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Indian Economy & Policy

Women in Indian Agriculture: From participation to systemic leadership

Women's roles in production, processing, and knowledge transmission are increasingly recognized, driving efforts to empower them as leaders and innovators. Strengthening women's access to resources and institutions is vital for resilient and inclusive agri-food systems.

Government sets 30.3 million tonne wheat procurement target

In a strategic move to bolster food security, the government has established an ambitious wheat procurement goal of 30.3 million tonnes for the upcoming 2026-27 Rabi Marketing Season. This decision emerged from a gathering of State Food Secretaries, reflecting a proactive approach towards higher wheat output, which is projected to surpass last year's impressive yield.

Indian Politics & Governance

India says to push ahead with Russian oil imports

The U.S.-Israel campaign against Iran and Tehran’s retaliatory attacks across the Gulf region have upended the world’s energy and transport sectors, causing a surge in global oil prices

MP Su. Venkatesan seeks relief for MSMEs hit by U.S. tariffs, urges RBI to ease NPA norms

Mr. Venkatesan pointed out that the impact is severe in Tamil Nadu, a major exporter of textiles, where the majority of units belong to MSMEs

Geopolitics (India Focus)

Anthropic vows court fight in Pentagon row

Amodei argued that under the relevant statute, the intention is "to protect the government rather than to punish a supplier" and requires the Pentagon to use "the least restrictive means necessary”

Former rapper Balendra Shah’s Rastriya Swatantra Party heading towards landslide victory in Nepal

The election is being closely watched by India, which hopes for a stable government in the politically fragile Himalayan nation to take forward the developmental partnership between the two sides

Indian Stock Market & IPOs

Multiple states to borrow Rs 45,960 crore through RBI SGS auction on March 10

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has announced that multiple state governments will raise a total of Rs 45,960 crore through the auction of State Government Securities (SGS), scheduled to be conducted on March 10, 2026.

Bitcoin slips below $70,000 as crypto market sell-off triggers $329 million liquidations

Bitcoin slipped below $70,000 as a broad crypto market sell-off triggered $329 million in liquidations across leveraged positions. Ethereum and major altcoins also declined amid geopolitical tensions and macroeconomic uncertainty, while analysts say traders remain cautious despite recent positive momentum in the cryptocurrency market.

Marketing, Brands & Consumer Trends

Bank holidays: Are banks closed today and tomorrow on 7-8 March for the weekend? Check full RBI calendar here

The RBI has listed a total of 18 public holidays for all banks in March 2026 for public and private lenders across India. This also includes the weekend holidays for second Saturday, fourth Saturday, and all Sundays this month.

Planning an FD? Check latest interest rates of SBI, HDFC Bank, ICICI Bank, and other top lenders in India

Fixed deposits provide guaranteed returns with higher interest rates than savings accounts, appealing to risk-averse investors. Here's a comparison between the major banks in India.

Sports (Business & Governance)

Sinner, Sabalenka make dominant starts in quest for first Indian Wells titles

Sabalenka and men's world number two Jannik Sinner headlined the day's play as seeded players swung into action after enjoying first-round byes.

‘If I was India coming into the tournament, the one team I wouldn’t have wanted to play in the final…’: Brad Haddin on New Zealand

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