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A roundup of the key current affairs for July 4, 2026, covering the items not taken up as separate deep-dive articles.

CCEA CLEARS TWO HIGHWAY PROJECTS WORTH RS 14,114 CRORE

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs approved two road projects worth about Rs 14,114.81 crore to ease congestion and boost logistics.

Key Points

- The **Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA)**, chaired by the Prime Minister, cleared a four to six-lane **greenfield** (<https://ujyari.com/vocab/greenfield/>) highway between **Kanpur and Kabrai** in Uttar Pradesh (about 117.7 km, Rs 7,145.14 crore) and a **six-lane road tunnel** on NH-148AE in Delhi (from the Dwarka Expressway to Nelson Mandela Marg near Vasant Kunj, about 8.1 km, Rs 6,969.67 crore).
- The Delhi tunnel is to be built on the **Hybrid Annuity Mode (HAM)**, a public-private financing model.
- Both projects are aligned with the **PM GatiShakti** National Master Plan for **multimodal** (<https://ujyari.com/vocab/multimodal/>) connectivity.

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Total outlay: Rs 14,114.81 crore across two projects.

CCEA: chaired by the Prime Minister; approves major economic and infrastructure proposals.

HAM: Hybrid Annuity Mode blends public funding (40 per cent) with private investment (60 per cent).

NAMERI TIGER RESERVE RECORDS A FOUR-FOLD RISE IN TIGERS

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The Nameri Tiger Reserve in Assam recorded a rise from 3 tigers in 2022 to 12 by the end of 2025, with tigers returning to the Sonai-Rupai sanctuary.

Key Points

- **Nameri Tiger Reserve**, in Sonitpur district on the Assam-Arunachal border along the Jia Bharali (Kameng) river, saw its tiger count validated by the **Wildlife Institute of India (WII)**.
- Tigers returned to the **Sonai-Rupai Wildlife Sanctuary**, a satellite core of Nameri from which they had been locally absent since the early 2000s.
- India runs tiger conservation through **Project Tiger** (launched 1973) and the statutory (<https://ujjiyari.com/vocab/statutory/>) **National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA)**.

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Nameri: tiger reserve in Assam; count rose from 3 (2022) to 12 (2025).

WII: Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun, validates tiger estimation.

NTCA: statutory body under the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 (<https://ujjiyari.com/legislation/wildlife-protection-act-1972/>); Project Tiger since 1973.

WEST BENGAL GETS 7 NEW GI TAGS

West Bengal received 7 new Geographical Indication (<https://ujjiyari.com/terms/geographical-indication/>) tags, adding traditional sweets, produce and handloom products to its roster.

Key Points

- A **Geographical Indication (GI)** identifies goods originating from a specific place and possessing qualities or a reputation due to that origin.
- The seven new tags include **Nolen Gurer Sandesh, Baruipur guava, Kamarpukur White Bonde, Murshidabad Chhanabora, Bishnupur Motichur Laddoo, Radhunipagal rice and Malda Nistari silk yarn**.
- GI is administered under the **Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration and Protection) Act, 1999**, and the GI Registry is located at **Chennai**; India's first GI tag was granted to **Darjeeling Tea**.

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GI Act: Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration and Protection) Act, 1999.

GI Registry: Chennai; India's first GI was Darjeeling Tea; a GI is valid for 10 years and is renewable.

West Bengal: 7 new GI tags, including Nolen Gurer Sandesh and Baruipur guava.

ADB APPROVES USD 182.89 MILLION FOR KARNATAKA SCHOOL CLUSTERS

The Asian Development Bank approved USD 182.89 million to set up 500 integrated school clusters in Karnataka.

Key Points

- The **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** loan will fund 500 integrated school clusters benefiting over 1 million students, supporting the **school-complex and cluster** vision of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.
- The ADB is headquartered in **Manila, the Philippines**, was founded in 1966, and India is a founding member and one of its largest borrowers.

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ADB: headquarters Manila; founded 1966; India a founding member.

Loan: USD 182.89 million for 500 school clusters in Karnataka.

NEP 2020: recommended school complexes and clusters for resource sharing.

AIR MARSHAL ASHUTOSH DIXIT IS NEW IAF VICE CHIEF

Air Marshal Ashutosh Dixit assumed charge as the 51st Vice Chief of the Air Staff of the Indian Air Force.

Key Points

- The **Vice Chief of the Air Staff (VCAS)** is the second-highest post in the **Indian Air Force (IAF)**, which is headed by the Chief of the Air Staff.
- The tri-service head of the armed forces is the **Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)**.

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VCAS: second-highest post in the IAF; Air Marshal Ashutosh Dixit is the 51st.

IAF head: Chief of the Air Staff.

CDS: Chief of Defence Staff heads the tri-service structure.

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CCEA highways: Rs 14,114.81 crore; Kanpur-Kabrai and Delhi NH-148AE tunnel (HAM); PM GatiShakti.

Nameri: Assam tiger reserve; 3 (2022) to 12 (2025); validated by WII; NTCA and Project Tiger (1973).

West Bengal GI: 7 new tags (Nolen Gurer Sandesh, Baruipur guava and more); GI Act 1999; Registry at Chennai.

ADB: USD 182.89 million for 500 Karnataka school clusters; HQ Manila, founded 1966.

IAF: Air Marshal Ashutosh Dixit, 51st Vice Chief of the Air Staff.

Sources: Press Information Bureau (<https://pib.gov.in>), Asian Development Bank (<https://adb.org>), National Tiger Conservation Authority (<https://ntca.gov.in>)

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