

9th October 2025

1. On 9 October 2025, India extended the deadline for which major import tender?

- A. Crude oil from Saudi Arabia
- B. LNG from Qatar
- C. LPG from the U.S.
- D. Coal from Australia

Correct Answer: **C. LPG from the U.S.**

Explanation: India extended the deadline to October 17 for its first joint long-term tender to import LPG from the U.S. for deliveries in 2026. The aim is to diversify LPG import sources and reduce dependency on traditional suppliers in the Middle East.

2. Which of the following is the main objective of the Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) certification program?

- A. To regulate inland fisheries
- B. To control seafood prices
- C. To promote fish exports
- D. To recognize and reward sustainable fishing practices

Correct Answer: **D. To recognize and reward sustainable fishing practices**

Explanation: Around 10 Indian marine and saline fish and shrimp varieties are soon to receive the Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) certification. Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) certification is an international non-profit organization that sets science-based standards for sustainable fishing and seafood traceability. Its certification recognizes and rewards sustainable fishing practices to promote a sustainable seafood market. The certification is based on independent third-party assessments focusing on stock health, environmental impact, and effective management. It is voluntary, open to all fisheries regardless of location, size, or fishing gear. Astamudi clam (*Paphia malabarica*) was India's first MSC-certified fishery.

3. Which international visitor was in India on 9 October 2025 to promote a trade deal with India?

- A. U.S. President
- B. Russian President
- C. British Prime Minister
- D. President of ASEAN

Correct Answer: **C. British Prime Minister**

Explanation: British PM Keir Starmer visited India and met PM Modi to deepen cooperation across trade, defence, and technology.

4. Which defence equipment deal was signed between the UK and India on 9 October 2025?

- A. \$300 million aircraft sale
- B. \$468 million missile supply
- C. \$150 million naval ship contract
- D. \$200 million tank package

Correct Answer: **B. \$468 million missile supply**

Explanation: On 9 October 2025, the UK signed a \$468 million deal to supply missiles to India.

5. On 9 October 2025, the logo for which of the following was unveiled by the Government of India?

- A. BharatNet 2.0
- B. India Smart Cities Program
- C. India-AI Impact Summit 2026
- D. National Logistics Policy

Correct Answer: **C. India-AI Impact Summit 2026**

Explanation: The Government unveiled the logo for the India-AI Impact Summit 2026, to be held in February 2026 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.

6. What maritime exercise or meeting did the Indian Coast Guard conduct off the Chennai coast on 9 October 2025?

- A. MILAN exercise
- B. 10th NATPOLREX and 27th NOSDCP and Preparedness Meeting
- C. SAGAR Prahari exercise
- D. Indo-Pacific maritime drill

Correct Answer: **B. 10th NATPOLREX and 27th NOSDCP and Preparedness Meeting**

Explanation: Indian Coast Guard conducted these meetings off the Chennai coast to strengthen coastal security and coordination.

7. Which national celebration or milestone was being observed across India on 9 October 2025?

- A. 75 years of the Indian Air Force
- B. 125 years of Indian Railways
- C. 150 years of 'Vande Mataram'
- D. 100 years of Indian National Congress

Correct Answer: **C. 150 years of 'Vande Mataram'**

Explanation: India celebrated 150 years of the national song 'Vande Mataram' on 9 October 2025.

8. A new wasp species named *Nesolynx banabitanæ* was recently discovered in a Lake of which of the following state?

- A. West Bengal
- B. Sikkim
- C. Jharkhand
- D. Maharashtra

Correct Answer: **A. West Bengal**

Explanation: A new wasp species named *Nesolynx banabitanæ* was recently discovered in Salt Lake, West Bengal. It was found in Central Park, locally known as Banabitan, after which it was named. This discovery marks only the seventh wasp species identified in India. It belongs to the Eulophidae family, known for parasitic behaviours.

9. The visit of Keir Starmer to India included announcement of which academic cooperation initiative?

- A. Joint medical school
- B. Nine U.K. universities opening campuses in India
- C. Exchange program for engineering students
- D. Scholarships for Indian students

Correct Answer: **B. Nine U.K. universities opening campuses in India**

Explanation: The visit announced that nine U.K. universities will open campuses in India to enhance educational collaboration.

10. What strategic objective underlies India's import of U.S. LPG via the new tender system?

- A. To replace Middle East suppliers
- B. To reduce India's trade surplus with the U.S.
- C. To leverage U.S. subsidies
- D. To increase domestic consumption

Correct Answer: **B. To reduce India's trade surplus with the U.S.**

Explanation: Importing LPG from the U.S. helps balance trade and strengthen energy ties.

11. Which sector's prices drove down India's inflation to 1.70 %?

- A. Fuel prices
- B. Pulses and vegetables
- C. Automobiles
- D. Textiles

Correct Answer: **B. Pulses and vegetables**

Explanation: The fall in inflation was largely attributed to declines in food prices — especially vegetables and pulses.

12. In the UK-India cooperation announced on 9 October 2025, which domain was emphasized other than trade and defense?

- A. Healthcare
- B. Tourism
- C. Technology
- D. Agriculture

Correct Answer: **C. Technology**

Explanation: The meeting emphasized cooperation in trade, defense, and technology.

13. Which of the following statements about the 9 October 2025 missile deal is correct?

- A. It was a grant
- B. Collaborative development
- C. Transfer of manufacturing
- D. Supply agreement for missiles

Correct Answer: **D. Supply agreement for missiles**

Explanation: The announced \$468 million deal was for supply of missiles from the UK to India.

14. Which major infrastructure development was highlighted in school-assembly news on 9 October 2025?

- A. New bullet train project
- B. New metro line in Delhi
- C. Inauguration of Navi Mumbai International Airport
- D. Opening of a rail corridor

Correct Answer: **C. Inauguration of Navi Mumbai International Airport**

Explanation: PM Modi inaugurated the Navi Mumbai International Airport on 9 October 2025.

15. Which foreign policy move concerning Afghanistan was linked to India on 9 October 2025?

- A. India recognised the Taliban
- B. Taliban FM planned visit to India
- C. India raised sanctions
- D. India closed mission in Kabul

Correct Answer: **B. Taliban FM planned visit to India**

Explanation: The UN lifted the travel ban on Taliban FM Amir Khan Muttaqi, allowing his visit to India — the first such senior visit since 2021.