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High alert as Cyclone Fani intensifies

Cyclone 'Fani' intensified into a 'severe cyclonic storm' and is headed towards the Odisha coast. IMD said it could take a shape of an 'extremely severe cyclone', prompting the government to put the National Disaster Response Force and the Indian Coast Guard on high alert.

Japan's emperor Akihito abdicates

Japanese Emperor Akihito abdicated thanking the people for their support over the last three decades and expressing hope for a peaceful future. The popular Akihito, 85, the first monarch to abdicate in two centuries, had sought to ease the painful memories of World War Two and bring the monarchy closer to the people, including those marginalised in society.

Drug-resistant diseases could kill 10 million annually by 2050: UN

If no action is taken, drug-resistant diseases could cause 10 million deaths each year by 2050 and damage to the economy as catastrophic as the 2008-2009 global financial crisis, a new report by United Nations (UN) has warned.

India's Nitendra Singh Rawat finishes 27th in Virgin Money London Marathon 2019

Indian marathon runner, Nitendra Singh Rawat finished 27th in 2 hours 15 minutes and 59 seconds in the men's Elite race of prestigious Virgin Money London Marathon 2019 at London, the UK which was won by Eliud Kipchoge of Kenya for record fourth time.

International Jazz Day

International Jazz Day is an International Day declared by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization in 2011 "to highlight jazz and its diplomatic role of uniting people in all corners of the globe." It is celebrated annually on April 30. **The idea came from jazz pianist and UNESCO Goodwill Ambassador Herbie Hancock.** Jazz Day is chaired by Hancock and the UNESCO Director-General.

Indian Navy's warships- INS Kolkata and INS Shakti at Busan, South Korea to participate in ADMM-PLUS

INS Kolkata and INS Shakti arrived at Busan, South Korea to participate in ADMM-PLUS. Indian Navy's 2 warships, INS Kolkata and INS Shakti had gone to Qingdao in China to participate in the International Fleet Review (IFR), which is an international maritime parade organised off the coast of China. It is celebrated to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the founding of the Chinese Navy.

By SIPRI report, India's military expenditure rises by 3.1% to reach \$66.5 billion and Pakistan's by 11% to reach \$11.4 billion in 2018

According to the report from the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), a think-tank, the world's military expenditure has risen by 2.6% to reach 1.82 \$ trillion in 2018. In this total share, India, United States, China, Saudi Arabia and France altogether contributed to 60% per cent of the amount, with US and China being the 2 biggest spenders.

Manchester City Forward Raheem Sterling awarded with Football Writers' Association Footballer of the Year 2019

England national team player and Manchester City forward Raheem Sterling has been named as the Football Writers' Association (FWA) Footballer of the Year 2019.

England and Manchester City's player Nikita Parris won the FWA's Women's footballer of the year 2019 award.

ISSF Rifle/Pistol World Cup 2019

The 2019 ISSF Rifle/Pistol World Cup was held in Beijing, China from 21 to 29 April.

Top 3 Countries in Medal Tally

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	India	3	1	0	4
2	China	2	2	1	5
3	Russia	1	3	3	7

Medals won by Indian Shooters

S.No.	Event	Name	Medal
1.	10m Air Rifle Mixed	Anjum Moudgil Divyansh Singh Panwar	Gold
2.	10m Air Pistol Mixed	Manu Bhaker Saurabh Chaudhary	Gold
3.	10m Air Pistol	Abhishek Verma	Gold
4.	10m Air Rifle	Divyansh Singh Panwar	Silver

Asian Weightlifting Championships 2019

The Asian Weightlifting Championships 2019 were held in Ningbo, China from April 20 to April 28, 2019. This was the 48th edition of men's and 29th edition of women's championship.

There were 214 athletes from 27 nations participated in the tournament. India won 5 medals which include 3 silver and 2 bronze medals, finished tenth place in the tournament.

Top 5 Countries in Medal tally

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	China	31	19	4	54
2	North Korea	7	10	13	30
3	Iran	7	7	3	17

Medals won by Indian Athletes

S.No.	Category	Event	Name	Medal
1.	Women 49-kg	Snatch	Jhili Dalabehera	Silver
2.	Women 49-kg	Clean and Jerk	Jhili Dalabehera	Silver
3.	Women 49-kg	Total (Snatch + Clean and Jerk)	Jhili Dalabehera	Silver
4.	Men 102-kg	Clean and Jerk	Pardeep Singh	Bronze
5.	Women 49-kg	Clean and Jerk	Mirabai Chanu	Bronze

Indians win 1 silver, 2 bronze at Asian Road Para-Cycling Championships 2019

Asian Road Para-Cycling Championships 2019 was held in Tashkent, Uzbekistan from April 23 to April 28, 2019, and a total of twenty-eight countries took part. Indian para cyclists won a silver and two bronze medals

i. Divij Shah has clinched his third consecutive silver medal in the C5 category.

ii. Gurlal Singh, Asian Para Games bronze medallist, became the only Indian cyclist (able-bodied or otherwise) to win a medal at the Asian Games level grabbed a bronze in the C4 section.

iii. Sudhakar Marathe, a Hand cyclist from Maharashtra has claimed a bronze for India in H5 category.