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National Press Day to be celebrated on November 16, 2025

Hon'ble Union Minister of Information and Broadcasting, Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw to grace the main event organised by Press Council of India

**This year's celebration is based on the theme
"Safeguarding Press Credibility Amidst Rising Misinformation"**

The Press Council of India was set up by an Act of Parliament as a quasi-judicial authority in 1966 (re-established in 1979), with the objective of having an internal self-regulatory mechanism for the Print Media to ensure free and responsible reporting. Since then, the Press Council is constantly striving to protect and preserve the freedom of the press and to raise the standards of newspapers and news agencies in the country, and has also played a significant role as an advisory body to the legislature and other authorities.

The Council, every year on November 16, the day of its establishment, observes this day as the "National Press Day", which is symbolic of free and responsible Press in India and is commemorated throughout the country. The main event of National Press Day this year will be observed on November 16, 2025 at the National Media Centre, New Delhi from 12:30 p.m. onwards. The theme for deliberation is "Safeguarding Press Credibility Amidst Rising Misinformation".

Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw, Hon'ble Minister of Information & Broadcasting, Railways and Electronics & Information Technology will grace the National Press Day function as the Chief Guest; Dr. L. Murugan, Hon'ble Minister of State for Information & Broadcasting and Parliamentary Affairs, will be Guest of Honour; and Shri Vijay Joshi, Chief Executive Officer, Press Trust of India, will be the Keynote Speaker. Smt. Justice Ranjana Prakash Desai, Hon'ble Chairperson, Press Council of India will preside over the function.

Participation of eminent journalists, senior Government officials, other dignitaries and students of journalism is expected in the event to be organized by the Press Council of India in New Delhi. Similar events are to be organized across the country at the State Level and by various institutions and organizations associated with the Press in India.



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