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Paraguayan President Pena To Visit India

- **Paraguay President Santiago Peña Palacios** will pay a three day state visit to India from today. He will be accompanied by a high-level delegation, including Ministers, senior officials and business representatives. During the visit, both sides are expected to undertake a comprehensive review of bilateral ties.



- **His first visit to India and only the second ever visit by** a President of Paraguay. India and Paraguay established diplomatic relations in 1961, fostering warm and friendly ties between the two nations over the decades. The two countries have developed **cooperation in various sectors**, including trade, agriculture, health, pharmaceuticals and information technology. Paraguay is an important trading partner for India in the Latin American region. Several Indian companies in the auto-mobile and pharmaceuticals sector have their presence in Paraguay.

Shangri-La Dialogue 2025

- It is **Asia's premier defence and security summit that brings together** defence ministers, military chiefs, policymakers and strategic experts across the globe. Since its birth in 2002, it has developed into the most influential multilateral security exchange platform in the Asia-Pacific region.



- **It is held in June every year in Singapore's Shangri-La Hotel.** It is organized by the International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS) in London, UK, and co-organized by Singapore's Ministry of Defence.
- **The agenda of the Shangri-La Dialogue is closely** related to the security situation and development trend in the Asia-Pacific region, covering traditional and non-traditional security and other fields. These include traditional security issues such as **territorial disputes and military cooperation**, as well as non-traditional security issues such as terrorism, cybersecurity, and climate change.
- Such agenda setting enables the dialogue to fully reflect the security challenges **and cooperation needs of the Asia-Pacific region.**



- Around the above issues, Shangri-La Dialogue is **divided into two forms**: open general assembly exchanges and closed-door group meetings.
- **Open exchanges at** the conference allow delegates to make speeches and discuss issues of common interest, enhancing mutual understanding and trust.
- **Closed-door breakout sessions** are more in-depth and specific, allowing participants to discuss and negotiate on a topic in depth and seek cooperation and solutions.

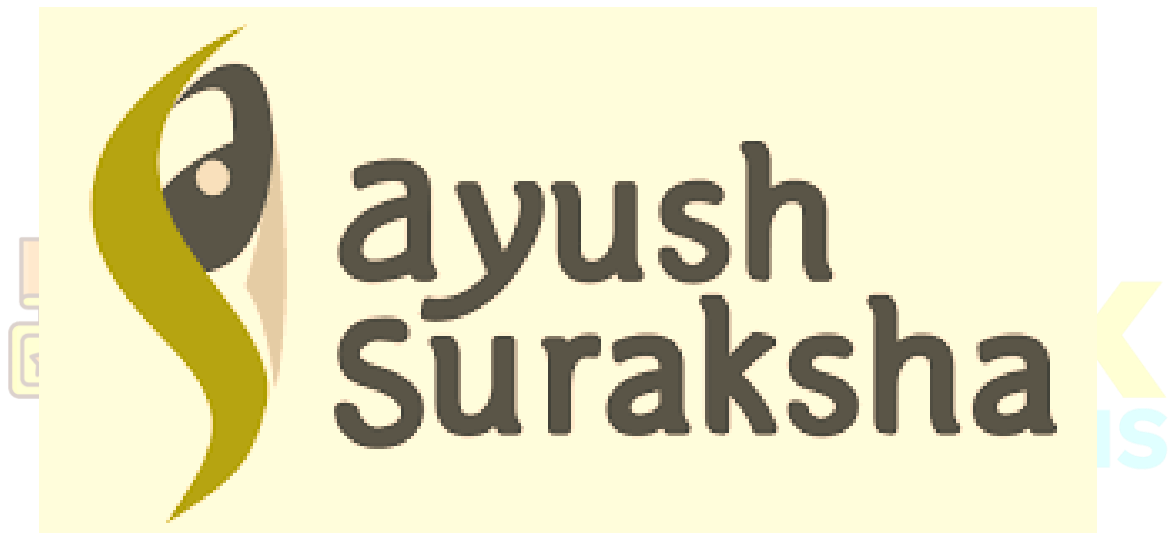
Ayush Suraksha Portal

- **AyushSuraksha Portal was launched recently to boost consumer protection** in traditional medicine in India. This initiative is part of the Ministry of Ayush's efforts to enhance **transparency and accountability**.



- The **portal aims to empower citizens and professionals** to actively participate in safeguarding the integrity of Ayush systems. It is designed to combat misleading advertisements and ensure that only safe products are available to the public.

- The **AyushSuraksha Portal** serves as a **centralised platform** for monitoring misleading advertisements and adverse drug reactions (ADRs). It integrates data from various regulatory bodies, including State Licensing Authorities and national pharmacovigilance centres.
- **This integration allows for real-time monitoring and systematic analysis** of reported issues. Citizens can report misleading ads and ADRs directly through the portal, **making it accessible and user-friendly**. The portal was developed following a Supreme Court order in July 2024. The court mandated the establishment of a system to monitor misleading advertisements and ADRs effectively. The Ministry of Ayush met the court's deadline ahead of schedule, demonstrating its commitment to regulatory compliance.



- **The technical support for the portal was provided by the Central Council for Research in Siddha (CCRS)**, ensuring that it aligns with national pharmacovigilance standards.
- The **AyushSuraksha Portal integrates multiple regulatory authorities**, including the Ayush vertical under **the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO)**, **Ministry of Information and Broadcasting (MoI&B)**, and others. This integration ensures a coordinated response to reports made by citizens and healthcare professionals. The system facilitates inter-state referrals and updates on actions taken regarding complaints.

Opal Suchata Chuangsri

- **Thailand's Opal Suchata Chuangsri was crowned Miss World 2025** after the grand finale in Hyderabad. Ethiopia's Hasset Dereje Admassu was declared Miss World 2025 runner-up. Chuangsri received her crown from last year's winner Krystyna Pyszková.



- The 72nd Miss World beauty pageant was hosted by **Miss World 2016 Stephanie del Valle and Indian presenter Sachiin Kumbhar**. India hosted the beauty competition last year as well.
- **India's Nandini Gupta exited after making it to the final 20**. Six Indian women have won the title, including Reita Faria (1966), Aishwarya Rai (1994), Diana Hayden (1997), Yukta Mookhey (1999), Priyanka Chopra (2000) and Manushi Chhillar (2017).

Hawaii Implements First Climate Impact Fee In US

- **Hawaii made history by becoming the first U.S. state** to introduce a climate impact fee. This initiative aims to support environmental efforts and combat climate change.
- It increases the **transient accommodations tax (TAT) on hotels and short-term rentals by 0.75%**. This new fee is set to take effect on January 1, 2026. The Green Fee, officially known as **Act 96**, raises the TAT to **11%**.



- This increase applies not only to hotel stays but also to short-term accommodations and cruise ships, which were previously exempt. The fee is minimal for tourists. **For instance, a \$300 hotel stay will incur an additional cost of only \$2.25 per night.** The primary goal of the Green Fee is to fund climate change resilience and environmental protection initiatives. The revenue generated will be directed towards various projects.
- **These include climate change mitigation, invasive species control,** wildlife conservation, and beach restoration. The fee aims to promote sustainable tourism while ensuring the preservation of Hawaii's unique natural resources. **The Green Fee is expected to generate around \$100 million annually.** The funds will be allocated to several environmental initiatives. Specific projects will be determined in the next legislative session. The fee is an essential step in creating a sustainable future for Hawaii, according to Governor Green.



International Air Transport Association's AGM

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi is scheduled to participate** in the International Air Transport Association IATA's 81st Annual General Meeting at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi.



- The **World Air Transport Summit will focus on key issues** facing the aviation industry, including the economics of the airline industry, air connectivity, energy security, sustainable aviation fuel production, financing decarbonization, and innovations, among others.
- In a statement, the **Prime Minister's office said that during the event**, leaders from around the world will get to witness India's remarkable transformation in the aviation **landscape and its contribution to the country's socio-economic**

development. The last annual general meeting of IATA was held 42 years ago in 1983.

National Florence Nightingale Awards 2025

- **President Droupadi Murmu conferred the National Florence Nightingale Awards 2025** to 15 distinguished nursing professionals during a ceremony at Rashtrapati Bhavan, recognizing their outstanding contributions to public health and community welfare.



- **The awards, instituted by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare,** honor Registered Nurses, Midwives, ANMs, and Lady Health Visitors across government and voluntary sectors for their compassion, resilience, and service.
- **Each awardee received a Certificate of Merit, a ₹1,00,000 cash prize,** and a medal, symbolizing the nation's appreciation for their dedicated efforts in strengthening healthcare delivery.

Sr No.	Category	Name	State
1	ANM	Smt. Reba Rani Sarkar	Andaman and Nicobar
2	ANM	Smt. Valiveti Subhavathi	Andhra Pradesh
3	ANM	Smt. Saroj Fakirbhai Patel	Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu
4	ANM	Smt. Raziya Beegum P B	Lakshadweep
5	ANM	Smt. Sujata Ashok Bagul	Maharashtra
6	LHV	Smt. Bina Pani Deka	Assam
7	Nurse	Smt. Kijum Sora Karga	Arunachal Pradesh
8	Nurse	Miss Dimple Arora	Delhi
9	Nurse	Maj Gen Sheena P D	Delhi
10	Nurse	Dr. Banu M R	Karnataka
11	Nurse	Smt. Leimapokpam Ranjita Devi	Manipur
12	Nurse	Smt. V Lalhmangaihi	Mizoram
13	Nurse	Smt. L S Manimozhi	Puducherry
14	Nurse	Smt. Alamelu Mangayarkarasi K	Tamil Nadu
15	Nurse	Smt. Doli Biswas	West Bengal

REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Who Launched The Ayush Suraksha Portal

- A. Prataprao Jadhav
- B. Harsh Vardhan
- C. Narendra Modi
- D. Rajnath Singh

ANSWER: A

2. How Many Nursing Professionals Honoured By President Droupadi Murmu With National Florence Nightingale Awards 2025

- A. 10
- B. 12
- C. 15
- D. 18

ANSWER: C

3. Tulare Lake, Is Located In Which U.S. State

- A. California
- B. Alaska
- C. Florida
- D. Texas

ANSWER: A

4. Scheme Launched To Enhance Connection Between Telecom Sector & Citizens

- A. Sanchar Mitra Scheme
- B. Bharat Bandhu Yojana
- C. Communications Internship Scheme
- D. Telecom Technology Development Fund

ANSWER: A

5. Birch Glacier, Is Located In Which Country

- A. Russia
- B. Switzerland
- C. Chile
- D. Argentina

ANSWER: B

6. Where Was South Asia's Largest Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) Launched

- A. Gujarat
- B. Telangana
- C. Delhi
- D. Kerala

ANSWER: C

7. Which Indian Para-athlete Set A New World Record In The Men's F42 Javelin Throw At The 2025 World Para Athletics Grand Prix

- A. Mahendra Gurjar
- B. Sumit Antil
- C. Navdeep Singh
- D. Devendra Jhajharia

ANSWER: B

8. Kalanamak Rice Or Buddha Rice, Is Mainly Grown In Which State

- A. Uttar Pradesh
- B. Gujarat
- C. Bihar
- D. Jharkhand

ANSWER: A

9. Where Was The First National Mediation Conference 2025 Inaugurated

- A. New Delhi
- B. Mumbai
- C. Hyderabad
- D. Chennai

ANSWER: A

10. Archaeological Survey Of India (ASI) Recently Found 11 Satavahana-era Inscriptions In Which State

- A. Maharashtra
- B. Karnataka
- C. Telangana
- D. Tamil Nadu

ANSWER: C

11. Tral Wildlife Sanctuary Is Located In Which State/UT

- A. Jammu and Kashmir
- B. Uttarakhand
- C. Delhi
- D. Himachal Pradesh

ANSWER: A

12. Which Ministry Has Launched Swachh Survekshan Grameen (SSG) 2025, India's Largest Rural Sanitation Survey

- A. Ministry of Rural Development
- B. Ministry of Panchayati Raj
- C. Ministry of Agriculture
- D. Ministry of Jal Shakti

ANSWER: D

13. What Is The Name Of The Campaign Launched To Empower Farmers By Accelerating Agricultural Transformation In India

- A. Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan
- B. Krishi Vikas Mission
- C. Annadata Empowerment Program
- D. None of the Above

ANSWER: A

14. What Is The Full Form Of ANKUR, The Initiative Launched By The Odisha

- A. Atal Network for Knowledge, Urbanisation and Reforms
- B. Advanced Network for Karnataka Urban Renewal
- C. Assam Network for Knowledge, Urban Reforms
- D. Atal National Key Urban Resources

ANSWER: A

15. Where Is The 17th Edition Of The 'Nomadic Elephant' Military Exercise Between India And Mongolia Being Held

- A. Umroi, Meghalaya
- B. Udampur
- C. Ulaanbaatar
- D. Tawang

ANSWER: C

16. When Is Hindi Journalism Day Celebrated Every Year

- A. 15th May
- B. 30th May
- C. 5th May
- D. 25th May

ANSWER: B

17. World No Tobacco Day Is Observed Every Year On Which Day

- A. May 28
- B. May 29
- C. May 30
- D. May 31

ANSWER: D

18. What Is The Theme Of World No Tobacco Day 2025

- A. Commit to Quit
- B. Tobacco: Threat to Our Environment
- C. Bright products. Dark intentions. Unmasking the Appeal
- D. Tobacco Breaks Hearts

ANSWER: C

19. Which Ministry Has Launched The Honorary Rank Promotion Scheme For Retiring Personnel Of Capfs And Assam Rifles

- A. Ministry of Defence
- B. Ministry of Home Affairs
- C. Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs
- D. Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions

ANSWER: B

20. Which among the following lakes makes the border tripoint of Kenya , Tanzania & Uganda

- A. Lake Turkana
- B. Lake Victoria
- C. Lake Tivu
- D. Lake Tanganyika

ANSWER: B