



CURRENT AFFAIRS OF JULY 2025

Awards

The Scottish author of Sudanese origin who has been awarded the 2025 PEN Pinter Prize by the non-governmental organisation English PEN – **Ms. Leila Aboulela**

The Indian Union Minister who has been conferred the Kalinga Ratna Award 2024 by the President of India Smt Draupadi Murmu – **Shri Dharmendra Pradhan**

The Indian women's rights activist who has been awarded the 2025 UN Population for her pioneering work on gender equality and combating gender-biased sex selection in India – **Ms. Varsha Deshpande**

The South American nation which has conferred its highest national honour The Grand Collar of the National Order of the Southern Cross on the Indian Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi – **Brazil**

The African nation which has conferred its highest civilian honour Order of the Most Ancient Welwitschia Mirabilis on the Indian Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi – **Namibia**

Persons

The Indian-born British economist and former Labour politician, Padma Bhushan recipient, who passed away on 29 July 2025 – **Lord Meghnad Desai**

The American professional wrestler and media personality best known for his achievements in World Wrestling Entertainment who passed away on 24 July 2025 – **Hulk Hogan (real name Terry Gene Bollea)**

The freedom fighter and former Chief Minister of Kerala from 2006 to 2011 who passed away on 21 July 2025 – **Shri VS Achuthanandan**

The 114-year-old British Indian marathon runner (holder of multiple running records) who passed away on 14 July 2025 – **Shri Fauja Singh**

The renowned psychologist, personality development trainer, magician and author who passed away on 30 June 2025 – **Shri BV Pattabhiram**

Defence

The military operation in which the three terrorists involved in Pahalgam attack were killed by Indian security forces was code named – **Operation Mahadev**

The 14th edition of the India–Singapore Joint Military Exercise conducted at Jodhpur from 27 July to 04 August 2025 is named – **Exercise Bold Kurukshetra 2025**

The 11th edition of multilateral exercise being conducted by Australia with participation of 19 countries including India is name – **Exercise Talisman Sabre 2025**

The first indigenously designed and constructed Diving Support Vessel, commissioned into the Indian Navy in Visakhapatnam is named – **INS Nistar**

The Talwar class frigate which was commissioned into the Indian Navy at Kaliningrad, Russia by Vice Admiral Sanjay Jasjit Singh is named – **INS Tamal**

Places

The place in Tamil Nadu where Indian Ministry of Culture commemorated the birth anniversary of Rajendra Chola I, through the Aadi Thiruvathirai Festival from 23rd to 27th July 2025 – **Gangaikonda Cholapuram**

The place in Sri Lanka where replica of King Ashoka's Pillar of Dhamma in Vaishali was unveiled by the High Commissioner of India Shri Santosh Jha – **Waskaduwa**

The venue of 17th BRICS Summit held from 06 to 07 July 2025 with Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi representing India – **Rio de Janeiro**

Sports

The Indian Chess player who has won the FIDE Women's Chess World Cup 2025 defeating compatriot Koneru Humpy in the finals – **Ms. Divya Deshmukh**

Miscellaneous

The Indian magician who has become the first from the country to win an award at the World Championship of Magic held at Turin, Italy – **Ms. Suhani Shah**

The specialized agency of United Nations Organisation from which the USA has decided to withdraw by the end of 2026 – **UNESCO**

The new name of Delhi based National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development (NIPCCD) – **Savitribai Phule National Institute of Women and Child Development**

The comprehensive, all-in-one application integrating all the passenger services developed by CRIS and launched by the Railway Minister Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw is named – **RailOne**

Wimbledon 2025

Title	Winner	Runner-up
Gentlemen's Singles	Jannik Sinner (Italy)	Carlos Alcaraz (Spain)
Ladies' Singles	Iga Swiatek (Poland)	Amanda Anisimova (USA)
Gentlemen's Doubles	Julian Cash and Lloyd Glasspool (USA)	Rinky Hijikata (Australia) and David Pel (Netherlands)
Ladies' Doubles	Veronika Kudermetova (Russia) and Elise Mertens (Belgium)	Hsieh Su-wei (Taipei) and Jelena Ostapenko (Latvia)
Mixed Doubles	Sem Verbeek (Netherlands) and Katerina Siniakova (Czechia)	Joe Salisbury (UK) and Luisa Stefani (Brazil)

Important Days of July 2025

International Day of Co-operatives: 05 July 2025 Designated by: United Nations General Assembly First observed: 1993 Theme: Cooperatives: Driving Inclusive and Sustainable Solutions for a Better World
World Population Day: 11 July 2025 Designated by: United Nations Development Programme First observed: 1989 Theme: Empowering young people to create the families they want in a fair and hopeful world
Nelson Mandela International Day: 18 July 2025 Designated by: UN General Assembly First observed: 2010
International Moon Day: 20 July 2025 Designated by: United Nations General Assembly First observed: 2022
World Chess Day: 20 July 2025 Designated by: United Nations General Assembly First observed: 2020
World Drowning Prevention Day: 25 July 2025 Designated by: UN General Assembly First Observed in: 2021
World Hepatitis Day: 28 July 2025 Designated by: World Health Organisation First Observed in: 2008 Theme: Hepatitis - Let's Break it Down

International Tiger Day: 29 July 2025

Designated by: St Petersburg Tiger Summit

First Observed in: 2010

World Day against Trafficking in Persons: 30 July 2025

Designated by: UN General Assembly

First Observed in: 2014

Theme: **Human Trafficking Is Organized Crime – End the Exploitation**

Maratha Military Landscapes of India

The Maratha Military Landscapes of India has been inscribed on the World Heritage list by the World Heritage Committee, meeting for its 47th session at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris. The total number of World Heritage properties in India is now 44.

The property includes twelve major fortifications, mostly in Maharashtra State, with one in Tamil Nadu.

The forts in Maharashtra are Salher, Shivneri, Lohgad, Khanderi, Raigad, Rajgad, Pratapgad, Suvarnadurg, Panhala, Vijaydurg, and Sindhudurg in Maharashtra.

The fort in Tamil Nadu is Gingee Fort located in Vilupuram.

Nominations to Rajya Sabha

The following persons have been nominated by the President of India to the Rajya Sabha.

1. Shri Harsha Vardhan Shringla, former Foreign Secretary
2. Shri Ujwal Nikam, Public Prosecutor
3. Shri C. Sadanand Master, BJP leader from Kerala
4. Ms. Meenakshi Jain, Historian

New Governors

The following persons have been appointed as the new Governors.

1. Shri Kavinder Gupta as Lt. Governor of Ladakh
2. Shri Ashok Gajapathi Raju as Governor of Goa
3. Shri Ashim Kumar Ghosh as Governor of Haryana