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TamilNadu Highlights

First Government-Run Care Home for Beggars in Madras Established in 1954

- In response to a **1953 survey** by the **Madras School of Social Work**, which found **7,500 beggars** in Madras (now Chennai), including **2,000 juveniles**, a government initiative was launched to address beggary.
- **Chief Minister C. Rajagopalachari** inaugurated a **care home and camp for beggars** at **Melpakkam** on **March 14, 1954**.
- The camp, under **police management**, was the **first government work house and special home** for beggars in the State.
- Initially, it housed **83 beggars**, later increasing to **229 men, 84 women, and 20 children**; its total **capacity was 500**.
- The initiative also included:
 - A **school for children**, with a teacher from among the inmates
 - **Vocational training** in handicrafts like weaving, rope-making, mat-making, and rattan work
 - Plans for **vegetable gardens**, with a portion of income shared as **bonus upon discharge**
- In February 1954, Rajagopalachari had inaugurated '**Daya Sadan**', a special home for beggars at a **Goshala on Konnur High Road**, managed privately with government recognition.
- The initiative aimed not just at shelter but **rehabilitation**, to help beggars **earn their livelihood** after release.
- More than **71 years later**, the issue of **beggary persists** in Chennai.

Tirunelveli to Get ₹100 Crore Library and Porunai Museum

- **State-of-the-Art Library for Tirunelveli: A Major Educational Initiative**
 - Minister E.V. Velu inspects site for a new library that will cater to the needs of students from across southern Tamil Nadu.
 - The ₹100 crore library will feature modern amenities, including a mini theatre, auditorium, and facilities for differently-abled individuals.
 - The project is part of the state's commitment to enhancing education and infrastructure in key cities like **Coimbatore** and **Trichy**.
- **Porunai Museum to Highlight Tamil Nadu's Archaeological Richness**



- Minister Velu also inspected the **Porunai Museum** under construction at **Kulavanigarpuram**, with plans for its inauguration in August.
- The museum will showcase artifacts from famous excavation sites like **Korkai**, **Adichanallur**, and **Sivakalai** and will include a handicraft gallery, fountains, and an open auditorium.
- The project aims to preserve and celebrate the rich cultural heritage of southern Tamil Nadu, following the success of the **Keeladi** archaeological site.

National Highlights

Operation Sindoor Launch

- On **May 7, 2025**, India's armed forces conducted '**Operation Sindoor**', targeting **nine terror infrastructure sites** in Pakistan and **Pakistan-Occupied Kashmir (PoK)**.
- The operation was in response to the **Pahalgam terrorist attack** on **April 22, 2025**, which killed **25 Indians and one Nepali citizen**.



Targeted Locations:

- **Bahawalpur, Kotli, and Muzaffarabad** in Pakistan and PoK were hit, where terror activities against India were allegedly planned.

Defence Ministry Statement:

- No **Pakistani military facilities** were targeted in the operation.
- The operation was described as **"focused, measured, and non-escalatory"**.
- The **Defence Ministry** emphasized that India's actions were to hold the perpetrators of the Pahalgam attack accountable.

Previous Strikes:

- This is the **third punitive strike** by India against terror infrastructure in the last decade, following the **surgical strikes** in **2016** and the **Balakot airstrike** in **2019**.

Pakistan's Response:

- **DG ISPR (Pakistan)** stated that **all Pakistan Air Force** planes were airborne, and Pakistan would respond at a **time of its choosing**.
- The response was described as **"temporary pleasure"** for India, which would be replaced by **"enduring grief."**

Military Tension:

- **Pakistan** has mobilized troops and heavy equipment along the India-Pakistan border and issued several **NOTAMs** and **Nav area warnings**.
- **Indian forces** also conducted exercises but did not engage in large-scale troop mobilization.

Topic: Summits/Conferences/ Meetings

India Reaffirms Economic Reform Agenda at ADB's 58th Annual Meeting

- The **58th Annual Meeting of the Asian Development Bank (ADB)** began on **May 4, 2025**, in **Milan, Italy** with the theme "**Sharing Experience, Building Tomorrow.**"
- **Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman** met with **ADB President Masato Kanda** during the event.
- She reaffirmed India's commitment to **private sector-led economic growth**.
- Sitharaman highlighted several reform initiatives:
 - **Goods and Services Tax (GST)**
 - **Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC)**
 - **Corporate tax rate reductions**
 - **Production-Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme**
 - **GatiShakti National Master Plan**
 - **Startup India program**
- **ADB President Kanda** assured full support for **India's development priorities**.



Topic: Appointment

Meeting Held for Appointment of Next CBI Director

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** chaired a meeting in **New Delhi** to discuss the **next CBI Director**.
- The meeting took place at the **Prime Minister's Office**.
- **Chief Justice of India Justice Sanjiv Khanna** and **Leader of the Opposition Rahul Gandhi** also participated.
- The meeting was convened due to the upcoming end of **CBI Director Praveen Sood's** two-year term on **May 25, 2025**.
- The **CBI Director** is appointed by the **Central Government** based on recommendations from a **selection committee** comprising:
 - The **Prime Minister**

- The **Chief Justice of India**
- The **Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha**
- The tenure of the **CBI Director** is **not less than 2 years**.

Parameswaran Iyer Appointed as India's Temporary Representative to the IMF Board

- **Parameswaran Iyer**, the Executive Director of the World Bank, has been temporarily appointed as India's representative to the **International Monetary Fund (IMF)** Board of Governors.
- **K.V. Subramanian**, India's previous Executive Director at the IMF, completed his tenure, which ended six months ago. As a result, he was removed from his position, and **Parameswaran Iyer** was given the temporary responsibility.
- Parameswaran Iyer will represent India in a group comprising **Sri Lanka, Bhutan, and Bangladesh** at the IMF.
- A decision regarding the **1.3 billion USD loan** for Pakistan, which is intended to assist with climate change adaptation and investment, will be made by the IMF Board in a meeting scheduled for **May 9**. This decision underscores the significance of Iyer's new role.
- In the past, India has pressured Pakistan diplomatically and through international organizations, making this IMF decision critical in the context of regional and global financial matters.



Topic: Defence

Indian Navy and DRDO Successfully Test Indigenous Multi-Influence Ground Mine (MIGM)

- The **Indian Navy** and **DRDO** have successfully conducted a **combat trial** of the **indigenous Multi-Influence Ground Mine (MIGM)**.
- **Defence Minister Rajnath Singh** praised the Navy, DRDO, and industry partners for the achievement.
- He stated that the mine will **significantly boost India's underwater warfare capabilities**.
- The **MIGM** is a **high-tech underwater naval mine** designed to **detect and respond to stealth submarines and warships**.
- It is equipped with **multiple sensors** that detect:
 - **Acoustic signatures**

- **Magnetic signatures**
- **Pressure signatures** of marine vessels.
- The system features **advanced onboard electronics** powered by **ARM-based processors** to analyze sensor inputs and initiate appropriate actions.
- **DRDO Chairman Dr. Samir V. Kamat** confirmed that **validation trials were successful**, and the mine is now **ready for induction** into the Indian Navy.

Topic: Important Days

World Athletics Day: May 7

- World Athletics Day, celebrated every year on May 7, aims to promote physical fitness and raise awareness about the importance of sports, especially athletics, among children and young people.
- **History:**
 - The day was first introduced in **1996** by the **International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF)**, now known as **World Athletics**.
 - The inaugural World Athletics Day took place in 1996, under the leadership of **Primo Nebiolo**.
- **Evolution of the Organization:**
 - In **2001**, the IAAF changed its name to the **International Association of Athletics Federations**.
 - In **2019**, the organization adopted the name **World Athletics**.



World Athletics Day Theme 2025: "Empowering Youth Through Athletics"

- **Key Goals:**
 - To encourage children and young people to participate in athletics and adopt an active, healthy lifestyle.
 - Sporting events and initiatives are organized by **World Athletics** and its affiliated organizations around the world to celebrate the day.
- **About World Athletics:**
 - Founded in **1912** in **Stockholm, Sweden**, World Athletics is the global governing body for athletics.
 - The organization's headquarters is located in **Monaco**.

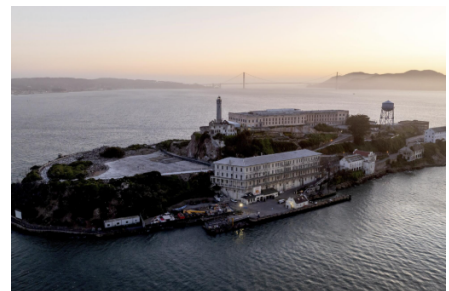
International Highlights

UAE University Develops Advanced Non-Invasive Blood Flow Monitoring Technology

- Researchers from UAE University have developed an enhanced non-invasive technology to monitor **blood flow** using **piezoelectric pressure sensors**.
- The device measures critical parameters like **blood flow velocity** and **viscosity** through materials that **generate electric fields** under **mechanical stress**.
- It offers **improved accuracy**, **real-time monitoring**, and is **cost-effective**, making it ideal for both **clinical** and **household use**.
- It helps in **early detection of serious conditions** such as **blood clots**.
- The project was **supervised by Professor Mahmoud Al Ahmad**, who stressed its **practical utility** for patients and healthcare professionals.
- The innovation supports the **UAE's goal** to reduce reliance on **imported medical devices** and boost **local healthcare innovation**.

President Trump Orders Reopening of Alcatraz Prison

- US President Donald Trump has ordered the **reopening and expansion** of **Alcatraz prison**, closed since **1963**.
- Located off the **California coast** near **San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge**, the facility had been converted into a **tourist site**.
- The move is aimed at tackling **repeat offenders** and **violent criminals**, according to the President.
- Alcatraz's revival is portrayed as a **symbol of restoring law, justice, and order** in the **United States**.
- Originally established as a **fort in the 1850s**, the main prison building was constructed between **1910–12** for **military use**.
- It later came under the **US Justice Department** in the **1930s**, becoming part of the **federal prison system**.



President Trump Imposes 100% Tariff on Foreign-Made Films

- US President Donald Trump has announced a **100% tariff** on all **foreign-made films** entering the **United States**.
- The **Department of Commerce** and **United States Trade Representative (USTR)** have been authorized to enforce the policy.

- Trump stated that **foreign governments** are using **subsidies** and **propaganda** to **undermine the American film industry**.
- He emphasized that the policy is needed to protect **national security** and **cultural sovereignty**.
- The action is framed as a measure to **revive and protect** the **domestic film industry**, which is facing growing international competition.

