

Highlights of 14 July 2026 Current Affairs

- NBCC has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Andhra Pradesh Government to construct the new Andhra Pradesh Bhavan in New Delhi at an estimated cost of ₹105.5 crore.
- Rakshit Dahiya and Yogya Bhalla became champions in the boys' and girls' categories respectively at the 16th Delhi Golf Club Junior/Sub-Junior Tournament.
- The Indian women's cricket team won its first-ever Test match at the historic Lord's Cricket Ground, defeating the hosts by 270 runs.
- Sam Neill, the actor from the famous film *Jurassic Park*, passed away at the age of 78.
- South African World Cup footballer Jayden Adams passed away in Cape Town at the age of 25.
- India's largest global textile event will be held in Delhi for four days at Bharat Mandapam to showcase textiles, fashion, sustainability, technology, innovation, investment, and international trade.
- India won first place in the 56th edition of the International Physics Olympiad (IPhO) 2026, which was held in Bucaramanga, Colombia. India achieved this position against China, Kazakhstan, Russia, South Korea, and Taiwan by securing all five gold medals. The five medalists are Kanishk Jain, Riddhesh Anant Bendale, Rishit Garg, Shresth Suraiya, and Svarit Joshi.
- Spain's company Submer Group, specializing in advanced cooling technology for data centres, has announced a \$2 billion investment in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, during the MP Tech Growth Conclave 3.0 for the establishment of a semiconductor facility and a state-of-the-art data centre.
- The Delhi Government has renamed its scheme Mahila Samridhi Yojana to the Delhi Lakshmi Yojana, as this scheme provides eligible women with ₹2,500 every month via Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).
- The Union Territory of Ladakh will form Autonomous Hill Development Councils in all districts, including the five new districts formed recently, making a total of seven districts.
- England star batter Heather Knight announced her retirement from international cricket after the historic Test at Lord's, which was the first Test match at Lord's against India.
- Jio Platforms Ltd. has announced Pankaj Kumar as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO). Jio Platforms Ltd. is a subsidiary of Reliance Industries Limited (RIL), and Pankaj Kumar succeeds Kiran Thomas.
- The Government of Bihar has announced the Mukhyamantri Bihar Heli-Tourism and Air Tourism Service Scheme 2026 to promote tourism at subsidised prices.
- The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), in collaboration with the Drone Federation of India (DFI), has launched the National Innovation Challenge for Drone Application and Research (NIDAR 2.0) for 2026–27, which encourages students to develop indigenous drone technology powered by India's homegrown VEGA processor.
- The Government of Uttarakhand has opened its first Geographical Indication (GI) Products Gallery in Haldwani to showcase the state's 30+ GI products.
- Gujarat's Unjha cumin (jeera) and fennel (saunf) have received the GI tag. Unjha is one of the biggest spice trading centers in India.

- The United Nations has published its first scientific report on Artificial Intelligence, addressing several issues related to AI development for various countries. The report was co-chaired by Yoshua Bengio, an AI researcher and Turing Award recipient, and Maria Ressa, a journalist and Nobel Prize winner.
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Topic	Details
Andhra Pradesh	Capital – Amaravati CM – N. Chandrababu Naidu Governor – S. Abdul Nazeer
Delhi (UT)	CM – Rekha Gupta LG – Taranjit Singh Sandhu
South Africa	Capitals – Pretoria (Administrative), Cape Town (Legislative), Bloemfontein (Judicial) Currency – Rand President – Cyril Ramaphosa
Colombia	Capital – Bogotá Currency – Peso PM – Gustavo Petro
China	Capital – Beijing Currency – Yuan/Renminbi President – Xi Jinping
Kazakhstan	Capital – Astana Currency – Tenge President – Kassym-Jomart Tokayev
Russia	Capital – Moscow Currency – Ruble President – Vladimir Putin
South Korea	Capital – Seoul Currency – Won

Topic	Details
	President – Lee Jae-myung
Taiwan	Capital – Taipei Currency – New Taiwan Dollar President – Lai Ching-te
Spain	Capital – Madrid Currency – Euro Prime Minister – Pedro Sánchez
Ladakh (UT)	LG – Vinai Kumar Saxena
England / UK	Capital – London Currency – Pound Sterling UK Prime Minister – Sir Keir Starmer
Bihar	Capital – Patna CM – Samrat Choudhary Governor – Syed Ata Hasnain
MeitY (India)	Minister – Ashwini Vaishnaw
Uttarakhand	Capitals – Dehradun (Winter), Bhararaisain/Gairsain (Summer) CM – Pushkar Singh Dhami Governor – Gurmit Singh
Gujarat	Capital – Gandhinagar CM – Bhupendra Patel Governor – Acharya Devvrat
United Nations	Established – 24 October 1945 Secretary-General – António Guterres

