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**Ques: Emirates NBD launched an open offer to acquire what percentage stake in RBL Bank?**

- A) 15%
- B) 20%
- C) 26%
- D) 30%
- E) 49%

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Emirates NBD announced an open offer to acquire up to 26% stake in RBL Bank.
- The bank plans to acquire 415.59 million equity shares of RBL Bank.
- The offer price has been fixed at ₹282.38 per equity share.
- The total acquisition value is estimated at around ₹11,735 crore.
- The acquisition will be completed entirely through cash payment.
- Emirates NBD has received all necessary regulatory and government approvals for the deal.
- The investment of around \$3 billion is considered one of the largest equity fund raises in the Indian banking sector.
- It is also the first acquisition of a majority stake in a profitable Indian bank by a foreign banking institution.

**Static Part:**

- Emirates NBD Foundation Year – 1963
- Headquarters – Dubai, UAE
- CEO – Shayne Nelson
- RBL Bank Foundation Year – 1943
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- MD & CEO – R. Subramaniakumar
- Tagline – Apno Ka Bank





**Ques: RAINMUMBAI, India's first exchange-traded weather derivatives contract, has been launched by which organization?**

- A) NSE
- B) BSE
- C) NCDEX
- D) RBI
- E) NABARD

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- National Commodity and Derivatives Exchange will launch RAINMUMBAI on May 29, 2026.
- RAINMUMBAI is India's first exchange-traded weather derivatives contract.
- The contract has received approval from Securities and Exchange Board of India.
- The product has been developed in collaboration with Indian Institute of Technology Bombay.
- Rainfall data from India Meteorological Department will be used for the contract.
- The instrument aims to help businesses and farmers hedge against monsoon variability and weather-related losses.
- IMD weather stations at Santacruz and Colaba in Mumbai will provide rainfall observations.

**Static Part:**

- Organization – NCDEX (National Commodity and Derivatives Exchange)
- NCDEX Established – 2003
- NCDEX Headquarters – Mumbai
- Managing Director & CEO – Arun Raste





**Ques: The Government of India increased stake dilution in which bank up to 8% through OFS?**

- A) Punjab National Bank
- B) Bank of Baroda
- C) Central Bank of India
- D) Indian Bank
- E) Canara Bank

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- The Government of India increased stake dilution in Central Bank of India up to 8% through Offer for Sale (OFS).
- The OFS received strong institutional investor demand and was oversubscribed 2.35 times on Day 1.
- The Centre exercised the entire greenshoe option due to high investor response.
- The government aims to raise around ₹2,456 crore through the stake sale.
- The OFS is intended to help the bank comply with Securities and Exchange Board of India minimum public shareholding norm of 25%.
- After the stake sale, the government's holding in Central Bank of India will reduce from 89.27% to around 81.27%.
- The floor price for the OFS was fixed at ₹31 per share.

**Static Part:**

- Central Bank of India Foundation Year – 1911
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- MD & CEO – Kalyan Kumar
- Tagline – Central to you since 1911





**Ques: What was the growth rate recorded by India's eight core infrastructure sectors in April 2026?**

- A) 1.7%
- B) 2.5%
- C) 3.2%
- D) 4.1%
- E) 5.0%

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

- India's eight core infrastructure sectors recorded 1.7% growth in April 2026.
- The data was released by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
- Among the core sectors, Cement, Steel, and Electricity registered positive growth.
- The eight core industries include Coal, Crude Oil, Natural Gas, Refinery Products, Fertilizers, Steel, Cement, and Electricity.
- These industries are considered crucial indicators of industrial and economic activity in India.
- The eight core industries together account for 40.27% weight in the Index of Industrial Production (IIP).





**Ques: For which financial year did RBI approve a record surplus transfer of Rs. 2.87 lakh crore to the Central Government?**

- A) FY 2023-24
- B) FY 2024-25
- C) FY 2025-26
- D) FY 2026-27
- E) FY 2022-23

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Reserve Bank of India approved a surplus transfer of Rs. 2.87 lakh crore to the Central Government for FY 2025-26.
- The total surplus transferred amounts to Rs. 2,86,588.46 crore.
- The dividend amount is around 6.7% higher than the Rs. 2.69 lakh crore transferred in FY25.
- RBI's gross income increased by 26.42% year-on-year to Rs. 3.96 lakh crore.
- The balance sheet of RBI expanded by 20.61% to Rs. 91.97 lakh crore.
- The surplus transfer strengthens the government's fiscal position and supports public expenditure.

**Static Part:**

- RBI Established – 1 April 1935
- Headquarters – Mumbai
- Governor – Sanjay Malhotra
- Nationalised – 1 January 1949





## Recent News Headlines Related to RBI

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) issued revised draft norms on loan recovery practices.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) announced a USD/INR Buy/Sell swap auction worth USD 5 billion.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) cancelled the banking licence of The Yashwant Co-operative Bank Ltd., Phaltan, Maharashtra.
- RBI has introduced minimum turnover requirements for money changers.
- RBI has removed the requirement of Investment Fluctuation Reserve (IFR) for banks.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) reported that credit card transactions increased by 2.6 times between 2021 and 2025.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) informed the Supreme Court that 30 banks have been integrated into the UDGAM portal.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a 6-month moratorium on Nagar Sahakari Bank.





**Ques:** According to the latest UN report, India's revised GDP growth forecast for 2026 is what percentage?

- A) 5.8%
- B) 6.0%
- C) 6.4%
- D) 6.6%
- E) 7.0%

**Answer:** Option C

**Explanation:**

- The United Nations revised India's 2026 economic growth forecast downward to 6.4% from 6.6%.
- The downgrade was announced in a report released by United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs.
- The revision was due to global uncertainties and economic shocks arising from the ongoing West Asia crisis.
- Despite the cut, India remains one of the fastest-growing major economies in the world.
- The report stated that the West Asia crisis has slowed global growth and increased inflationary pressures.

**Static Part:**

- UN Full Form – United Nations
- UN Founded Day – 24 October 1945
- UN Headquarters – New York, USA
- UN Secretary-General – António Guterres





**Ques: Which country topped the overall medal tally at the Asian Weightlifting Championships 2026?**

- A) India
- B) North Korea
- C) Uzbekistan
- D) China
- E) Chinese Taipei

**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

- The Asian Weightlifting Championships 2026 was held at Mahatma Mandir in Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
- India secured third position in the women's team standings and fifth position in the men's team standings.
- The championship was organised by the Indian Weightlifting Federation.
- China topped the overall medal tally with 21 gold, 12 silver, and 8 bronze medals.
- India finished the championship with a total of 10 medals, including one silver and nine bronze medals.
- India's only silver medal was won by Gyaneshwari Yadav in the women's 53 kg snatch event.
- Komal Kohar won bronze medals in the women's 48 kg category and opened India's medal account.





## Recent News headlines related to Sports

- Virat Kohli has emerged as the highest earner in IPL history with total earnings of around Rs.230 crore.
- India's teenage sensation Vaibhav Sooryavanshi created history in the Indian Premier League (IPL) by becoming the Indian batter with the most sixes in a single season.
- India delivered a dominant performance at the Asian Boxing U15 Championships 2026.
- World No. 1 Jannik Sinner won the men's singles title at the Italian Open.
- India's Shriyanshi Valishetty won the silver medal in women's singles at the Baoji China Masters in China.
- The 20th edition of the Shanghai Hyundai Archery World Cup Stage 2 was held in Shanghai, People's Republic of China.
- India is set to host the prestigious 2026 Asian Weightlifting Championships in Gandhinagar, Gujarat.





**Ques: Who was elected as a Fellow of the Royal Society for contributions to theoretical computer science, including the AKS primality test?**

- A) Raghunath Mashelkar
- B) Manindra Agrawal
- C) Venkatraman Ramakrishnan
- D) C. N. R. Rao
- E) Ashoke Sen

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Manindra Agrawal, Director of Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur, was elected as a Fellow of the Royal Society.
- He was recognised for his contributions to theoretical computer science.
- His notable work includes the AKS primality test developed in 2000.
- The AKS primality test is an important algorithm used to determine whether a number is prime.
- The Royal Society is one of the oldest and most prestigious scientific academies in the world.
- It was founded in the United Kingdom in 1660.

**Static Part:**

- IIT Kanpur Established – 1959
- IIT Kanpur Location – Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh
- Royal Society Founded – 1660
- Royal Society Headquarters – London, United Kingdom
- AKS Full Form – Agrawal–Kayal–Saxena





**Ques: Taiwan Travelogue, winner of the International Booker Prize 2026, was originally written in which language?**

- A) Japanese
- B) Korean
- C) Mandarin Chinese
- D) French
- E) Spanish

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Yáng Shuāng-zǐ won the International Booker Prize 2026 for the novel Taiwan Travelogue.
- The book was translated into English by Lin King.
- The award was announced on May 19, 2026 at Tate Modern.
- Taiwan Travelogue became the first Mandarin Chinese novel to win the International Booker Prize.
- It is also the first book by a Taiwanese author to receive the prestigious award.
- The novel is set in Japanese-occupied Taiwan during the 1930s.
- The winners will share the £50,000 prize money equally.

**Static Part:**

- International Booker Prize Started – 2005
- Awarded For – Fiction translated into English
- Prize Money – £50,000 (£25,000 for the author and £25,000 for the translator)
- 2026 Ceremony Venue – Tate Modern, London
- Winning Novel – Taiwan Travelogue
- Original Language – Mandarin Chinese
- Author – Yáng Shuāng-zǐ
- Translator – Lin King





## Recent News Headlines Related to Awards & Winners :

- **Agricola Medal by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) : Prime Minister Narendra Modi**
- **Grand Cross of the Royal Norwegian Order of Merit in Oslo, Norway : Prime Minister Narendra Modi**
- **Honorary membership of the 45 Cavalry Regiment of the Indian Armoured Corps for portraying 'Captain Balram Mehta' in 'Pippa' : Actor Ishaan Khatter**
- **"Royal Order of the Polar Star, Commander Grand Cross" by Sweden : Prime Minister Narendra Modi**
- **Erth Dubai Award : Deepak Bhatia**
- **South Asia Regional Winner title at the Cambridge Dedicated Teacher Awards 2026 : Soma Mandal from GD Goenka Public School, Delhi**
- **2026 Whitley Award : Parveen Shaikh**
- **4th edition of the GEM Award : Guntur Municipal Corporation (GMC), Andhra Pradesh**





**Ques: What is the full form of the UMMID Programme launched for improving diagnosis and management of rare and inherited genetic disorders?**

- A) Unified Model for Medical Innovation and Development
- B) Unique Methods of Management of Inherited Disorders
- C) Universal Mission for Monitoring Inherited Diseases
- D) United Mechanism for Medical Inherited Diagnosis
- E) Unique Medical Management of Infectious Diseases

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Jitendra Singh dedicated the UMMID Programme to the nation.
- UMMID stands for “Unique Methods of Management of Inherited Disorders.”
- The programme aims to improve diagnosis and management of rare and inherited genetic disorders.
- The event was organised by the Department of Biotechnology at Prithvi Bhawan, New Delhi.
- During the event, the UMMED Compendium was released and the UMEED Dashboard was launched.

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**Ques: Which Indian water utility was ranked among the world's top five water utilities at the Global Water Summit 2026?**

- A) Delhi Jal Board
- B) Chennai Metro Water
- C) BWSSB
- D) Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply Board
- E) Kerala Water Authority

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- Bengaluru Water Supply and Sewerage Board was ranked among the world's top five water utilities at the Global Water Summit 2026.
- The recognition was given in the "Utility of the Year" category.
- BWSSB became the only Indian water utility to secure a place among the global top five across three major award categories.
- The board was recognised for its contribution toward achieving United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 6 (SDG-6).
- SDG-6 focuses on ensuring clean water and sanitation for all.
- The achievement highlights India's growing role in sustainable urban water management.





**Ques: The First International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) Summit was scheduled to be held in which city?**

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

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- The first International Big Cat Alliance Summit 2026 was scheduled to be held in New Delhi on June 1, 2026.
- The summit has been postponed to a later date.
- The summit focuses on the conservation of seven big cat species and their ecosystems.
- The seven species include Tiger, Lion, Leopard, Snow Leopard, Cheetah, Jaguar and Puma.
- The summit was being organized along with the Fourth India-Africa Forum Summit.
- The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change said the new dates will be announced later.
- India reaffirmed its commitment towards biodiversity conservation and sustainable development.

**Static Part:**

- IBCA Launched – April 2023
- Headquarters – India
- Ministry Concerned – Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- Objective – Conservation of Big Cats and Biodiversity
- Scheduled Venue – New Delhi
- Summit Date – 1 June 2026





## Recent News Headlines Related to Summits / conference

- Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare Jagat Prakash Nadda arrived in Switzerland to participate in the 79th World Health Assembly.
- US Secretary of State Marco Rubio announced that the United States will host the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Atlanta, Georgia on October 30–31, 2026.
- New Delhi will host an important meeting of the Quad Foreign Ministers.
- India hosted the 10th edition of the Indian Ocean Dialogue (IOD-10) in New Delhi.
- India's first international ophthalmology research conference will be held at the Manekshaw Centre in New Delhi. The conference is titled AIOS-Armed Forces Ophthalmology Update (AIOU-AFOU 2026). The conference is being organised by the Department of Ophthalmology at Army Hospital (Research & Referral)
- India will host the inaugural summit of the International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) in New Delhi on June 1 and 2.





**Ques: What is the name of the talent promotion scheme launched by Delhi Chief Minister Rekha Gupta to identify and nurture young talent?**

- A) Hauslon Ki Udaan 2026–27
- B) Kala Ratna Yojana
- C) Yuva Kala Mission
- D) Delhi Talent Mission
- E) Udaan Kala Scheme

**Answer: Option A**

**Explanation:**

- Rekha Gupta launched the Rs.10-crore “Hauslon Ki Udaan 2026–27” Talent Hunt Scheme.
- The scheme aims to identify and nurture young talent in Delhi.
- Participants will compete in various cultural and artistic fields.
- These include Classical music, Folk music, Classical dance, Folk dance, Contemporary dance, Fine arts, Sculpture, Pottery, and Theatre.
- The initiative aims to encourage creativity and provide a platform for emerging artists.
- Cultural talent schemes help preserve traditional arts while promoting modern artistic expression.





**Ques: Who has been appointed as the Chairman of the Commonwealth Chess Association (CCA)?**

- A) Viswanathan Anand
- B) R. Praggnanandhaa
- C) Koneru Humpy
- D) D. Gukesh
- E) Bharat Singh Chauhan

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation:**

- Veteran Indian sports administrator Bharat Singh Chauhan has been appointed as the Chairman of the Commonwealth Chess Association.
- He was elected during the Annual General Body Meeting of the Commonwealth Chess Association held in Wasakaduwa, Sri Lanka.
- Bharat Singh Chauhan will serve a four-year term as Chairman of the CCA.
- The CCA also announced the launch of the Commonwealth School Chess Championship.
- The first edition of the championship will be hosted in Malaysia in October 2026.
- The Commonwealth Chess Association promotes chess activities among Commonwealth nations.

**Static Part:**

- Commonwealth Chess Association (CCA) is affiliated with the International Chess Federation.
- FIDE Full Form – Fédération Internationale des Échecs (International Chess Federation)
- FIDE Headquarters – Lausanne, Switzerland
- Sri Lanka Capital – Sri Jayawardenepura Kotte (official and legislative capital), Colombo (commercial capital)
- Malaysia Capital – Kuala Lumpur





## Recent Appointment in different departments :

- **Shri Saurabh Vijay** : Chief Executive Officer of Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) (Replaced Bhuvnesh Verma)
- **Sahdev Yadav** : President of the South Asian Weightlifting Federation
- **Sabina Yadav** : Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the South Asian Weightlifting Federation
- **R Mukundan**, CEO of Tata Chemicals : President of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) for 2026–27 (replaced Rajiv Memani)
- **Suchitra Ella** : President-Designate of CII
- **Sunil Bharti Mittal** : Chairman of Bharti Airtel
- **Akash Ambani** : managing director of Jio Platforms for a period of 5 years
- **Ashok Kumar Panda** : Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) (replaced Krishna Kumar Singh)





**Ques: PRAGATI 2026 multinational military exercise is being conducted in which state?**

- A) Assam
- B) Manipur
- C) Meghalaya
- D) Mizoram
- E) Nagaland

**Answer: Option C**

**Explanation:**

- The PRAGATI 2026 multinational military exercise commenced on May 20, 2026 at Umroi Military Station, Meghalaya.
- India is hosting the 13-nation military exercise.
- Troops from 12 friendly nations are participating along with India.
- Participating countries include Bhutan, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Maldives, Myanmar, Nepal, Philippines, Seychelles, Sri Lanka and Vietnam.
- The exercise aims to provide a common platform for professional military exchange and defence cooperation.
- The exercise will strengthen military-to-military ties among participating nations.





## Recent News Headlines Related to Defence Exercise :

- The Indian Army contingent departed for the 2nd edition of India–Cambodia joint military exercise CINBAX-II 2026.
- Indian Army will host the first edition of the multilateral military exercise “Pragati”.
- Exercise DUSTLIK is a bilateral military exercise conducted between India and Uzbekistan.
- An Indian Army contingent has departed for Egypt to participate in the fourth edition of the India-Egypt Joint Special Forces Exercise ‘Cyclone’.
- The Indian Navy's frontline warship INS Trikand has arrived at Mombasa in Kenya as part of its deployment in the Southwest Indian Ocean Region. On departure, INS Trikand conducted PASSEX (Passage Exercise) with the Kenya Navy.
- India conducted Exercise Dweep Shakti to strengthen coastal and island defence.
- The Indian Navy hosted the IONS Maritime Exercise (IMEX) TTX 2026 in Kochi.





**Ques: Which Indian defence company announced that its AI-powered UCAV “Kaal Bhairava” will be manufactured in Portugal?**

- A) Bharat Electronics Limited
- B) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited
- C) Adani Defence Systems
- D) Bharat Dynamics Limited
- E) Flying Wedge Defence & Aerospace

**Answer: Option E**

**Explanation:**

- Flying Wedge Defence & Aerospace announced that its AI-powered Unmanned Combat Aerial Vehicle (UCAV) “Kaal Bhairava” will be manufactured in Portugal.
- The production will take place at the company’s first international manufacturing facility.
- The initiative is part of “Operation 777”, aimed at establishing 7 global headquarters across 77 countries.
- The project is being developed in collaboration with SKETCHPIXEL, a European company known for advanced fighter jet simulation systems.
- SKETCHPIXEL has worked on simulation systems used for F-16 Fighting Falcon aircraft.





## Recent News Headlines related to Defence

- Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) launched the sixth edition of its flagship Young Scientists Programme — YUVIKA 2026.
- INS Sagardhwani concluded a successful port visit to Cam Ranh, strengthening maritime and scientific cooperation between India and Vietnam.
- Indian Navy sail training ship INS Sudarshini successfully completed a port call at Mindelo, Cape Verde. The visit was part of the Lokayan 26 expedition. It has departed for Antigua and Barbuda for the next phase of deployment.
- European multinational missile manufacture MBDA & Indian Air Force (IAF) signed MoU to establish Maintenance, Repair and Mid-Life Overhaul (MRO) capability for MICA (Missile d'Interception, de Combat et d'Autodéfense) air-to-air missiles in India. MICA Missile is a multi-mission “fire-and-forget” air-to-air missile used on Dassault Rafale and Dassault Mirage 2000 with both Beyond Visual Range (BVR) and short-range combat capability
- India successfully conducted the test-firing of an advanced Agni missile equipped with MIRV technology.





**Ques: Which Indian digital platform is being adapted by UNDP Zambia for Zambia's Essential Medicines "Track and Trace" system?**

- A) CoWIN
- B) Aarogya Setu
- C) DigiLocker
- D) eVIN
- E) eSanjeevani

**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

- United Nations Development Programme Zambia and United Nations Development Programme India launched a joint initiative in Lusaka, Zambia, to adapt India's Electronic Vaccine Intelligence Network (eVIN) platform.
- The platform will support Zambia's Essential Medicines "Track and Trace" system.
- India's eVIN platform was originally developed to improve vaccine logistics and stock visibility.
- The system enables real-time inventory management and temperature monitoring.
- It also helps in efficient distribution of medicines and vaccines.
- The initiative reflects growing India-Africa cooperation in digital health and healthcare management.





**Ques: Who has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment, Forests and Climate Change?**

- A) Sudha Murty
- B) Medha Vishram Kulkarni
- C) Nirmala Sitharaman
- D) Smriti Irani
- E) Rekha Sharma

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Medha Vishram Kulkarni has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment, Forests and Climate Change.
- The appointment was approved by C. P. Radhakrishnan, who is also the Chairman of Rajya Sabha.
- The committee consists of a total of 31 members.
- Out of these, 10 members are from Rajya Sabha and 21 members are from Lok Sabha.
- The tenure of the committee is one year.
- Parliamentary Standing Committees examine policies, bills, and issues related to specific ministries and departments.





**Ques: Anti-Terrorism Day is observed every year in India on which date?**

- A) 15 August
- B) 21 May
- C) 26 January
- D) 2 October
- E) 30 January

**Answer: Option B**

**Explanation:**

- Anti-Terrorism Day is observed across India every year on 21 May.
- The day marks the assassination of former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi in a terrorist attack in 1991.
- The observance aims to spread awareness about the dangers of terrorism and violence.
- Special focus is given to educating the youth about peace, unity, and non-violence.
- Various institutions and government offices organise pledge-taking ceremonies and awareness programmes on this day.
- Terrorism poses a threat to national unity, security, and social harmony.





## Important days :

- 1 May : International Labour Day (Theme 2026 Ensuring a Healthy Psychosocial Working Environment) (Started in May 1, 1890)
- 1 May : Gujarat Day (Gujarat Sthapana Divas)
- 1 May : Maharashtra Day (Maharashtra Divas)
- 2 May : World Tuna Day
- 3 May : World Laughter Day 2026 (Theme 2026 World Peace through Laughter)
- 3 May : World Press Freedom Day (2026 theme is “Shaping a Future of Peace”).)
- 5 May : World Portuguese Language Day
- 4 to 10 May : Fire Safety Week (Theme 2026: “Safe Schools, Safe Hospitals, and a Fire-Safety Aware Society: Together for Fire Prevention”)
- 4 May : International Firefighters’ Day (2026 theme is: “Safe School, Safe Hospital & Fire Safety Aware Society – Together for Fire Prevention”).)
- 4 May : Coal Miner's Day
- 5 May (first Tuesday of May) : World Asthma Day 2026 (Theme 2026 Access to anti-inflammatory inhalers for everyone with asthma – still an urgent need)
- 5 May : World Cartoonist Day 2026
- 5 May : World Hand Hygiene Day (theme for 2026 is “Action saves lives – Safer care starts with clean hands.”)
- 5 May : International Day of the Midwife (IDM) (Theme 2026 One Million More Midwives)
- 7 May : World Athletics Day 2026 (Theme 2026 “Sport: Building Bridges, Breaking Barriers,”)
- 7 May : 165th birth anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore
- 7 May : 67th Raising Day of Border Roads Organisation (BRO)
- 8 May : World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day 2026 (Theme 2026 United in Humanity)
- 8 May : World Thalassaemia Day 2026 (Started in 1994) (“Hidden No More: Finding the Undiagnosed. Supporting the Unseen.”)
- 10 May : International Day of Argania (Started in 2021)
- 10 May : World Lupus Day (theme 2026 is “Make Lupus Visible.”)
- 11 May : National Technology Day
- 12 May : International Day of Plant Health (IDPH) (Theme 2026 Plant Biosecurity for Food Security)





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Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation completely exited its investment in Microsoft after selling its remaining shares in the first quarter of 2026. The foundation sold 7.7 million Microsoft shares valued at around 3.2 billion US dollars. The value of these shares was nearly Rs.26,500 crore.

The Indian Navy launched Yard 3039 (Sanghmitra), a Next Generation Offshore Patrol Vessel (NGOPV), at Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (GRSE), Kolkata. It is the first of four advanced NGOPVs being constructed by GRSE for the Navy.

The Indian Navy successfully concluded the IOS SAGAR deployment with the return of INS Sunayna to Kochi. IOS SAGAR was flagged off from Mumbai by Raksha Rajya Mantri Sanjay Seth. During the mission, INS Sunayna visited ports including Male, Phuket, Jakarta, Singapore, Yangon, Chattogram, and Colombo.

The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) successfully completed development trials of the ULPGM-V3 missile. The missile was tested in both Air-to-Ground and Air-to-Air modes. The trials were conducted at the DRDO test range near Kurnool using an integrated Ground Control System (GCS).

