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TODAY'S IMPORTANT CURRENT AFFAIRS

BANKING

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NATIONAL AFFAIRS

Samudra Prachet

1. 'Samudra Prachet', the 2nd indigenous Pollution Control vessel (PCV) was launched in Goa.
2. It was built by Goa Shipyard Ltd (GSL) for the Indian Coast Guard (ICG).
3. The vessel is 114.5m long, 16.5m wide and has a displacement of 4,170 tonnes.
4. The first PCV was launched earlier on August 29, 2024.

AWARDS & HONOURS

Mumbai airport among world's top 10

1. Mumbai's Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport (CSMIA) ranked among World's top 10 International Airports in Travel + Leisure World's Best awards 2025.
2. CSMIA is the only Indian airport featured and has been in the Top 10 for three consecutive years.
3. Istanbul airport topped the list followed by Singapore Changi and Hamad International, Doha.

Henley Passport Index 2025

1. India's passport ranking improved from 85th to 77th in the Henley Passport

Index 2025.

2. Indian passport holders can now travel to 59 destinations.
3. The number increased from 57 in 2024 to 59 in 2025.
4. **The countries which topped the index are,**
 - A. Singapore
 - B. Japan, South Korea
 - C. France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Denmark, Finland, Ireland

SBI adjudged world's best consumer bank

1. SBI has been adjudged the World's Best Consumer Bank 2025.
2. The recognition was conferred by Global Finance magazine, a reputed international financial publication.

BUSINESS NEWS

India tops ADBs forecast

1. The Asian Development bank (ADB) projected India's GDP growth at 6.5% in 2025.
2. The growth is expected to rise to 6.7% in 2026.
3. India's real GDP growth projected between 6.4% - 6.7% this fiscal (FY2025) which is confirmed by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII).

Fino Payments bank launches 'GATI' savings account to boost UPI

1. Fino Payments Bank launched the 'GATI' savings account in Kolkata, West Bengal.
2. It is a zero balance account with a one-time account opening fee of Rs.100.
3. eKYC authentication is used for instant account setup.
4. The account can be opened instantly at any of the Fino bank.
5. "GATI" - SPEED and is designed for quick and easy digital banking access, especially through UPI.
6. Quarterly maintenance charges are Rs.50 replacing the typical annual fee.

Natco to buy stake in South African firm

Natco Pharma has made an offer to acquire nearly 36% stake in South African pharmaceutical company Adcock Ingram Holdings (AIHL) for \$226 million.

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