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- Five members of Hindu Sena were detained for allegedly vandalising Hyderabad MP Asaduddin Owaisi's Ashoka Road residence in Delhi, officials said.
- Rain lashed some parts of Delhi following which few areas witnessed waterlogging and traffic snarls. The Safdarjung Observatory recorded 3.6 mm of rainfall till 5.30 pm.
- UP government will set up an electronic park in the Yamuna Expressway Industrial Development Authority area near Jewar Airport, Yeida CEO Arunvir Singh said.
- Adani Group on Tuesday said its "role is limited to running the port" after 3,000 kilograms of heroin from Afghanistan, worth around ₹20,000 crore, was seized at Gujarat's Mundra Port.
- The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued an 'Orange' alert in Delhi for Wednesday. An 'Orange' alert is issued as a warning for extremely bad weather with a possibility of waterlogging and traffic disruption.
- Amending over a 50-year-old rule, Centre has allowed IAS, IPS and IFoS officers to retain gifts received from foreign dignitaries while being members of the Indian delegation.
- Customs officials at Mangaluru International Airport seized 293.620 grams of gold worth ₹13,88,823 from a male passenger.
- The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has initiated a money laundering probe into the seizure of 3,000 kg heroin from Afghanistan estimated to be worth ₹21,000 crore from Gujarat's Mundra Port, reports said.
- Gujarat, Kerala and Tamil Nadu have topped the list of large states in State Food Safety Index 2020-21, released by FSSAI.
- Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal on Tuesday filed his nomination for the upcoming Rajva Sabha bypolls from Assam. He was accompanied by Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma.
- In a policy framed for spas and massage centres, the East Delhi Municipal Corporation (EDMC) has banned cross-gender massage.
- The CEO of Zoho Corporation Sridhar Vembu shared pictures of his encounter with a 12-feet-long King Cobra.



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- The Indian government will not buy COVID-19 shots from Pfizer and Moderna, Reuters reported on Tuesday citing three government sources.
- Amid a row over UK's rules mandating fully vaccinated Indians to undergo quarantine, Covishield maker SII's CEO Adar Poonawalla called for "harmonising vaccine certification" on priority.
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- Google on Tuesday announced that it intends to buy a New York City office building for \$2.1 billion.
- Amazon clarified that for the year ended March 31, 2020, the legal fee it paid was ₹52 crore from the total legal and professional expenses of ₹1,967 crore.
- Johnson & Johnson on Tuesday announced new data saving that a booster shot of its COVID-19 vaccine provided 94% protection against COVID-19 in the US if administered two months after the first dose.
- A drone footage showed lava from Spanish Canary Islands' La Palma volcano seeps into a swimming pool and destroying several houses on its way to the coast.
- Paris' iconic Arc de Triomphe monument has been wrapped in a shimmery fabric as part of an art installation titled 'L'Arc de Triomphe, Wrapped'.
- COVID-19 is now officially US' deadliest pandemic, surpassing the estimated US fatalities from the 1918-19 influenza pandemic.
- Amid tensions with China, US President Joe Biden told the UN General Assembly (UNGA) that America isn't "seeking a new Cold War".
- Taliban on Tuesday announced a list of deputy ministers and once again did not name any woman.
- A 20-year-old cashier at a petrol station in Germany was shot dead by a customer after a dispute between them over the use of a mask.
- China's Harbin city has ordered spas and cinemas to shut to prevent COVID-19 spread in poorly ventilated spaces, state media.
- El Salvador's President Nayib Bukele changed his Twitter bio to read "the coolest dictator in the world", apparently in response to last week's protest against him by thousands of neonle





