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WORLD BANK AND BHUTAN LAUNCH \$515 MILLION DORJILUNG HYDROPOWER PROJECT

The World Bank and Bhutan partnered on the \$515 million Dorjilung Hydropower Project aimed at enhancing clean energy generation and economic growth.

Discussions focused on sustainable development, energy security, climate resilience, infrastructure financing, and strengthening Bhutan's renewable energy sector while expanding regional energy connectivity and long-term economic opportunities.



CHINA CONFIRMS SUPPORT FOR PAKISTAN DURING INDIA-PAKISTAN CONFLICT

China publicly acknowledged providing support to Pakistan during the previous year's conflict with India. The statement highlighted the strategic nature of China-Pakistan relations and reinforced Beijing's commitment to bilateral cooperation. Discussions focused on regional security, strategic partnerships, military coordination, and the broader geopolitical implications for South Asian stability.



SCO MEMBERS DISCUSS REGIONAL SECURITY AND MULTILATERAL COOPERATION

The Shanghai Cooperation Organisation convened discussions focusing on regional security, counterterrorism cooperation, economic integration, and multilateral engagement. Member states reaffirmed commitments to strengthening regional stability, addressing transnational challenges, enhancing connectivity, and promoting cooperative frameworks aimed at fostering peace, development, and security across the Eurasian region.



AFGHANISTAN ACCUSES PAKISTAN OF CROSS-BORDER CIVILIAN KILLINGS

Afghanistan accused Pakistan of conducting attacks that resulted in civilian casualties and described the incidents as violations of international norms. Discussions focused on border security, civilian protection, bilateral tensions, and accountability mechanisms. The allegations highlighted continuing security challenges and strained relations between the neighbouring countries.



MYANMAR PRESIDENT BEGINS OFFICIAL VISIT TO INDIA

Myanmar's President U Min Aung Hlaing arrived in India on a five-day official visit aimed at strengthening bilateral relations. Discussions were expected to focus on connectivity projects, border security, trade cooperation, regional stability, and engagement within regional frameworks, reflecting the strategic importance of India-Myanmar relations.



INDONESIA CLARIFIES POSITION ON US AIRSPACE ACCESS DISCUSSIONS

Indonesia stated that while it had signed a letter of intent with the United States, it made no binding commitment regarding airspace access arrangements.

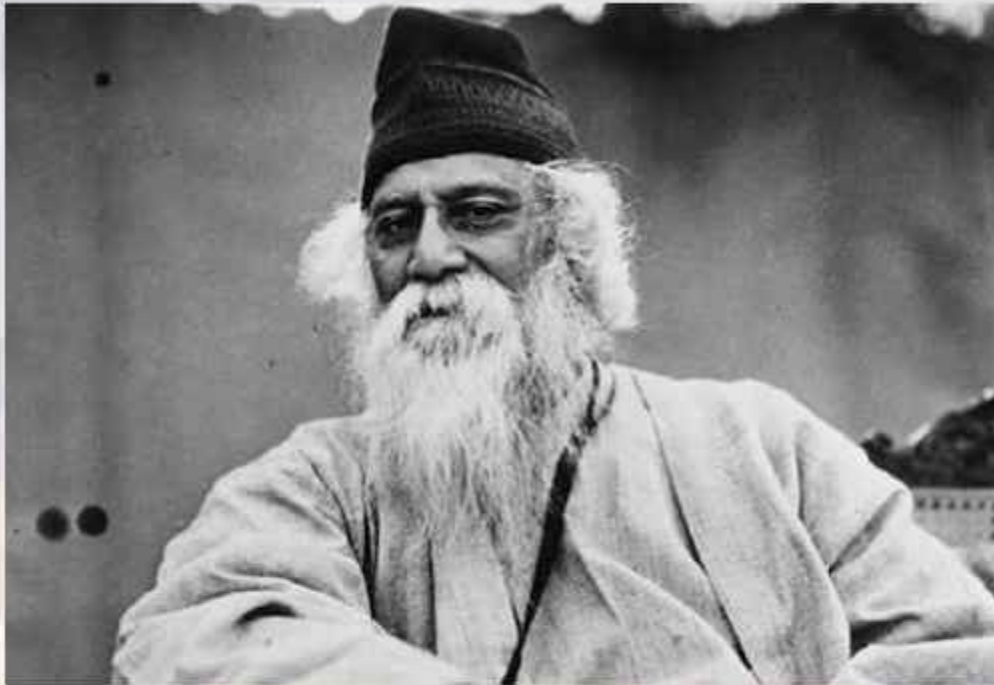
Discussions centred on defence cooperation, sovereignty concerns, strategic autonomy, and regional security considerations, reflecting Jakarta's cautious approach towards major power engagement in Southeast Asia.



THAILAND SEEKS ENHANCED TOURISM COOPERATION WITH ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS

Thailand's Consul General held discussions with the Lieutenant Governor of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands on promoting tourism and connectivity. Talks focused on enhancing travel links, cultural exchanges, economic cooperation, and strengthening maritime and people-to-people connections between Thailand and India's strategically important island territories.





BANGLADESH CELEBRATES RABINDRANATH TAGORE'S 165TH BIRTH ANNIVERSARY

Bangladesh observed the 165th birth anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore through nationwide cultural programmes and tributes. Events highlighted Tagore's enduring contributions to literature, music, and cultural identity. Discussions emphasized preserving shared cultural heritage, promoting artistic traditions, and strengthening people-to-people connections across South Asia through literary and cultural engagement.



MALDIVES AND EUROPEAN UNION SIGN MANGROVE PROTECTION AGREEMENT

The Maldives and the European Union signed a financing agreement supporting community-based mangrove protection and environmental conservation initiatives. Discussions focused on climate resilience, biodiversity preservation, sustainable livelihoods, and ecosystem restoration. The partnership highlights growing cooperation on environmental sustainability and climate adaptation in vulnerable island communities.



MEMBERS OF 18TH TIBETAN PARLIAMENT-IN-EXILE TAKE OATH OF OFFICE

Members of the 18th Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile were formally sworn into office, marking the beginning of a new parliamentary term. The ceremony underscored the continued functioning of Tibetan democratic institutions in exile and highlighted commitments to governance, representation, cultural preservation, and advocacy for Tibetan rights and identity.



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