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★ National & Government News

Q: What is Sampoonata Abhiyan 2.0 aimed to achieve?

A: It aims to saturate essential government services in underdeveloped districts and blocks in India within 90 days. [?]

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Q: India launched a new Aadhaar App. What main benefit does it provide?

A: It allows citizens to update mobile number and address online, manage family Aadhaar profiles securely, and share details with consent. [?]

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Q: When will the new Solid Waste Management Rules 2026 come into effect?

A: From 1 April 2026, with four-stream waste segregation and polluter-pays penalties. [?]

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Q: Why has coking coal been declared a critical and strategic mineral in India?

A: Because it is essential for steel production and India depends heavily on imports; the move gives more control over regulation and auctions. [?]

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Q: What did the Supreme Court of India decide regarding the UGC Equity Regulations 2026?

A: The Court put them on hold, so the 2012 UGC anti-discrimination rules continue to apply. [?]

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▮ Economy & Industry

Q: What was India's industrial production growth (IIP) in December 2025?

A: It rose to 7.8%, the highest in over two years. [?]

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● Culture & Events

Q: Which international theatre festival's 25th edition was inaugurated on 28 January 2026?

A: The Bharat Rang Mahotsav (BRM) 2026 at the National School of Drama, New Delhi. [?](#)

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Science & Technology

Q: Which satellite launch preparation is ISRO working on for early February 2026?

A: The INSAT-3DS meteorological satellite to improve weather forecasting.

Q: What tech milestone did India's 5G network achieve in January 2026?

A: India crossed 500 million 5G subscribers, expanding coverage to over 10,000 towns and cities. [?](#)

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Sports & Days

Q: What major tennis tournament was underway in late January 2026?

A: The Australian Open 2026 in Melbourne. [?](#)

Q: Which important international day was observed on 26 January 2026?

A: International Customs Day to highlight the role of customs in global trade. [?](#)