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India Women's cricket team Set a
New Record with Historic ODI Total

India Women's cricket team set a new ODI record by scoring 435/5 in 50 overs against Ireland, surpassing previous records held by both Indian men's and women's teams.

- India Women posted their highestever ODI total of 435/5 against Ireland in Rajkot, rewriting their previous record of 370/5 set just three days earlier.
- This total surpassed the Indian men's highest ODI score of 418/5 against the West Indies in 2011, marking a historic moment in Indian cricket.
- * Smriti Mandhana smashed the fastest

 ODI century by an Indian women's

 batter, reaching her 100 in just 70

 balls and breaking Harmanpreet

 Kaur's record of an 87-ball ton

 against South Africa in 2022.

Singapore Confers Honorary Citizen Award on Mr Tarun Das

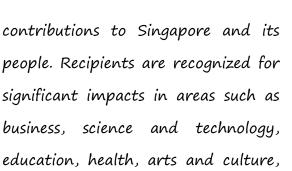
Singapore has awarded Mr Tarun Das, former Director General of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), the Honorary Citizen Award for his invaluable contributions to Singapore and Singapore-India relations. President Tharman Shanmugaratnam conferred the award upon Mr Das at a ceremony held in New Delhi.

- Mr Tarun Das is the former Director General and Chief Mentor of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), where he served for over 40 years.
- Mr. Das has been a key advocate for Singapore-India relations, leading a delegation of Indian industrialists to Singapore in 1993 under India's "Look East" policy.

About the Honorary Citizen Award:

The Honorary Citizen award, established in 2003 by the Singapore Government, honours non-Singaporeans for their extensive





sports, tourism, community services,

The Honorary Citizen Award is the highest form of national recognition for a non-Singaporean.

or security.

The title of Honorary Citizen is conferred for life.

HM Amit Shah to launch fast track immigration system at 7 airports

Union Home Minister Amit Shah inaugurated the FTI-TTP at airports in Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, Bangalore, Hyderabad, Cochin, and Ahmedabad.

- The programme aims to provide seamless and secure world-class immigration facilities for international travellers.
- Travellers must register online at ftittp.mha.gov.in by filling in details and uploading required documents.



- The programme will be rolled out across 21 major airports nationwide.
- The FTI-TTP was initially launched in June 2022 at Terminal-3 of Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGI), New Delhi.

Novak Djokovic sets record for most Grand Slam matches

Novak Djokovic set another record on Wednesday, surpassing Roger Federer to become the player with the most Grand-Slam matches played.

- Djokovic overtook Roger Federer by playing his 430th Grand Slam match in a win against Jaime Faria.
- Career record in Grand Slams: 379
 wins and 51 losses.
- Djokovic has 24 Grand Slam titles, surpassing Federer (20) and Nadal (22).
- Djokovic has spent the most weeks at No. 1 in rankings.
- Played in 37 Grand Slam finals.





PM Modi inaugurates new ISKCON temple in Mumbai

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the new International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON) temple in the Kharghar area of Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra on 15 January 2025.

The temple, named Sri Sri Radha Madanmohanji Temple, was built with the efforts of ISKCON.

Union Minister for Commerce and Industry Shri Piyush Goyal launches National Turmeric Board

Union Minister of Commerce & Industry, Shri Piyush today inaugurated the National Turmeric Board in New Delhi. Shri Goyal announced Shri Palle Ganga Reddy as its first Chairperson.

- * The headquarters of the Board has been set up at Nizamabad.
- The board is being launched on an auspicious day of celebrations across the country:
- Board to pay special attention on welfare of 'Golden Spice' farmers, develop good varieties and focus on its export.
- Immense potential of increasing productivity of Turmeric in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana.
- India is the largest producer, consumer and exporter of turmeric in the world.
- India has more than 62% share of world trade.

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