

## Highlights of 30 July 2026 Current Affairs

- Indian high jumper **Sarvesh Anil Kushare** scripted history at the 2026 Commonwealth Games in Glasgow by securing **India's first-ever silver medal in the men's high jump**. The 31-year-old Naib Subedar in the Indian Army cleared a best height of **2.25 meters**, surpassing Tejaswin Shankar's bronze medal effort at Birmingham 2022 to claim India's finest result in the discipline.
- Indian weightlifter **Valluri Ajaya Babu** clinched the **silver medal** in the men's 79kg weightlifting event at the **2026 Commonwealth Games** in Glasgow. In a high-stakes duel that came down to the final lifts, the 21-year-old finished just 1 kg behind Malaysia's **Erry Hidayat Muhammad**.
- Indian weightlifter **Gyaneshwari Yadav** won the **silver medal** in the women's 53kg category at the **2026 Commonwealth Games** in Glasgow. Making her Commonwealth Games debut, the 23-year-old from Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh, achieved a personal-best total lift of **199 kg**, briefly setting Games records in a back-and-forth duel with Nigeria's **Onome Omolola Didih**.
- Indian pistol aces **Esha Singh** and **Manu Bhaker** produced a double-podium finish for India in the **women's 25m pistol event** at the **ISSF World Cup 2026** in Hangzhou, China. The victory represents Esha Singh's second ISSF World Cup gold medal of the season, securing her direct qualification for the year-end **ISSF World Cup Final 2026 in Rome**.
- Veteran Congress leader and former cabinet minister **Hira Singh Bisht** passed away, in Dehradun at the age of 85 following a cardiac arrest. His passing marks the end of a six-decade political and public service career spanning both undivided Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand.
- **July 30** is officially designated by the United Nations as the **International Day of Friendship** (commonly known as World Friendship Day). The day honors interpersonal bonds, promotes a culture of peace, and encourages cross-cultural solidarity across nations, communities, and individuals.
- **World Day Against Trafficking in Persons** is observed globally on **July 30** every year. Established by the United Nations General Assembly in 2013, the day aims to raise awareness about the global plight of human trafficking victims and to promote and protect their fundamental rights.
- Distance runner **Gulveer Singh** created history by winning India's first-ever CWG 10,000m medal (silver), while weightlifter **Harjinder Kaur** secured silver in the women's 69kg event. Their victories raised India's total medal tally at the Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games to 12 (2 Gold, 7 Silver, 3 Bronze).
- The **2026 Fields Medal**—widely regarded as the "Nobel Prize of Mathematics"—was awarded at the International Congress of Mathematicians (ICM) to four researchers under the age of 40: **Hong Wang, Yu Deng, John Pardon, and Jacob Tsimerman**.
- The **Bihar Shatabdi Asangathit Karyakshetra Kamagaar Evan Shilpakar Samajik Suraksha Yojana** is a welfare initiative by the Labour Resources Department, Government of Bihar. It provides crucial social security and financial assistance to informal sector workers and artisans in the event of death, severe accidents, or total permanent disability.

- The **Delhi Lakshmi Yojana** is a welfare scheme launched by the Delhi Government, offering financial assistance of **₹2,500 per month** to women from economically weaker sections.
- According to the **BIMCO-ICS Seafarer Workforce Report 2026**, India has emerged as the **world's second-largest supplier of seafarers**, contributing **311,936 maritime professionals** (12.16% of the global workforce) and trailing only the Philippines.
- The Union Government has allocated a record **₹95,692 crore** (Central Share) for rural employment under the **Viksit Bharat – Guarantee for Rozgar and Aajeevika Mission (Gramin) [VB-G RAM G] Act, 2025** for Financial Year 2026–27. In a written reply in the Lok Sabha, Union Minister for Rural Development Shivraj Singh Chouhan highlighted that this is the highest-ever Budget Estimate allocation made for any rural employment programme in India.
- India's first direct commercial container freight train reached Nepal, transporting **1,225 tonnes of canola** across 40 wagons without requiring border transshipment. Operated by Indian Railways under the **revised India–Nepal Rail Transit Protocol**, the train traveled along the newly commissioned broad-gauge railway line from **Kolkata Port (India)** to the **Biratnagar Customs Yard (Nepal)** via Jogbani.
- The **Delhi High Court** ordered the winding up of **Paytm Payments Bank Limited (PPBL)** upon an application filed by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) under Sections 38 and 39 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949. Former State Bank of India (SBI) Chief General Manager **Girikumar M. Nair** was appointed as the **Official Liquidator**.

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| <b>Commonwealth Member States</b>   | 56                                      |
| <b>First Commonwealth Games</b>     | Canada, 1930                            |
| <b>Uttarakhand Chief Minister</b>   | Pushkar Singh Dhami                     |
| <b>Uttarakhand Governor</b>         | Lt. Gen. Gurmit Singh                   |
| <b>Uttarakhand Capital</b>          | Dehradun (Winter) and Gairsain (Summer) |
| <b>Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister</b> | Yogi Adityanath                         |
| <b>Uttar Pradesh Governor</b>       | Anandiben Patel                         |
| <b>Uttar Pradesh Capital</b>        | Lucknow                                 |
| <b>Bihar Chief Minister</b>         | Samrat Choudhary                        |
| <b>Bihar Governor</b>               | Syed Ata Hussain                        |
| <b>Bihar Capital</b>                | Patna                                   |
| <b>Delhi Chief Minister</b>         | Rekha Gupta                             |
| <b>Delhi Lieutenant Governor</b>    | Taranjit Singh Sandhu                   |

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| <b>Nepal Prime Minister</b> | Balendra Shah  |
| <b>Nepal Capital</b>        | Kathmandu      |
| <b>Nepal Currency</b>       | Nepalese Rupee |