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5th Khelo India University Games 2025



Why in News?

- The 5th Khelo India University Games were officially inaugurated on November 24, 2025, by Youth Affairs and Sports Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Chief Minister Bhajanlal Sharma, and Colonel Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore (Youth Affairs and Sports Department, Rajasthan).



Key Points:

- **Edition:** Fifth.
- **Inauguration:** Sawai Man Singh Stadium, Jaipur.
- **Mascot:** Khamma Ghani.

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- **Tagline:** Padharo Mhare Rajasthan, Jeeto Saara Hindustan.
- **Event duration:** November 24 to December 5, 2025.
- **Venues:** Jaipur, Ajmer, Udaipur, Jodhpur, Bikaner, Kota, and Bharatpur.
- **Partner universities:** University of Rajasthan and Poornima University, Jaipur.
5,000+ Athletes | 23 Sports | 7 Cities | 13 Venues | 12 Days
- **Will be Concluded at:** Poornima University, Jaipur.

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Major Sports and Venues:

Order	Location	Sports Complex	Events
1.	Jaipur	SMS Stadium, Poornima University, Jagatpura Shooting Range, Rajasthan University	Athletics, badminton, basketball, hockey, swimming, tennis, football, archery, shooting, mallakhamb, cycling
2.	Jodhpur	Chainpura Indoor Hall	Table tennis and yoga
3.	Ajmer	Patel Stadium	Rugby
4.	Udaipur	-	Judo, beach volleyball, canoe-kayaking
5.	Bikaner	MGM University	Kabaddi
6.	Kota	Raghurai Sports Complex	Fencing and volleyball
7.	Bharatpur	Lohagarh Stadium Hall	Boxing and wrestling

Committees for Khelo India University Games 2025:

Organizing and Coordination Committee:

- 19 members
- **Chairperson** – Chief Minister of Rajasthan.
- **Vice-Chairperson** – Union Sports Minister.
- **Members** – Senior officials of the Government of Rajasthan, officials from the Indian Olympic Association (IOA), the Association of Indian Universities (AIU), and the Sports Authority of India (SAI).

Executive Committee: (for monitoring and supervision)

- 29 members
- **Chairperson** – Chief Secretary of Rajasthan.
- **Vice-Chairperson** – Sports Secretary, Government of India.

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Mukhyamantri Ayushman Bal Sambal Yojana



Why in News?

- The Mukhyamantri Ayushman Bal Sambal Yojana now provides free treatment and financial assistance up to ₹50 lakh to children suffering from rare diseases. Previously, this amount was ₹25 lakh.



Key Points:

It was launched in December 2024.

- Implemented by the Department of Social Justice and Empowerment, the scheme's primary objective is to provide free treatment and financial assistance to children under 18 years of age suffering from rare diseases.
- **Beneficiaries and Eligibility:** The scheme will only benefit children who are native residents of Rajasthan or have been residing in the state for at least three years, who are under 18 years of age and suffer from a rare disease listed under the Ministry of Health's National Policy 2021.
- **Financial Assistance:** The scheme includes free treatment (cashless) up to ₹50 lakh and financial assistance of ₹5,000 per month.
- **List of Diseases:** Treatment for 56 rare diseases is covered under the scheme, which will be certified by authorized medical institutions such as AIIMS Jodhpur or J.K. Lon Hospital, Jaipur.
- **Application Process:** Parents can apply online using their Janadhaar number, e-Mitra number, or their own SSO ID using biometric/OTP.

Discounts and Benefits

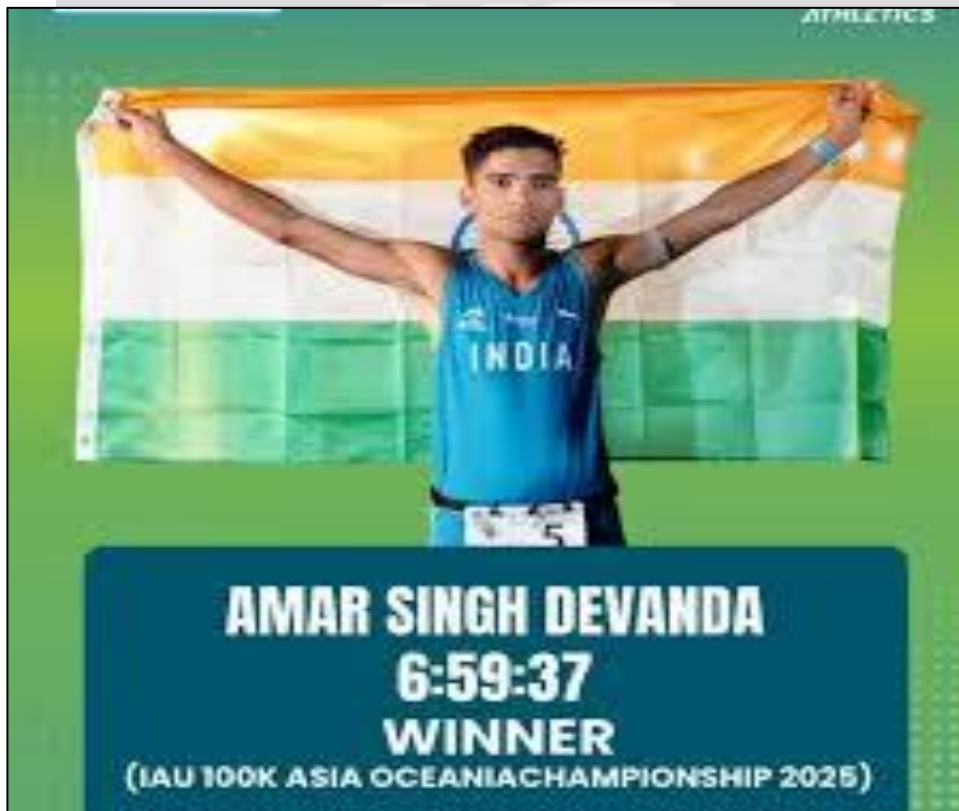
- Free treatment includes hospitalization (IPD), daycare packages and treatments, medicines, test reports, care, and other necessary support.

International Ultra Marathon



Why in News?

- Amarsingh Devanda, a runner from Chithwadi (Chomu), Jaipur, set a national record in the 100 km International Ultra Marathon held in Thailand, completing the race in 6 hours 59 minutes 37 seconds and winning the main race, securing a gold medal.



Key Points:

- Previously, at the Asia-Oceania Ultra Marathon Championship held in Canberra, Australia, in April 2024, he set a new record by running 272.537 km in 24 hours, earning India a gold medal.
- Amar Singh has also represented India in the Asia-Oceania 100 km Championship held in Bengaluru in July 2023 and the World Championship held in Taipei, China, in December 2023. To date, he has won 4 gold and 1 silver medal at the international level. He serves as a Corporal Soldier in the Indian Air Force.

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E-Rawanna



Why in News?

- E-Rawanna is an electronic system (app) launched by the Rajasthan government to bring transparency to mineral transportation, prevent royalty evasion, and address the problem of overloading. Since October 31, 2017, the issuance of manual (physical) Rawannas has been completely banned for all types of mineral transportation, except in special cases for gravel and gypsum.



Key Points:

- Mining matters such as e-Rawannas (mining certificate), e-payment, contractor registration, mining plans, LIS, departmental dues, nodues, demand modules, etc. will be eliminated from physical visits to department offices. All these services will be available through the app.
- Online modules related to mining activities are already ready and will be tested and operational from December 15, 2025.
- The Mines Department has developed a total of 14 modules, most of which are already in use, but now the offline process will be converted to online.
- In addition, a mobile application and website have also been developed for panchnama and inspection, which will enable better and quicker inspection of mine activities.

✂ NEWS IN SHORTS ⚡

S. No.	News
1.	A 1mm spoon made from sandalwood in Jaipur  ■ Jaipur-based artist Rinku Kumawat has made the smallest 1mm spoon from sandalwood, earning a place in the Guinness Book of World Records. Key achievements: ■ Made a 2mm statue of Lord Mahavira from gemstone, which can only be seen with an eye-loop lens. ■ Made the smallest 4mm Shivalinga from sapphire in 24 hours, weighing 15 cents (less than a carat). ■ Made the smallest 3mm elephant from black onyx gemstone, which is registered in the India Book of Records. ■ Made the smallest 10mm statue of Lord Ram-Lalla, registered in the US Guinness Book of World Records. ■ Carved an image of Lord Ram-Lalla on the tip of a pencil.

2.

Tour de Thar held in Bikaner



- The first-ever 200-km 'Tour de Thar' international cycling race has been held in Bikaner on November 23, 2025. It has been organized under the Sansad Khel Mahotsav 2025, an initiative of Union Law Minister and Bikaner MP Arjun Ram Meghwal. 786 cyclists from India, France, Switzerland, and Singapore, among other countries, participated in the race, with over 250 of them from Bikaner.
- The competition had two main categories: a 200-km professional elite race and a 100-km solo amateur race.
- Both men and women, aged 16 to 69, participated in the event, and the total prize money was approximately ₹27 lakh.

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State Games Athletics 2025

- A special athletics meet, "State Games Athletics 2025," will be held at the Military Station in Jaipur on November 25 and 26, 2025. Aimed at promoting self-confidence and sportsmanship among youth, this event will be organized under the aegis of Special Olympics Bharat and the Sapta Shakti Army Women Welfare Association (AWWA).
- Athletes from various districts of Rajasthan will participate in seven track and field events, including track races, javelin throw, and shot put. A Rajasthan team will be selected from this meet, which will participate in the upcoming National Special Athletes Meet in Delhi.
- To provide ease and transparency to the general public in the mining sector, the Rajasthan Mines Department is now making many important services available on a digital platform.

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Javelin and Excalibur



Why in News?

- The United States approved the sale of Javelin anti-tank missile systems, Excalibur guided artillery munitions, and related equipment to India for \$93 million.



Key Points:

Javelin Missile System (FGM-148 Javelin)

- **Manufacturer:** A joint venture between Lockheed Martin and Raytheon.
- **Features:** It is a "fire and forget" anti-tank guided missile. It can be fired by keeping it shoulder-mounted, and it is a medium-range missile.

Excalibur Guided Artillery Munition

- **Manufacturer:** Raytheon Missiles & Defense (RTX).
- **Capability:** It provides long-range precision strike capability. It minimizes collateral damage, meaning there is minimal harm to civilians or non-combatants. It also reduces logistical costs.

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ENVIRONMENT & ECOLOGY



Global Mutirao



Why in News?

- At COP30 in Brazil, the Global Mutirao Initiative has been adopted. This initiative calls for collective mobilization to eliminate the use of fossil fuels.



Key Points:

The 'Global Mutirao' Initiative

- **History:** It is inspired by the word 'mutirao,' a Brazilian and indigenous tradition. It means community labor for shared goals.
- **Concept:** It presents climate action as a cooperative, whole-of-society effort, and in line with the 1.5°C target of the Paris Agreement.

UNFCCC COP



Why in News?

- Turkey will host UNFCCC-COP31 and Australia will chair it.



Key Points:

Conference of the Parties (COP) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC):

- The COP is the supreme decision-making body of the UNFCCC.
- COPs are annual conferences where UNFCCC member states assess progress, negotiate agreements, and refine commitments to combat climate change.
- **COP1:** It was held in Berlin, Germany, in 1995.

Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM)



Why in News?

- During COP30 in Belém, Brazil, India advocated for the Joint Crediting Mechanism as a key tool for equitable and scalable global climate action.



Key Points:

Joint Crediting Mechanism

- **History:** Launched by Japan in 2013, it was launched to promote low-carbon technologies through bilateral crediting partnerships.
- **Participation:** It has expanded to 31 partner countries and over 280 projects, including the India-Japan collaboration.
- **Framework:** It operates under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement.

Management Plan for Sustainable Mining (MPSM)



Why in News?

- The Supreme Court directed the Central Government to prepare a 'Sustainable Mining Management Plan' for the Aravallis.



Key Points:

- The Supreme Court issued this direction while hearing a petition seeking a uniform definition of the Aravalli Hills and Ranges in the T.N. Godavarman Thirumulpad case (1995).

Key Points of the Judgment

- **Uniform Definition:** The Supreme Court accepted the criteria of the Central Empowered Committee (CEC). The criteria set out the following definitions:
 - i. 'Aravalli Hills' is defined as any landform with a height of 100 meters in the specified districts.
 - ii. 'Range' is defined as hills within 500 meters of the Aravalli Hills.
- **MPSM (Management Plan for Sustainable Mining):** The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change will prepare this plan through the Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE).
- **Moratorium:** New mining leases or renewals of leases have been banned in the Aravalli Range states until the MPSM is finalized.

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Meerut Bugle



Why in News?

- The Meerut Bugle has received a Geographical Indication (GI) tag.



Key Points:

Meerut Bugle

- It is deeply associated with the military tradition developing in India in the late 19th century.
- **Material:** Made of high-quality brass and known for its durability and precise tone.
- **Used by:** Regimental bands, military academies, and ceremonies across the country.



ECONOMIC SCENARIO



Agricultural Production Estimates 2024-2025



Why in News?

- The Union Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare has released the final estimates of crop production for the 2024-25 agricultural year. This shows a series of record production.



Key Points:

- **Food grains:** Yields of all major cereals (rice, wheat, maize, and coarse grains) in India have increased.
- **Oilseeds:** An estimated increase of over 8% compared to 2023-24 is recorded. The main drivers of this growth are soybeans and groundnuts.

UPI-TIPS Interlinkage



Why in News?

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) announced has the UPI-TIPS interlinkage to enhance cross-border payments with the Euro area.



Key Points:

UPI-TIPS (Target Instant Payment Settlement) Interlinkage

- TIPS is an instant payment system operated by the Eurosystem.
- **Objective:** To facilitate cross-border remittances between India and the Euro area and is expected to benefit users in both jurisdictions.
- This is in line with the G20 Roadmap for Enhancing Cross-Border Payments, which focuses on affordable, efficient, more transparent, and more accessible remittances.

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Decisions on Bills by the President and Governors



Why in News?

- The Supreme Court held that the judiciary cannot set time limits for the President and Governors to decide on bills.



Key Points:

- A five-judge bench of the Supreme Court delivered its opinion on the 16th Presidential Reference sought under Article 143 of the Constitution. The bench stated that the Court cannot impose any time limit on the President and Governors for deciding on bills under Articles 200 and 201 of the Constitution.
- Previously, in April 2025, the Supreme Court had set time limits for Governors and the President to decide on bills under Articles 200 and 201.
- Article 143 empowers the President to seek the opinion of the Supreme Court when a question of law or fact of substantial importance arises.



INDEXES AND REPORTS



India Justice Report



Why in News?

- The India Justice Report highlights the shortcomings in the juvenile justice system despite the enforcement of the Juvenile Justice Act.



Key Points:

- **Title of the report** – 'Juvenile Justice and Children in Conflict of Law'. This report evaluates the functioning and efficiency of the Indian juvenile justice system ten years after the enactment of the Juvenile Justice Act 2015.
- The India Justice Report is a biennial index.

Key Points of the Report

- Inadequately constituted Juvenile Justice Boards (JJBs)
- Rising backlog of cases in JJBs
- Delays in investigations
- Inadequate infrastructure and coverage

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The State of the World's Children (SoWC) 2025 Report



Why in News?

- UNICEF has released the "The State of the World's Children (SoWC) 2025" report.



Key Points:

- **Titled:** "SoWC 2025: Ending Child Poverty – Our Common Need," the report assesses multidimensional poverty.

SoWC 2025 Findings

- **Monetary poverty:** More than 19% of the world's children live in extreme monetary poverty, surviving on less than US\$3 a day.
- In India, approximately 206 million children face at least one deprivation, and approximately 62 million children face two or more categories of deprivation.
- Sanitation is the most widespread severe deprivation. It increases the risk of diseases in children.
- **Geographic spread:** Sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia have the highest rates of multidimensional poverty among children.