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1. A state of emergency has been declared across the country as Typhoon Kalmaegi, which hit the Philippines hard, has killed 114 people in the central provinces.
2. With the aim of ensuring peace on the border between Pakistan and Afghanistan, representatives from both countries began the next round of talks in Turkey.
3. Indian para-athlete Sheetal Devi has qualified for the 3rd stage of the Asia Cup Archery to be held in Saudi Arabia. She has become the first Indian athlete with a disability to compete in a non-para regular competition.
4. The 4th annual event (4.0) of the Kashi–Tamil Sangam, celebrating the ancient civilizational and cultural ties between Tamil Nadu and Kashi (Varanasi), the renowned spiritual city of Uttar Pradesh, begins on December 2.
5. India has rescued 270 Indians trapped in an online fraud ring operating in Myanmar. They are returning home in two military aircraft.
 - i. Last month, 1,500 people from 28 countries, including 500 Indians, escaped from a raid on an internet fraud center operating in K.K. Park in Myawaddy, Myanmar. They crossed the Myanmar border and went to the Thai town of Mae Sot. From there, the Indian embassy in Bangkok posted on social media that, in the first phase, two special military aircraft of the Air Force brought back 270 Indians, including 26 women, to India.
6. The Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal expressed confidence that negotiations for a free trade agreement between India and New Zealand have intensified and that the deal will be finalized soon.
7. The Minister Piyush Goyal sang the National Song 'Vande Mataram' with the Indian community in Rotorua (New Zealand) to mark the 150th anniversary of its composition.
 - i. Written in 1875 by Bengali poet Bankim Chandra Chatterjee, the first famous public performance of this song was done by Rabindranath Tagore in Kolkata in 1896.
8. Tamil Nadu has insisted at the Cauvery Water Management Commission meeting held in Delhi that Karnataka should release 13.78 TMC of water to Tamil Nadu in November as per the Supreme Court order.
 - i. The Supreme Court delivered its verdict in the Cauvery river water sharing dispute between Tamil Nadu and Karnataka in 2018. Through that ruling, the Supreme Court determined how much water Karnataka should release to Tamil Nadu in which months.
 - ii. The Supreme Court set up two bodies, the Cauvery Water Management Authority and the Cauvery Water Regulatory Commission, to implement the judgment and monitor water distribution. Accordingly, these two bodies meet from time to time and issue orders in accordance with the Supreme Court's verdict regarding the sharing of Cauvery river water.
9. The Golden Jubilee of the Tamil Nadu Iyal Isai Nataka Mandram will be held soon under the patronage of Chief Minister M.K. Stalin, said Vijaya Thayanpan, Member-Secretary of

the Mandram. The two-day Tamilisai Festival for the year 2025-2026 has begun at the Government Music College, Chennai. Tamil Nadu Iyal Saai Natakamana Member - Secretary Vijaya Thayanpan inaugurated the festival by lighting the lamp and said:

- i. The Chennai College of Music, founded with the help of music genius P. Sambamoorthy, functioned as the Central Carnatic Music College in 1949. The Silver Jubilee of this college was celebrated in 1974 under the patronage of the then Chief Minister Karunanidhi. It was then that the college was shifted to the 'Bridge House' building in Adyar and renamed as 'Tamil Nadu Government College of Music'. This British 'Bridgehouse' is currently operating under a new name, 'Tendral'.
 - ii. Similarly, the organization that was called Tamil Nadu Sangeetha Nataka Sangam was renamed as Tamil Nadu Iyal Isai Nataka Mandram by former Chief Minister Karunanidhi. He said that a 'Golden Jubilee' will soon be held for this forum under the leadership of Chief Minister M.K. Stalin.
10. The Enforcement Directorate has frozen assets worth Rs.11.14 crore belonging to former Indian cricket team players Suresh Raina and Shikhar Dhawan in connection with the illegal betting app case.
- i. Various online gambling apps, including the app '1X Bet', have illegally handled crores of rupees in investments and money collected from customers. They have illegally earned crores of rupees from the public in the name of sports and betting. The Enforcement Directorate is investigating the money laundering case related to this.
 - ii. Online betting apps have been used by 220 million people in India. Of these, 110 million people have lost money by betting on these apps every day. Many have committed suicide due to this.
 - iii. The 'Online Games Development and Regulation Bill-2025', which was introduced with the aim of preventing financial fraud, money laundering crimes and financial loss to the people, was passed in Parliament last September.