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History, Art and Culture

Abhidhamma Divas

• **Observed on –** The full moon day of Śharada Pūrṇimā on 6–7 October 2025 at Gautam Buddha University, Greater Noida.
• **Celebrated by –** International Buddhist Confederation (IBC), with Gautam Buddha University (GBU), Antarrashtriya Baudh Shodh Sansthan, and Ministry of Culture.
• **Commemorates to –** The occasion when the *Buddha preached the Abhidhamma to the gods of Tavatimsa Heaven, led by his mother Mahamaya*, and later shared it with his disciple Arahant Sariputta.
• **Organized the International Conference on the theme** - "The Relevance of Abhidhamma in Understanding Buddhist Thought: Text, Tradition and Contemporary Perspectives"
- To explore the philosophical, ethical, and psychological dimensions of Abhidhamma and its relevance in the modern context.
• **Aim –** To deepen understanding of Buddhist thought.

Logo of the India-AI Impact Summit 2026.

Government of India recently unveiled the logo of the India-AI Impact Summit 2026.
• **Selected through –** Logo Design Contest, hosted on the *MyGov platform.*
• **Reviewed by –** Emerging Technologies team under *MeitY.*
• **Features –** Ashoka Chakra, Symbolising Ethical Governance, Justice, Constitutional Values and India's Leadership in Responsible AI Innovation.
• **Symbolism in represents**
- A blend of tradition (Ashoka Chakra),
- Innovation (neural network flares),
- Diversity (color gradient), and clarity (typography).
- Designed to communicate the vision and values of the Summit.



India-AI Impact Summit 2026

• It is an ambitious, future-focused global gathering announced by Prime Minister of India, at the *France AI Action Summit.*
• **Hosted by –** India in New Delhi on February 19-20, 2026.
• **Nodal ministry –** Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
• **Objectives –**
- To bridge the *Global AI Divide through concrete multilateral action*.
- To ensure that the transformative potential of AI results in strengthening *communities, protecting the planet, and propelling equitable, sustainable advancement.*
- To emphasis on democratizing access to AI resources, advancing innovation that reflects *diverse local contexts, embedding environmental priorities into AI design and models*, and promoting systems that are safe, trusted, transparent, and human-centric.

Economy

Securities Transaction Tax (STT)

Supreme Court decides to examine constitutional validity of Securities Transaction Tax.
• **STT –** It is a *direct tax levied on the purchase and sale of securities* transacted on recognized stock exchanges in India.
• **Introduced in –** 2004.
• **Governed by –** Securities Transaction Tax Act (STT Act).
• **Benefits –** Prevents Tax evasion & discourage speculative trading.

IFSC Code Registration

• **New auto-approval system –** The system will automatically approve requests for registration of the same incentive bank account and IFSC code for a particular Importer Exporter Code (IEC) at multiple Customs locations, provided the same combination has already been approved at any one location.
• **Introduced by –** Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC).
• **Objectives –**
- To enhance swift processing of bank account and IFSC code approval requests,
- To simplify the registration process at multiple ports,
- To ensure faster and seamless credit of export incentives into exporters' bank accounts.
- To enhance overall trade efficiency.

Defence

Indian Radio Software Architecture (IRSA) standard 1.0

• **IRSA –** It is a comprehensive software specification for Software Defined Radios (SDR), defining standardized interfaces, Application programming interfaces (APIs), execution environments, and waveform portability mechanisms.
• **Released by –** Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), with Integrated Defence Staff (IDS) & Tri-Services.
• **Aim –** To ensure waveform portability, SDR Interoperability, Certification and Conformance in *military communications.*
• **Significance –** It represents a defining step in India's journey toward self-reliance in defence communication technologies.
• It embodies the vision of building indigenous, interoperable, and future-ready SDR solutions which is designed in India, for India and ready for the world.

Miscellaneous

Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthaan Mahabhiyan (PM-KUSUM)

The government is likely to extend the deadline for PM-KUSUM scheme once again.

• **Launched in –** 2019, by Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.
• **3 components –**
  - **Component A –** Installation of 10,000 MW of solar capacity by installing small solar power plants.
  - **Component B –** Installation of 14 lakh off-grid standalone solar-powered agriculture pumps.
  - **Component C –** Solarisation of 35 lakh grid-connected agriculture pumps.
• **Objective –** To provide energy and water security to farmers, enhance their income, de-dieselize the farm sector, and reduce environmental pollution.
• **Significance –** Aligns with increasing the share of installed capacity of electric power from *non-fossil-fuel sources to 40% by 2030 as part of Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (INDCs).*

Nilgiri Tahr Day 2025

• **Observed on –** 7th October
• **Celebrated by –** Tamil Nadu Forest Department.
• **Commemorate to –** *E.R.C. Davidar*, a pioneer in Nilgiri Tahr research and conservation.
• **Aim –** To elaborate on the pivotal role played by the species of wild goat in formation of rivers that feed reservoirs to store water for drinking purposes and agriculture.

Nilgiri Tahr

• **Nilgiri Tahr –** It is the *state animal of Tamil Nadu.*
• Its cultural and ecological significance have been documented and written in the Tamil Sangam Literature, viz., *Silappathigaaram and Seevagasinthamani*, as early as 2000 years ago.
• **Endemic to –** Western Ghats
• **Legally protected under –**
  - Endangered species in IUCN Red List.
  - Schedule I of Wildlife (Protection) Act of India, 1972.

93rd Indian Air Force Day 2025

• **Observed on –** 8th October, to commemorate the *establishment of the Indian Air Force (IAF)* was formed in 1932.
• **Aim –** To honour courage, sacrifice, and bravery of Indian Air Force.
• **Theme –** It will be announced soon which is centring on the force's contribution to *Operation Sindoor.*

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