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**Ques: The tenure of MD & CEO of which banks has been extended by 3 years recently?**

- A) SBI & PNB
- B) BoB & BoI
- C) Canara Bank & UCO Bank
- D) ICICI & HDFC
- E) Axis & IDBI

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The Central Government has extended the tenure of MD & CEOs of Bank of Baroda and Bank of India by 3 years.
- Debadatta Chand (BoB) and Rajneesh Karnatak (BoI) will continue in their respective roles.
- The extension for Rajneesh Karnatak is effective from April 29, 2026.
- The extension for Debadatta Chand is effective from July 1, 2026.
- The decision aims to ensure leadership continuity and stability in public sector banks.

**Static Part:**

- Bank of Baroda HQ – Vadodara
- Bank of India HQ – Mumbai
- Tenure Extension – 3 years
- BoB MD & CEO – Debadatta Chand
- BoI MD & CEO – Rajneesh Karnatak





## Recent Appointment in Banking & Insurance Sector :

- **Debasish Panda** : part-time chairman of Bandhan Bank
- **Vibha Padalkar's** : MD & CEO of HDFC Life Insurance
- **K V R Murty** : Whole-Time Member of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI).
- **K Satyanarayana Raju** : Managing Director and CEO of Indian Digital Payment Intelligence Corporation
- **Rajive Kumaraswami** : MD and CEO of Cholamandalam MS General Insurance (Chola MS) (succeed Suryanarayananan)
- **Sajja Praveen Chowdary** : Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Principal Officer Policybazaar Insurance Brokers
- **Jose Joseph Kattur** : non-executive part-time chairman of South Indian Bank (succeeds VJ Kurian)
- **Keki Mistry** : interim part-time chairman of HDFC Bank (Replaced Atanu Chakraborty)





**Ques: As per RBI's "Digital Payments – E-mandate Framework, 2026", recurring transactions above what amount require additional authentication?**

- A) ₹15,000
- B) ₹10,000
- C) ₹5,000
- D) ₹50,000
- E) ₹1,00,000

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

- Reserve Bank of India issued consolidated guidelines titled "Digital Payments – E-mandate Framework, 2026".
- These norms apply to all payment system providers handling recurring payments through cards, prepaid payment instruments, and UPI.
- Customers must complete a one-time registration process with Additional Factor of Authentication (AFA).
- Recurring transactions exceeding ₹15,000 require additional authentication.
- However, transactions up to ₹1 lakh are allowed without additional authentication in specific categories like insurance premiums, mutual funds, and credit card bill payments.
- Issuers must specify validity period and allow users to modify or withdraw mandates anytime.
- Advance alerts are mandatory at least 24 hours before debit, except for FASTag and NCMC auto-replenishment.
- No charges can be levied for availing e-mandate services.





## Recent News Headlines Related to RBI

- RBI released draft Master Directions on PPIs proposing stricter capital requirements for non-bank issuers and tighter norms for low-KYC wallets.
- RBI is in talks with global regulators, Indian banks, and government officials to assess risks from Anthropic's AI model 'Mythos'.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) launched the 4th edition of its Global Hackathon "HaRBInger – Innovation for Transformation".
- PayPoint India Network became the first private fintech to get membership in RBI's Centralised Payment System (CPS).
- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) issued the Master Direction on Exchange of Notes & Coins in April 2026.
- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) issued a Master Direction on Counterfeit Notes under Section 35A and 56 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.
- Reserve Bank of India returned the application of Ujjivan Small Finance Bank to convert into a Universal Bank.





**Ques: Who has been appointed as Executive Director (ED) of AU Small Finance Bank?**

- A) Sanjay Malhotra
- B) Vivek Tripathi
- C) Amitabh Chaudhry
- D) Shyam Srinivasan
- E) Rajnish Kumar

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Reserve Bank of India approved the appointment of Vivek Tripathi as Executive Director (ED) of AU Small Finance Bank.
- The appointment is for a period of three years.
- He will also serve as a Whole-time Director (WTD) of the bank.
- He is currently serving as Chief Credit Officer (CCO) and has been associated with the bank since 2014.
- The appointment will be effective from April 24, 2026, subject to shareholder approval.

**Static Part:**

- RBI Established – 1935
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Governor – Sanjay Malhotra
- AU Small Finance Bank HQ – Jaipur





**Ques: Export-Import Bank of India has extended a \$100 million loan to which organization?**

- A) African Development Bank
- B) World Bank
- C) Africa Finance Corporation
- D) International Monetary Fund
- E) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Export-Import Bank of India has extended a \$100 million (approx ₹830 crore) loan to Africa Finance Corporation.
- The loan will support AFC's mandate to accelerate development of critical infrastructure and industrial assets across Africa.
- Africa Finance Corporation (AFC) is a leading infrastructure solutions provider in Africa.

**Static Part:**

- Africa Finance Corporation Founded – 2007
- Headquarters – Lagos, Nigeria
- EXIM Bank of India Established – 1982
- Headquarters – Mumbai





## RECENT LOANS AND AGREEMENTS :

- World Bank and Asian Development Bank have jointly committed USD 1,600 million for Amaravati Capital Phase-I.
- World Bank has approved a \$225 million loan for Rajasthan.
- Japan International Cooperation Agency signed Official Development Assistance (ODA) loan agreements worth ¥275 billion (approx ₹16,420 crore) with the Government of India.
- Bank of Baroda received a USD 500 million loan from an IFSC Banking Unit located in GIFT City.
- DCM Shriram Limited secured USD 90 million funding from the International Finance Corporation (IFC).
- The World Bank has approved a \$300 million loan for Uttar Pradesh.
- Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a \$1.2 billion loan to India to support climate resilience and sustainable infrastructure development.





**Ques: What was the value of India's seafood exports in FY 2025–26?**

- A) ₹60,000 crore
- B) ₹65,000 crore
- C) ₹70,000 crore
- D) ₹72,325 crore
- E) ₹75,000 crore

**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

- India's seafood exports reached an all-time high of ₹72,325.82 crore (US\$ 8.28 billion) in FY 2025–26, as per Marine Products Export Development Authority data.
- The total export volume stood at 19.32 lakh metric tonnes.
- Frozen shrimp was the largest contributor with exports worth ₹47,973 crore, accounting for over two-thirds of total exports.
- The United States remained the largest export destination, though exports declined due to tariffs.
- Strong growth was observed in China, European Union, and Southeast Asian markets, indicating diversification.
- This reflects India's growing strength and competitiveness in the global seafood export sector.





**Ques:** The advanced satellite imaging system 'Prajna' has been developed by which organization?

- A) ISRO
- B) DRDO
- C) BEL
- D) HAL
- E) BARC

**Answer:** Option B

**Explanation:**

- The advanced satellite imaging system 'Prajna' has been developed by Defence Research and Development Organisation.
- The system has been handed over to the Ministry of Home Affairs.
- It has been developed by DRDO's specialised lab, Centre for Artificial Intelligence and Robotics.
- The system enables efficient monitoring of critical and sensitive areas.
- It helps in tracking suspicious movements and supports counter-terrorism operations.
- It will also strengthen border management by enabling faster decision-making.





**Ques: The Salween River (Thanlwin), recently in news due to arsenic contamination, flows through which countries?**

- A) India, China, Nepal
- B) China, Myanmar, Thailand
- C) Bangladesh, Myanmar, Thailand
- D) India, Myanmar, Laos
- E) China, Vietnam, Cambodia

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The Salween River flows through China, Myanmar, and Thailand.
- It is one of Asia's longest free-flowing rivers with a length of about 3,300 km.
- Independent tests since September 2025 found arsenic contamination, especially in Myanmar and Thailand, exceeding safety limits.
- The contamination levels were reported up to five times higher than standards set by the World Health Organization.
- The main cause is suspected to be unregulated mining activities in Shan State of Myanmar.
- The issue poses serious risks to over one million people dependent on the river for drinking water and livelihood.





**Ques: OmegaBall, recently introduced in India by IIT Madras, is related to which sport format?**

- A) Football
- B) Basketball
- C) Cricket
- D) Hockey
- E) Volleyball

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

- Indian Institute of Technology Madras has introduced a new sport called OmegaBall.
- It is an innovative three-team Football format.
- The game is played on a circular field with three goals.
- All three teams play simultaneously, creating continuous action.
- Each team attacks two goals while defending one.
- Total players are 15, with 5 players in each team.

**Static Part:**

- IIT Madras Established – 1959
- Location – Chennai, Tamil Nadu
- Football Governing Body – FIFA





**Ques: What is India's wind energy capacity target by 2030?**

- A) 50 GW
- B) 75 GW
- C) 100 GW
- D) 150 GW
- E) 200 GW

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- According to Suzlon Energy, India is on track to achieve 100 GW wind energy capacity by 2030.
- Wind power demand is expected to reach around 107 GW in the next five years.
- India added a record 6.3 GW of wind capacity in 2025, showing strong growth momentum.
- The growth is driven by demand from state utilities and industrial consumers.
- India also aims to achieve a broader target of 500 GW clean energy capacity by 2030.
- This progress supports India's transition toward sustainable and renewable energy sources.





**Ques: Aronyak Ghosh, who recently became India's 95th Grandmaster, is associated with which sport?**

- A) Badminton
- B) Chess
- C) Table Tennis
- D) Shooting
- E) Boxing

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Aronyak Ghosh achieved the prestigious Grandmaster (GM) title, becoming India's 95th Grandmaster.
- He achieved this milestone at the Bangkok Chess Club Open 2026.
- He belongs to West Bengal.
- Grandmaster (GM) is the highest title awarded by FIDE.
- To become a GM, a player must achieve a FIDE rating of 2500 or above.
- A player must also earn 3 GM norms through strong performances in international tournaments.

**Static Part:**

- FIDE Established – 1924
- Headquarters – Lausanne, Switzerland





## Recent News headlines related to Sports

- India's Suraj Kumar Chand won the men's title at the HCL Squash PSA Challenger Tour held in Chennai.
- The International Cricket Council (ICC) has launched the Inaugural Women's T20I Challenge Trophy 2026 in Rwanda.
- The French Open (Roland-Garros) prize money increased by 9.5% in 2026.
- The Indian wrestling team finished 5th at the 22nd Senior Asian Wrestling Championships.
- R. Vaishali won the Women's Candidates Chess Tournament 2026.
- Jharkhand women's hockey team won the 16th Hockey India Sub-Junior Women's National Championship 2026.
- Sanju Samson was named the ICC Men's Player of the Month for March.
- In the women's category, Amelia Kerr won the ICC Women's Player of the Month award for March.





**Ques: What is the historic milestone achieved by the Atal Pension Yojana on April 21, 2026, and what were the gross enrolments recorded in FY 2025–26?**

- A) 7 crore total; 1.10 crore in FY26
- B) 8 crore total; 1.25 crore in FY26
- C) 9 crore total; 1.35 crore in FY26
- D) 10 crore total; 1.50 crore in FY26
- E) 9 crore total; 1.10 crore in FY26

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Atal Pension Yojana crossed 9 crore total gross enrolments on April 21, 2026, marking a historic milestone.
- During FY 2025–26, enrolments exceeded 1.35 crore — the highest ever recorded in a single financial year.
- The scheme provides a ‘Sampurna Suraksha Kavach’ with triple benefits: guaranteed pension (₹1,000–₹5,000 after 60), spouse pension, and corpus return to nominee.
- It is administered by Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority.
- The scheme is open to Indian citizens aged 18–40 years (excluding income taxpayers) and is implemented via banks and the Department of Posts.

**Static Part:**

- Scheme – Atal Pension Yojana (APY)
- Launch Date – May 9, 2015
- Administered By – Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA)
- Ministry – Ministry of Finance
- Historic Milestone – 9 crore+ enrolments (April 21, 2026)
- FY 2025–26 Enrolments – 1.35 crore
- Pension Range – ₹1,000–₹5,000/month
- Eligibility – 18–40 years
- PFRDA Chairman – Sivasubramanian Ramann





## Recent News Headlines Related to Schemes

- The RELIEF (Resilience and Logistics Intervention for Export Facilitation) scheme is implemented through the Export Credit Guarantee Corporation of India (ECGC).
- The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has launched the third edition of the AICTE-VAANI scheme.
- PM Viksit Bharat Rozgar Yojana (PMVBRY) was launched in August 2025 with an outlay of ₹99,446 crore.
- The Odisha government has approved the 'Mukhyamantri Annapurna Yojana (MAPY)' to enhance food security.
- The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) approved 29 proposals under the 4th tranche of ECMS.
- The government has extended the RoDTEP scheme for six months till September 30, 2026.
- PM SVANidhi Scheme was launched in June 2020 to provide collateral-free working capital loans to street vendors.





**Ques: 'In Which Annie Gives It Those Ones' screenplay was written by whom?**

- A) Arundhati Roy
- B) Shashi Tharoor
- C) Vikram Seth
- D) Ruskin Bond
- E) Chetan Bhagat

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

- The screenplay of In Which Annie Gives It Those Ones was written by Arundhati Roy.
- The film was released in 1989 and directed by Pradip Krishen.
- It is based on the lives of architecture students at the School of Planning and Architecture (SPA), Delhi.
- The screenplay won the National Film Award for Best Screenplay.
- The film is known for its satirical and realistic portrayal of student life.

**Static Part:**

- Author – Arundhati Roy
- Release Year – 1989
- Director – Pradip Krishen
- Award – National Film Award (Best Screenplay)





**Ques: Who has been appointed as the Chief Justice of the Andhra Pradesh High Court?**

- A) Justice Dhiraj Singh Thakur
- B) Justice Lisa Gill
- C) Justice Sanjiv Khanna
- D) Justice Hima Kohli
- E) Justice B. R. Gavai

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The President of India has appointed Justice Lisa Gill as the Chief Justice of the Andhra Pradesh High Court.
- She succeeds Justice Dhiraj Singh Thakur.
- Justice Dhiraj Singh Thakur retired on April 24, 2026.
- The appointment is made under constitutional provisions related to the judiciary.

**Static Part:**

- Andhra Pradesh High Court Location – Amaravati
- Chief Justice of India – Sanjiv Khanna
- Appointment Authority – President of India
- Article 217 – Appointment of High Court Judges





## Recent Appointment in different departments :

- **John Ternus** : CEO of Apple
- **Ajit Agarkar** : chairman of the senior selection committee renewed by Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)
- **Susan Coyle** : first female Chief of Army of Australia
- **Anant Swarup** : Secretary General of Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry
- **Jyoti Vij** : Director General of Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry
- **Harivansh Narayan Singh** : Deputy Chairman of the Rajya Sabha for the third consecutive term.
- **Major General Roman Gofman** : Chief of the country's foreign intelligence agency, the Mossad (Replaced David Barnea)
- **Vibhor Jain** : Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Open Network for Digital Commerce (replaced Thampy Koshy)





**Ques: What is the monthly stipend provided to interns under the PM Internship Scheme (PMIS) in its third round, and what percentage is funded by the government?**

- A) ₹5,000 — 80% by Govt
- B) ₹6,000 — 90% by Govt
- C) ₹9,000 — 90% by Govt
- D) ₹9,000 — 100% by Govt
- E) ₹12,000 — 75% by Govt

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Under the PM Internship Scheme, the monthly stipend in the third round has been increased to ₹9,000.
- Out of this, 90% is funded by the government and 10% is contributed by the company.
- Additionally, interns receive a one-time financial assistance of ₹6,000.
- The scheme is implemented under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.
- Eligibility has been expanded to include final-year UG and PG students with a No Objection Certificate (NOC).
- The scheme targets 1 crore internship opportunities in top 500 companies over five years for youth aged 18–25 years.
- Internship duration has been reduced to 6–9 months from earlier 1 year.
- Internship duration has been reduced from 1 year to 6–9 months.
- Interns are covered under Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana and Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana for insurance protection.

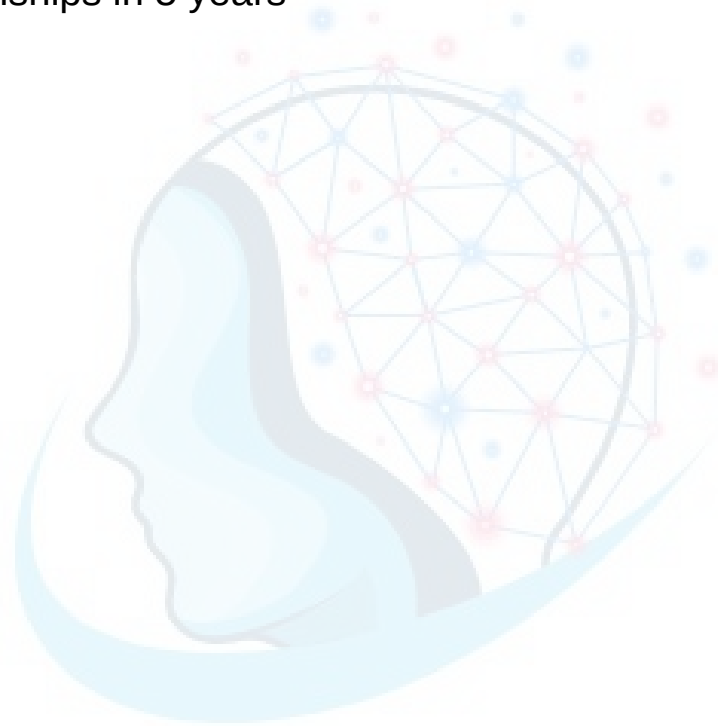
**Static Part:**

- Scheme – PM Internship Scheme (PMIS)
- Ministry – Ministry of Corporate Affairs
- Current Round – 3rd (Pilot)





- Monthly Stipend – ₹9,000
- One-Time Assistance – ₹6,000
- Govt Share – 90%
- Company Share – 10%
- Eligibility – 18–25 years + Final-year UG/PG (with NOC)
- Duration – 6–9 months
- Target – 1 crore internships in 5 years



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**Ques: Who has been awarded the 9th Prof. M.S. Swaminathan Award?**

- A) Dr. Ramesh Chand
- B) Dr. Ch. Srinivasa Rao
- C) Dr. Trilochan Mohapatra
- D) Dr. Himanshu Pathak
- E) Dr. S. Ayyappan

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- The 9th Prof. M.S. Swaminathan Award has been conferred on Dr. Ch. Srinivasa Rao.
- He is the Director and Vice-Chancellor of the Indian Agricultural Research Institute.
- The award carries a cash prize of ₹2 lakh.
- The award ceremony was held in Hyderabad.
- The award is significant as it marks the 100th birth anniversary of M. S. Swaminathan.

**Static Part:**

- M. S. Swaminathan – Father of Green Revolution in India
- IARI Established – 1905
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Green Revolution Period – 1960s





## Recent News Headlines Related to Awards & Winners :

- Harvard South Asian 'Person of the Year' 2026 : Indian actress Sayani Gupta
- WWF National Award : Botany researcher N. Alim Yusuf
- Femina Miss India World 2026 : Sadhvi Sail from Goa
- WWF 'Machchli National Award' : Anita Chaudhary, a forest guard at Shergarh Wildlife Sanctuary
- Mrs International World Classic 2026 : Geetanjali Om Parkash
- President's Police Colour, the highest honour for a police force in India : Odisha Police
- Lifetime Achievement Award at the International Film Festival of Delhi 2026 : Veteran Telugu actor Nandamuri Balakrishna
- 35th Saraswati Samman (2025) : Ramkumar Mukhopadhyay, an eminent Bengali writer
- France's prestigious Legion of Honour (Commandeur rank) : Jawed Ashraf, former Ambassador of India to France and Chairman of the India Trade Promotion Organisation





**Ques: When was the last India-Africa Forum Summit held before IAFS-IV (2026)?**

- A) 2010
- B) 2012
- C) 2015
- D) 2018
- E) 2020

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- India-Africa Forum Summit IV will be hosted by India in New Delhi from May 28–31, 2026.
- The previous India-Africa Forum Summit III was held in 2015, creating a gap of 10 years before the 2026 edition.
- The theme of IAFS-IV is “IA SPIRIT: India-Africa Strategic Partnership for Innovation, Resilience, and Inclusive Transformation.”
- The summit aims to strengthen ties with the African Union and enhance cooperation.
- Focus areas include capacity building, development partnership, and strategic engagement.

**Static Part:**

- Last Summit – 2015
- Edition – 4th IAFS

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## Recent News Headlines Related to Summits / conference

- The first edition of the Indian Navy's biannual Commanders' Conference 2026 was held at Nausena Bhawan in New Delhi.
- The maiden conference of Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA), India Region Zone-VII, was held at the Goa Legislative Assembly in Panaji.
- The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) organised a Core Group meeting on Right to Food & Nutrition in New Delhi.
- France hosted the One Health Summit 2026 from 5-7 April in Lyon.
- India has invited members for the BRICS Foreign Ministers' Meeting to be held in May 2026.
- The Bharat Innovates Deep-Tech Pre Summit was held at IIT Bombay.
- Narendra Modi is set to visit France to attend the G7 Summit scheduled from June 15 to 17.
- Hyderabad hosted the World Buddhist Peace Conference 2026, bringing together delegates from over 20 countries.





**Ques: Nadenla Bhaskara Rao, who recently passed away, was associated with which position?**

- A) Governor of Andhra Pradesh
- B) Chief Minister of united Andhra Pradesh
- C) Speaker of Lok Sabha
- D) Chief Justice of India
- E) Union Home Minister

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Nadendla Bhaskara Rao was the former Chief Minister of united Andhra Pradesh.
- He served as the 11th Chief Minister in 1984.
- He was a lawyer by profession.
- He played an important role in the political history of Andhra Pradesh.

**Static Part:**

- Andhra Pradesh Capital – Amaravati
- Formation of Andhra Pradesh – 1956
- Governor (Andhra Pradesh) – S. Abdul Nazeer
- High Court Location – Amaravati





**Ques: When will the 9th edition of India International Water Week (IIWW-2026) be held?**

- A) 10–15 September 2026
- B) 15–20 September 2026
- C) 20–25 September 2026
- D) 22–26 September 2026
- E) 25–30 September 2026

**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

- Ministry of Jal Shakti will organize the 9th edition of India International Water Week 2026.
- It will be held from 22nd to 26th September 2026 at Bharat Mandapam.
- The theme is “Climate Resilient Water Management.”
- C. R. Patil, Union Minister of Jal Shakti, launched IIWW-2026 in New Delhi.
- The Second International Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) Conference-2026 will also be held from 22nd to 24th September 2026 as part of the event.

**Static Part:**

- Ministry of Jal Shakti Formed – 2019
- Headquarters – New Delhi
- Key Focus – Water resource management and sanitation





## Important days :

- 2 April : World Autism Awareness Day (WAAD) (Theme for 2026 is “Autism and Humanity - Every Life Has Value”.) (Started in 2007)
- 2 April : International Children’s Book Day (theme for 2026 is “Plant stories and the world will bloom.”)
- 3 April : 262nd Raising Day of the Army Medical Corps (walkathon themed “One Health, One Force, 262 Years Strong”)
- 4 April : International Day of Mine Awareness (Theme 2026 Invest in Peace; Invest in Mine Action)
- 5 April : National Maritime Day (Theme for 2026: “Maritime India – Empowering Progress”)
- 5 April : International Day of Conscience (First observed in 2020)
- 6 April : International Day of Sport for Development and Peace (theme for 2026 is “Sport: Building Bridges, Breaking Barriers.”)
- 7 April : World Health Day (Theme for 2026: “Together for health. Stand with science.”)
- 7 April : International Day of Reflection on the 1994 Genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda
- 9 April : 61st Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) Valour Day, also known as Shaurya Diwas
- 10 April : World Homoeopathy Day (Theme for 2026: “Homoeopathy for Sustainable Health”.)
- 11 April : World Parkinson’s Day (Theme for the year: “Bridge the Care Gap.”)
- 12 April : International Day of Human Space Flight (First Observance 2011)
- 12 April : International Day for Street Children 2026 (Theme 2026 Protect, not Punish)
- 12 April : Siachen Day (commemorates the success of Operation Meghdoot conducted in 1984)
- 14 April : World Chagas Disease Day
- 14 April : Ambedkar Jayanti
- 14 April : World Quantum Day (First Observance 2022) (Theme 2026 Shaping the Quantum Workforce)





## IMPORTANT ONE - LINER Current Affairs

India's textile sector showed steady resilience in global markets as total exports, including handicrafts, increased to Rs.3,16,334.9 crore in Financial Year 2025-26, registering a 2.1% growth over Rs.3,09,859.3 crore in Financial Year 2024-25.

The BSE Housing Finance Index is a specialised benchmark launched by BSE Index Services. It tracks the financial performance of companies engaged in the housing finance sector. The index is derived from the BSE 1000 index. Its base date is June 22, 2015, with a base value of 1,000.

The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) selected 10 Indian AI startups for the second cohort of the IndiaAI Startups Global (ISG) Acceleration Programme. The programme is launched under the IndiaAI Mission. The programme is developed in collaboration with Station F (France) and HEC Paris (France).

Union Minister Jyotiraditya M. Scindia released the revised guidelines for the TDIP Scheme. The scheme is implemented by the Department of Telecommunications (DoT). Total outlay of the scheme is ₹203 crore. The duration of the scheme is from 2026 to 2031.

The Ministry of Minority Affairs signed an MoU with IIT Patna under the PM VIKAS scheme. Around 600 minority youth from Bihar will be trained. The training focuses on modern job roles like Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Business Analytics.

India has been selected among 12 countries by FIFA for the Women's Development Programme (Commercial Strategy 2026). Other participating countries include Germany, Netherlands, Sweden, Scotland, Canada, Mexico, Finland, Ghana, Jordan, Lithuania, and Paraguay.

