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National Affairs

- **India's Manufacturing Growth Slows**

India's manufacturing sector saw a decline in growth for December 2024, with the PMI dropping to 56.4. Despite this, strong job growth is expected in the sector.

Reference: [Reuters](#)

- **SAIL Receives 'Great Place to Work' Certification**

Steel Authority of India Ltd (SAIL) has been awarded the 'Great Place to Work' certification for 2025-26 after an extensive survey.

Reference: [PendulumEdu](#)

- **PM Modi to Inaugurate New Mumbai Airport Terminal**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the new terminal at Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport, designed to handle millions of passengers annually.

Reference: [News18](#)

- **India to Launch First Smart City in Jammu and Kashmir**

Jammu and Kashmir will soon witness the development of its first 'Smart City' aimed at boosting urban infrastructure and improving quality of life for residents.

Reference: [Times of India](#)

International Affairs

- **India and Pakistan Exchange Nuclear Assets Lists**

India and Pakistan exchanged nuclear assets lists as part of their annual practice under a 1988 pact.

Reference: [AP News](#)

- **USA Rejoins Paris Climate Agreement**

The United States formally rejoined the Paris Climate Agreement under President Joe Biden's administration.

Reference: [BBC](#)

- **UK Launches Global AI Safety Plan**

The UK government launched a new initiative focusing on the safe development and deployment of artificial intelligence, aimed at fostering innovation while minimizing risks.

Reference: [Reuters](#)

Science and Technology

- **India Develops Ultra-Efficient Supercapacitor**

Scientists from IIT Kanpur have developed a highly efficient supercapacitor that promises breakthroughs in energy storage technologies.

Reference: *IIT Kanpur*

- **NASA's Mars Rover Makes Groundbreaking Discovery**

NASA's Perseverance rover has discovered organic compounds on Mars, hinting at the possibility of ancient life.

Reference: [NASA](#)

- **India to Launch Quantum Satellite**

India is preparing to launch a quantum satellite to enhance secure communication across the country.

Reference: *Times of India*

Economy

- **India Reports Record GST Collection**

India's Goods and Services Tax (GST) revenue hit an all-time high of ₹1.60 lakh crore in December 2024, marking a significant recovery in tax collection.

Reference: *Economic Times*

- **India Becomes World's 5th Largest Economy**

India surpassed the UK to become the world's fifth-largest economy as of the end of 2024.

Reference: *Bloomberg*

Sports

- **ICC to Introduce New World Cup Format in 2025**

The International Cricket Council announced a new, expanded format for the ICC World Cup, starting from 2025, which will involve more teams and be played over a longer period.

Reference: *ICC*

Environment

- **India to Launch National Green Hydrogen Mission**

India is set to launch the National Green Hydrogen Mission to reduce carbon emissions and promote sustainable energy.

Reference: *The Hindu*

- **India's First Coastal Wetland Conservation Site Approved**

India has approved its first coastal wetland conservation site in the Sundarbans, aiming to protect biodiversity and combat rising sea levels.

Reference: *NDTV*

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