RADIUS EDUCATION

RADIUS
DISTANCE BETWEEN DREAM AND REALITY

31-10-2026





CURRENT AFFAIRS





HIGHLIGHTS

- INTERNATIONAL NEWS
- NATIONAL AFFAIRS
- BANKING NEWS
- AWARDS NEWS
- DEFENCE NEWS
- SPORTS NEWS
- SCI-TECH NEWS

Add :- 2nd floor EK Arcade near planetarium Kozhikode

6235911112, 6235911113

TODAY NEWS HIGHLIGHT

- **WPL 2027: Uma Kashvi becomes the youngest cricketer to get a contract in the history of the Women's Premier League**
- **The US Federal Reserve keeps interest rates steady at 3.75%-4% through October 2026; FOMC votes 10-2**
- **Khelo India Sports Goods Manufacturing Scheme: ₹1,856.67 crore approved to boost domestic sports equipment industry**
- **Possible appointment of Air Marshal Vikram Gaur in the Department of Military Affairs (DMA): A significant step towards tri-service integration**
- **Punah Bharan Mobile App: An initiative to identify scientific and GIS-based sites for groundwater recharge**
- **Bihar Museum ranked 9th in the World's 100 Best Museums list 2026; ranked 1st in Asia**
- **WMO Greenhouse Gas Bulletin 2026: CO_2, methane and nitrous oxide concentrations reach record levels in 2025**
- **National Unity Day 2026: National Unity Day to be celebrated on October 31, the 151st birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel**

1. WPL 2027: Uma Kashvi becomes the youngest cricketer in Women's Premier League history to secure a contract



Young cricketer from Karnataka, Uma Kashvi (Kashvi Kandikuppa), has become the youngest player in WPL history to secure a contract. On October 28, 2026, during the WPL 2027 auction, the Delhi Capitals acquired her for her base price of ₹10 lakh. Born on April 9, 2011, Kashvi is a right-handed batter and an off-spin bowler. Having scored 516 runs in the BCCI Women's Under-15 One-Day Tournament, she also delivered an impressive performance during the Indian Under-19 team's tour of Sri Lanka.

2. US Federal Reserve Keeps Interest Rates Steady at 3.75%–4% in October 2026; FOMC Vote Stands at 10–2



At its October 27–28, 2026, meeting, the Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) of the US Federal Reserve decided to keep the federal funds rate steady at 3.75%–4%, with 10 members voting in favor and 2 against. Lisa D. Cook and Beth M. Hammack supported a 25-basis-point increase. The Fed's decision was based on factors including robust economic activity, stable employment, and inflation levels remaining above the 2% target. The FOMC consists of 12 voting members, and its next meeting is scheduled for December 8–9, 2026.

3. Khelo India Sports Goods Manufacturing Scheme: ₹1,856.67 Crore Approved to Boost the Domestic Sports Equipment Industry



On October 28, 2026, the Central Government approved the 'Khelo India Sports Goods Manufacturing Scheme,' with an allocation of ₹1,856.67 crore for the period from the 2026-27 to 2033-34 financial years. The scheme aims to promote domestic sports equipment manufacturing, investment, research and development (R&D), skill development, and exports. It includes the development of Sports Goods Manufacturing Zones (SGMZ), with a provision of ₹1,130 crore for investment and production support, and ₹105 crore for international quality certification.

4. Potential Appointment of Air Marshal Vikram Gaur to the Department of Military Affairs (DMA): A Significant Step Toward the Integration of the Three Armed Services



According to media reports, Air Marshal Vikram Gaur is likely to be appointed as an Additional Secretary in the Department of Military Affairs (DMA) under the Ministry of Defence, though this has not been officially confirmed. He has been serving as the Joint Secretary (Air and Staff Duties) in the DMA since October 2024. The DMA was established on January 1, 2020, to promote jointness, coordination, and integration among the three armed services; its Secretary is the Chief of Defence Staff (CDS).

5. 'Punah Bharan' Mobile App: An Initiative to Identify Sites for Groundwater Recharge Using Scientific and GIS-based Methods



On October 28, 2026, the Ministry of Jal Shakti launched the 'Punah Bharan' mobile app for artificial groundwater recharge, developed jointly by BISAG-N and the National Water Mission. Utilizing GIS and geospatial technology, the app identifies suitable groundwater recharge sites within an area of approximately 3 kilometers. It analyzes data such as rainfall, groundwater levels, terrain slope, and drainage patterns, while providing village-level GIS maps.

6. Bihar Museum Ranks 9th in the List of the World's 100 Best Museums for 2026; Secures Top Spot in Asia



The Bihar Museum in Patna has been ranked 9th globally and 1st in Asia in the 'World's 100 Best Museums 2026' list, released by the German organization 'Worth a Journey.' It is the only museum from India to be included in this list. Designed by Japanese architect Fumihiko Maki and Opolis Architects, the museum—which opened partially in August 2015—features ancient sculptures, coins, manuscripts, and the renowned Didarganj Yakshi statue as its primary attractions. This achievement is significant for the preservation of Bihar's cultural heritage, its international recognition, and the promotion of cultural tourism.

7. WMO Greenhouse Gas Bulletin 2026: Concentrations of CO_2, Methane, and Nitrous Oxide Reach Record Levels in 2025



According to the Greenhouse Gas Bulletin released by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) on October 27, 2026, the global average concentrations of CO_2 (426.8 ppm), methane (1,948 ppb), and nitrous oxide (339.1 ppb) reached record levels in 2025. This bulletin is based on the WMO's Global Atmosphere Watch (GAW) programme. The combustion of fossil fuels, agricultural activities, industrial emissions, and deforestation are the primary drivers behind the increase in these gases. To address climate change, the WMO has emphasized the importance of preserving carbon sinks and monitoring potential leaks of gases such as SF_6 and hydrogen.

8. National Unity Day 2026: National Unity Day to be celebrated on October 31, marking the 151st birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel



National Unity Day (Rashtriya Ekta Diwas) is celebrated annually on October 31 to mark the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel—an observance initiated by the Government of India in 2014. In 2026, the main event commemorating his 151st birth anniversary will be held at the 'Statue of Unity' complex in Ekta Nagar, Gujarat, featuring a 'Unity Parade' and various cultural programs. The central theme for this year's celebrations is 'Vande Mataram,' which marks its 150th anniversary.

1. Who has become the youngest player in WPL history to secure a contract?

A - Shafali Verma
B - Uma Kashvi
C - Richa Ghosh
D - Shweta Sehrawat



Young cricketer from Karnataka, Uma Kashvi (Kashvi Kandikuppa), has become the youngest player in WPL history to secure a contract. Delhi Capitals acquired her at the WPL 2027 auction on October 28, 2026, for a base price of ₹10 lakh. Born on April 9, 2011, Kashvi is a right-handed batter and an off-spin bowler. She scored 516 runs in the BCCI Women's Under-15 One-Day Tournament and also delivered an impressive performance during the Indian Under-19 team's tour of Sri Lanka.

2. What was the Federal Funds Rate set by the US Federal Reserve during its October 2026 meeting?

A - 3.25%-3.50%
B - 3.50%-3.75%
C - 3.75%-4%
D - 4%-4.25%



At its FOMC meeting held on October 27–28, 2026, the US Federal Reserve maintained the Federal Funds Rate at 3.75%–4%, with 10 votes in favor and 2 against. This decision was made in light of robust economic activity, stable employment, and inflation levels exceeding the 2% target. The next FOMC meeting is scheduled for December 8–9, 2026.

3. When was the 'Khelo India Sports Goods Manufacturing Scheme' approved?

A - 26 October 2026
B - 27 October 2026
C - 28 October 2026
D - 29 October 2026



The Central Government approved the 'Khelo India Sports Goods Manufacturing Scheme' on 28 October 2026, with a budgetary allocation of ₹1,856.67 crore for the period from the financial year 2026-27 to 2033-34. The objective of this scheme is to promote domestic sports equipment manufacturing, investment, research and development (R&D), skill development, and exports, thereby providing a boost to manufacturing clusters—such as those in Jalandhar and Meerut—and MSMEs.

4. Who is likely to be appointed as an Additional Secretary in the Department of Military Affairs (DMA)?

A - Air Marshal Vikram Gaur
B - Air Marshal Sandeep Singh
C - Air Marshal Ashutosh Dixit
D - Air Marshal R.K. Anand



According to media reports, Air Marshal Vikram Gaur is likely to be appointed as an Additional Secretary in the Department of Military Affairs (DMA) under the Ministry of Defence; however, this has not been officially confirmed. The DMA was established on 1 January 2020 to promote jointness, coordination, and integration among the three armed services, and its Secretary is the Chief of Defence Staff (CDS).

5. Which ministry launched the 'Punah Bharan' (Recharge) mobile app?

A - Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

B - Ministry of Jal Shakti

C - Ministry of Rural Development

D - Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare



On October 28, 2026, the Ministry of Jal Shakti launched the 'Punah Bharan' (Recharge) mobile app for artificial groundwater recharge, developed jointly by BISAG-N and the National Water Mission. By utilizing GIS and geospatial technology, the app identifies suitable recharge sites within an area of approximately 3 kilometers, thereby promoting groundwater conservation, water security, and Sustainable Development Goal 6 (SDG 6).

6. What rank did the Bihar Museum secure globally in 'The World's 100 Best Museums 2026' list?

A - 5th

B - 7th

C - 9th

D - 12th



In 'The World's 100 Best Museums 2026' list, released by the German organization 'Worth a Journey', the Bihar Museum in Patna ranked 9th globally and 1st in Asia. Designed by Japanese architect Fumihiko Maki and Opolis Architects, the museum features key attractions such as ancient sculptures—including the Didarganj Yakshi statue—as well as coins and manuscripts.

7. What was the global average concentration of CO_2 in the atmosphere recorded in the year 2025?

A - 416.8 ppm

B - 426.8 ppm

C - 436.8 ppm

D - 446.8 ppm



According to the Greenhouse Gas Bulletin released by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) on October 27, 2026, the global average concentrations of CO_2 (426.8 ppm), methane (1,948 ppb), and nitrous oxide (339.1 ppb) reached record levels in 2025. The combustion of fossil fuels, agricultural activities, and deforestation are the primary causes; the WMO has emphasized the conservation of carbon sinks and the monitoring of greenhouse gas emissions and leaks.

8. On the occasion of whose birth anniversary is National Unity Day (Rashtriya Ekta Diwas) celebrated?

A - Mahatma Gandhi

B - Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel

C - Jawaharlal Nehru

D - Dr. Rajendra Prasad



National Unity Day (Rashtriya Ekta Diwas) is celebrated every year on October 31st to mark the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel; this observance began in 2014. In 2026, on the occasion of his 151st birth anniversary, a ceremony will be held at the Statue of Unity complex in Ekta Nagar, Gujarat, with a key focus on the 150th anniversary of 'Vande Mataram'.

One Liner

1. At what level did the US Federal Reserve maintain interest rates in October 2026? - 3.75% to 4%

2. According to the WMO, what was the average atmospheric CO_2 concentration recorded in 2025? - 426.8 ppm

3. In which year did the Government of India initiate National Unity Day? - 2014

4. The 'Punah Bharan' (Recharge) app is related to which sector? - Groundwater recharge

5. On whose birth anniversary is National Unity Day (Rashtriya Ekta Diwas) celebrated? - Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel

6. Who became the youngest player to secure a contract in WPL 2026? - Uma Kashvi

7. Which Air Marshal is proposed to be appointed as Additional Secretary (DMA) in the Ministry of Defence in 2026? - Air Marshal Vikram Gaur

8. Which team signed Uma Kashvi for ₹10 lakh in WPL 2026? - Delhi Capitals

9. What rank did the Bihar Museum secure on the 'Worth a Journey' global list for 2026? - Ninth position

10. What is the outlay allocated for the sports equipment manufacturing scheme? - ₹1,856.67 crore