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## INDIA PROTESTS PAKISTAN'S GILGIT-BALTISTAN ELECTIONS

*Pakistan held Gilgit-Baltistan Assembly elections (24 seats) on June 7, 2026; India lodged a strong protest, reaffirming the region as an integral part of India.*

### Key Data

- India's stand: Gilgit-Baltistan, part of **PoJK**, is an **integral and inalienable part of India**; Pakistan must vacate it
- J&K acceded to India in **1947**; CPEC passes through Gilgit-Baltistan

### UPSC Angle

Core India-Pakistan and territorial-sovereignty theme. *Full deep-dive in today's edition.*

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#### GILGIT-BALTISTAN:

Part of PoJK; integral part of India (GoI stand)

CPEC runs through it; Shaksgam Valley ceded by Pakistan to China (1963)

## NORTH KOREA CALLS NUCLEAR STATUS NON-NEGOTIABLE

*North Korea, through Kim Yo Jong, declared its nuclear status irreversible and non-negotiable on June 7, 2026, ahead of Xi Jinping's visit to Pyongyang.*

### Key Data

- North Korea **withdrew from the NPT in 2003**
- NPT recognises 5 nuclear-weapon states: **US, Russia, UK, France, China**

- India, Pakistan, Israel are outside the NPT; India got an **NSG waiver in 2008**

### UPSC Angle

Signals stalled Korean Peninsula denuclearisation and China-DPRK realignment. *Full deep-dive in today's edition.*

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##### NON-PROLIFERATION:

NPT (1968); 5 recognised nuclear-weapon states

Six-Party Talks (defunct); IAEA is the nuclear watchdog

## WORLD FOOD SAFETY DAY AND INDIA'S VEGAN LOGO

*World Food Safety Day is observed on June 7, 2026 (theme "From burden to solutions: safe food everywhere"), as the FSSAI rolls out a standardised vegan logo.*

### Key Data

- WFSD: first observed **2019**; led by **WHO and FAO**
- International standards: **Codex Alimentarius Commission**
- FSSAI vegan logo: mandatory from **July 1, 2027**

### UPSC Angle

Links public health, consumer rights and food trade. *Full deep-dive in today's edition.*

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##### FOOD SAFETY:

FSSAI under the FSS Act, 2006 (Health Ministry)

WFSD: June 7; WHO and FAO

## SOUTH KOREA NOMINATES HAN SEONG-SOOK AS PM

*South Korean President Lee Jae-myung nominated former Naver CEO Han Seong-sook as Prime Minister on June 7, 2026, signalling a tech and AI-led agenda.*

### Key Data

- The President nominates the PM; the National Assembly confirms
- India-South Korea: **Special Strategic Partnership** (2015); India-Korea **CEPA** (2010)

### UPSC Angle

Reflects AI-led national strategy and scope for India-ROK tech ties. *Full deep-dive in today's edition.*

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##### INDIA-SOUTH KOREA:

Special Strategic Partnership (2015)

Part of India's Act East Policy

## PRAGGNANANDHAA WINS NORWAY CHESS

*R. Praggnanandhaa became the first Indian to win Norway Chess, completing victory in Stavanger.*

### Key Data

- First Indian to win **Norway Chess** (2026)
- Part of India's young GM wave with **D. Gukesh** (youngest World Champion, 2024) and Arjun Erigaisi
- India won **double gold** at the 2024 Chess Olympiad (Budapest)

### UPSC Angle

India's emergence as a global chess power. *Full deep-dive in today's edition.*

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##### INDIA CHESS:

Praggnanandhaa: first Indian to win Norway Chess

Viswanathan Anand: India's first GM (1988)

## JAN SAMARTH PORTAL COMPLETES 4 YEARS

*The Jan Samarth Portal, India's single-window platform for credit-linked government schemes, completed four years (launched June 2022).*

### Key Data

- Over **54 lakh applications** worth about Rs 3,00,951 crore facilitated
- Integrated with AgriStack, UDYAM and credit bureaus

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#### JAN SAMARTH:

Single-window portal for credit-linked central schemes (2022)

e-governance and financial inclusion

## UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL TO OPEN BENGALURU CAMPUS

*The University of Liverpool received approval to set up a campus in Bengaluru, among the first UK Russell Group universities to open in South India, with the first intake expected in September 2026.*

### Key Data

- Enabled by **NEP 2020** and UGC regulations for foreign universities in India
- First intake: September 2026

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#### FOREIGN UNIVERSITIES IN INDIA:

Enabled by NEP 2020 + UGC (Foreign Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations 2023

Aim: internationalisation of higher education

## PERSONS IN NEWS

### Salim Kumar, National Award-Winning Malayalam Actor, Passes Away

*Salim Kumar, the National Award-winning Malayalam actor, passed away on June 6, 2026, aged 56.*

- Won the **National Film Award for Best Actor (2010)** for *Adaminte Makan Abu*, which was India's official entry to the Oscars that year
- A prolific actor known across hundreds of Malayalam films

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##### **SALIM KUMAR:**

National Award Best Actor (2010), *Adaminte Makan Abu*

National Film Awards instituted 1954

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### FACTS CORNER, ALL ITEMS

#### INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS:

Pakistan held Gilgit-Baltistan Assembly polls (24 seats) June 7; India protested. GB is part of PoJK and integral to India; J&K acceded 1947; Pakistan must vacate; CPEC and the Shaksgam Valley (ceded to China, 1963) make it strategically central

North Korea (Kim Yo Jong) called its nuclear status non-negotiable, ahead of Xi's Pyongyang visit; DPRK withdrew from NPT (2003); NPT nuclear-weapon states: US, Russia, UK, France, China; India outside NPT, NSG waiver 2008

South Korea nominated Han Seong-sook (ex-Naver CEO) as PM; India-ROK Special Strategic Partnership (2015)

#### SOCIAL ISSUES / HEALTH:

World Food Safety Day (June 7; theme "From burden to solutions: safe food everywhere"); led by WHO and FAO; FSSAI vegan logo mandatory from July 1, 2027; FSSAI under FSS Act 2006

#### ECONOMY / GOVERNANCE:

Jan Samarth Portal 4 years; single-window for credit-linked central schemes

University of Liverpool to open a Bengaluru campus under NEP 2020 internationalisation

#### PERSONS / SPORTS:

R. Praggnanandhaa: first Indian to win Norway Chess; India won 2024 Chess Olympiad double gold

Salim Kumar (Malayalam actor, National Award Best Actor 2010) passed away June 6

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