

Is hindustantimes.com legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 100/100

hindustantimes.com

Verdict

100

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

hindustantimes.com appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not Scam

Safe for Login

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-08-17 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 55%.

What this site appears to be

Homepage of a major Indian English-language newspaper featuring headlines and sections for national and international news, sports (notably cricket), entertainment, lifestyle, and subscription prompts. Includes cookie/consent UI and advertising disclosures.

Evidence status and limitations

- Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN
- The real-world operator identity was not independently verified.
 - Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

Malware engines	None flagged it VirusTotal	CLEAR
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	30 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Never archived No public history of this site	WATCH
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by DigiCert Global G3 TLS ECC SHA384 2020 CA1	NOTED

The page as captured

<https://www.hindustantimes.com/>



What hindustantimes.com served when TrustSniffer captured it on 2026-08-17. The page may look different now.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- Domain age: more than 10 years (registration continuity).
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.
- The operator behind the site could not be independently connected to a real-world brand or person.

Full analysis

Overview

The website is Hindustan Times, an established Indian English-language news and media publication presenting national and international reporting, cricket and other sports coverage, entertainment, lifestyle, business, education, videos, and premium subscription content through an advertising-supported publishing model.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No contradictions were observed. The homepage presents coherent editorial and informational content rather than a phishing, investment, or transactional scheme; the assessment also found no indications of brand impersonation, hidden credential forms, wallet activity, or other abuse patterns. External reputation checks recorded no malicious or suspicious detections. The site appears legitimate and established, although the available evidence does not independently verify the real-world operator identity.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage is identified as a news and media publication and contains extensive reporting sections covering India, world news, cricket, entertainment, lifestyle, business, and education.
- The homepage analysis found no sensitive login form, hidden form, untrusted form destination, wallet connection, or credential-exfiltration behavior.
- The domain registration record dates creation to 1996-08-14 and records an age of 30.03 years.
- External reputation checks recorded `0` malicious detections and `0` suspicious detections.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The observed business model is an ad-supported online newspaper with an optional premium subscription, not a financial service or broker offering. The homepage includes advertising disclosures, cookie-consent functionality, and subscription prompts; however, those features do not independently establish the legal identity of the publisher or the contractual terms governing paid access. Any subscription relationship should therefore be treated as an ordinary merchant interaction requiring standard checks of the publisher identity, cancellation terms, refund provisions, and payment protections. No broker-profile match was identified in the available third-party context, but that signal is reputational only and is not a licensing determination.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage describes premium access through subscription prompts, including ad-lite access, premium articles, quickreads, and an electronic-paper offering.
- The homepage displays advertising and consent-related disclosures consistent with an ad-supported publishing service.
- The site is served from AS20940 (Akamai International B.V., NL); the technical transport evidence records an OV TLS certificate issued by DigiCert Global G3 TLS ECC SHA384 2020 CA1, valid to 2027-02-10T23:59:59+00:00.
- The observed third-party broker dataset returned no match.

What to Verify Next

Before paid subscription or credential-related interaction, an organisation should independently confirm the publisher's legal identity, review the applicable subscription, cancellation, and refund terms, and ensure that payment protections are available through the chosen payment method. Official support and contact channels should be confirmed through an independently obtained route rather than relying solely on a page-level contact reference.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage exposes a paid subscription workflow and account functions, making merchant terms and payment protections relevant.
- The supplied identity-verification status does not independently connect the website to a real-world operator.
- The page contains standard account and subscription controls but no sensitive form was detected during technical interaction testing.

Summary Verdict

The overall posture is **high trust and low risk**, with the available evidence consistent with an established, apparently legitimate website. Long-term domain continuity, substantial public reach, clean external reputation, coherent editorial content, and sound technical controls converge without observed scam or impersonation contradictions. This conclusion supports normal browsing and ordinary site use, but it does not constitute independent proof of the operator’s real-world identity.

Infrastructure Integrity

The website is protected by Akamai CDN/WAF infrastructure. All observed addresses were CDN edge servers, with no origin-server candidate identified in the analysis; this reduces direct exposure of the hosting origin and is a mitigating infrastructure characteristic, not proof of legitimacy.

Closing Assessment

Ordinary browsing is proportionate to the assessed posture; credentials or payments should be preceded by the standard independent merchant-identity, contractual-terms, and payment-protection checks appropriate to any online subscription service.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-17 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

Identity verification

Status	UNVERIFIED
Identity score	30/100
Identity verification confidence	50%

- No on-site identity signals detected

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of hindustantimes.com.

- The request stayed on hindustantimes.com. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- Registration is published under Network Solutions, LLC. CLEAR
- DNS for this domain is served by akam.net, across 5 name servers. NOTED
- The registration is paid up to 2027-08-13. NOTED
- It is hosted on AKAMAI-ASN1, from a server in NL. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	Network Solutions, LLC
Hosting	AKAMAI-ASN1 - Akamai International B.V., NL

Country	NL
Server IP	2001:2030:22::210:ab48
Name servers	A1-232.AKAM.NET, A16-67.AKAM.NET, A18-64.AKAM.NET, A20-65.AKAM.NET, A7-66.AKAM.NET
SSL issuer	DigiCert Global G3 TLS ECC SHA384 2020 CA1
SSL expiry	2027-02-10
Domain age	30.03 years (continuous registration)
Domain expiry	2027-08-13
Archive first seen	Not available
Archive snapshots	0
Reputation	VirusTotal: 0 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about hindustantimes.com at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.

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