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Ques: Which municipal corporation listed Maharashtra's first public issue of Urban Local Body (ULB) Green Municipal Bonds on the NSE?

- A) Pune Municipal Corporation
- B) Nagpur Municipal Corporation
- C) Aurangabad Municipal Corporation
- D) Mumbai Municipal Corporation
- E) Nashik Municipal Corporation

Answer: E) Nashik Municipal Corporation

Explanation:

- Nashik Municipal Corporation listed Maharashtra's first public issue of Urban Local Body (ULB) Green Municipal Bonds on the National Stock Exchange of India in Mumbai.
- Funds raised through Green Municipal Bonds must be used 100% for environmentally sustainable ("green") projects, unlike normal municipal bonds.
- This initiative supports India's goal of achieving net-zero emissions by 2047.
- Earlier, Ghaziabad Municipal Corporation in Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh became India's first municipal body to issue Green Municipal Bonds in 2021, raising ₹150 crore for a tertiary sewage treatment plant.





Ques: The State Bank of India (SBI) recently partnered with which Japanese bank to finance mergers and acquisitions (M&A) and infrastructure projects?

- A) Mizuho Bank
- B) Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation
- C) MUFG Bank
- D) Nomura Bank
- E) Resona Bank

Answer: C) MUFG Bank

Explanation:

- State Bank of India partnered with MUFG Bank, a part of Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group of Japan.
- The partnership aims to finance mergers & acquisitions (M&A), aviation, and infrastructure projects for Indian and global clients.
- This collaboration combines SBI's strong domestic banking network in India with MUFG's global financial network and cross-border expertise.

About SBI:

- Foundation Day – 1 July 1955
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Chairman – C. S. Setty
- Tagline – “Pure Banking Nothing Else”





Recently signed banking agreements

- **Swiggy and HDFC Bank launched two new co-branded credit cards. The new cards are Swiggy BLCK HDFC Bank Credit Card and Swiggy Ornge HDFC Bank Credit Card.**
• स्विगी और एचडीएफसी बैंक ने दो नए को-ब्रांडेड क्रेडिट कार्ड लॉन्च किए हैं। ये नए कार्ड हैं: स्विगी ब्लैक एचडीएफसी बैंक क्रेडिट कार्ड और स्विगी ऑरेंज एचडीएफसी बैंक क्रेडिट कार्ड।
- **Axis Bank has been named a preferred financing partner in India for Tesla, the global electric vehicle manufacturer to strengthen financing support for premium electric vehicles (EVs) in India. Axis Bank becomes the first lender in India to offer vehicle loan tenures of up to 10 years for premium EVs, improving affordability for customers.**
• एक्सिस बैंक को वैश्विक इलेक्ट्रिक वाहन निर्माता टेस्ला के लिए भारत में पसंदीदा वित्तपोषण भागीदार नामित किया गया है, ताकि भारत में प्रीमियम इलेक्ट्रिक वाहनों (ईवी) के लिए वित्तपोषण सहायता को मजबूत किया जा सके। एक्सिस बैंक भारत का पहला ऋणदाता बन गया है जो प्रीमियम ईवी के लिए 10 साल तक की अवधि के वाहन ऋण प्रदान करता है, जिससे ग्राहकों के लिए ऋण वहनीयता में सुधार होता है।
- **Jammu & Kashmir Bank has partnered with Home First Finance Company India and IIFL Finance to expand its retail lending business, particularly home loans and gold loans, beyond Jammu & Kashmir.**
• Jammu & Kashmir Bank ने Home First Finance Company India और IIFL Finance के साथ साझेदारी की है, ताकि जम्मू-कश्मीर के बाहर होम लोन और गोल्ड लोन सहित अपने रिटेल लेंडिंग व्यवसाय का विस्तार किया जा सके।
- **SK Finance Limited, a leading Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC), has entered into a strategic partnership with ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Company Limited to provide group credit protection insurance solutions to its borrowers**
• प्रमुख गैर-बैंकिंग वित्तीय कंपनी (एनबीएफसी) एसके फाइनेंस लिमिटेड ने अपने उधारकर्ताओं को समूह ऋण सुरक्षा बीमा समाधान प्रदान करने के लिए आईसीआईसीआई प्रूडेंशियल लाइफ इंश्योरेंस कंपनी लिमिटेड के साथ एक रणनीतिक साझेदारी की है।
- **Central Bank of India has signed a Distribution Agreement with Canara Robeco Asset Management Company Limited (CRAMC).**





Ques: PhonePe launched the RuPay “On-The-Go” Card under which Government of India initiative?

- A) Digital India
- B) Startup India
- C) Make in India
- D) Smart Cities Mission
- E) One Nation One Card

Answer: E) One Nation One Card

Explanation:

- PhonePe launched the RuPay “On-The-Go” Card, a National Common Mobility Card (NCCM) for contactless payments in public transport.
- The card supports the Government of India’s One Nation One Card initiative, which aims to create a single interoperable transit payment system across India.
- The prepaid card stores value directly on its chip with a maximum balance of ₹2,000 and supports offline transactions up to ₹500 for fast payments.
- It was first launched at the ticket counters of Hyderabad Metro in Hyderabad, Telangana in partnership with L&T Metro Rail (Hyderabad) Limited.

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Recent Facilities Launched in Banking & Insurance Sector:

- Yes Bank launched a specialised salary account named “YES Essence Women’s Salary Account” aimed at supporting the financial and lifestyle needs of working women ahead of International Women’s Day (March 8).
- L&T Finance Ltd, a Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC), launched the “Spoorthi” programme to support women entrepreneurs.
- Jio Finance Platform and Service Limited (JFPSL), a wholly owned subsidiary of Jio Financial Services Limited (JFSL), has launched a new mobile app called Finsider.
- One 97 Communications Limited, the parent company of Paytm, has launched Paytm Silver on the Paytm app. The minimum investment starts from ₹20. The silver is sourced from MMTC-PAMP India Private Limited
- Jio Finance Platform and Service Limited (JFPSL) launched the ‘Finsider’ app for early access program featuring Agentic Artificial Intelligence(AI)
- ICICI Prudential Pension Funds Management Company Limited has launched India’s first Swasthya Scheme — “ICICI PF NPS Swasthya Equity Plus” under the National Pension System (NPS).





Ques: The Counterparty Credit Risk (CCR) framework recently revised by the Reserve Bank of India is mainly related to which type of financial exposure?

- A) Retail Loans
- B) Derivative Transactions
- C) Gold Loans
- D) Agricultural Credit
- E) Microfinance Loans

Answer: B) Derivative Transactions

Explanation:

- Reserve Bank of India revised the Counterparty Credit Risk (CCR) framework to align it with **Basel III** international banking norms.
- The revision updates add-on factors used to calculate Potential Future Exposure (PFE) in derivative transactions, improving the measurement of counterparty risk.
- This change will help banks assess derivative exposure more accurately and strengthen their risk management practices.

About RBI:

- Established – 1 April 1935
- Nationalised – 1 January 1949
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Governor – Sanjay Malhotra
- Deputy Governors – 4





Recent News Headlines Related to RBI

- Reserve Bank of India has issued revised prudential norms for dividend payouts by commercial banks, which will come into effect from FY27.
- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) issued the NBFC–Miscellaneous Amendment Directions, 2026 to support the functioning of National Urban Co-operative Finance and Development Corporation Ltd. (NUCFDC) as the Umbrella Organisation (UO) for Urban Co-operative Banks (UCBs). These special provisions will remain effective until 31 March 2029, unless modified, withdrawn, or extended by the Reserve Bank of India.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) purchased ₹50,000 crore worth of Government Securities (G-Secs) through Open Market Operations (OMO) to increase liquidity in the banking system.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has proposed a compensation framework for small-value fraudulent digital banking transactions up to ₹50,000.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved SBI Mutual Fund to acquire an aggregate holding of up to 9.99% in private sector lender Bandhan Bank.





Ques: Assam's Joha Rice, recently exported to the UK and Italy, received the GI tag in which year?

- A) 2015
- B) 2017
- C) 2019
- D) 2020
- E) 2022

Answer: B) 2017

Explanation:

- Joha Rice from Assam received the GI Tag in 2017. It is known for its distinct aroma and high nutritional value.
- India recently exported 25 metric tonnes of this GI-tagged rice to the United Kingdom and Italy.
- The export was facilitated by the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA).
- Piyush Goyal stated that such exports will help boost India's agricultural exports and improve farmers' income.

About Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA)

- Established – 1986
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Parent Ministry – Ministry of Commerce and Industry
- GI Tag for Joha Rice – 2017





Ques: The Suezmax tanker “Shenlong”, recently in news, successfully transited which important global oil chokepoint to reach Mumbai?

- A) Strait of Malacca
- B) Strait of Hormuz
- C) Bosphorus Strait
- D) Suez Canal
- E) Panama Canal

Answer: B) Strait of Hormuz

Explanation:

- The Liberia-flagged Suezmax tanker Shenlong successfully transited the Strait of Hormuz while carrying crude oil to India.
- The tanker transported about 1.35 lakh tonnes of crude oil from Saudi Arabia to Mumbai Port in Mumbai.
- It became the first vessel to pass through the Strait of Hormuz for India-bound crude shipments after recent geopolitical tensions in the region.

About Strait of Hormuz:

- Connects the Persian Gulf with the Gulf of Oman.
- Nearby countries include Iran, Oman, and the United Arab Emirates.
- It is one of the world’s most important oil transit chokepoints, through which a significant share of global crude oil and LNG trade passes.





Ques: Exercise Cold Response 2026 was organised by which organisation?

- A) North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO)
- B) European Union (EU)
- C) United Nations (UN)
- D) Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)
- E) ASEAN

Answer: A) North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO)

Explanation:

- North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) organised Exercise Cold Response 2026.
- The exercise was conducted in the northern regions of Norway and Finland.
- Around 25,000 troops from 14 NATO countries participated in this large-scale military drill.
- The Government of Norway also declared 2026 as the year of “Total Defense”, focusing on stronger coordination between military and civilian sectors for national preparedness.





Recent News Headlines Related to Defence Exercise :

- An Indian Armed Forces contingent arrived in Seychelles to participate in the 11th edition of the joint military exercise 'Lamitiye 2026' with the Seychelles Defence Forces (SDF).
- The Southern Air Command of the Indian Air Force (IAF) successfully conducted a high-tempo joint maritime exercise named Kalari Leap in the Lakshadweep and Minicoy archipelago
- 'Exercise Vayushakti-26 Held at Pokhran Field Firing Range in Jaisalmer, Rajasthan Organised by Indian Air Force (IAF)
- The Indian Army (IA) conducted Exercise Agni Varsha at the Pokhran Field Firing Range, Rajasthan, to assess operational preparedness and combat effectiveness under realistic battlefield conditions.
- The 16th edition of Exercise 'Vajra Prahar' will be conducted at Special Forces Training School, Bakloh (Himachal Pradesh).
- The 7th edition of Joint Military Exercise 'DHARMA GUARDIAN' commenced at Foreign Training Node, Chaubattia (Uttarakhand).





Ques: The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) recently signed an agreement with which company to support startups in the cooling and smart appliance ecosystem?

- A) Havells
- B) Voltas
- C) Blue Star
- D) LG
- E) Samsung

Answer: B) Voltas

Explanation:

- The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) signed an agreement with Voltas to support startups.
- The partnership aims to promote startups in the cooling and smart appliance ecosystem.
- It will support startups working on technologies related to HVAC (Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning).

About DPIIT:

- Established – 2019
- Parent Ministry – Ministry of Commerce and Industry
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Secretary – Amardeep Singh Bhatia (IAS)





Recent News Headlines Related to MoU and agreement:

- Reliance Industries will partner with America First Refining to build a major oil refinery in Brownsville, Texas, USA.

All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) and the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) signed MOU to enhance medical research related to human spaceflight and develop healthcare solutions for astronauts participating in future Indian space missions

- Suzuki Motorcycle India Pvt Ltd (SMIPL) has partnered with Royal Brothers Rentals to provide rental and subscription-based access to Suzuki two-wheelers across India.

- NITI Aayog partnered with Tata Electronics Private Limited to promote electronics manufacturing growth in India.

- The Ministry of Culture signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry to develop a comprehensive national strategy for India's Cultural and Creative Economy

- Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) signed a Flexi-MoU with Bajaj Auto Limited to promote industry-driven training for youth. The tenure of the agreement is 10 years. The initiative aims to provide industry-integrated training in advanced automotive manufacturing systems at facilities located in Maharashtra and Uttarakhand





Ques: Project GANGA, launched by the Uttar Pradesh government, aims to provide high-speed broadband connectivity to how many rural households?

- A) 5 lakh
- B) 10 lakh
- C) 15 lakh
- D) 20 lakh
- E) 30 lakh

Answer: D) 20 lakh

Explanation:

- The Project GANGA (Government Assisted Network for Growth & Advancement) was launched by the Government of Uttar Pradesh to expand digital connectivity in rural areas.
- The initiative aims to provide high-speed broadband connectivity to more than 20 lakh rural households within the next 2–3 years.
- The project will help bridge the digital divide and promote services like e-governance, online education, and telemedicine in villages.

About Uttar Pradesh:

- Founded – 24 January 1950
- Capital – Lucknow
- Chief Minister – Yogi Adityanath
- Governor – Anandiben Patel





Ques: Who became the President of Chile, succeeding Gabriel Boric?

- A) Sebastián Piñera
- B) José Antonio Kast
- C) Michelle Bachelet
- D) Ricardo Lagos
- E) Andrés Allamand

Answer: B) José Antonio Kast

Explanation:

- José Antonio Kast became the new President of Chile.
- He succeeded Gabriel Boric, who served as the President of Chile from 2022 to 2026.
- Kirti Vardhan Singh, India's Minister of State for External Affairs, attended the presidential inauguration ceremony in Santiago, representing India.

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Newly Appointed Prime Minister & President

- Prime Minister of Nepal : Balendra Shah, popularly known as “Balen”
- Supreme Leader of Iran : Mojtaba Hosseini Khamenei
- President of Peru : Jose Maria Balcazar
- Prime Minister of the Netherlands : Rob Arnoldus Adrianus Jetten
- 8th Prime Minister of Barbados : Mia Mottley
- Prime Minister of Thailand : Anutin Charnvirakul
- Prime Minister of Bangladesh : Tarique Rahman, chairman of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP)
- Prime Minister of Yemen : Yemen’s Foreign Minister Shaya Mohsen Zindani (replaced Salem bin Breik)
- President of Uganda : Yoweri Museveni
- Interim President of Venezuela : Delcy Rodríguez
- 38th President of Chile : José Antonio Kast of Chile’s Republican Party (Replaced Gabriel Boric)





Ques: Bharat Tex 2026, launched by the Union Textiles Minister, will be held at which venue in New Delhi?

- A) Pragati Maidan
- B) Bharat Mandapam
- C) Vigyan Bhawan
- D) Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium
- E) India Habitat Centre

Answer: B) Bharat Mandapam

Explanation:

- Giriraj Singh, Union Minister for Textiles, launched Bharat Tex 2026 in New Delhi.
- The third edition of the event will be held from 14–17 July 2026 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.
- The event will act as a global platform for trade, investment, and networking in the textile sector, with participation expected from around 141 countries.

About Ministry of Textiles:

- Established – 1985
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Union Minister – Giriraj Singh

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Ques: The Asian Women's Film Festival (AWFF) 2026 is being held in which city?

- A) Mumbai
- B) Chennai
- C) New Delhi
- D) Kolkata
- E) Bengaluru

Answer: C) New Delhi

Explanation:

- The 21st edition of Asian Women's Film Festival (AWFF) 2026 has begun in New Delhi, celebrating women's voices and stories from across Asia.
- The three-day festival is organised by the International Association of Women in Radio and Television (IAWRT) and is being held at the India International Centre.
- Around 75 films across documentary, fiction, animation, and experimental formats will be showcased along with discussions, masterclasses, and curated sessions.
- The festival opened with the Bhutanese film I, The Song and will conclude with Shadowbox, directed by Tanushree Das and Saumyananda Sahi.

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Ques: Which country was the Country Partner at the 40th AAHAR International Food and Hospitality Fair inaugurated in New Delhi?

- A) France
- B) Italy
- C) Germany
- D) Japan
- E) Spain

Answer: B) Italy

Explanation:

- Piyush Goyal, Union Minister of Commerce and Industry, inaugurated the 40th edition of AAHAR International Food and Hospitality Fair in New Delhi.
- The event is organised by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries and the India Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO).
- Italy participated as the Country Partner for this edition of the fair.

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Recent News Headlines Related to Summits / conference

- The International Malaria Conference 2026 was held in New Delhi.
- The Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises held the 5th National MSME Council meeting in New Delhi. Union Minister Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi launched two major digital initiatives The Udyami Bharat Portal and the MSME Technology Transfer Platform
- Union Minister for Women and Child Development Annapurna Devi reaffirmed that women-led development is central to the government's policy framework during the inaugural session of the "Sashakt Nari-Viksit Bharat" Conference in New Delhi.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 11th edition of the Raisina Dialogue in New Delhi.
- The Election Commission of India (ECI) and the State Election Commissioners jointly adopted the National Declaration 2026 during the National Round Table Conference held in New Delhi. The conference was significant as it was held after a gap of 27 years, and it was decided that the Round Table Conference will now be organised annually.
- India will host the Bharat Steel 2026 summit in New Delhi from 16–17 April 2026.





Ques: Which port became the first in India to launch the Digital Twin initiative for port management?

- A) Chennai Port
- B) Mumbai Port
- C) V.O. Chidambaranar Port
- D) Cochin Port
- E) Paradip Port

Answer: C) V.O. Chidambaranar Port

Explanation:

- V.O. Chidambaranar Port Authority became the first port in India to launch the Digital Twin initiative for port management.
- The platform was inaugurated on 23 February 2026 by Sarbananda Sonowal, Union Minister of Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways.
- The Digital Twin platform creates a real-time virtual replica of port infrastructure and operations, enabling predictive analytics and data-driven decision-making.
- It integrates technologies such as IoT sensors, GPS tracking, LiDAR mapping, drone imaging, and CCTV networks to improve port efficiency.
- The port is located in Thoothukudi, Tamil Nadu, and is also known as Tuticorin Port.





Recent News Headlines Related to First in india and world :

- **Telangana will recruit its first-ever batch of women firefighters under newly introduced recruitment rules.**
- **Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal laid the foundation stone for India's first river lighthouses.**
- **The project length of India's first underwater Road-cum-Rail tunnel is 33.7 km.**
- **The Kerala State Cabinet, chaired by Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan, approved India's first comprehensive graphene policy.**
- **World No. 1 Magnus Carlsen won the 2026 FIDE Freestyle Chess World Championship.**
- **Rekha Gupta inaugurated the first CM Shri School at Sarojini Nagar.**
- **The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs approved the construction of India's first underwater twin-tube road-cum-rail tunnel beneath the Brahmaputra River in Assam.**
- **Delhi has become the first state in India to formally partner with Bharat Taxi's cooperative mobility platform, marking a major shift in the organisation of urban taxi services**





Ques: How much cash reward did the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) announce for the Indian squad after winning the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026?

- A) ₹101 crore
- B) ₹115 crore
- C) ₹125 crore
- D) ₹131 crore
- E) ₹150 crore

Answer: D) ₹131 crore

Explanation:

- The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) announced a cash reward of ₹131 crore for the India national cricket team after winning the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026.
- The reward will be distributed among 15 players, the coaching staff, and other support staff associated with the team.
- This amount is ₹6 crore higher than the ₹125 crore reward given after India's victory in the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024, led by Rohit Sharma.
- According to reports, each of the 15 players will receive ₹6 crore, while the remaining ₹41 crore will be shared among the support staff.
- The International Cricket Council (ICC) confirmed a total players' prize money pool of US\$11.25 million for the tournament.

Prize Money Distribution:

- India – \$2.64 million
- New Zealand – \$1.42 million





Ques: The Khanij Diwas is celebrated as the Foundation Day of which organisation in India?

- A) Geological Survey of India
- B) Indian Bureau of Mines
- C) Coal India Limited
- D) National Mineral Development Corporation
- E) Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited

Answer: B) Indian Bureau of Mines

Explanation:

- Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM) celebrated its 79th Foundation Day as Khanij Diwas on 1 March 2026.
- The event was organised at its headquarters in Nagpur, Maharashtra.
- On this occasion, the Indian Minerals Yearbook – 2023 and the Hindi magazine “Khan Bharati” were released.
- The Indian Bureau of Mines was established in 1947 under the Ministry of Mines.
- Its key functions include regulation of the mining sector, conservation of mineral resources, data collection, technical guidance, and promotion of sustainable mining practices.

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Ques: When was No Smoking Day 2026 observed?

- A) 8 March 2026
- B) 9 March 2026
- C) 10 March 2026
- D) 11 March 2026
- E) 12 March 2026

Answer: D) 11 March 2026

Explanation:

- No Smoking Day 2026 was observed on 11 March 2026.
- It is observed every year on the second Wednesday of March to spread awareness about the harmful effects of tobacco use.
- The day highlights serious health risks caused by tobacco, including diseases such as Cancer and Heart disease, and encourages people to quit smoking. 🚭

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Important days :

- 15 February : International Childhood Cancer Day 2026
- 16 February : 79th Raising Day ceremony of Delhi Police
- 17 February : 3rd Global Tourism Resilience Day (GTRD) (First Observance in 2023)
- 20 February : World Day of Social Justice (Theme for 2026: "Renewed Commitment to Social Development and Social Justice")
- 20 February : Arunachal Pradesh Foundation Day (India's 24th state in 1987)
- 20 February : Mizoram Foundation Day (23rd state of India in 1987)
- 21 February : International Mother Language Day (Theme 2026 – "Youth voices on multilingual education.")
- 21 February (third Saturday of February) : World Pangolin Day
- 22 February : 100th World Thinking Day (Theme 2026 Our Friendship)
- 23 February : World Peace and Understanding Day 2026
- 24 February : Central Excise Day
- 27 February : International Polar Bear Day
- 27 February : World non-governmental organizations (NGOs) Day 2026 (13th Edition)
- 27 February : 7th National Protein Day (started in the year 2020)
- 28 February : National Science Day (Theme 2026: Women in Science: Catalysing Viksit Bharat)
- 28 February : Rare Disease Day 2026 (2026 Theme: More than you can imagine: the realities behind rare diseases)
- 1 March : Zero Discrimination Day (theme for 2026 was "People First")
- 1 March : World Seagrass Day
- 3 March : World Hearing Day (theme for 2026 is "From communities to classrooms: hearing care for all children.")
- 4 March : 18th World Day of Fight Against Sexual Exploitation 2026 (Started in 2009)
- 4 March : National Safety Day 2026 (Theme 2026 Engage, Educate & Empower People to Enhance Safety)
- 7 March : Jan Aushadhi Diwas
- 8 March : International Women's Day (Theme "Rights. Justice. Action. For ALL Women and Girls.")
- 10 March : CISF Raising Day





IMPORTANT ONE - LINER Current Affairs

Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) dismantled a major pan-India drug trafficking network named “Team Kalki.” Acting on intelligence gathered over the past three months, the NCB conducted a targeted operation in New Delhi.

The cheetah population in India has reached 53 after Cheetah Jwala, a Namibian cheetah, gave birth to five cubs at Kuno National Park in Madhya Pradesh. With this birth, the number of Indian-born cheetah cubs has increased to 33, marking the 10th successful cheetah litter on Indian soil.

Scientists from the Institute of Advanced Study in Science and Technology (IASST), Guwahati, Assam developed a natural biosurfactant using ghee. The developed compound is a lipopeptide biosurfactant that can replace harmful chemical lubricants and cleaning agents.

NITI Aayog partnered with Tata Electronics Private Limited (TEPL) to drive the growth of India’s electronics manufacturing sector. The Government of India also increased the budget outlay for the Electronics Components Manufacturing Scheme (ECMS) to ₹40,000 crore in the Union Budget 2026–27 to deepen domestic component manufacturing capacity.

The Maharashtra Government launched the Divyang Sahayak Portal, India’s first fully integrated digital platform for disability welfare schemes. It strengthens the implementation of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016.

