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TODAY'S IMPORTANT CURRENT AFFAIRS

BANKING

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NATIONAL AFFAIRS

Madhya DRDO successfully conducted maiden flight of Stratospheric Airship platform

1. DRDO successfully conducted the maiden flight - trials of its Stratospheric Airship platform from Sheopur in Madhya Pradesh.
2. It was developed by the Aerial Delivery Research and Development Establishment (ADRDE), Agra.
3. It has reached an altitude of approximately 17 kms.



REPORTS

India Justice Report 2025



1. The 4th edition of India Justice Report 2025 was released.
2. According to the report, Karnataka ranked 1st, Andhra Pradesh ranks 2nd and Telangana ranks 3rd.



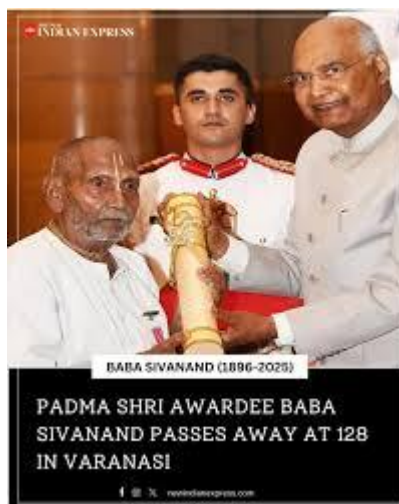
World Press Freedom Index 2025

1. The World Press Freedom Index 2025 was published by Reporters Without Borders(RSF).
2. India has ranked 151st out of 180 countries with a total score of 32.96
3. Norway has topped the list, Estonia ranked 2nd and Netherlands ranked 3rd.

OBITUARY

Baba Sivanand yoga practitioner passes away

1. Spiritual Guru and Yoga practitioner Baba Sivanand passes away in Varanasi at the age of 128.
2. He was known for his disciplined lifestyle centred on meditation and spiritual practice.
3. He was awarded the Padma Shri in 2022.



Literacy Crusader KV Rabia passes away

1. KV Rabia, a prominent figure in Kerala's literacy movement passes away in Kerala at the age of 59.
2. She was awarded the Padma Shri in 2022 and also won other awards.

BUSINESS NEWS

SBI Reports Q4 dip in Profit

1. India's largest PSB, the State Bank of India reported a 10% year-on-year decline net profit for the fourth quarter of FY 2024-25 amounting to Rs.18,643 cr.
2. It plans Rs.25,000 cr equity raise in 2026.

SPORTS

U-19 doubles gold for Abhinandh and Ankur

1. The Indian pair of PB Abhinandh and Ankur Bhattacharjee bagged the boys U-19 doubles gold in the WTT youth star contender Bangkok.
2. They defeated the Koren duo of Jungmok Lee and Jiwook Choi.



Ledecky smashes her 800m freestyle World Record



Nine - time Olympic medalist Katie Ledecky shattered near nine-year old Record in the 800m freestyle at the Tyr pro Swim Series meeting in Fort Lauderdale, USA. It was Ledecky's first World Record in a long-course 50m pool since 2018.

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