

National News: Varanasi Creates Guinness Record for Mega Plantation Campaign



Varanasi has entered the Guinness World Records by planting 2,51,446 saplings within one hour. The mega plantation drive was conducted at Sujabad Domari area and successfully surpassed China's 2018 record of 1,53,981 saplings. The record was officially verified through drone monitoring and a digital counting system, marking a major milestone in India's urban afforestation efforts.

Key Points:-

2,51,446 saplings were planted in exactly one hour and breaking China's previous 2018 Guinness World Records entry.

The record was confirmed by Guinness adjudicator Rishinath after verification through drone

surveillance and digital counting systems.

The certificate was presented to Mayor Ashok Kumar Tiwari and Municipal Commissioner Himanshu Nagpal.

National News: Debrigarh Sanctuary To Showcases Rich Wildlife in Second Indian Bison Fest



The second edition of the Indian Bison Fest will be held on March 8, 2026, at Zeropoint inside the Debrigarh Wildlife Sanctuary in Sambalpur. The festival celebrates the Indian bison, locally called 'Gayala'. Bison population is steadily rising in the Debrigarh-Hirakud landscape. With guided gaur safaris, night camping, this two day event promises an immersive wildlife experience.

Key Points:-

Organized by the Hirakud Wildlife Division.

Venue is Zeropoint inside the sanctuary.

Event brings together students, researchers, volunteers and wildlife lovers.

Focus is on conservation of Indian bison (gaur).

International News: India, Canada Announce Strategic Energy Partnership, Revive CEPA Talks



Canada's Prime Minister Carney's and Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveiled a comprehensive roadmap to reset bilateral ties between both countries. Recently Marking 79 years of diplomatic relations the India-Canada Joint Leaders Statement. This Joint Statement outlined cooperation across various

sectors like energy, trade, clean tech, AI, defense, and the Indo-Pacific. The two leaders also adopted "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam – One Earth, One Family, One Future" as the guiding framework for a renewed Strategic Partnership.

Key Points:-

The Launch of the India-Canada Strategic Energy Partnership.

The Focus areas which covers the clean energy, conventional energy, civil nuclear energy critical minerals.

Appointments: Deepak Gupta assumes charge as Chairman and Managing Director of GAIL



Deepak Gupta has officially assumed charge as Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of GAIL (India) Limited. He succeeds

Sandeep Kumar Gupta, who retired in February 2026. With a term extending until February 2029, Gupta assumes leadership at a crucial time for India's energy sector. He is a seasoned professional with decades of experience in natural gas transmission, LNG infrastructure, and project management. He now leads India's largest gas transmission and marketing company.

Sports: Alyssa Healy bids To Good Bye For Game



The former Australia Captain Alyssa Healy retired from all forms of cricket. When Alyssa Healy walked out for her final ODI in Hobart, she avoided talk of retirement and legacy. The Australian captain smashed a breathtaking 158 off 98 balls, powering Australia to 409/7 and handing India a crushing 185

run defeat. It was a farewell innings that summed up her fearless, attacking style and ensured her ODI career ended on the highest possible note.

Sports: Raksha Khadse Announces Special Edition ASMITA Women's Sports League 2026



Minister of State for Youth Affairs and Sports Raksha Nikhil Khadse has announced a special edition of the ASMITA Women's Sports League in New Delhi. The initiative is being organised to mark International Women's Day on 8 March 2026. The league aims to provide a competitive and empowering platform for female athletes at the grassroots level across India. The announcement highlights the government's focus

on strengthening women's participation in sports. And building a robust sports culture nationwide.

State News: First Dark Sky Park



Tamil Nadu has launched its first 'Dark Sky Park' in Kolli Hills to promote astro-tourism and protect night sky visibility. The Park is located in the Kolli Hills region of Tamil Nadu. It aims to reduce light pollution and promote scientific awareness about astronomy. Dark Sky Parks are designated areas that preserve natural darkness for stargazing and research.

Detailed Analysis of Recent Current Affairs: Multiple Choice Format

Q.1. In which state did Minister of State for Defence Sanjay Seth recently inaugurate the 28-km Chungthang-Lachen Axis?

- A. Arunachal Pradesh
- B. Sikkim
- C. Assam
- D. Nagaland

1. B

Minister of State for Defence Sanjay Seth inaugurated the rehabilitated 28-km Chungthang-Lachen axis and a 400-foot Bailey suspension bridge in Sikkim. This vital infrastructure project in North Sikkim was undertaken by the Border Roads Organisation (BRO) to reconnect the area after extensive damage caused by floods.

Q.2. Where was the Gujarat SemiConnect Conference recently held?

- A. Surat
- B. Ahmedabad
- C. Gandhinagar

D. Vadodara

2. C

The Gujarat Semiconnect Conference 2026 was held at the Mahatma Mandir in Gandhinagar. Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel inaugurated the event. This was a major technology conference aimed at India's self-reliance in semiconductor and chip manufacturing.

Q.3. What is the 'Divyang Sahayak Portal' recently launched by the Maharashtra government for?

- A. Senior citizen welfare
- B. Women empowerment
- C. Disability welfare schemes
- D. Scholarship schemes

3. C

The Maharashtra government launched the 'Divyang Sahayak Portal', an AI-enabled, paperless digital platform specifically for people with disabilities (Divyangjan/PwD) in the state. The portal allows people with disabilities to apply, track, and avail government welfare schemes,

assistive devices, and services online, all from a single location.

Q.4. Varanasi recently set a Guinness World Record for planting the most trees in an hour?

- A. 1,53,981
- B. 2,00,000
- C. 2,51,446
- D. 3,00,000

4. C

Varanasi set a Guinness World Record by planting 251,446 trees in one hour. Organized by the Varanasi Municipal Corporation in the Sujabad Domri area, the event broke China's previous record of 153,981 trees planted in 2018. Thousands of volunteers were involved in the effort under the "Namo Van" project.

Q.5. Who recently received the 2025 Airport Service Quality Award for Best Airport at Arrivals - Globally?

- A. Kempegowda International Airport
- B. Cochin International Airport
- C. Mangaluru International Airport
- D. Jaipur International Airport



5. C

Mangaluru International Airport (MIA) has been selected by Airports Council International (ACI) World among six airports worldwide for the Airport Service Quality (ASQ) Award 2025 in the 'Best Airport at Arrivals' category. This is the second consecutive year the airport has received this accolade worldwide, having previously won the Arrivals Award in 2024.

Q.6. How much money did India and Germany recently announce for a climate resilience initiative?

- A. EUR 10 million
- B. EUR 15 million
- C. EUR 20 million
- D. EUR 25 million

6. C

India and Germany announced a grant of 20 million euros (approximately over ₹180 crore) for the Climate Resilience Initiative during high-level talks in New Delhi. This initiative has been launched under Germany's International Climate Initiative (IKI).

Q.7. Who did the Mumbai Cricket Association recently name a stand at the Wankhede Stadium after?

- A. Sachin Tendulkar
- B. Kapil Dev
- C. Ravi Shastri
- D. Sunil Gavaskar

7. C

The Mumbai Cricket Association (MCA) has announced that a stand at the Wankhede Stadium will be named after former Indian cricketer, captain, and coach Ravi Shastri. The Level 1 stand below the press box is being named in Ravi Shastri's honor. Additionally, the MCA has decided to name gates after the late Dilip Sardesai, Eknath Solkar, and Diana Edulji.

Q.8. Which Australian female cricketer recently retired from international cricket?

- A. Meg Lanning
- B. Ellyse Perry
- C. Alyssa Healy
- D. Beth Mooney

8. C



Australian women's cricket team captain and legendary wicketkeeper-batsman Alyssa Healy has announced her retirement from all forms of international cricket. The 35-year-old will end her illustrious 15-year career after the home series against India in March 2026. She holds the record for the most dismissals (275) as a wicketkeeper in women's international cricket.

Q.9. Which bank recently issued Sri Lanka's first blue bond?

- A. Bank of Ceylon
- B. DFCC Bank Plc
- C. Commercial Bank of Sri Lanka
- D. Hatton National Bank

9. B

Sri Lanka's first blue bond was issued by DFCC Bank PLC. This 3 billion Sri Lankan rupee (LKR) bond aims to finance the sustainable use of marine resources, the supply of clean drinking water, and the control of water pollution.

Q.10. How many US dollars did IIFL Home Finance recently receive in a loan from the ADB?

- A. USD 200 million
- B. USD 250 million
- C. USD 300 million
- D. USD 350 million

10. C

IIFL Home Finance has secured a US\$300 million (approximately ₹2,700 crore) loan from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to build affordable homes for low-income groups and women. The deal includes \$150 million directly from ADB and \$150 million in syndicated loans from various banks.

Q.11. Which company recently launched the 'Finsider' financial app?

- A. Paytm
- B. Jio Financial Services
- C. PhonePe
- D. Tata Capital

11. B

Jio Finance Platform and Services Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Jio Financial Services Limited, has launched its new JioFinance app as part of its enhanced digital financial services strategy. Along with the

launch, the company has initiated a special early access program aimed at improving the user experience before a larger-scale deployment.

Q.12. On which river did Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal recently inaugurate three infrastructure projects?

- A. Ganga
- B. Yamuna
- C. Brahmaputra
- D. Godavari

12. C

Union Minister for Ports, Shipping and Waterways Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurated three major infrastructure projects on the Brahmaputra River (National Waterway-2) in Assam. The event, held in Dibrugarh, included the inauguration of the Customs and Immigration Complex at Bogibeel, the Customs Complex at Dhubri, and the Heritage Building of IWAI.

Q.13. Where was India's first semiconductor ATMP unit of Micron Technology recently located?

- A. Pune

B. Hyderabad

C. Chennai

D. Sanand, Gujarat

13. D

Micron Technology's first semiconductor ATMP (Assembly, Testing, Marking, and Packaging) unit in India is located in Sanand, Gujarat. Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated this state-of-the-art facility located in the Sanand GIDC.

Q.14. Where were the Chungthang-Lachen Axis and Taram Chu Bridge recently inaugurated?

- A. Arunachal Pradesh
- B. Himachal Pradesh
- C. Sikkim
- D. Uttarakhand

14. C

Minister of State for Defence Sanjay Seth inaugurated the renovated Chungthang-Lachen Axis Road and the 400-foot-long Bailey suspension Teram Chu Bridge in North Sikkim. The project was completed by the Border Roads Organisation (BRO) under 'Project Swastik.' In recent

years, natural disasters such as cloudbursts, Cyclone Remal, and Glacial Lake Outburst Floods (GLOFs) have severely impacted connectivity in the region. This renovation is considered a significant milestone for North Sikkim.

Q.15. Who recently launched the Rail Tech Policy 2026?

- A. NITI Aayog
- B. Indian Railways
- C. Ministry of Road Transport
- D. SEBI

15. B

The Union Railway Minister announced two more reforms as part of Indian Railways' promise to undertake 52 reforms in 52 weeks this year. Addressing a press conference in the national capital, Mr. Vaishnav unveiled the third reform, the Rail Tech Policy, and said it aims to promote large-scale adoption of technology in the Railways. He said Indian Railways aims to involve innovators, startups, industry and institutions to promote innovation in the Railways.

 **Historical and Technical Events of 6th March 2026**

1521 - Ferdinand Magellan reached Gaum.



Ferdinand Magellan (1521) was a famous Portuguese explorer. He helped King Charles I of Spain to find a westward route to the 'Spice Islands' (Maluku Islands of Malaysia). Magellan is credited with the discovery of the Earth. He set out to circumnavigate the Earth with his companions, but Magellan was killed by the tribals of the Philippines. After which his companions completed the rest of the journey.



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1967 - Joseph Stalin's daughter Svetlana arrived in the US through the Russian embassy in India.



In March 1967, Alliluyeva contacted the United States embassy in New Delhi. When she expressed her desire to leave the country in writing, United States ambassador Chester Bowles offered her political asylum and a new life in the United States. Svetlana decided to seek asylum in the US rather than return to the Soviet Union from India. When Svetlana arrived in India, the country was going through a general election.

2018 - New building of Central Information Commission inaugurated in Munirka, New Delhi.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the new building complex of Central Information Commission in Munirka, New Delhi. After the inauguration, PM Modi addressed the people present there. PM Modi said that there are five pillars of the modern information highway on which we are working. These pillars are Ask, Listen, Interact, Act and Inform. PM said, I believe that empowered citizens are the strongest pillars of our democracy.

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1983: First football league founded in the United States.



The United States Football League (USFL) was a professional American football league that played for three seasons from 1983 to 1985. The league played a spring/summer schedule in each of its active seasons. The 1986 season was to be played in the fall/winter, competing directly with the longer-established National Football League (NFL). However, the USFL ceased operations before that season began. The ideas behind the USFL were conceived in 1965 by New Orleans businessman David Dixon, who saw a market for a professional football league that would play in the summer, when the National Football League and college football were in their off-seasons.

1886- The Nightingale, the first nurse's magazine, is published.



On March 6, 1886, the first nursing magazine, The Nightingale, was published, becoming the first nursing journal. In 1900, the American Journal of Nursing began publication, becoming the first nursing journal owned and operated by nurses. It remains the oldest nursing journal still in circulation.




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