

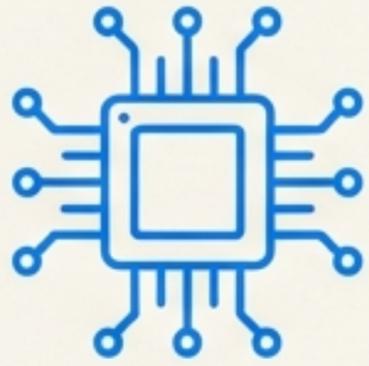
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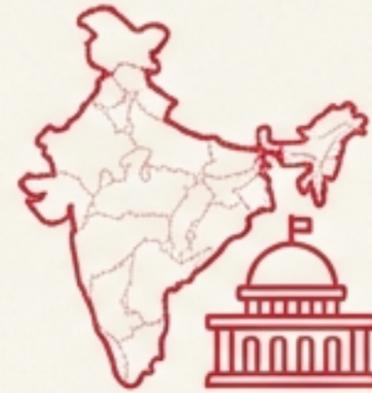
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# Today's Agenda



## Tech & Policy

New rules for AI and Deepfakes.



## National Updates

Unrest in Manipur & Parliamentary Friction.



## Global & Economy

Bangladesh Cotton Deal & US Climate Policy.

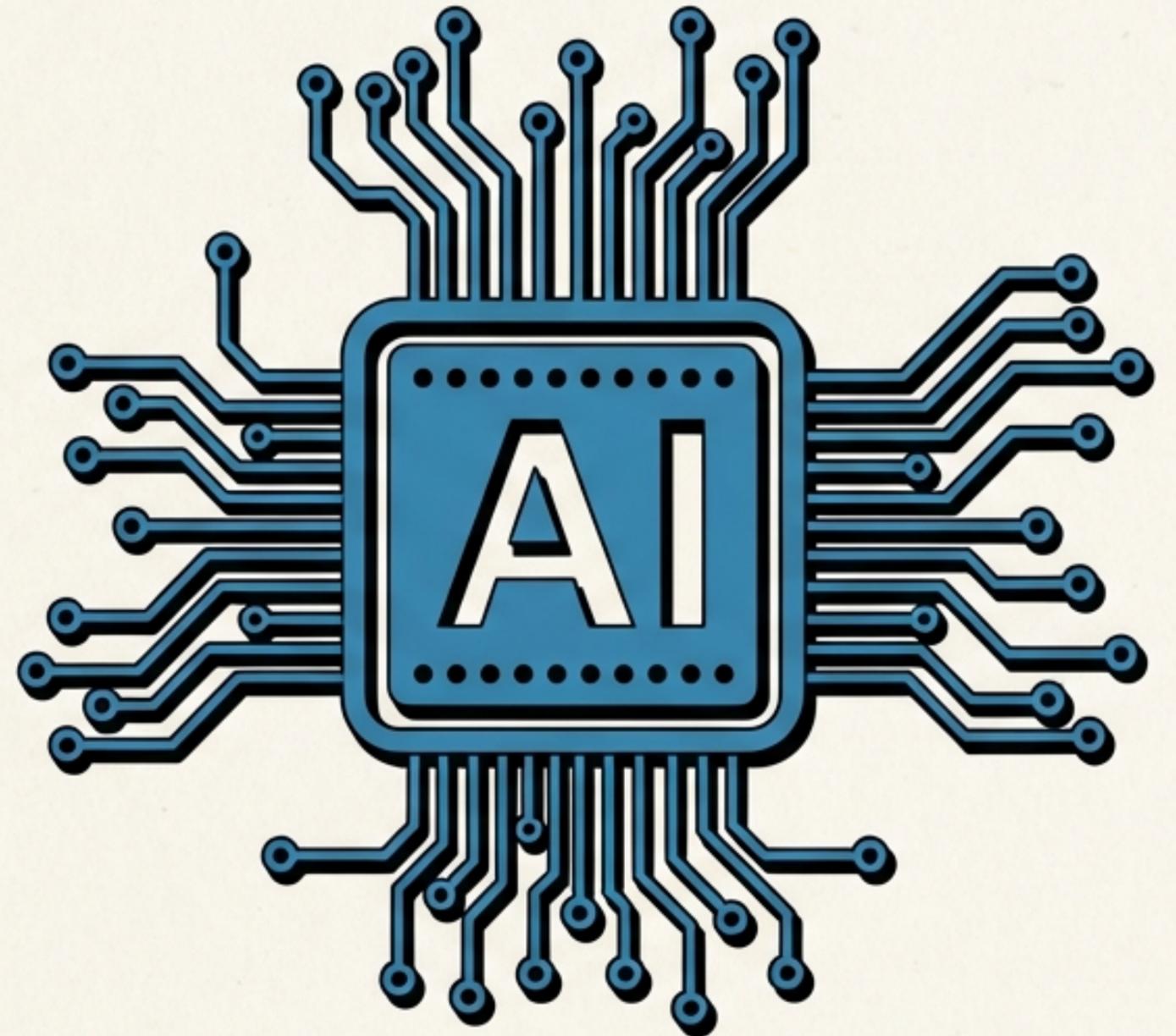


## Sports Corner

T20 World Cup Highlights.

# Tech Update: Taming AI & Deepfakes

- The Union Government has amended amended the IT Act, 2021.
- **New Deadline:** Social media platforms must remove content faster.
  - Illegal content: **3 hours**
  - Sensitive content (Deepfakes/Nudity): **2 hours** (previously 24-36 hours).
- **The Label:** All 'photorealistic' AI content must be clearly labeled.



# What happens if platforms don't obey?

## The Concept: Safe Harbour

Normally, apps like Facebook aren't blamed for user posts.



If they ignore the new AI rules...

**LOSS OF PROTECTION.**  
**They can be sued like a publisher.**

**User Duty:** You must declare if you upload AI content.  
If you don't, the platform will label it or take it down.

# National Update: Tension in Manipur

Ongoing unrest in Ukhrul District.



## Key Facts

- **Location:** Ukhrul District (Naga-majority area)
- **The Situation:** 3 days of violence between Kuki-Zo and Naga tribal groups.
- **The Incident:** 9-10 houses burnt in Litan area.
- **Government Action:** Internet suspended for 5 days. CM appeals for peace.

# Judiciary Watch: SC to Hear Hate Speech Plea



## Key Details

- **The Petition:** Filed by CPI(M) against Assam CM Himanta Biswa Sarma.
- **The Allegation:** A 'sustained pattern of hate speeches' targeting a specific community and inciting hostility.
- **Specifics:** Cites a deleted social media post with violent imagery.
- **Supreme Court Action:** Agreed to schedule an **urgent hearing**.

# Parliament Watch: **Opposition vs. The Speaker**

Ongoing political clash in the Lok Sabha.



## Key Details

- **The Move:** **Opposition (INDIA bloc)** submits notice to **remove** Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla.
- **The Grievance:** **Partisan conduct** (Bias). **Silencing** Opposition leaders in the House.
- **Current Status:** Notice is being examined by the **Lok Sabha Secretariat**.

# Business & World: The Cotton Connection



USA & Bangladesh sign trade deal.



Bangladesh replaces Indian cotton with **US cotton**.



Indian exporters lose a major customer.

“ Bangladesh calls the deal a ‘game changer’.”

# Global Policy: US Rolls Back Climate Rules.



## Key Policy Details

- **Action:** Trump administration **repeals** scientific finding that greenhouse gases are dangerous.
- **Consequence:** Removes legal **basis** for climate regulations.
- **Significance:** Described as the “**largest act of deregulation**” in US history.

# Geopolitics: Tensions in West Asia



Event: Israel PM Netanyahu to meet US President Trump.

Agenda: Pushing for a tougher US stance on **Iran**.

Key Issues: Nuclear program & Ballistic missiles.

# Environment: The Coral Crisis



## Key Statistics

• **50%**

of world's coral reefs bleached between 2014-2017.

- **Cause:** Ocean heatwaves driven by climate change.
- **Status:** New heatwaves pose an immediate threat.

# T20 World Cup: Pakistan Defeats USA



## Match Card

Inter

**Pakistan WON**

190 for 9

Star Performers

- Sahibzada Farhan: **73 runs** (41 balls)
- Shadab Khan: All-round performance

Sports Alert: The Big Match is On!

# INDIA vs PAKISTAN

## T20 World Cup Clash Confirmed



### Match Details

- 📅 **Date:** February 15
- 📍 **Venue:** Colombo
- **Status:** Proceeding as planned despite scheduling doubts.

# Quick Bytes: In Other News

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-  **Assam Voters:** Voter count drops by 2.43 lakh after list revision.
-  **Diplomacy:** French President Macron to visit India next week for AI Summit.
-  **Heritage:** ASI teams arrive in Tamil Nadu to copy ancient inscriptions.
-  **Startups:** Bangladesh calls US trade deal a 'game changer'.

# Revision Cheat Sheet

- **Tech:** New 3-hour deadline for platforms to remove deepfakes/illegal AI content.
- **National:** Internet suspended in Ukhrul (Manipur); SC hears hate speech plea against Assam CM.
- **World:** US-Bangladesh cotton deal threatens Indian exporters; US rolls back climate rules.
- **Sports:** Pakistan beats USA; India vs. Pakistan confirmed for Feb 15.