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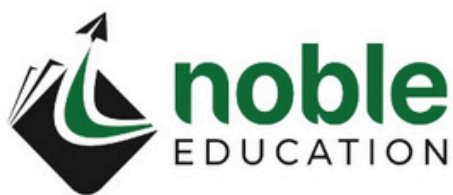


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EDITOR'S NOTE

The world is entering a period of profound transformation, where trade, diplomacy, conflict, energy and human connections are increasingly shaping one another. From shifting alliances to economic pressures and regional tensions, the decisions being made today are influencing nations and communities across borders. This edition of National Times brings together stories that reflect some of these defining developments.

Canada finds itself at the heart of a changing global conversation. As Prime Minister Mark Carney faces mounting pressure over tariffs and trade relations with Washington, the possibility of a wider "trade war" highlights the economic and political challenges confronting the country. At the same time, Punjab and Canada remain connected by people, migration, enterprise and opportunity, creating a relationship that extends well beyond government-to-government ties.

Our focus also turns to India and its expanding role in the international order as the country hosts the BRICS Summit 2026. Against the backdrop of a rapidly changing global landscape, India's engagement with emerging powers reflects its growing influence and ambition to help shape the international agenda. Meanwhile, the continuing Iran conflict and resulting oil shock demonstrate how quickly a regional crisis can affect energy markets, trade and economies around the world.

Closer to home, Lake Ontario represents a story of both change and continuity. Its relationship with Canada's largest city and surrounding communities has evolved over generations while remaining an enduring part of the country's identity. Together, these stories offer a window into a world being reshaped by uncertainty, ambition and interdependence—where the forces influencing our present are also defining the possibilities of our future.



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MARK CARNEY FACES TARIFF TEST AS WASHINGTON MOCKS CANADA'S 'TRADE WAR' WARNING

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Washington may reject the words “trade war,” but for Canadians facing the possibility of higher prices, business uncertainty and job pressures, the economic confrontation with the United States is becoming increasingly real.

U.S. Trade Representative Jamieson Greer has dismissed Canada's description of the escalating tariff dispute as a “trade war,” calling the terminology “unhinged.” His comments come as Ottawa and Washington continue imposing tariffs and countermeasures on goods moving across one of the world's most integrated economic borders.

Canada's latest counter-tariffs took effect September 8, covering about **\$27.6 billion worth of U.S. goods**, with measures ranging from 15% to 50% on selected products and materials. Washington has responded with additional measures affecting selected Canadian dairy products, alcoholic beverages and motorcycles, further increasing uncertainty for Canadian exporters.

For Canadians, however, the argument over terminology is secondary. The real concern is what the dispute could do to household budgets. Tariffs increase costs somewhere along the supply chain, and businesses must ultimately decide whether to absorb those costs, change suppliers or pass some of them on to customers. That could put additional pressure on prices for food, household products, vehicles, repairs and other goods connected to cross-border trade.

The impact could extend beyond shopping bills. Canada's manufacturing, agriculture, energy, metals and food industries are deeply connected to the U.S. economy. If tariffs make Canadian products more expensive for American customers, Canadian companies could face weaker demand, reduced production, delayed investment and slower hiring. For workers and families

whose incomes depend on these industries, that is a far more serious concern than a political argument over terminology.

Small businesses could also find themselves caught in the middle. Unlike large corporations, many smaller Canadian companies have limited room to absorb sudden increases in supply, transportation and operating costs. Some may have to raise prices, reduce expenses or delay expansion simply to protect their margins. The dispute is also exposing Canada's long-standing dependence on the U.S. market. Diversifying trade is increasingly being discussed as a way to reduce that vulnerability, but finding new customers, establishing supply chains and meeting different regulatory requirements cannot happen overnight.

Ottawa has defended its countermeasures as necessary to protect Canadian workers and businesses and has announced financial support for sectors affected by U.S. tariffs. But government assistance can cushion the impact only to a point. The longer the confrontation continues, the greater the challenge of protecting jobs while preventing additional pressure on household costs.

Washington can debate whether the phrase “trade war” is appropriate. Canadians will judge the situation differently. They will judge it by the price of groceries, the cost of vehicles and household goods, the health of local businesses and, most importantly, whether Canadian workers continue to have secure jobs. The bottom line for Canadians is simple: this is no longer just a dispute about tariffs or political language. It is a test of Canada's economic resilience. If the confrontation continues to escalate, the real price could be paid not in government statements, but by Canadian families through higher costs, businesses through lost opportunities and workers through growing job uncertainty.



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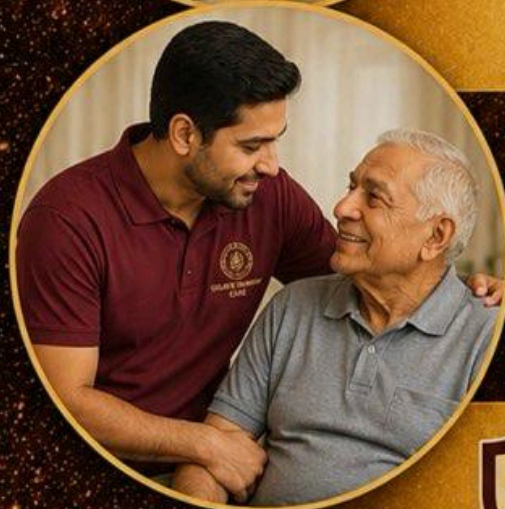
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LINDA ANNIS: A CAMPAIGN FOCUSED ON THE CHOICES SHAPING SURREY'S FUTURE

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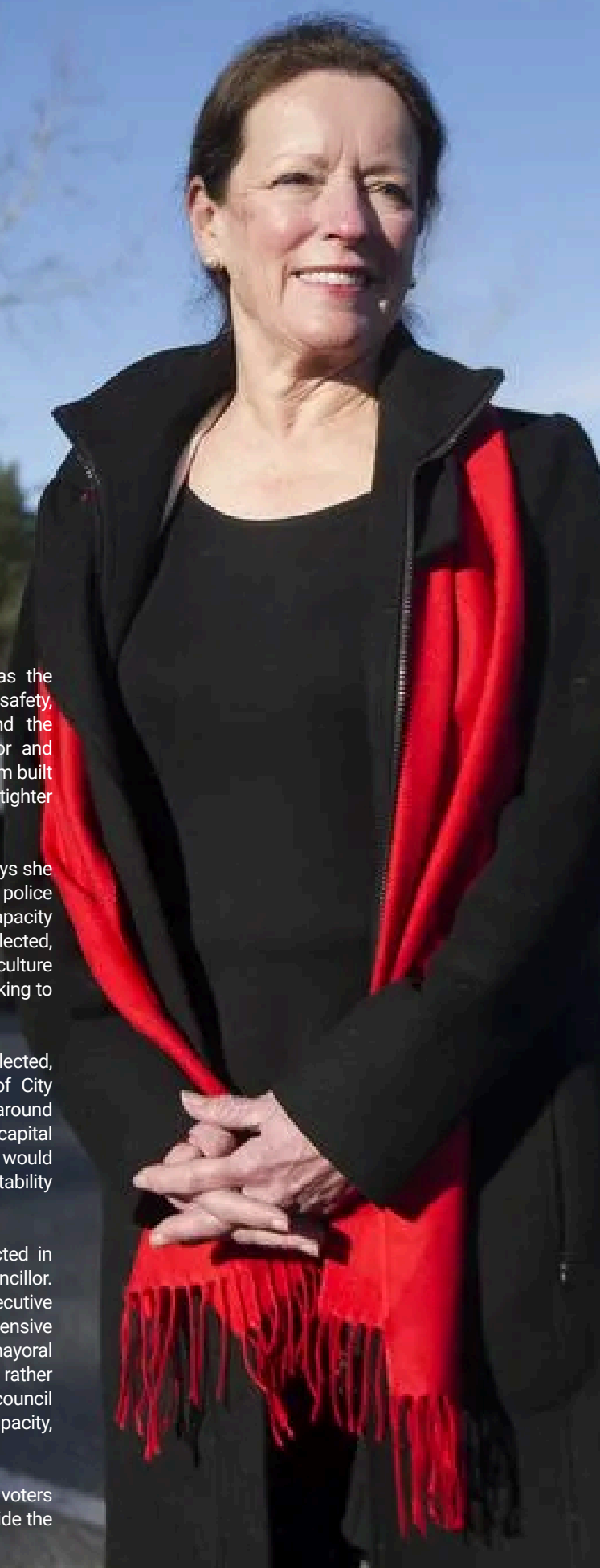
Surrey is entering a consequential municipal election as the rapidly growing city faces questions about public safety, economic expansion, infrastructure, taxpayer costs and the future direction of City Hall. Into that debate, Councillor and mayoral candidate Linda Annis is putting forward a platform built around stronger policing, ambitious economic growth, tighter financial accountability and greater transparency.

Among her most prominent proposals, if elected, Annis says she would seek to add up to 300 police officers and pursue a police training facility in Surrey, subject to funding, recruitment capacity and required approvals. She has also proposed that, if elected, her administration would work toward tripling Surrey's agriculture and food-processing sector during its first term, while seeking to attract investment, support businesses and create jobs.

Taxpayer accountability is another central theme. If elected, Annis says she would seek a comprehensive review of City programs and spending, along with greater transparency around municipal expenses, senior compensation and major capital projects. She has also said that, if given a mandate, she would seek stronger Surrey representation and greater accountability within Metro Vancouver.

First elected to Surrey City Council in 2018 and re-elected in 2022, Annis has served two consecutive terms as a councillor. Her municipal experience, public-safety work as Executive Director of Metro Vancouver Crime Stoppers and extensive community involvement form the foundation of her mayoral campaign. The proposals remain campaign commitments rather than guaranteed outcomes and would depend on council decisions, budgets, government approvals, recruitment capacity, economic conditions and private-sector participation.

With the October 17, 2026 election approaching, Surrey voters will ultimately decide which vision and priorities should guide the city through its next term.





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DOUG FORD DRAFTS CABINET FOR ECONOMIC FIGHT AS TRUMP TARIFFS PUT ONTARIO ECONOMY UNDER PRESSURE

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Premier Doug Ford has carried out a significant cabinet overhaul aimed at repositioning Ontario for what he warns will be a prolonged economic conflict with Washington. The provincial government unveiled the restructuring to frame the changes around protecting domestic supply chains, businesses, and industrial workers. This dramatic shift follows a steep escalation in cross-border trade friction, marked by heavy retaliatory tariffs and strict new U.S. import restrictions on major Canadian goods. Ford emphasized that Ontario must prepare for a long-term fight to protect regional jobs, secure the local economy, and adapt to a volatile global marketplace.

To counter these mounting trade pressures, Queen's Park is heavily embracing technology by creating a brand-new cabinet role focused on artificial intelligence adoption to boost industrial automation. Simultaneously, the province is expanding its financial safety net by broadening the eligibility criteria for the Protect Ontario Financing Program. This initiative allows businesses and supply chain entities battered by international tariffs to access much-needed loan relief. In public remarks following the announcement, Ford strongly defended Canada's decision to walk away from a failed trade pact, explicitly calling the proposed deal terrible for the domestic economy and openly declaring that the current administration in Washington is not reliable.

The cabinet shuffle also served to fill recent vacancies in the Progressive Conservative caucus while addressing brewing internal controversies. Most notably, minister David Piccini was shifted out of the high-profile Labour file into the Infrastructure portfolio. Ford defended the reassignment as a natural transition, despite Piccini facing intense public scrutiny over an active provincial integrity investigation regarding the potential mishandling of training funds. While key figures like the Finance and Health ministers retained their current portfolios to ensure stability, opposition leaders have already condemned the overall expansion of the cabinet, calling the government's response bloated and arguing that the relief programs still fall short for average workers.



ALBERTA ENERGY RESET: SMITH WELCOMES OTTAWA SHIFT BUT DEMANDS MORE

Alberta is pushing for a new energy deal with Ottawa, one that could reshape how major oil and power projects are approved, expand access to global markets and unlock billions in potential investment.

Premier Danielle Smith is welcoming Ottawa's decision to remove in situ oilsands facilities and fossil-fuel-fired power projects from the federal Project List under the Impact Assessment Act, calling it progress on long-standing provincial concerns. But Alberta is making clear that it wants faster approvals, greater regulatory certainty, expanded energy production and new export routes. The federal change comes as Ottawa and Edmonton pursue a broader energy partnership involving oilsands growth, emissions reductions and a proposed West Coast oil pipeline. For Alberta, the objective is to strengthen its position as a major energy supplier while reducing reliance on a single export market.

Ottawa, however, maintains that streamlining federal assessments does not remove environmental oversight. The affected projects will continue to face applicable federal and provincial requirements, including Indigenous consultation and accommodation. The emerging agreement represents a significant balancing act: Alberta wants to build and export more energy, while Ottawa wants that growth tied to emissions reductions, environmental safeguards and Indigenous participation. For Smith's government, the latest regulatory shift is a step forward but the larger test will be whether the new Canada Alberta relationship can turn political commitments into projects, investment and jobs.





NOBLE EDUCATION GROUP EXPANDS ITS GLOBAL EDUCATION FOOTPRINT FROM CANADA TO WORLD

For international students and families considering education in Canada, choosing the right institution and program can be a complex decision. Noble Education Group, led by CEO and President Vishu Mehta, works with students and education partners to provide information and assistance during the Canadian education and admissions process.

The organization helps students explore programs and institutions based on their academic background, interests and future plans. Its services can include guidance on program selection, admissions requirements and the steps involved in pursuing education in Canada.

Noble Education Group has offices in Ontario, British Columbia and Alberta. Its Ontario head office is located at 2980 Drew Road, Suite 216, Mississauga, with a British Columbia office at 9801 King George Boulevard, Suite 203, Surrey, and an Alberta office at Unit 1220, 4715 88 Avenue NE, Calgary, AB.

The organization also works with students and recruitment partners in international markets including India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nigeria, the United Arab Emirates, Nepal, the Philippines and the United States.

Its institutional network includes partnerships with educational institutions such as Algoma University, University Canada West, Trinity Western University, Seneca Polytechnic, Centennial College, International Business University, Algonquin College, Fleming College, North Island College, Portage College and Crandall University, as well as private education institutions.

For students, having access to different institutions and programs can allow them to compare options based on factors such as location, field of study, academic requirements and career interests. Where available, co-op and practical learning programs may also provide opportunities to gain workplace experience during their studies.

Noble Education Group also works with education agents and recruitment partners, providing assistance with student applications, institutional communication and related recruitment processes.

The organization reports more than 15 years of experience in the education and immigration sectors, with a team of more than 50 professionals. It also reports having worked with more than 10,000 clients and facilitated more than 11,000 visa cases. These figures are company-reported and reflect the scale of its stated operations.

Vishu Mehta is a Regulated Canadian Immigration Consultant (RCIC) and became an RCIC in 2015. His work combines education counselling and immigration-related services, with an emphasis on helping students understand the choices available to them.

For families, the process of selecting an international education pathway involves more than obtaining admission. Program suitability, institutional requirements, costs, location and longer-term academic or career plans can all influence the decision.

Noble Education Group's role is to assist students and education partners as they work through those considerations. With offices in three Canadian provinces and relationships with institutions and recruitment partners in several international markets, the organization continues to operate within Canada's changing international education sector.



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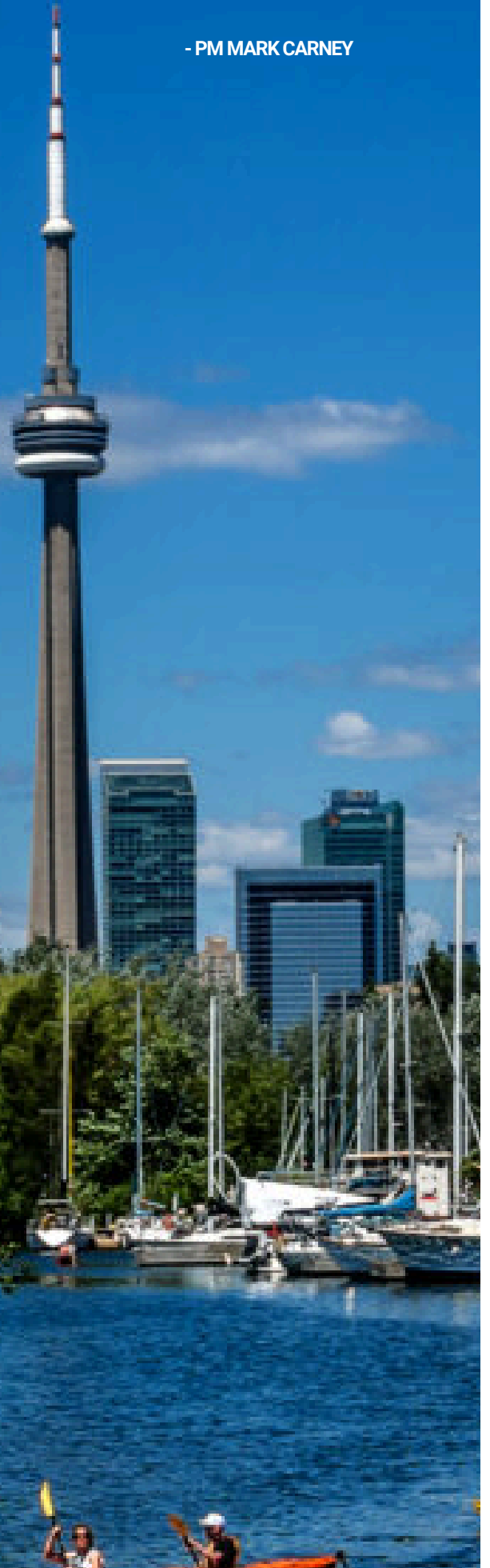
Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney has pushed back against US President Donald Trump's decision to rename Lake Ontario as "Lake America," saying Canada will continue to recognise the Great Lake by its historic name.

Carney highlighted the Indigenous origins of the name Ontario, noting that it comes from the Wendat word Ontari'io, associated with the meaning "the lake is beautiful" or "the lake is big." He stressed that the name has been in use for more than four centuries, predating both Canadian Confederation and the US Declaration of Independence.

"Canada knows that naming reality means calling it Lake Ontario – then, now and always," Carney said in a social media post. Ontario Premier Doug Ford echoed the federal government's position, declaring that the waterbody shared by Ontario and New York would remain Lake Ontario in Canada.

Trump signed an executive order changing the name to "Lake America" for US federal purposes, but the order does not have jurisdiction over how Canada identifies the lake.

The renaming comes amid escalating tensions between Washington and Ottawa over trade. Trump has imposed new tariffs on Canadian imports, while Canada has responded with retaliatory measures, adding another layer of friction to the dispute between the two neighbours.





SHRI DEVKINANDAN THAKUR JI: INSPIRING THE NEXT GENERATION THROUGH SANATAN VALUES, SERVICE AND GLOBAL OUTREACH

RAJEEV SHARMA | NATIONAL TIMES

Shri Devkinandan Thakur Ji has emerged as a prominent spiritual leader and kathavachak whose vision extends beyond spiritual discourse to the future of India's younger generation. Through Bhagwat Katha, spiritual teachings and community initiatives, he encourages young people to remain connected with their cultural roots while developing the knowledge, character and sense of responsibility needed to contribute positively to society.

His message has also reached audiences well beyond India. Through international tours and spiritual programmes abroad, Thakur Ji has engaged with Indian diaspora communities and followers seeking to remain connected with Sanatan traditions while living in different parts of the world. His overseas programmes have become an important platform for families and younger generations to experience Bhagwat Katha and cultural teachings in a community setting.

For many followers, attending his Bhagwat Katha has become more than a religious gathering. Every year, devotees from different cities and countries plan their travel around Bhagwat programmes, with families making the journey together to listen to the Katha, participate in spiritual activities and reconnect with their cultural and religious traditions. These journeys also bring together people from different generations, creating an opportunity for children and young adults to experience traditions alongside their parents and grandparents.

As the founder of the Vishwa Shanti Sewa Charitable Trust, Thakur Ji has combined spiritual activities with humanitarian and community-focused initiatives. His broader vision is rooted in the belief that strong values, education and service can help shape a confident and responsible generation.

A central part of his public message is the strengthening of Sanatan traditions while ensuring that spiritual institutions contribute meaningfully to education, healthcare and social welfare.

Thakur Ji has advocated for an independent "Sanatan Board", proposing that Hindu temple resources be managed by respected spiritual authorities and used for initiatives such as modern gurukuls, hospitals and community welfare.

His message carries particular relevance for young people navigating a rapidly changing world. Thakur Ji emphasizes the importance of understanding one's heritage without losing sight of education, professional development and social responsibility. His vision encourages youth to see culture not simply as a tradition of the past, but as a source of values that can guide their choices and responsibilities in the future.

His international outreach has also highlighted the challenges faced by diaspora families in maintaining cultural connections across generations. For parents living abroad, spiritual programmes and Bhagwat Katha can provide children with an opportunity to hear Indian traditions, language, stories and ethical teachings in a community environment. For younger audiences, this can offer a bridge between their contemporary lives and the cultural heritage of their families.

Through the Vishwa Shanti Sewa Charitable Trust, spiritual programmes, Bhagwat Katha sessions and charitable activities provide platforms for people of different generations to engage with spiritual teachings and community service. For young people, such engagement can create opportunities to learn about cultural heritage while developing a stronger commitment to helping others.

Thakur Ji's public message also frequently addresses contemporary social issues and the preservation of cultural identity. His approach has attracted a significant following and generated public discussion, reflecting the continuing importance of conversations about tradition, identity and the role of spirituality in modern society.

For his followers, one of the most important aspects of his vision is the belief that the next generation should inherit not only cultural traditions, but also a commitment to education, compassion, discipline, service and social responsibility.

His vision for youth is ultimately forward-looking: a generation that is modern in its education and aspirations, confident in its cultural identity and committed to making a positive contribution to society.



At the heart of Shri Devkinandan Thakur Ji's vision is a call for young people to turn values into action. He encourages the next generation to pursue education with determination, build meaningful careers, develop leadership skills, support their families and communities, and use their knowledge and success to serve others. The message is clear: preserving values must go hand in hand with creating opportunities and taking responsibility.

For today's youth, that means learning, leading and serving. It means supporting educational initiatives and modern gurukuls, contributing to healthcare and charitable work, embracing technology and entrepreneurship, and becoming active contributors to society. Thakur Ji's vision challenges young people not simply to speak about their heritage, but to live its principles through compassion, discipline, integrity and service.

The growing participation of devotees in Bhagwat programmes, including followers who travel significant distances each year to attend Katha and spiritual gatherings, reflects the continuing place of these traditions in the lives of many families. For some, these journeys have become an annual opportunity for spiritual reflection, family connection and cultural renewal.

The future, in this vision, belongs to a generation that is educated enough to compete globally, confident enough to remain rooted in its culture, and committed enough to give back. By empowering young people to transform knowledge into leadership and success into service, Shri Devkinandan Thakur Ji seeks to turn spiritual values into real-world action—and inspire a generation capable of building a stronger, more compassionate and more responsible society.





SOPHIA KOSTER: MISS EARTH CANADA 2026 CHAMPIONS DISABILITY INCLUSION AND ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION

SAVITA SINGH | NATIONAL TIMES

At just 18 years old, Sophia Koster, Miss Earth Canada 2026, is preparing to represent Canada on an international stage at Miss Earth 2026 in the Philippines this November, carrying with her a message that connects two causes close to her heart: disability inclusion and environmental advocacy.

For Koster, the opportunity is about much more than a title or pageant. It is an opportunity to use her platform to encourage greater inclusion, raise awareness, and inspire meaningful action for both people and the planet. Born in Germany and raised in Canada from a very young age, Koster says she is deeply proud to call Canada home. Her family's experience of building a life in Canada has played an important role in shaping her perspective on inclusion and community.

She identifies her older brother, who has autism, as one of her greatest inspirations. Growing up in Canada, she says, gave her family access to valuable support and a community that welcomed and embraced them. That personal experience has influenced the direction of her education and career aspirations. Koster is currently studying Psychology and Community Rehabilitation and Disability Studies, with the long-term goal of becoming a pediatric occupational therapist and working with children with disabilities.

Connecting Inclusion With Environmental Advocacy

Koster's connection to Miss Earth reflects her belief that caring for people and caring for the planet should go hand in hand. The Miss Earth organization promotes environmental awareness through its theme of "Love in Action," a message that resonates strongly with Koster's own vision. Her platform brings disability inclusion and environmental advocacy together by focusing on making environmental education and climate action more accessible and inclusive.

Koster believes that people with disabilities should not simply be considered when environmental policies and initiatives are developed. They should also have meaningful opportunities to participate, contribute ideas, advocate for change, and become active leaders in environmental efforts.

As she prepares for the international Miss Earth stage, Koster hopes to demonstrate that advocacy can be both inclusive and action-oriented.



Her journey reflects the perspective of a new generation of young Canadians who are passionate about creating communities where everyone has the opportunity to participate and make a difference. Her academic interests, personal experiences, and environmental platform have come together to shape a message that extends beyond the pageant itself: environmental action should be accessible to everyone, and inclusion should be part of every conversation about building a sustainable future.

Representing Canada at Miss Earth 2026 will give Koster an international platform to share that message and highlight the importance of connecting environmental responsibility with social inclusion. For this young Canadian, the journey to the Philippines is not simply about representing her country. It is about turning her personal experiences and passions into meaningful advocacy and putting "Love in Action" into practice. National Times Media Group wishes Sophia Koster, Miss Earth Canada 2026, every success as she prepares to represent Canada at Miss Earth in the Philippines this November.



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You may never set foot in Tehran. You may never see the Strait of Hormuz. You may have no connection to the Middle East at all.

But you could still end up paying for the conflict. As fighting involving Iran, Israel and the United States continues to shake the region, the effects are moving rapidly beyond the battlefield. Oil prices, shipping costs and financial markets are responding to fears of prolonged disruption and those pressures can eventually reach the everyday expenses of families thousands of kilometres away.

The warning signs are already familiar: higher fuel prices can mean more expensive transportation; higher transportation costs can raise the price of food and consumer goods; and sustained energy inflation can put additional pressure on household budgets and central banks.

At the heart of the crisis is a narrow stretch of water with enormous global importance the Strait of Hormuz. A significant share of the world's oil supply passes through this strategic corridor. Any prolonged disruption could send another shock through an already interconnected global economy.

For a family in Calgary, it could mean paying more at the pump. For a business in Toronto, higher transportation and operating costs could squeeze margins. For a household in Delhi, a more expensive oil import bill could add pressure to the economy. For travellers, airlines and industries around the world, the consequences could be even broader.

This is how a regional war becomes a global economic story and eventually, a household story. The question now is not simply how the conflict ends. It is how much the world will pay before it does.





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PUNJAB - CANADA:

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India and Canada are entering an important period in their relationship, with growing signs that engagement can move beyond recent tensions toward practical cooperation. For Punjab and the millions of people connected to both countries, this potential new chapter is about more than diplomacy—it is about families, students, entrepreneurs, professionals, farmers, investors and communities that have built strong links across continents.

A RELATIONSHIP WITH DEEP HUMAN CONNECTION

The India–Canada relationship has a unique people-to-people foundation. Punjabis have played a significant role in Canada's social, economic and cultural development, particularly in British Columbia, Alberta and Ontario. At the same time, Canada has become an important destination for Indian students, professionals, entrepreneurs and families. These connections have created networks that extend from Punjab's towns and villages to Canadian cities such as Calgary, Edmonton, Surrey, Vancouver, Brampton and Toronto.

Despite diplomatic difficulties in recent years, these human connections have continued. Families remain connected, businesses continue to operate, students continue to pursue education, and community organizations continue to create opportunities for cultural and economic cooperation.

SIGNS OF RENEWED ENGAGEMENT

Recent developments suggest that both countries have strong reasons to rebuild practical engagement. Canada is seeking to diversify its international economic relationships, while India remains one of the world's fastest-growing major economies and an important market for Canadian businesses.

Education is already showing signs of renewed cooperation. In February 2026, more than 20 Canadian university presidents travelled to India as part of a major Canadian academic delegation.

The Government of Canada described India as an important partner as Canada strengthens its Indo-Pacific economic and educational relationships.

This renewed academic engagement could eventually expand cooperation in areas such as artificial intelligence, healthcare, agriculture, clean technology, engineering, biotechnology and advanced manufacturing.

TRADE CAN BECOME THE NEW BRIDGE

Economic cooperation may become one of the strongest foundations for a better relationship. Canada has expertise and resources in agriculture, energy, critical minerals, financial services, technology and education, while India offers a large and rapidly expanding consumer and industrial market.

For Punjab, the opportunity is particularly significant. Agriculture and food processing, agricultural technology, renewable energy, logistics, education, healthcare and professional services could create new channels for investment and knowledge exchange. Canadian companies looking toward India can find opportunities in a large market, while Indian companies can use Canada as a gateway to North American markets. Punjabi entrepreneurs with experience in both economies can play an important role in connecting these opportunities.

PUNJABI CANADIANS: A BRIDGE, NOT A BARRIER

The Punjabi-Canadian community can become one of the most important bridges between the two countries. Its strength is not limited to numbers. Punjabi Canadians are active in business, agriculture, transportation, construction, technology, healthcare, professional services, education, politics and community organizations. The next phase should encourage this community to promote investment, education, entrepreneurship and cultural exchange while supporting respectful dialogue between India and Canada.

The diaspora does not have to choose one country over the other. Many families have deep roots in India while building successful lives in Canada. That dual connection can be an economic and diplomatic asset.

STUDENTS AND IMMIGRATION: A MORE RESPONSIBLE APPROACH

Education remains an important part of the relationship, but Canada has also significantly tightened its international student system. For 2026, the federal government expects to issue up to 408,000 study permits, including 155,000 for newly arriving international students and 253,000 extensions. That represents a lower target than previous years.

The changing rules mean prospective students need to make decisions carefully. Stronger financial requirements, admission verification and changing post-graduation work rules mean students should rely on official information and understand that studying in Canada does not automatically guarantee permanent residence.

A more sustainable student relationship can benefit both countries. Canada needs talented international graduates, while India benefits when its young people gain international education, experience and professional networks.

BUILDING BUSINESS CONNECTIONS WITH PUNJAB

Punjab has enormous potential to benefit from stronger Canada-India economic relations. Canadian Punjabi entrepreneurs already understand both markets, languages and business cultures. Their knowledge can help create partnerships in food processing, technology, education, real estate services, agriculture, logistics and professional services.

Punjab can also attract Canadian investment by improving transparency, infrastructure, technology adoption and ease of doing business. The opportunity is not simply about sending goods from one country to another—it is about building long-term partnerships.

SECURITY AND COMMUNITY TRUST

A stronger relationship also requires honest discussion about security concerns. Allegations involving criminal activity, extremism or foreign interference must be addressed through evidence, investigations and the rule of law. At the same time, an entire community should never be judged because of the actions or allegations involving individuals.

Punjabi Canadians have contributed enormously to Canada, and community leaders can play a constructive role by supporting law enforcement, rejecting violence and promoting democratic dialogue while maintaining legitimate cultural and political expression.

EDUCATION CAN OPEN A NEW DOOR

Universities may become an important foundation for the next phase of India-Canada relations. Academic partnerships can create opportunities for joint research, student exchanges, technology development and innovation.

The February 2026 Canadian university delegation to India demonstrated that institutional cooperation remains possible even when diplomatic relations face challenges. Greater cooperation in AI, healthcare, climate technology, agriculture and advanced manufacturing could produce benefits that extend well beyond university campuses.

THE OPPORTUNITY FOR PUNJAB

Punjab stands at the centre of a remarkable international network. Millions of people with Punjabi heritage live in Canada, while millions more remain connected to Punjab through family, culture and business.

That connection can be transformed into an economic advantage. Canadian Punjabi professionals can help Punjab attract investment and technology, while Punjab-based businesses can develop partnerships with Canadian companies and diaspora entrepreneurs.

The future could include stronger food and agricultural partnerships, technology exchanges, healthcare cooperation, educational programs and investment networks connecting Punjab with Alberta, British Columbia and Ontario.

A NEW CHAPTER BUILT ON PRACTICAL COOPERATION

The India-Canada relationship does not need to be defined permanently by its most difficult moments. Its future can instead be shaped by what both countries choose to build next.

For Canada, India represents an important economic and strategic partner. For India, Canada offers access to investment, technology, education and a highly connected diaspora. For Punjab, the relationship represents something even more personal—a bridge between families, businesses and communities.

The road ahead will require patience, transparency and mutual respect. But the foundations already exist.

Punjab does not have to choose between Canada and India. It can help connect them.

A new chapter will not be created by governments alone. It can be built by students, entrepreneurs, universities, farmers, professionals, community leaders and families on both sides of the world.

The opportunity is clear: turn shared history into shared prosperity, and turn diaspora connections into a bridge for stronger Canada-India relations.



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UKRAINE–RUSSIA: EUROPE PREPARES FOR A LONG CONFRONTATION

**ZELENSKY'S CANADA VISIT HIGHLIGHTS
A GROWING PARTNERSHIP FOR SECURITY,
RESILIENCE AND PEACE**

RAJEEV SHARMA | NATIONAL TIMES

When Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy arrived in Canada this week, his message was focused not only on the war but on Ukraine's future protecting its people, strengthening its defences and preparing for another difficult winter.

Zelenskyy is meeting Prime Minister Mark Carney in Canada at a critical moment in the Russia Ukraine conflict. Ukraine is facing intensified Russian missile and drone attacks, particularly against energy infrastructure, while Kyiv is seeking stronger air-defence capabilities ahead of winter. Zelenskyy has said that protecting Ukraine's skies, preparing for winter and strengthening the country's resilience are central priorities of his visit.

For Canada, the visit is an important demonstration of its continuing support for Ukraine. Zelenskyy announced that Canada has agreed to provide a significant new air-defence package and support for Ukraine's energy sector, although details of the package had not yet been released. Prime Minister Mark Carney has also reaffirmed Canada's support for Ukraine's defence and its aspirations for NATO and European Union membership. The significance of the visit extends beyond military assistance. It represents a partnership built around resilience, democratic institutions, economic cooperation and the long-term security of Europe.

More than four years after Russia's full-scale invasion, the conflict has fundamentally changed Europe's understanding of security. The war is being fought primarily in Ukraine, but its consequences reach across NATO countries through concerns about cyberattacks, drones, sabotage, critical infrastructure and disinformation.

NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte said on September 10 that Russia's intensified aggression and hostile activities were strengthening European determination to support Ukraine and invest more heavily in defence. He argued that European countries are increasingly recognising that taking greater responsibility for their own security is essential.

The message coming from NATO is therefore not simply one of confrontation. It is also one of preparedness and deterrence: stronger alliances, better defence capabilities and greater resilience can reduce the risk of a wider conflict.

According to Reuters, Canada has committed more than C\$25.5 billion in overall assistance to Ukraine since Russia's invasion in February 2022, including approximately C\$8.5 billion in military assistance. Canada's support also reflects its broader role within NATO. The country has longstanding military and diplomatic responsibilities in Europe and has contributed forces and resources to NATO's eastern-flank deterrence efforts. The Ukraine war has reinforced the importance of those commitments while prompting a wider discussion about Canada's own defence readiness.

For Ottawa, supporting Ukraine is therefore connected to a broader strategic objective: ensuring that NATO remains credible, united and capable of protecting its members.

Zelenskyy's presence in Calgary gives this international story a particularly strong Canadian and Alberta dimension. Alberta has deep historical and cultural connections with Ukraine, and Ukrainian Canadians have played an important role in the province's social, cultural and economic life. The President's visit brings the international consequences of the war closer to Canadian communities. It also highlights the role diaspora communities can play in strengthening understanding between Canada and countries facing major crises. For many Ukrainian Canadians, Ukraine's security is not an abstract foreign-policy issue. It is connected to family, heritage and community. One of Ukraine's most urgent concerns is protecting its energy system. Russian attacks on power infrastructure have repeatedly created serious challenges for Ukrainian civilians. With winter approaching, air defence has become particularly important because protecting electricity generation and distribution is essential for heating, hospitals, businesses and everyday life.

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Canada's newly announced support for air defence and the energy sector is therefore significant not only militarily but humanitarily. That resilience has become one of the defining characteristics of the Ukrainian response to the invasion. The conflict has also triggered a major change in European defence policy.

Countries that previously maintained relatively modest military budgets are now increasing defence spending, expanding weapons production and strengthening air and missile defence. The shift is being driven by a simple calculation: deterrence requires credible capabilities. European governments increasingly want to ensure that they can protect their own territory, support Ukraine and respond rapidly to emerging threats without depending entirely on external assistance.

NATO says European allies are increasingly recognising that strengthening their own defence industries is not only a security requirement but can also support economic growth through investment, technology and manufacturing.

Modern conflict is no longer limited to tanks, aircraft and missiles. Cyberattacks, sabotage, disinformation, interference with infrastructure and attacks involving drones can create disruption without crossing the traditional threshold of full-scale war. European governments are therefore investing more in cyber security, intelligence, infrastructure protection and rapid-response capabilities. Recent concerns over undersea infrastructure and alleged Russian sabotage activity have reinforced the need for greater vigilance across Europe. Poland has also warned of potential threats to border crossings and trade routes connected with Ukraine. The response from NATO and European governments has increasingly been one of coordination rather than isolation.

Military preparedness does not mean that diplomacy has become irrelevant. A sustainable end to the war will ultimately require negotiations. Ukraine continues to seek security guarantees and protection of its sovereignty, while Russia's territorial demands remain a major obstacle to a settlement. The absence of an immediate diplomatic breakthrough does not eliminate the importance of negotiations. It reinforces the need for international partners to keep diplomatic channels open while supporting Ukraine's ability to defend itself.

For Canada and its allies, the objective is therefore twofold: support Ukraine today while creating conditions for a secure and

lasting peace tomorrow. Zelenskyy's Canadian visit comes at a difficult moment, but it also provides an opportunity to focus on what international cooperation can achieve. Canada's support demonstrates that countries can work together to strengthen civilian protection, energy resilience and defence capabilities while continuing to advocate for diplomacy.

The growing cooperation between Canada, Ukraine and European allies also sends a broader message: security does not depend only on military strength. It depends on partnerships, democratic institutions, resilient communities and the willingness of countries to stand together during difficult times. The Russia-Ukraine war remains one of the defining geopolitical challenges of the decade. There is no simple solution, and the path toward peace remains difficult. But the international response is evolving. Europe is strengthening its defences. Ukraine continues to demonstrate resilience. Canada is increasing its support. NATO is reinforcing unity among its members.

President Zelenskyy's visit to Canada, including his presence in Calgary, therefore carries significance beyond the immediate military discussions. It represents a continuing partnership between two countries committed to sovereignty, resilience and democratic values. The road to peace may be difficult, but stronger partnerships can help build the security needed to reach it. From Calgary to Kyiv, the message is one of solidarity, resilience and hope: support for Ukraine today, stronger security for tomorrow, and ultimately a lasting peace for Europe.



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INDIA AT THE CENTRE OF A CHANGING WORLD ORDER

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India is preparing to host one of the most consequential BRICS summits in recent years, as leaders of the expanded grouping gather in New Delhi on September 12–13, 2026, at a moment when geopolitical tensions are reshaping the global order.

The summit comes against the backdrop of the continuing U.S.-Israeli conflict with Iran, uncertainty over global energy supplies and growing competition among the world's major powers. For India, the meeting is more than another diplomatic gathering. It is an opportunity to demonstrate whether New Delhi can bring competing powers to the same table while protecting its own strategic and economic interests.

BRICS has changed dramatically since its original formation. The grouping now includes Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa alongside Egypt, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Iran, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. Its expanded membership gives the bloc greater economic and geopolitical weight, but it also makes consensus more difficult. The current Middle East crisis has exposed those differences, particularly after tensions between Iran and the UAE.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi enters the summit with relationships spanning rival geopolitical camps. India maintains a longstanding strategic partnership with Russia, expanding economic and energy cooperation with Moscow while simultaneously developing deep strategic, technological and defence ties with the United States and Europe.

At the same time, relations with China remain complicated. The two Asian powers have made efforts to stabilise ties following the deadly 2020 border confrontation, but questions surrounding security, investment and their disputed Himalayan boundary continue to create a significant trust deficit. Chinese President Xi Jinping's expected participation in the New Delhi summit would provide an important opportunity for direct high-level engagement.

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Russian President Vladimir Putin is also expected in New Delhi, adding another layer to the diplomatic equation. India continues to maintain strong energy and defence links with Russia, even as New Delhi has repeatedly called for dialogue and diplomacy to resolve the war in Ukraine.

During their recent meeting at the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation summit, Modi told Putin that the Ukraine war should end in the interests of humanity and stressed India's continued support for peace efforts.

This balancing act illustrates India's broader foreign-policy approach: maintaining strategic autonomy rather than formally choosing one geopolitical camp. The war involving the United States, Israel and Iran could become one of the most difficult issues facing the BRICS summit.

Iran is now a BRICS member, while the UAE and Saudi Arabia are also part of the expanded grouping. The conflict has already created divisions inside the organisation and disrupted energy flows through the Strait of Hormuz, contributing to crude oil prices moving above \$100 a barrel.

For India, the stakes are particularly high. Energy security, shipping routes, trade and the welfare of millions of Indians working across the Gulf are all directly connected to stability in the region.

New Delhi will therefore face a delicate diplomatic task: supporting dialogue and de-escalation without allowing BRICS to become paralysed by competing national positions.

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However, significant political and technical obstacles remain. India remains cautious about deeper financial integration with China, while tensions between other BRICS members also complicate the creation of common financial infrastructure. Importantly, India's proposal is being presented as a mechanism to improve payments rather than as an immediate attempt to replace the U.S. dollar as the world's reserve currency.

The real question facing New Delhi is not whether India can make every BRICS country agree. It is whether India can keep dialogue alive among countries whose interests increasingly collide.

BRICS contains countries that cooperate in some areas while competing fiercely in others. Russia and China have close strategic ties. India and China remain strategic competitors. Iran and Gulf states have their own regional tensions. At the same time, several BRICS members maintain significant economic relationships with the United States and Europe.

India's advantage may lie precisely in its ability to speak to all sides.

New Delhi does not need to become the leader of a new anti-Western bloc. Nor does it need to abandon its partnerships with Washington, Moscow, Beijing or the Gulf. Instead, India can attempt to position itself as a diplomatic bridge a country capable of maintaining relationships across competing power centres.

The September BRICS summit will therefore be watched far beyond India. If New Delhi succeeds in producing meaningful cooperation on trade, energy, payments, development and conflict diplomacy, the summit could strengthen India's image as an independent global power and an important voice of the Global South. If divisions dominate the meeting, however, the summit could expose the limits of BRICS as a unified geopolitical force. For Prime Minister Modi, the challenge is clear: India must bring rival powers into the same room without becoming trapped between them. The New Delhi summit could ultimately demonstrate that India's greatest diplomatic asset in a fragmented world is not choosing one side but keeping the doors open to all sides. The question is no longer whether India has a seat at the global table. The question is whether India can help shape the table itself.

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PUNJAB'S EXCISE REVOLUTION: GOVERNMENT BOOKS NEAR-DOUBLING OF REVENUE IN FOUR YEARS, SETS ₹12,800-CRORE TARGET

Gurpreet Singh | National Times

The Excise Department and Excise Police of the Government of Punjab have recorded a substantial increase in revenue and enforcement performance over the period from 2021–22 to 2025–26.

According to figures presented by Punjab Excise and Taxation Minister Harpal Singh Cheema, excise revenue increased from ₹6,254.84 crore in 2021–22 to ₹11,782 crore in 2025–26. This represents an increase of nearly 88% between the two financial years, rather than a comparison across four consecutive annual intervals.

The figures represent a major expansion in the state's excise revenue base and have been accompanied by intensified

enforcement against illicit liquor, including raids, checkpoints, FIRs, arrests, seizures and destruction of illegal liquor-making infrastructure.

The Government of Punjab has now set an ambitious ₹12,800-crore excise revenue target for 2026–27. This is a target for the next financial year, not an actual collection figure, and is intended to build on the revenue growth recorded through 2025–26.

EXCISE REVENUE: ACTUAL FIGURES AND 2026–27 TARGET

2021–22:	₹6,254.84 crore
2022–23:	₹8,428 crore
2024–25:	₹10,744 crore
2025–26:	₹11,782 crore
2026–27 Target:	₹12,800 crore

The recorded revenue trajectory shows an increase from ₹6,254.84 crore in 2021–22 to ₹11,782 crore in 2025–26. The ₹12,800-crore figure for 2026–27 is a projected target, not revenue already collected.

At the same time, the Excise Department and Excise Police have intensified action against the illegal liquor trade. Government-reported enforcement figures include thousands of raids and FIRs, thousands of arrests, extensive checkpoint operations, seizures of illicit liquor and raw materials, and the dismantling of illegal distillation units. The Government's approach therefore combines two parallel objectives: maximising legitimate excise revenue while reducing revenue leakage and public-safety risks associated with the illegal liquor market.

For Minister Harpal Singh Cheema and the Punjab Excise Department, the next milestone is clear: build on the ₹11,782-crore actual revenue recorded in 2025–26 and work towards the ₹12,800-crore target for 2026–27 while strengthening enforcement, compliance and transparency across the state's excise system.

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DIL STORY

WEMBLEY DONE AHMEDABAD NEXT!

RAJAN NATH | NATIONAL TIMES

From Wembley to Ahmedabad, Diljit Dosanjh is not slowing down. Just hours after becoming the first Punjabi artist to headline London's iconic Wembley Stadium, the Punjabi singer-actor announced his next major stadium spectacle — at Ahmedabad's Narendra Modi Stadium on November 21, 2026.

The announcement came during his AURA World Tour performance in London on September 12, turning an already historic night into a teaser for another landmark moment back home. In front of a packed Wembley crowd, Diljit revealed that his next big stop would be India's largest cricket stadium, prompting a huge response from the audience.

From 'Punjabi Aa Gaye' to a Bigger Indian Stage

Wembley was more than another concert venue for Diljit. Performing before a crowd of around 90,000, he turned the London stadium into a celebration of Punjabi music and culture, becoming the first Punjabi artist to headline the legendary venue. But rather than allowing the Wembley milestone to become the closing chapter, Diljit immediately looked towards what comes next.

His Ahmedabad announcement carries its own symbolism. The Narendra Modi Stadium, with its enormous capacity and history of hosting some of the world's biggest sporting and entertainment events, represents another formidable stage. Diljit has now set his sights on filling it with Punjabi music.

A Return Home, But at a Different Scale

The Ahmedabad show will also mark Diljit's return to the Indian concert circuit after his hugely successful Dil-Luminati India Tour in 2024. This time, however, the setting is dramatically larger. While announcing the show, Diljit highlighted the scale of the Ahmedabad venue and referred to the stadium's previous international concert success, making it clear that he intends to create another major spectacle there.

For an artist whose journey has increasingly crossed geographical and cultural boundaries, the progression is striking — from Punjabi stages to global festivals, from Coachella to Wembley, and now towards one of India's biggest stadiums.

The Next Chapter of the Diljit Story

The November 21 concert is currently the confirmed Ahmedabad date, while ticketing and other event details are yet to be announced.

Wembley may have given Diljit a historic night, but Ahmedabad could give him another record to chase.

One stadium conquered. Another awaits. And if Diljit's recent run is anything to go by, the "DIL-STORY" is far from its final chapter.



FROM PROFIT TO PURPOSE: DR. MOHAN BHAGWAT CALLS FOR BUSINESS WITH SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Rajeev Sharma (National Times): Human progress should not be measured simply by how much luxury an individual can accumulate, but by whether every person has access to the basic necessities required to live a dignified life, RSS Chief Dr. Mohan Bhagwat said during a business leaders' dialogue organized by the Canadian Hindu Chamber of Commerce (CHCC).

Speaking at the "Dharma in Enterprise: A Business Leaders' Dialogue," Dr. Bhagwat said the basic requirements of human life include adequate food, proper clothing, healthcare, education, a decent home and the ability to fulfil social responsibilities, including welcoming and caring for guests. These, he emphasized, are necessities that should not remain beyond anyone's reach. His broader message was one of moderation, encouraging individuals to meet their genuine needs, fulfil their responsibilities and recognize that resources beyond those necessities can also contribute to the welfare of society.

Dr. Bhagwat said modern society has become increasingly organized and complex, with individuals performing different professions, roles and responsibilities. With these positions come corresponding duties, and a healthy society depends on people and institutions understanding and fulfilling those responsibilities. He also distinguished between necessities and luxuries, noting that there is nothing wrong with enjoying a movie, travelling or occasionally experiencing luxury. However, he cautioned that luxury should not become the purpose of life. A simpler and more balanced approach to living, he suggested, can leave greater resources and attention for the welfare of others.

Turning to the role of business, Dr. Bhagwat said economic activity should extend beyond profit-making and contribute to

the well-being of society. The CHCC event was held under the theme "Where Culture Meets Commerce, Values Drive Business, and Growth Reflects Dharma," bringing together business leaders and participants to discuss the relationship between economic growth, ethics, social responsibility and environmental sustainability. Dr. Bhagwat explained Dharma not simply as religion, but as a principle of sustenance, balance and responsibility. He said this understanding can help individuals, businesses and institutions recognize their responsibilities toward one another and toward society as a whole.

He also drew a distinction between rights and duties, emphasizing that a stable society requires people and institutions to fulfil their responsibilities rather than focusing exclusively on individual rights. In the business environment, he said, entrepreneurs have responsibilities not only to themselves and their investors, but also to employees, customers, communities and the wider society.

Dr. Bhagwat acknowledged that property, investment, trade and profit are necessary components of economic activity. At the same time, he cautioned against treating profit as the only measure of success. Businesses respond to social needs by developing products and services, while society supports those businesses through economic participation. He described this relationship as one of mutual responsibility rather than a purely transactional exchange. He also spoke about responsible management of income and wealth, including meeting personal needs, maintaining financial security, preparing for emergencies and contributing to the welfare of others. The important measure, he suggested, is not simply how much a person earns, but also how that wealth is managed and whether it creates a positive impact beyond the individual.



Dr. Bhagwat referred to the traditional concept of "Yogakshema," describing it in terms of acquiring what is necessary and protecting what has been acquired. He presented the principle as relevant to responsible economic planning and sustainable development. Agriculture, industry, trade and entrepreneurship all contribute to meeting human needs, he said, but economic progress must also be accompanied by responsibility toward the natural environment.

He described business as a form of social participation in which entrepreneurs create value for customers, employees and communities while generating returns for themselves. From this perspective, successful enterprise is not only about financial performance but also about creating employment, serving society, building trust and contributing to long-term economic development.



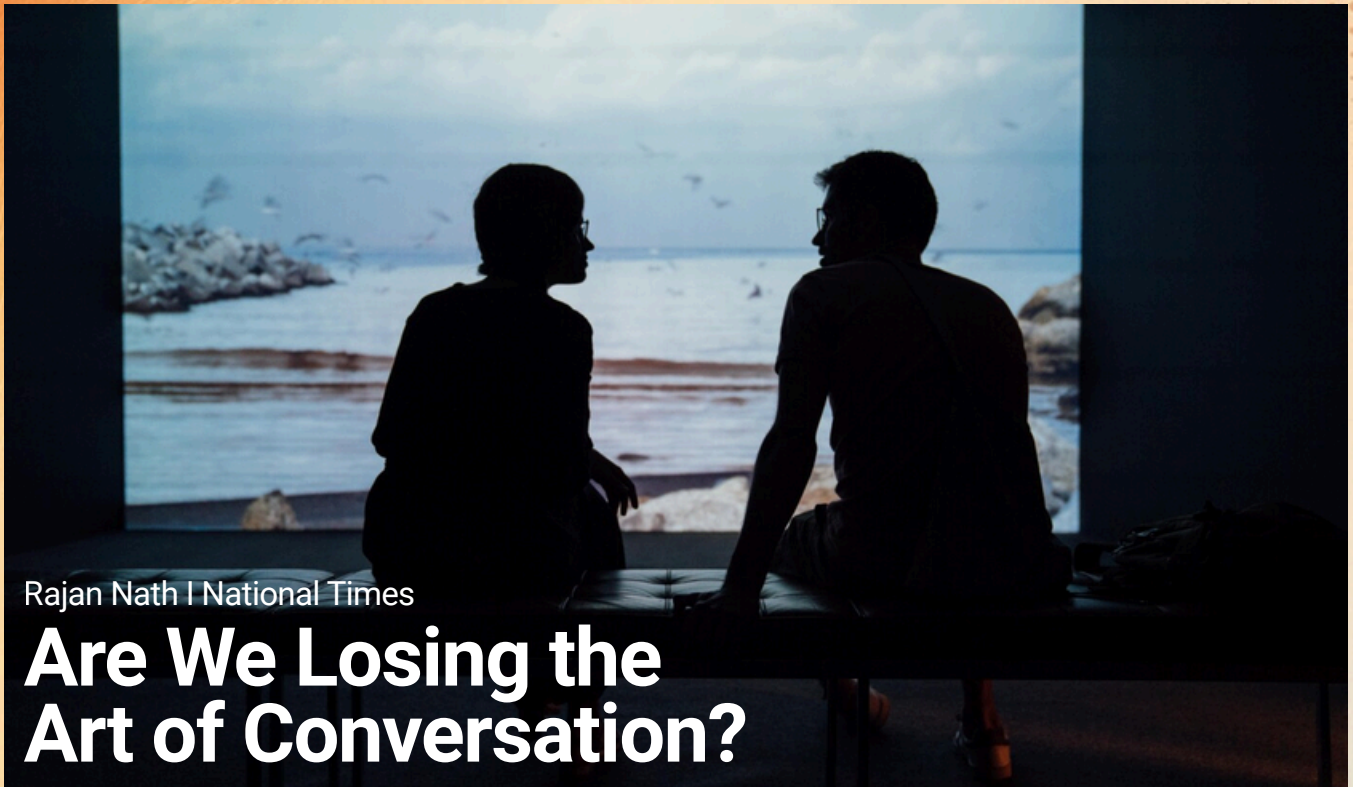
The discussion also connected with the modern concept of Corporate Social Responsibility, or CSR. Dr. Bhagwat suggested that the idea of contributing to society has deep roots in Indian thought and practice, while modern businesses have increasingly incorporated social and environmental responsibility into their operations. For Canada's diverse business community, the dialogue offered an opportunity to explore how cultural

values and ethical principles can complement modern entrepreneurship. Businesses operate within communities, and long-term success often depends on trust, responsible leadership and meaningful relationships with customers, employees and society.

The CHCC-organized dialogue concluded with an interactive question-and-answer session involving business leaders and other participants. Discussions addressed economics, enterprise, leadership and the responsibilities of the business community, providing a platform for exchanging ideas about responsible and sustainable growth.

The event reinforced the CHCC vision, "Where Culture Meets Commerce, Values Drive Business, and Growth Reflects Dharma," while highlighting the potential for ethical principles to guide contemporary business practices and leadership.

Dr. Bhagwat's message ultimately went beyond business. It was a call for balance between ambition and responsibility, wealth and welfare, individual needs and social obligations, and economic growth and environmental sustainability. In a world increasingly influenced by consumption and material comparison, the central principle remains simple: meet the necessities of life, fulfil responsibilities towards society, and use what goes beyond personal needs in ways that can strengthen the wider community.



Rajan Nath | National Times

Are We Losing the Art of Conversation?

We tag each other, share memes and react to stories. But when did we last sit down and simply talk?

There was a time when a conversation did not need a reason.

You could call a friend just to ask, "How are you?" and actually wait for the answer. You could sit for hours over tea, talk about work, relationships, dreams, disappointments, childhood memories or absolutely nothing – and still feel that the time was well spent.

Today, we have never been more connected, yet somehow, we seem to be talking less.

We tag our friends in Instagram stories. We send them reels and memes. We react to their photographs with a heart, drop a laughing emoji under a joke and occasionally send a "bro, long time!" message.

But is that conversation? Perhaps, occasionally. Randomly, definitely. Consistently? Not really. We Are Connected, But Are We Close? Our phones have made communication incredibly easy. Yet somewhere along the way, communication has become almost transactional.

A meme replaces a phone call. A story mention replaces "I was thinking about you." A birthday post replaces sitting beside someone and telling them what they actually mean to you. A string of emojis replaces a conversation that might have taken an hour.

And perhaps the strangest part is that we have started accepting this as normal. We are busy. Everyone is busy. Work demands more. Families demand more. Careers, responsibilities, deadlines and the endless notifications on our screens compete for our attention. By the time the day ends, we are exhausted. We scroll for a while, respond to a few messages and tell ourselves we will call that friend tomorrow.

Tomorrow becomes next week. Next week becomes next month. And suddenly, two people who once knew almost everything about each other are reduced to watching each other's lives through Instagram stories.

A Deep Conversation Is More Than Words

The tragedy is that a genuine conversation is not merely an exchange of words. It is a form of healing. There is something strangely therapeutic about sitting with someone who lets you speak without checking the clock, without looking at their phone and without preparing a response while you are still talking.

You speak. They listen. Then they speak. You listen. And somewhere between those pauses, laughs, disagreements and silences, something inside you becomes lighter.

You may not have solved your problem, but perhaps you no longer feel alone carrying it.

Sometimes all we need is to tell someone, "I am tired." Not because we expect them to fix anything. Just because saying it aloud makes the weight a little easier to carry.

Deep Conversations Create Deep Bonds

Relationships do not become stronger merely because two people follow each other online. They become stronger when two people understand each other. And understanding takes time. It takes conversations about fears that we don't normally admit. About dreams that sound unrealistic. About mistakes we regret. About people we miss. About things that hurt us. About things that make us ridiculously happy.

It takes those conversations that begin with, "How was your day?" and somehow, three hours later, have reached childhood, love, life, death and everything in between. Those are the conversations we remember. Not the 47 reels we exchanged on a random Tuesday.



Perhaps We Need to Put the Phone Down

This is not an argument against social media. Social media has its place. It keeps people connected across cities and countries. It allows friendships to survive distance and gives us countless ways to share moments with people we care about.

But perhaps we have confused being updated with being connected. Knowing what someone ate, where they travelled, what song they are listening to and what they posted yesterday does not necessarily mean we know how they are actually doing.

There is a difference between knowing someone's life and knowing someone's heart. And that difference is called conversation. Perhaps, then, we need to make a small change. Call someone instead of sending them a reel. Meet someone instead of reacting to their story.

Ask "How are you?" and stay long enough to hear the real answer. Sit across from someone without keeping your phone on the table. Talk about nothing. Talk about everything.

Laugh until your stomach hurts. Complain about life. Discuss dreams. Remember old stories. Say things you have been postponing for months.

Because one day, we may realise that the conversations we considered ordinary were actually some of the most extraordinary parts of our lives.

We live in an age where a notification can reach someone instantly, yet reaching their heart can take hours. Maybe it is time we stopped merely sending things to each other and started saying things to each other again. Because a like can acknowledge you. A comment can appreciate you. A share can entertain you. But a real conversation? A real conversation can heal you.



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**6 NORTH AMERICAN CITIES
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MEMORY INTO A
LIVE SPECTACLE.**

RAJAN NATH | NATIONAL TIMES

Some artists leave behind songs. Some leave behind a movement. Sidhu Moosewala left behind both.

Four years after his death, the Punjabi icon is once again set to headline arenas across North America — this time through the Signed to God World Tour. The newly announced schedule takes his music from Toronto to Vancouver, Calgary, New York, Houston and Oakland, bringing his unmistakable sound back to some of the biggest Punjabi diaspora hubs on the continent.

The North American chapter begins on October 8 at Scotiabank Arena in Toronto, before moving west to Rogers Arena in Vancouver on October 15 and Scotiabank Saddledome in Calgary on October 19.

The tour then crosses into the United States, with UBS Arena in New York on October 23, Fort Bend Epicentre in Houston on October 30, and Oakland Arena on November 6 completing the currently announced run.

What makes Signed to God different is not simply the scale of the venues. It is the idea behind the stage itself — recreating the presence of an artist whose physical journey ended in 2022, while his musical journey continues to travel far beyond Punjab. The production has been developed as a live digital presentation, allowing audiences to experience Moosewala on stage once again.

And perhaps that is the most fitting part of the story.

Moosewala's music was never confined to one village, one city or even one country. His songs travelled with Punjabi immigrants, became anthems for a generation and built an audience stretching from Punjab to Canada, Britain and the United States.

Now, Signed to God is following that same route.



OCT 8 - TORONTO - SCOTIABANK ARENA

OCT 15 - VANCOUVER - ROGERS ARENA

OCT 19 - CALGARY - SCOTIABANK SADDLEDOME

OCT 23 - NEWYORK - UBS ARENA

OCT 30 - HOUSTON - FORT BEND EPICENTRE

NOV 6 - OAKLAND - OAKLAND ARENA

Toronto. Vancouver. Calgary. New York. Houston. Oakland. Six stops, but one message: the Moose may be gone, but the movement isn't.

The official Signed to God website describes the tour as a journey "from Punjab to Toronto, London to LA" and frames it as a tribute to an artist who broke boundaries during his lifetime and continues to inspire beyond it.

For fans who grew up with 295, So High, The Last Ride and countless other tracks, these concerts promise something more than nostalgia.

They are a chance to hear the voice again.

The story continues. The stage is waiting. And the Moose is coming back — in a way only 2026 could make possible.



EIGHT TIMES CHAMPIONS. ONE UNUSUAL ENDING.

RAJAN NATH | NATIONAL TIMES

India Refuses to Take Asia Cup Title After Historic Win

India had every reason to celebrate. A dominant 72-run victory over Sri Lanka had delivered Harmanpreet Kaur's team its eighth Women's Asia Cup title, extending an already remarkable record in the continental tournament.

Yet, when the time came for the traditional trophy presentation, the celebrations took an unexpected turn.

The Indian players did not come out for the post-match ceremony, where the Asia Cup trophy was to be presented by Asian Cricket Council chairman Mohsin Naqvi.

The Trophy Was Won. The Moment Was Different.

On the field, there was little doubt about India's superiority. The 72-run margin gave the team a convincing finish to its campaign and another piece of silverware to add to its collection.

But the absence of the players from the presentation quickly shifted attention from the scorecard to the ceremony itself.

Naqvi's presence made the moment particularly significant. The ACC chairman is also the head of the Pakistan Cricket Board and serves as Pakistan's Interior Minister, placing him at the centre of the politically sensitive India-Pakistan cricket equation.

Déjà Vu at the Asia Cup

For followers of Indian cricket, Sunday's episode carried a familiar ring.

A similar situation unfolded during last year's men's Asia Cup when India's players also did not accept the trophy and medals from Naqvi.

What might ordinarily be the most celebratory few minutes of a tournament has therefore become an increasingly familiar point of attention whenever an Indian team wins an Asia Cup with Naqvi overseeing the presentation.

The latest development effectively extends that unusual chapter into a second consecutive year.





Eight Titles, One More Milestone

Whatever happened after the final, India's achievement on the pitch remains historic.

The 72-run victory over Sri Lanka secured the team's record-extending eighth Women's Asia Cup crown, reinforcing India's dominance in the competition.

For Kaur and her players, the championship was the reward for their performance across the tournament.

But the closing scene in Dubai offered a striking contrast: India won the trophy in emphatic fashion, yet the traditional trophy moment never quite unfolded.

And so, another Asia Cup final goes into the record books — not only for who won, but also for what happened when the winning team was expected to collect its prize.

India Lived Up to Its Own High Standards

India captain Harmanpreet Kaur credited the team's consistency and commitment to its own high standards after the side clinched a record-extending eighth Women's Asia Cup title with a commanding 72-run victory over Sri Lanka in Sunday's final.

Harmanpreet said the triumph was not simply the result of one outstanding performance but reflected the level of cricket India had demanded from itself throughout the tournament.

The Indian side produced a clinical display in the final, putting Sri Lanka under sustained pressure and eventually completing a comprehensive victory to add another continental title to its impressive record.

The victory further strengthened India's dominance in the Women's Asia Cup, with the team extending its record to eight championships.





FROM PUNJAB'S STREETS TO CRICKET'S BIG STAGE: AMRITSAR SOORMAS' DREAM START



RAJAN NATH | NATIONAL TIMES

Eight wickets, a maiden title and a league that promises to turn Punjab's emerging cricket talent into tomorrow's stars

The inaugural Sher-e-Punjab T20 League ended with a new champion and a bigger promise for Punjab cricket. Amritsar Soormas walked away with the maiden title after defeating Ludhiana Lions by eight wickets in the final at the IS Bindra Stadium in Mohali.

But beyond the trophy, the tournament's first season offered something potentially more valuable — a stage for young cricketers from across Punjab to put their talent in front of selectors, scouts and a wider audience.

The closing ceremony was attended by Punjab Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann, who said the league represented an important step towards restoring the state's sporting culture and strengthening its position as a breeding ground for elite athletes. A Champion Emerges

Amritsar Soormas' emphatic eight-wicket victory provided the perfect finale to the league's inaugural edition. The title was accompanied by a string of individual honours, underlining the quality of performances produced during the tournament.

Sahaj Davinder Pal Dhawan was named Player of the Match, while Amritsar Soormas captain Naman Dhir dominated the awards list.

Dhir received the Yuvraj Singh Award for Player of the Tournament, along with the Lala Amarnath Award for Best Batsman and the award for Best Knock of the Tournament.

Sahil Bhaskar claimed the Bishan Singh Bedi Award for Best Bowler, while Sanvir Singh took home the Catch of the Tournament honour. Arjun Rajput was recognised as the Emerging Player of the Tournament.

The individual awards added another layer to a competition designed to discover players who may otherwise have remained outside the spotlight.

A League With a Larger Mission

For Mann, the significance of the tournament went well beyond the final scorecard.

He described the Sher-e-Punjab T20 League as a platform capable of taking young cricketers from Punjab's villages and towns towards bigger opportunities, including domestic cricket, the IPL and eventually the national team.

The Chief Minister said the first edition featured 119 players from Punjab, giving them an opportunity to showcase their skills in a competitive T20 environment.

"Several promising young cricketers from the villages and towns of Punjab came into the limelight," Mann said, expressing confidence that many of them could eventually represent Punjab and India.

The league also attracted attention from talent scouts and selectors associated with IPL franchises, creating another potential pathway for players looking to make the jump into professional cricket.

Punjab Wants More Than Just Cricket

Mann used the occasion to underline the state government's broader sporting ambitions, saying Punjab would be developed as the country's sports hub.

The Chief Minister pointed to the state's existing presence in Indian cricket, noting that India's men's and women's captains, Shubman Gill and Harmanpreet Kaur, respectively, hail from Punjab.



He also highlighted that 21 Punjab players are currently part of the IPL ecosystem, suggesting that the state already possesses a significant talent pool that can be expanded through structured competitions.

The Sher-e-Punjab T20 League, he said, is intended to strengthen that pipeline by taking the search for talent beyond established cricket centres and into smaller towns and villages.

When the League Became a Pathway

Perhaps the clearest early indication of the league's potential came even before its inaugural season had fully faded from memory.

Punjab cricketers Naman Dhir and Prabhsimran Singh were selected for the India A team, something Mann described as evidence that competitions such as the Sher-e-Punjab T20 League can help emerging players move towards the national setup.

The presence of IPL scouts during matches further raised expectations among participants, with the Chief Minister expressing hope that more players from the tournament would eventually earn IPL opportunities.

Six Teams, One Punjab Cricket Story

The inaugural competition brought together six franchises representing different parts of the state.

Fazilka Falcons, led by Shubman Gill; Ludhiana Lions, captained by Arshdeep Singh; Amritsar Soormas, led by Abhishek Sharma; Jalandhar Warriors, captained by Prabhsimran Singh; Mohali Kings, led by Ramandeep Singh; and Bathinda Royals, captained by Gurnoor Brar, formed the league's first field of contenders.

Alongside Punjab's established names, the tournament also featured players such as Anmolpreet Singh, Naman Dhir, Vihaan Malhotra, Imanjot Singh Chahal, Ashwani Kumar, Krish Bhagat, Sahil Bhaskar and Rahul Kumar.

For two weeks, the competition brought together experience and emerging talent under one banner.

The Beginning, Not the Finish

As the lights went down on the inaugural season, Amritsar Soormas had the trophy, Naman Dhir had a cabinet full of individual honours, and Punjab had a new cricketing platform to build upon.

Mann said the government would continue working to reconnect young people with sporting grounds and revive Punjab's sporting culture.

The first Sher-e-Punjab T20 League may have produced its first champion in Amritsar Soormas.

But its larger ambition is clear: to ensure that the next Punjab cricket star does not remain hidden in a village, a small town or an unnoticed local ground — and instead gets the chance to step into the spotlight.



APPLE'S BIGGEST PLOT TWIST: PRO POWER MEETS FOLDABLE FUTURE

RAJAN NATH | NATIONAL TIMES

Apple's latest product wave looks less like an annual upgrade and more like a statement about where personal technology is heading.

At the centre are the iPhone 18 Pro and iPhone 18 Pro Max, promising major upgrades in photography, performance, battery efficiency and artificial intelligence. Their new 48MP Fusion Main camera with variable aperture gives photographers greater control, while revamped Pro controls are designed to put frequently used settings closer at hand.

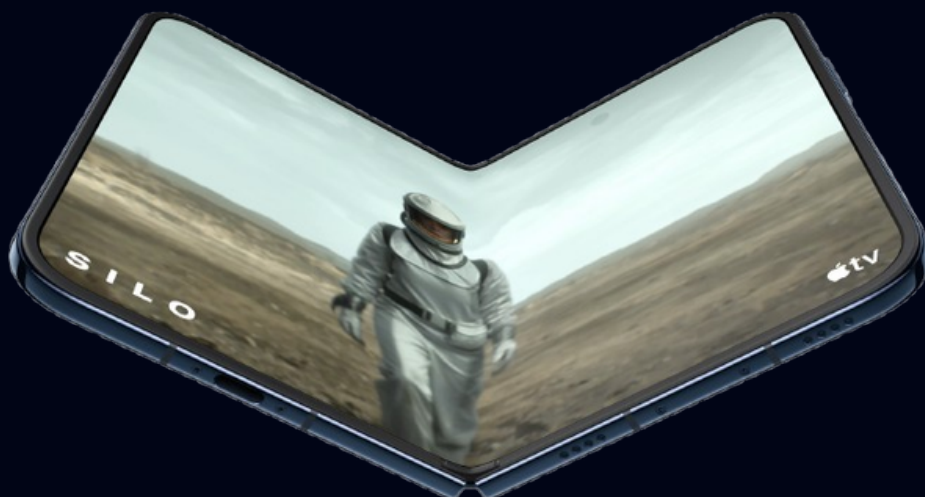
Under the hood, the A20 Pro chip and a next-generation vapour chamber aim to keep performance running at full pace for longer. The devices also introduce iOS 27 and a new generation of Apple Intelligence, including a significantly reworked Siri designed to make greater use of personal context while keeping privacy at the heart of the experience.

But the real showstopper may be the iPhone Duo — Apple's first foldable iPhone.

Open it up and the device becomes the company's largest iPhone display yet, measuring 19.26 cm (7.6 inches) and offering 50 per cent more screen real estate than the iPhone 18 Pro Max. Its ultra-thin inner display, reduced glare and under-display FaceTime camera create an almost uninterrupted viewing surface.

The foldable design also changes how the phone can be used — from watching films hands-free to switching effortlessly between its inner and outer screens.

Alongside the new iPhones, Apple Watch Series 12, Apple Watch Ultra 4 and AirPods 5 join the latest-generation lineup. Apple's message is clear: the smartphone is no longer simply getting better. It is learning to take new shapes.

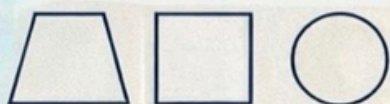




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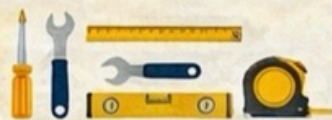


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