not accidental, and an investigation is underway. This incident comes amid anti-Tesla sentiments in Europe, fueled by Elon Musk's political affiliations and declining Tesla sales in Germany and France. Recent protests, including the "Tesla Takedown" movement, reflect growing calls for boycotts against the company.

NASA Astronauts Sunita Williams & Butch Wilmore Return After 286 Days in Space

What was meant to be an 8-day mission aboard Boeing's Starliner in June 2024 turned into a 286-day stay on the International Space Station (ISS) due to propulsion failures. NASA astronauts Sunita Williams and Butch Wilmore finally returned safely to Earth aboard a Crew-9 Dragon spacecraft, splashing down off the coast of Florida. Their extended stay echoes the endurance of past astronauts like Valeri Polyakov, Scott Kelly, and Pyotr Dubrov, who have spent months or even years in space, testing the limits of human adaptability in microgravity.



Roblox CEO's Comments on Online Safety Spark Debate Among Parents

Roblox CEO Dave Baszucki has ignited controversy by stating, "If you're not comfortable, don't let your kids be on Roblox," during an interview with the BBC. While emphasizing that user safety is a top priority, he acknowledged that even one bad incident is too many, and the platform actively monitors for bullying, harassment, and inappropriate content. Some parents agree with Baszucki on the need for greater parental control, while others criticize Roblox, citing risks such as grooming and gaming addiction. Reports of children bypassing bans and encountering unsafe interactions have further fueled concerns about the platform's safety measures.

World's First AI Doctor "Dhanvantari AI" Cleared for Nationwide Use

New Delhi, March 2025 - In a historic move that could revolutionize healthcare accessibility, the Indian government has granted full operational approval to Dhanvantari AI, the country's first artificial intelligence-powered virtual doctor system. Developed by Bengaluru-based HealthAI in collaboration with AIIMS Delhi and ICMR, this breakthrough technology is set to be deployed across 50,000 primary health centers by year-end.

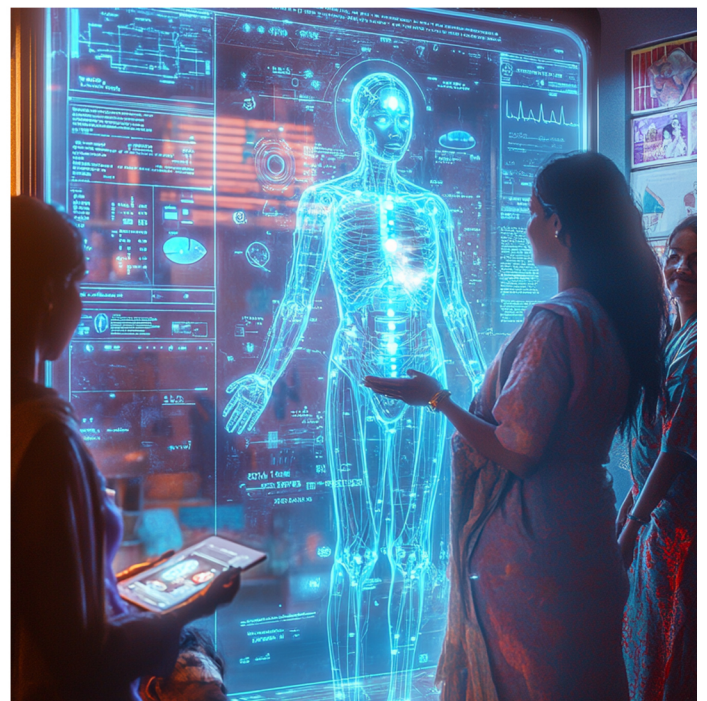
Key Features :-

Multilingual Diagnostic System: Operates in 12 Indian languages with voice recognition

Real-Time Analysis: Processes symptoms, medical history and vital signs to suggest treatments

Drug Safety Check: Flags dangerous medication interactions instantly

Telemedicine Integration: Connects complex cases to human specialists "This is our digital answer to India's doctor shortage," said Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya at the launch event.



Kangana Ranaut Backs BMC Demolition at Kunal Kamra's Venue



BJP MP and actor Kangana Ranaut has supported the BMC's demolition at the Habitat Comedy Club, where comedian Kunal Kamra made controversial remarks about Maharashtra CM Eknath Shinde. Ranaut dismissed comparisons between this action and the 2020 demolition of her Bandra residence, calling the latter "illegal" and Kamra's case "lawful." Kamra's remarks, in which he called Shinde a "gaddar" (traitor) in a parody song, sparked a political storm. Following the controversy, Shiv Sena workers vandalized the venue, and the BMC later demolished a temporary structure at the site. The incident has reignited discussions on free speech, political retaliation, and the role of civic authorities in Mumbai.

Swami Gaur Gopal Das on the 70-Hour Workweek Debate



At BT MindRush 2025, Swami Gaur Gopal Das stressed the importance of work-life balance in the 70-hour workweek debate. While he supports individual work choices, he warned that making long hours a universal norm could lead to burnout. He emphasized that true success includes both hard work and inner peace, urging leaders to prioritize employee well-being over excessive hustle.

Changing Relationship Trends in India

India's approach to relationships, marriage, and family is evolving. Divorce rates are rising, more people are choosing to remain single, and DINK (Double Income, No Kids) couples are becoming common. Financial independence, shifting gender dynamics, and changing priorities are key drivers of this transformation. Experts note that women initiate most divorces, as they now have the financial means to leave unhappy marriages. Millennials and Gen Z are prioritizing personal growth, emotional well-being, and career goals over societal expectations. Singlehood, once stigmatized, is now seen as a choice for freedom and empowerment.



Israeli Settlers Attack Palestinian Co-Director of Oscar-Winning Film 'No Other Land'



Hamdan Ballal, one of the Palestinian co-directors of the Oscar-winning documentary *No Other Land*, was beaten by Israeli settlers in the occupied West Bank and later detained by the Israeli military, according to activist reports. The attack took place in Susiya, Masafer Yatta, where dozens of settlers vandalized property before assaulting Ballal, leaving him bleeding from the head. Despite receiving medical treatment, he was detained by soldiers, and his whereabouts remain unknown.



Travis Scott Set for His First-Ever Concert in India

Global rap sensation Travis Scott is all set to perform in India for the first time at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium on October 18, 2025, as part of his *Circus Maximus World Tour*. Fans can expect high-energy performances of his biggest hits like *Sicko Mode*, *Goo-sebums*, *Highest in the Room*, and *Fe!n*. His latest album *Utopia* has dominated global charts, solidifying his position as a hip-hop icon. Scott's arrival adds to India's growing live music scene, following major acts like Ed Sheeran, Coldplay, Imagine Dragons, and Jackson Wang.

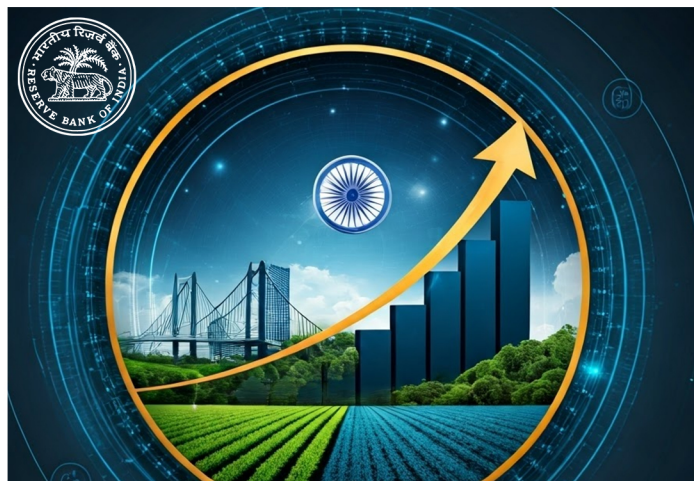
RBI Report: Indian Economy Remains Resilient Amid Global Challenges

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) highlighted India's economic resilience despite global trade tensions, citing strong macro-economic fundamentals, robust domestic demand, and policy-driven infrastructure growth.

Key highlights from the 'State of the Economy' report:

✓ **Growth Momentum:** India's economy is projected to grow 6.7% in 2025-26, supported by steady investments and fiscal policies.

✓ **Inflation Control:** CPI inflation dropped to a seven-month low of 3.6% in Feb 2025 due to food price corrections.



IKEA Expands in Delhi-NCR with Smaller Format Stores Amid Growth Strategy



After successfully launching online delivery in Delhi-NCR and other northern cities, IKEA is now planning smaller format stores in the region alongside its large stores under construction in Gurgaon and Noida. Adosh Sharma, IKEA India's country commercial manager, highlighted the company's strategy to navigate a consumption slowdown by focusing on localized retail formats and an expanded food segment. IKEA aims to strengthen its presence in India through multi-channel growth and accessibility.

Govt Urges More Companies to Join PM Internship Scheme



Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has urged more companies to participate in the PM Internship Scheme (PMIS), emphasizing its national importance. The scheme, launched in 2024, aims to provide internships to one crore youth in top 500 companies over five years. In its second pilot phase, 327 companies have offered internship positions, up from 280 in the first round. Under PMIS, the government provides ₹4,500 per month per intern via Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT), with an additional ₹500 from companies' CSR funds.

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Bright Horizons for South Maharashtra & North Goa

The real estate landscape in South Maharashtra and North Goa is on the cusp of a major transformation, driven by game-changing infrastructure and policy reforms. The MOPA International Airport will boost tourism and commercial demand, while the Konkan Expressway will enhance connectivity, unlocking growth in towns like Ratnagiri, Sawantwadi, and Pernem. Additionally, the government's pro-tourism policies and relaxed liquor regulations are set to spur hospitality and retail investments in coastal hubs like Malvan, Tarkarli, and Morjim. These developments present a golden opportunity for investors, with rising property values and rental yields in emerging micro-markets. We're here to guide you through these exciting prospects with expert insights and tailored solutions. Whether you're looking to buy, sell, or invest, now is the time to capitalize on this growth wave. Let's shape the future together.