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MUMBAI: Mumbai Crime Branch, investigating a large-scale human trafficking racket involving fake visas and passports, has made another major revelation. The probe has revealed that the gang not

Mumbai police busts major fake visa racket sending illegals abroad

only sent youths abroad on fake documents but also deployed their own agents to accompany them. These agents provided crucial assistance to the youths in clearing foreign airport checks and navigating the necessary procedures.

When they sent a youth to Poland, Turkey or the UAE, they simultaneously or slightly earlier sent one of their agents on a separate flight to the same destination. By the time the youth landed, the agent would already be present at the foreign airport, ready to assist them in bypassing security checks and offering other necessary support to avoid detection.

A senior Crime Branch official revealed that once the youths reached Poland, Turkey or the UAE, the gang's agents would escort them to the border before their illegal entry into the US. Once the youths successfully crossed into the the donkey route (illegal land crossing), the agents' job would be complete.

During interrogation, the mastermind of the racket, Ajit Puri, confessed that he sent agents with all 80 youths he trafficked abroad. He ensured they received support from Mumbai Airport to their final destination, preventing their capture. For this service, the gang charged each youth between Rs 30 and 40 lakh.

India less vulnerable to US tariff war

NEW DELHI: Despite the 26pc tariff imposed on Indian goods by President Trump, India will remain the fastest growing economy among the advanced and emerging G-20 countries and the huge size of its domestic market makes the country less vulnerable to potential shocks from US tariff policy.

In its report on emerging markets, Moody's stated that India's GDP growth, projected at 6.5pc for 2025-26, will remain the highest of the advanced and emerging G-20 countries on the back of tax cuts and continued monetary policy easing by RBI inflation has come down.



The report projects India's inflation to average 4.5pc in the current financial year, down from 4.9pc in the previous fiscal year. This is expected to pave the way for a soft money policy, with lower interest rates and more liquidity in the economy,

to spur economic growth.

In India's case, after the first phase of the universal tariff takes effect on April 5, a 16pc tariff will kick on April 9, bringing the total duty to 26pc. This rate of 26pc on India is much lower than the 34pc imposed on China, 46pc on Vietnam, 37pc on Bangladesh and 36pc on Thailand, all of which are competitors for Indian exporters while accessing the American market in some commodity segment or the other. Tariffs on India are also lower than those on other Asian competitors, including the 36pc proposed on Thailand and 32pc on Indonesia.

India assessing impact of tariff

NEW DELHI: Union Minister of State for Finance Pankaj Chaudhary on Thursday said India is assessing the tariff hike imposed by the US and its impact on the country.

"For Trump, it's America first but for Modi, it's India first. We are assessing the impact of reciprocal tariffs imposed by the US," he said on the sidelines of an event organised by PFRDA here. Asked about its impact on India, he said assessment is being done.

The move is expected to impact India's exports to the US. However, experts say that India is better-placed than its competitors who also face increased levies. President Trump, in a historic measure to counter higher duties on American products imposed globally, announced reciprocal tariffs on about 60 countries.

India not so badly hit: ASSOCHAM

NEW DELHI: India is not so badly impacted by the imposition of tariffs by the US, says ASSOCHAM president Sanjay Nayar.

He said that Indian economy is more inward-looking compared with its peer Asian markets.

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FOUR OUT OF 10 PRESCRIPTIONS FOR INDIAN DRUGS

Indian pharma exempted from reciprocal tariffs

WASHINGTON: Pharmaceuticals to the US will get a reprieve from President Donald Trump's reciprocal tariffs, according to the White House.

The US is the largest importer of pharmaceuticals from India, bringing in products in the category worth \$8.73 billion during the 2024 fiscal year, according to

statistics cited by the India Brand Equity Foundation (IBEF). IBEF said 31.5pc of India's pharmaceutical exports went to the US.

The White House fact-sheet issued on Wednesday after Trump's announcement of 26pc reciprocal tariffs on imports from India said that pharmaceuticals were

exempt. Indian drugs, especially the generics, help hold down the costs of the US healthcare system, which is already one of the most expensive sector. Sun Pharma, Dr Reddy's, Lupin, Cipla, Piramal etc moved up on the stock market today.

The White House fact-sheet said that copper,

semiconductors, lumber, bullion, energy and certain minerals that are not available in the US are also exempt from the reciprocal tariffs.

Previewing the likely outcome of the tariffs, ING Bank had warned that "in the absence of a deal with India, we think Trump's tariffs will mostly drive up drug

prices for US consumers" because of the wide use of generics for which India is the major supplier.

Given the importance of Indian pharma, President Trump has exempted that category even without a deal. IQVIA, a healthcare data and analytics company, said that

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Boosting home loans

Owning one's own house is a cherished dream and a major milestone in one's life. Making this dream into a reality needs considerable efforts and smart investment plans.

One such plan is housing loan. Housing loan is a secured loan that is taken to purchase property by offering it as collateral. Housing loans are high value funding interest rates. They are repaid through EMIs and once the loan is repaid, the property is transferred to the borrower. A home loan is provided by banks, financial institutions and non-banking companies to help home buyers. These are long-term loans and needs careful planning by both the banks and the borrower.

Affordable housing loan is the major concern of the Union government as this directly touches the common man. Now, banks are optimistic about lending opportunities in affordable housing following the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) revision of loan limits under its Priority Sector Lending (PSL) guidelines. PSL is an RBI-mandated policy requiring banks to allocate a fixed portion of their loans to key sectors that face credit shortages but are crucial for inclusive economic growth. For commercial banks (excluding regional rural banks and small finance banks), the PSL target is set at 40pc of net bank credit. Under the revised guidelines, effective April 1, RBI has restructured the PSL housing loan categories. Instead of two categories, there are now three, based on the population size of the city: These categories are: Metropolitan centres (population of 50 lakh and above) — loan limit: Rs 50 lakh, with a maximum cost of Rs 63 lakh, centres with populations between 10 lakh and 50 lakh — loan limit: Rs 45 lakh, with a maximum property cost of Rs 57 lakh and centres with populations below 10 lakh — loan limit: Rs 35 lakh, with a maximum property cost of Rs 44 lakh.



Senior bank officials believe these revised PSL guidelines will boost affordable housing, especially in smaller cities (Tier-IV, V, and VI), where both banks and non-bank lenders can cater to increasing demand post-pandemic. RBI has also increased loan limits for repairs of damaged dwelling units, which bank officials say will open up new lending opportunities. The revisions will help banks meet PSL targets more efficiently while supporting government initiatives like "Housing for All". Some banks expect higher loan disbursements leading to greater participation in the affordable housing segment.

By incentivising access to affordable housing finance, banks can extend credit to an expanded set of deserving customers, while benefiting from regulatory incentives that help reduce the cost of lending for the segment. This will help to increase access to housing finance, promote affordable housing and growth of the segment. In this connection, the revised guidelines as a significant step forward in helping banks manage their PSL portfolios more effectively. The expansion of PSL-eligible borrowers and greater lending flexibility in housing, education and renewable energy sectors is expected to enhance financial inclusion. As of March 30, 2025, home loan interest rates vary across banks. SBI is offering loan starting interest rate of 8.25pc per annum onwards, processing fees of 0.35pc of the loan amount plus GST. But defaulting in housing loans will have very bad effect on the borrower.

LIPSYNCH

"Success is not final; failure is not fatal: It is the courage to continue that counts."—Winston Churchill

Saudi Aramco wants to invest in Indian refineries

NEW DELHI: Saudi Aramco is in talks to invest in two planned refineries in India as the world's top oil exporter looks for a stable outlet for its crude in the world's fastest-growing emerging market.

India, the world's third-largest oil consumer and importer, wants to become a global refining hub as Western companies cut crude processing capacity in their shift to cleaner fuels.

Meanwhile, Saudi Arabia's share of India's oil imports has declined as refiners that have invested billions of dollars in upgrading their plants diversify crude sources to tap cheaper alternatives, including from Russia. Aramco is in separate talks to invest in Bharat Petroleum Corp's (BPCL), opens new tab planned refinery in Andhra and and ONGC opens new tab refinery in Gujarat, the sources said. While ONGC's Gujarat refinery plans are at a nascent stage, BPCL's chairman said in December that it aimed to invest \$11 billion in its Andhra refinery and petrochemical project.

Sources said state-controlled Aramco proposes to supply oil equivalent to three times its stake in each project, and



wants to sell its share of production either in India or by export. "We want flexibility in crude procurement. If we give them 30pc stake, they want to supply crude equivalent to 90pc of the capacity, which is not possible," the second refinery source said.

Other details, including potential investment

size and the configuration of the planned refineries, were not immediately available. Prime Minister Narendra Modi plans to visit Saudi Arabia in the second quarter, and the two countries will attempt to reach an agreement before the visit, said a third source with knowledge of the matter.

Australia, UK hike visa fees

LONDON/SYDNEY: UK and Australia have hiked visa fees from April 1, 2025, across several categories. Starting April 1, 2025, the Australian government increased visa application charges by up to 13pc across several categories, affecting Indian nationals planning to study, work or visit.

For instance, the Student visa (subclass 500) now costs about AUD 1,808 (96,800), up from AUD 1,600 (Rs 85,600). Visitor and work visas have seen similar increases. A visitor visa that previously cost AUD 150

(Rs 8,030) now comes to around AUD 169.50 (Rs 9,070), while a work visa once priced at AUD 1,000 (Rs 53,530) now costs about AUD 1,130 (Rs 60,490).

From April 1, if you're planning to visit the UK from India, your visa is going to cost more. The fee for a Standard Visitor visa — required for Indian, Pakistani and Nigerian nationals — has increased from J115 (approximately Rs 12,190) to J127 (Rs 13,462). Long-term visitor visas have also seen an upward revision.

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Courtyard By Marriott now in Ranchi

RANCHI: Ranchi just got a serious upgrade in the hospitality game with the arrival of Courtyard by Marriott, Marriott International's first-ever property in Jharkhand. Nestled near the Rock Garden and Kanke Dam, this sleek 111-room hotel is set to become the new hotspot for both business travellers and vacationers looking for a stylish stay in the city.

The hotel sits just 35 minutes from Birsamunda Airport and is a stone's throw from Nucleus Mall, making it a breeze to explore Ranchi's top sights. But the real magic lies in-

side—think spacious, thoughtfully designed rooms with killer views of Kanke Dam and the surrounding greenery.

Foodies, rejoice. Whether you're craving a hearty meal at Virasat (their all-day dining spot), a quick bite at the Courtyard Café or sunset cocktails with a view at the Skyline rooftop bar, this place has you covered. And if you're the type who likes to balance indulgence with wellness, you'll love the 24-hour gym, rooftop pool and steam room—all with picture-perfect panoramas.

Need to host an event?

Courtyard by Marriott Ranchi brings over 9,100 sq. ft. of flexible event space, including the Vista Hall for grand gatherings and the Skyline Venue for those Instagram-worthy poolside soirées.

Ranju Alex, Marriott's Regional VP for South Asia, puts it perfectly: "We're thrilled to introduce Courtyard's signature blend of modern luxury and warm hospitality to Ranchi—a city that's rich in culture and natural beauty." Pramod Singh, the Hotel Manager, echoes the sentiment, promising guests a stay that's as seamless as it is memorable.

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Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation's 620 vacancies closes on May 11

NAVI MUMBAI: The Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation (NMMC) has launched a recruitment drive to fill 620 vacancies in Group-C and Group-D categories, providing a major opportunity for job seekers looking for government employment. The recruitment covers multiple departments, including administration, engineering, technical, finance and public health.

Candidates must submit their applications before May 11, 2025 through the official NMMC website, www.nmmc.gov.in.

AVAILABLE POSITIONS & SALARY DETAILS: The recruitment drive includes a range of job positions with competitive salary packages. Some key roles include: Biomedical Engineer – Salary between Rs 41,800

and Rs 1,32,300. Junior Civil Engineer, Junior Biomedical Engineer, Garden Supervisor, Information & PR Officer, Medical Social Worker – Salary between Rs 38,600 and Rs 1,28,000.

Dental Hygienist: Salary between Rs 35,400 and Rs 1,12,400.

Staff Nurse, Dialysis Technician, Statistical Assistant, ECG Specialist, CSSD Technician, Diet Technician – Salary between Rs 5,400 and Rs 1,12,400. Ophthalmic Assistant: Salary between Rs 35,400 and Rs 1,12,400.

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Garden Assistant, Accounts Clerk, Post-Mortem Assistant and other similar roles also have vacancies.

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Euro	92.70	94.67
Japanese Yen	0.577	0.586
Swiss Franc (CHF)	96.91	98.99
Canadian Dollar	59.56	60.89
Australian Dollar	53.31	54.46
Norwegian Krone	8.11	8.35
Swedish Krona	8.56	8.81
New Zealand Dollar	48.66	49.76
Hong Kong Dollar	10.80	11.13
Kuwaiti Dinar	282.03	271.77
Singapore Dollar	63.11	64.53
Saudi Arabian Riyal	22.40	23.12
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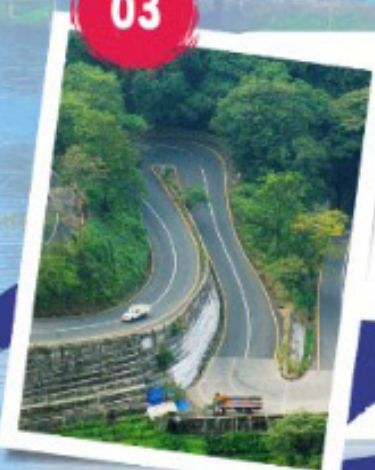
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GULF FAQs

Eviction notice in short time, what to do ?

I have been residing in an apartment in Abu Dhabi for the past seven eight years. My real estate agent has just informed me that the landlord does not wish to renew my contract which expires in a couple of weeks. Is this legal? Does the landlord not need to give me a notice? Please explain the laws around this. Also, if the landlord is in the wrong but still insists that I vacate the apartment, what legal recourse do I have?

In Abu Dhabi, if a landlord or a tenant does not wish to renew a rent contract or intends to amend any of its terms, such party shall provide a written notice to the other party not less than two months prior to the expiration of a contract term for residential premises.

Therefore, your landlord is obligated to provide you with a two-month notice before requiring you to vacate the rented premises. This is in accordance with Article 20 of Law No.(4)



of 2010 Amending Some Provisions of Law No. (20) of 2006 Concerning the Lease of Premises and Regulation of the Landlord-Tenant Relationship in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi, which states: "Where one of the parties does not wish to renew the lease contract or wants to modify its terms, he shall notify the other party in writing two months before the expiry date of the lease contract in case of premises leased for residential purposes, and three months before the expiry date of the lease contract in case of premises leased for commercial, industrial, liberal

profession, and artisanal purposes."

Furthermore, the "Rent Dispute Settlement Committee" is set up to resolve disputes which reports to the Abu Dhabi Judicial Department, which is chaired by a judge. This is in accordance with Article 24 of the Amended Abu Dhabi Rent Law.

"A local committee (s) named "Rent Dispute Settlement Committee" shall be formed, shall report to the Abu Dhabi judicial department, and shall be chaired by a judge. Its formation, headquarters, and remuneration of its members shall be determined by a

decision of the chairman of the Judicial Department."

The committee has the authority to resolve disputes between a landlord and a tenant under the rent contract, the applicable law, and its amendments, for matters not covered herein. It can also issue provisional measures requested by either party. Additionally, the committee is responsible for ensuring compliance with the rent contract. This is under Article 25 of Law No. (20) of 2006 Concerning the Lease of Premises and Regulation of the Landlord-Tenant Relationship in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi.

"The committee shall have the power to expeditiously determine the disputes arising out of the Lessor-Tenant relation pursuant to the provisions hereof, the civil transactions law of the UAE

and the amendments thereto in respect of any matter not stipulated herein, call for taking

provisional measures applied for by either party to the contract. The committee shall also have the power to supervise the implementation of the provisions hereof and prosecute any party of the rental relation if they contravene the provisions hereof at the request of any party or the secretariat general of the Executive Council." In accordance with the aforementioned provision of the law, your landlord is obligated to serve you with a written notice two months before the expiration of the term of the contract. You may discuss this with the real estate agent and inform him of the two months' notice and discuss the same with your landlord. In case there is no amicable settlement and if your landlord still insists that you vacate the rented premises/apartment, you may seek assistance from the Rent Dispute Settlement Committee, which can resolve disputes between landlords and tenants.

Dubai rents are rising, is it worth moving to suburbs?

I am an NRI and find it difficult to meet the rising rents in Dubai. It is worth moving to new suburbs?

Yes, rising rents drive tenants to suburbs, with affordable apartments starting Dh23,000. New suburban areas are becoming popular among Dubai tenants as rising rents push residents to look for more affordable communities. Due to the affordability factor, Lehabab, Al Aweer and Al Marmoom are fast-emerging new suburban rent areas.

"Dubai's rental affordability is being re-defined, and new data shows that "affordable" apartments are avail-

able, specifically in suburban areas away from the city centre,"

says Lewis Allsopp, Chairman at Allsopp & Allsopp. He added that affordable rents in Lehabab, Al Aweer and Al Marmoom now average between Dh23,000 and Dh35,000 annually. Villas and townhouses in these areas range from Dh39,000 to Dh73,000.

Over the past few years, communities such as JVC, Silicon, Arjan and Dubailand have been perceived as suburban ar-



areas. But these communities have seen a massive influx of new tenants, pushing rents substantially higher and making them highly sought-after areas. "A significant 13pc year-on-year jump in rental prices across Dubai is encouraging residents to look beyond the city core, leading to

increased demand in these communities and a notable shift in Dubai's residential landscape," said Allsopp.

Earlier this month, Dubai announced a project to deliver 17,000 studio to three-bedroom apartments with affordable rents for skilled professionals to meet the rising demand for affordable housing. The first phase will be developed across six sites in Al Mueisim 1, Al Twar 1, Al Qusais Industrial 5

and Al Leyan 1. Ayman Youssef, managing director of Coldwell Banker, UAE, said that once these affordable properties enter the market, a "more substantial cooling of rental prices" will be expected. "At the moment, I don't anticipate a significant drop in rents solely due to this new project, as the current demand far exceeds the 17,000 units being introduced. For a noticeable softening in rental prices, three lakh units currently under construction will be a more decisive factor," he said.

Rents in Dubai have been constantly on the rise over the past four years.

IndiGo faces Rs 944cr tax penalty, calls it erroneous

NEW DELHI: With the Income Tax Department imposing a penalty of Rs 944.20 crore on IndiGo, India's largest airline has termed the order "erroneous" and vowed to challenge it legally.

The airline's parent company, InterGlobe Aviation, received the order. In a regulatory filing, IndiGo stated that the penalty pertains to the assessment year 2021-22.

The company strongly believes that the order is not in accordance with the law and has termed it "erroneous and frivo-

lous."

"The order has been passed on the basis of an erroneous understanding that appeal filed by the company before the Commissioner of Income Tax (Appeals) (CIT(A)) against the assessment order under Section 143(3) has been dismissed, whereas the same is still alive and pending adjudication," the airline said in its filing. IndiGo has assured that it will pursue legal remedies to contest the penalty. Despite the hefty fine, IndiGo has clarified that the

order will not have any significant impact on its financials, operations, or overall business activities.

"The said order does not have any significant impact on financials, operations or other activities of the company," it added. The penalty comes at a time when IndiGo is already navigating financial challenges. The airline recently reported an 18.6pc decline in its consolidated net profit for the third quarter of FY25, with earnings falling to Rs 2,448.8 crore

from Rs 2,998.1 crore a year ago.

Rising operational costs, which surged by 20pc to Rs 20,466 crore,

played a major role in the dip in profitability. However, IndiGo remains a dominant player in the Indian aviation sector.

Indian pharma exempted...

(Cont. from page-1) four out of 10 prescriptions filled in the US are from Indian companies.

"Out of the top 10 therapy areas by prescription volume, Indian companies supplied more than half of the prescriptions for five: hypertension, mental health, lipid regulators, nervous system disorders and anti-ulcerants", it said.

IQVIA estimated that by using generics from India, rather than high-priced branded products, the US healthcare system saved \$219 billion in 2022 and a total of \$1.3 trillion between 2013 and 2022. These savings dwarf the dollar values of the pharma imports from India and 26pc tariffs on them would have had a domino effect across the healthcare system, especially Medicare, the government healthcare insurance system for seniors.

India not so...

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iffs, I think we are not as badly impacted; the 26pc tariff number looks steep, but when you look at it relative to other Southeast Asian countries, then it looks better," he added.

Pharmaceuticals Export Promotion Council of India has welcomed the US tariff exemption. Its Chairman Namit Joshi says: "Pharmexcil welcomes US tariff exemption [as the move], reaffirms commitment to uninterrupted supply of quality and affordable medicines. We express our profound gratitude to the government of India for successfully negotiating the exemption of Indian pharma from US reciprocal tariffs."

Visa fees hike...

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UK visa fee hike from April: six-month visa to cost Rs 14,000 for Indians, up from J432 (Rs 45,792).

The UK is also expanding its Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA) system, which applies to visitors from visa-exempt countries. The ETA, which earlier cost J10 (Rs1,060), now comes at J16 (Rs 1,696).

Fiji Airways joins Oneworld Alliance, unlocks global travel benefits

FIJI: Fiji Airways has officially become a full member of the oneworld alliance, marking a significant milestone for the airline and its passengers. By joining one of the world's leading airline alliances, Fiji Airways now offers travellers enhanced connectivity, premium travel perks and seamless rewards across a vast network of over 900 destinations worldwide.

As a full oneworld member, Fiji Airways customers can enjoy priority

check-in, boarding and baggage handling, along with access to nearly 700 airport lounges, including new oneworld lounges in Amsterdam and Seoul. Frequent flyers will also benefit from earning and redeeming miles across all oneworld airlines, as well as Tier Point accumulation for elite status recognition.

Nat Pieper, CEO of oneworld, emphasised the alliance's expansion, stating: "With Fiji Airways onboard, we are strengthening our global net-

work, delivering premium services and seamless travel experiences." Fiji Airways, based at Nadi International Airport, serves 25 destinations across 14 countries and will now integrate seamlessly with key oneworld hubs, including Hong Kong, Tokyo, Sydney and Dallas-Fort Worth.

Andre Viljoen, CEO of Fiji Airways, expressed pride in the partnership, saying: "Joining oneworld allows us to bring Fijian hospitality and world-class service to

more travellers while enhancing customer benefits and global connectivity."

In addition to alliance perks, Fiji Airways has adopted American Airlines' AAdvantage programme, offering frequent flyers exclusive privileges across the oneworld network. The airline's commitment to excellence has been recognised with a Five-Star Major Airline rating from APEX for the third consecutive year, along with multiple Skytrax 2024 awards.

With its subsidiary, Fiji Link, now an affiliate member, the airline further strengthens domestic and regional connectivity across the South Pacific. This strategic move positions Fiji Airways as a key player in global aviation, delivering unmatched travel benefits and convenience for passengers worldwide.

For travellers seeking seamless connections, premium amenities and rewarding loyalty programmes, Fiji Airways' oneworld membership opens up a world of possibilities. Explore more and book your next journey with enhanced global access today!

ISRO Apprentice recruitment, application closes on April 21

MUMBAI : Applications are being accepted for Apprentice positions at the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO). Candidates who meet the requirements can apply online at isro.gov.in ISRO's official website. The application deadline is April 21, 2025.

Date of Interview: May 14, May 15, May 20, May 21, May 29 and May 30, 2025,

Total number of vacancy: 75 positions.

Graduate Apprentice Trainee: 46 posts.

Diploma Apprentice Trainee: 15 posts.

Diploma in Commercial Practice: five posts.

Trade ITI: 9 posts.

ISRO Apprentice Recruitment 2025: Eligibility criteria: - A graduate apprentice trainee who has earned a BE or BTech in the relevant field from any accredited university. Diploma Apprentice Trainee: A recognised State Board in the relevant discipline grants a diploma in engineering.

- Diploma in Commercial Practice: This degree

is granted by an accredited State Board in the relevant sector.

- Trade ITI: ITI from any accredited university in the relevant field.

- Apprenticeship is only available to engineering graduates or diploma holders in engineering and commercial practice and ITI/Trade who graduated in 2022, 2023 or 2024.

Stipend details : Graduate Apprentice: Rs. 9,000/- stipend. Diploma Apprentice: Rs. 8,000/- stipend. Trade Apprentice: Rs. 7,000/- stipend.