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International Events

India has made the country proud by doing very well in the **World's Best School Prizes 2026**. Seven Indian schools have been shortlisted among the world's top schools. This is the highest number of schools selected from any country.

The schools were chosen for their good teaching, new ideas, care for the environment, and support for students.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi received “**Guardian of the Blue Horizon,**” the highest civilian honour of Seychelles. The award was given by the President of Seychelles for his work in protecting the environment and promoting sustainable development. It also recognises his efforts to strengthen the friendship between India and Seychelles.



India hosted the **BRICS Heads of Space Agencies (HOSA) Meeting 2026** in Bengaluru on 23–24 June. Space experts and leaders from BRICS countries discussed how to work together in space research and technology. They talked about using satellites for disaster management, climate change, and helping people.

Sports



England's famous all-rounder and captain **Ben Stokes** has announced his retirement from international cricket. He said that after many years of playing, he wants to rest because the game has become physically and mentally demanding. Stokes was known for his brave batting, excellent bowling, and strong leadership. He helped England win the **2019 ICC Cricket World Cup** and the **2022 ICC T20 World Cup**.



Indian all-rounder **Deepti Sharma** has created history by becoming the highest wickettaker in women's international cricket. She achieved this record during India's **ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026** match against Australia. Deepti went past the previous record held by former Indian fast bowler **Jhulan Goswami**.

India has introduced a very young cricket player in the national team, making history in Indian cricket. The young player, **Vaibhav Sooryavanshi**, is only 15 years old and has been selected for the senior Indian team. He became the youngest player ever to be picked for India, breaking the long-standing record of Sachin Tendulkar.



German tennis star **Alexander Zverev** has won the **French Open 2026 Men's Singles title**. He defeated Italy's Flavio Cobolli in a very exciting five-set final match. Zverev showed great skill, strong serves, and patience during the long match. This is his first Grand Slam title, and it is a very special moment in his career.



India has performed brilliantly at the **World Yogasana Championship 2026** and finished at the top of the medal table. India won the highest number of medals, including over 100 gold medals, showing its strong performance in yogasana sports.

National News

India celebrated **National Statistics Day** on 29 June to honour the birth anniversary of Professor **P. C. Mahalanobis**, a great Indian statistician. Schools, colleges, and government offices organised speeches, quizzes, and awareness programmes. The day reminds everyone about the importance of numbers and data in making good decisions for the country.



The Indian state of Telangana has launched a special programme called **“Stree Ride”** to improve women’s safety and employment. The initiative was started by the Women Safety Wing of the state police. Under this programme, only women drivers operate bikes, autos, and cabs for passengers.

Wildlife and Conservation



A rare wild cat called the caracal has been seen in **Kuno National Park** after many decades. The animal was captured in a camera trap during a wildlife survey. The caracal is one of India's rarest wild cats and is known for its long black-tufted ears and quick movements.