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➤ 813th Urs of Hazrat Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti Begins

The 813th Urs of Sufi saint Hazrat Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti has begun, marking an important religious and cultural event. This year, the customary flag ceremony is scheduled for , December, 2024, at the Dargah Khwaja Saheb in Ajmer. The annual Urs, commemorating the death anniversary of the revered saint, is a significant occasion for devotees, with festivities and prayers held at the saint's tomb.



➤ Sauraha Hosts 18th Elephant Festival

Nestled in Sauraha, Chitwan, Nepal, the 18th Elephant and Tourism Festival is captivating both local and international visitors. Hosted at the Baghmara Intermediate Community Forest near the renowned Chitwan National Park, this five-day event aligns with New Year and Christmas celebrations.



The festival concludes on December 2024, serving as a vital driver for tourism in the region with its diverse and unique attractions.

➤ Gujarat CM Launches SWAR Platform to Bridge Language Barriers

On December 2024, marking Good Governance Day, Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel launched the SWAR (Speech and Written Analysis Resource) platform, aiming to enhance communication and accessibility for citizens by overcoming language barriers. This citizen-centric initiative aligns with the state's continuous efforts to improve ease of living. The platform, developed in collaboration with the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology's Bhashini Team, leverages artificial intelligence (AI) to make government services more inclusive.





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➤ Sikkim's Kagyed Dance Festival

The Kagyed Chaam Dance Festival, one of Sikkim's most revered Buddhist celebrations, is held annually at Tsuklakhang Palace in Gangtok. Marked by elaborate masked dances performed by Buddhist monks and lamas, the festival symbolizes the destruction of negative forces and the ushering in of peace and prosperity for the new year.



➤ Haryana Hikes DCRG Limit by 25%

The Haryana government, under Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini, has made several significant decisions to enhance employee benefits, improve governance, and address public concerns. The decisions were announced after a state cabinet meeting, including increases in gratuity limits, updates to development charges policies, and reforms in public service exams.



➤ Indian Army Unveils Chhatrapati Shivaji Statue at Pangong Tso

The Indian Army has unveiled a statue of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj at Pangong Tso in Ladakh, marking a significant strategic and cultural assertion near the India-China border. Installed by the Fire and Fury Corps on December, 2024, the statue celebrates the Maratha king's legacy of valor and foresight.



While this move reinforces India's position along the Line of Actual Control (LAC), it has also stirred local debates about cultural relevance, consultation, and ecological concerns.





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➤ **Deloitte Projects Indian Economy to Grow at 6.5-6.8% in FY25**

The Indian economy is projected to grow at 6.5-6.8% in FY2025, driven by domestic consumption, infrastructure development, and digitisation, according to Deloitte India. Growth is expected to rise further to 6.7-7.3% in FY2026. However, challenges such as geopolitical tensions, trade disputes, and global liquidity constraints may weigh on the long-term outlook. Deloitte highlighted India's resilience in services, manufacturing exports, and stable capital markets, which could offset global uncertainties and support economic growth.

