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NATIONAL NEWS

Government e Marketplace (GeM) Celebrates 7 Years of SWAYATT Initiative



The Government e Marketplace (GeM) celebrated the completion of seven years of the SWAYATT initiative. This is a flagship programme designed to promote the inclusive public procurement across India. SWAYATT Initiative was Launched on February in the year 2019. The SWAYATT initiative on GeM focuses on helping startups, women entrepreneurs, youth, SHGs and micro enterprises.

Key Points:-

Startups have also benefited significantly from the SWAYATT initiative on GeM.

Startups gaining direct access to government procurement markets through digital platforms.

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NATIONAL NEWS

Operation Sankalp Back in Focus as Indian Navy Stays Alert in West Asia



Operation Sankalp is the Indian Navy's major maritime security mission has once again come into focus amid rising tensions in West Asia. The Indian Navy warships deployed under Operation Sankalp have been placed on standby to conduct Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) operations if required. The mission was originally launched to protect Indian merchant ships and ensure safe maritime trade routes in sensitive regions such as the Gulf of Oman and Strait of Hormuz.

Key Points:-

The Operation Sankalp Indian Navy mission includes several important operational features designed to ensure maritime security.

The mission maintains a continuous deployment of Indian Navy warships.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Balen Shah Set to Become Nepal's Prime Minister After Election

Nepal has to see a dramatic political shift after the 2026 parliamentary elections. After the elections results coming with the Rastriya Swatantra Party (RSP) emerging as the dominant political force.



The party's leader Balendra Balen Shah. Who is the a 35 year old rapper turned politician. And he was also the former Kathmandu mayor is set to become Nepal's next Prime Minister.

Key Points:-

Nepal's federal parliament has the House of Representatives.

And it consists of 275 members elected through a mixed electoral system.

Out of the total seats, 165 members are elected through the first past the post system.

The remaining 110 seats are filled through proportional representation, where parties receive seats based on their share of votes.

SPORTS

Lakshya Sen Reaches Semi Finals at All England Open 2026



India's badminton star Lakshya Sen delivered an extra ordinary performance at the All England Open Badminton Championships 2026. He defeated world Number 6 Li Shi Feng of China in the quarter finals. The Lakshya Sen All England Open 2026 victory came in straight games 21-13, 21-16 at the Utilita Arena in Birmingham. The match lasted around nearly an hour. And he showcased Lakshya Sen's superior court control and attacking strategy.

BANKING/ECONOMY

RBI Announces ₹1 Lakh Crore Bond Purchase to Support Banking Liquidity



The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has announced that it will purchase ₹1 lakh crore worth of government bonds to ease liquidity pressure in the banking system. The move will be carried out through the Open Market Operations (OMO) which is tool of monetary policy which is used by the central bank to manage liquidity. The RBI will conduct the purchases in two tranches of ₹50,000 crore each and it is scheduled for March 9 and March 13 2026.

SPORTS

Khelo India Tribal Games 2026 to Be Held in Chhattisgarh



Honorable Union Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports Dr Mansukh Mandaviya announced that the Khelo India Tribal Games 2026 (KITG) will be held in Chhattisgarh. This edition will held from March 26 to April 6 2026. This is the first edition of the Khelo India Tribal Games & will take place across three cities Raipur, Jagdalpur, and Sarguja. This event will feature seven medal sports, including athletics, football, hockey, weightlifting, archery, swimming and wrestling.

STATE NEWS

Tamil Nadu Shipbuilding Policy 2026

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin has released the Tamil Nadu Shipbuilding Policy 2026.



The Shipbuilding Policy 2026 aims to develop shipbuilding clusters and promote the manufacturing, repair, and recycling of ships in the State. A Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) will be created under the State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu to support shipyard development. Shipyards investing at least ₹ 100 crore in green initiatives will get a 50% subsidy, subject to a maximum limit of ₹ 50 crore or 2% of project cost.

DETAILED ANALYSIS OF RECENT CURRENT AFFAIRS: MULTIPLE CHOICE FORMAT

Q.1. Which state government launched herSTART 5.0 to promote women-led startups?

- A. Maharashtra
- B. Gujarat
- C. Karnataka
- D. Tamil Nadu

1. B

The Gujarat government has launched the "herSTART 5.0" program to promote women-led startups. Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel inaugurated the program, run by the Gujarat University Startup and Entrepreneurship Council (GUSEC), in Ahmedabad, which aims to provide incubation, mentorship, and market access to women entrepreneurs.

Q.2. Which state government announced a ₹25,000 incentive for the second or third child?

- A. Andhra Pradesh
- B. Telangana
- C. Tamil Nadu
- D. Odisha

2. A

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Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu announced a new population management policy in the state assembly, which proposes financial incentives for having children. Under this scheme, families giving birth to a second or third child will receive ₹25,000 at the time of delivery.

Q.3. Who became the official partner of World Engineering Day for Sustainable Development 2026?

- A. Tata Group
- B. Reliance Industries
- C. Adani Group
- D. Larsen & Toubro

3. C

The Adani Group has been named the official partner for World Engineering Day for Sustainable Development 2026. This is the first time an Indian organization has been selected for this prestigious UNESCO event, which recognizes the Group's contributions to clean energy and sustainable development.

Q.4. Which state launched the MeHEALTH mobile app to provide healthcare information?

- A. Kerala
- B. Tamil Nadu
- C. Karnataka
- D. Goa

4. A

The Kerala Health Department has launched the MeHEALTH mobile app to provide people with information about the nearest government hospitals, specialist services, blood banks, and labs within a 10-kilometer radius. The app also allows online doctor appointments and OP tickets.

Q.5. Which Indian AI startup launched the Sarvam Startup Program?

- A. Krutrim AI
- B. Sarvam AI
- C. Fractal AI
- D. Arya AI

5. B

Indian generative AI startup Sarvam AI has launched the Sarvam Startup Program. This program will support early-stage companies developing AI-based products in India. The announcement comes as part of the company's efforts to strengthen the AI startup ecosystem in India. Under the program, startups will be provided with API credits, advanced AI tools, and direct engineering support. Sarvam AI said the initiative aims to help developers focus on product innovation, while the company will provide AI infrastructure and language models.

Q.6. From which state was GI-tagged Karbi Anglong ginger exported to London for the first time?



- A. Assam
- B. Meghalaya
- C. Nagaland
- D. Manipur

6. A

The famous Karbi Anglong ginger, which has received the GI tag, was exported from the state of Assam to London (UK) for the first time. A trial shipment of 1.2 metric tonnes was dispatched from Guwahati, marking a major achievement for the state's farmers.

Q.7. What are the names of the official mascots launched for the 2027 Census?

- A. Pragati and Vikas
- B. Bharat and Shakti
- C. Niti and Pragati
- D. Shakti and Vikas

7. A

Union Home Minister Amit Shah soft-launched the digital tools for Census 2027 in New Delhi and showcased the mascots. The mascots are named 'Pragati' and 'Vikas'. The upcoming census will be the world's largest and will be conducted in two phases across India. For the first time, Census 2027 will be completely digital and will include a self-enumeration option, allowing citizens to submit their information online. This initiative is a major technological upgrade to

India's population census system, involving over 3 million enumerators and officials across the country.

Q.8. India's first riverine lighthouse will be built on which river?

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

8. B

India's first riverine lighthouses are being built on the Brahmaputra River (National Waterway-2) in Assam. Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal laid the foundation stone for these four strategic lighthouses at Lachit Ghat in Guwahati, with the aim of promoting safe navigation, tourism and trade even at night.

Q.9. With which organization did NITI Aayog sign an agreement to improve nutrition in aspirational districts?

- A. WHO
- B. UNESCO
- C. UNICEF
- D. FAO

9. C

NITI Aayog has signed a Statement of Intent (SoI) with UNICEF India to improve nutrition and health outcomes in aspirational districts and

blocks across India. The partnership aims to improve maternal and child nutrition through technical support, data-driven strategies, and CSR investments.

Q.10. Who is the world's richest person according to the Forbes Real-Time Billionaires List?

- A. Jeff Bezos
- B. Elon Musk
- C. Bernard Arnault
- D. Mark Zuckerberg

10. B

According to Forbes, the list of the world's 10 richest people in March 2026 shows that Elon Musk continues to dominate the global wealth rankings. Musk's net worth has increased to \$841.4 billion, putting him significantly ahead of other billionaires. His wealth is more than \$500 billion ahead of the second-richest person, the largest wealth gap ever recorded in the global billionaire rankings. Analysts believe Musk could become the first trillionaire in history, especially if SpaceX successfully goes public.

Q.11. Which bank raised ₹10,000 crore through long-term green infrastructure bonds?

- A. SBI
- B. Bank of Baroda
- C. ICICI Bank

D. HDFC Bank

11. B

Bank of Baroda has raised ₹10,000 crore through a seven-year, long-term green infrastructure bond. With this significant success, Bank of Baroda has become the first domestic bank in the country to use these funds for green projects.

Q.12. Which Indian bank ranked 16th and the strongest in the Brand Finance Banking 500 Report 2026?

- A. HDFC Bank
- B. ICICI Bank
- C. SBI
- D. Axis Bank

12. C

State Bank of India (SBI) has emerged as the strongest Indian banking brand globally, ranking 16th, according to the Brand Finance Banking 500 Report 2026. SBI is the only AAA+ rated Indian bank whose brand strength improved to a score of 90.3/100 in 2026, reflecting customer trust and digital progress.

Q.13. What is the name of SEBI's AI-based monitoring system?

- A. Netra
- B. Sudarshan
- C. Suraksha
- D. Drishti

13. B

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has deployed an in-house Artificial Intelligence (AI) system called "Sudarshan" to strengthen digital monitoring of financial content on online platforms. The primary objective of the Sudarshan AI system is to detect misleading financial information and prevent illegal advisory activities by unregistered financial influencers (finfluencers) on digital platforms. Using this AI-based surveillance system, SEBI has helped remove over 1.20 lakh misleading social media posts shared by unregistered individuals or financial advisory entities.

Q.14. With which country did India sign a Mobility and Migration Partnership Agreement?

- A. Sweden
- B. Finland
- C. Norway
- D. Denmark

14. B

India and Finland signed several agreements in New Delhi in various areas, including environmental cooperation, migration and mobility partnership, and statistics. Prime Minister Narendra Modi discussed strengthening bilateral cooperation in several areas with Finnish President Alexander Stubb. They also shared views on regional and global issues of mutual

benefit, including cooperation in multilateral forums.

Q.15. Which institute initiated the project to develop an AI-based brain co-processor?

- A.IIT Delhi
- B.IISc Bengaluru
- C.IIT Bombay
- D.IIT Madras

15. B

The Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru, has launched a "moonshot" research project to develop a brain coprocessor. This project will combine neuromorphic hardware and artificial intelligence algorithms to enhance or repair human brain function. The initiative is funded by the Pratiksha Trust. The project aims to develop both implantable and non-invasive brain coprocessors that can decode neural signals from brain recordings, process these signals using AI algorithms, and transmit them back to the brain via neural stimulation or neurofeedback.

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HISTORICAL AND TECHNICAL EVENTS OF 10TH MARCH 2026

2010: Women's Reservation Bill passed in Rajya Sabha.



The Women's Reservation Bill or the Constitution (108th Amendment) Bill, March 2010, is a bill passed in the Parliament of India that amends the Constitution of India to reserve 1/3 of the seats for women in the lower house of the Parliament of India, the Lok Sabha, and all state legislative assemblies. The Narendra Modi government introduced the bill as the 128th Constitutional Amendment Bill, 2023 during a special session of Parliament in the Lok Sabha in the new Parliament House. The Nari Shakti Vandan Act will go to the Rajya Sabha again after being passed by the Lok Sabha.

2003: North Korea tests a cruise missile.

North Korea has a military nuclear weapons program and by 2024, it is estimated that it will have an arsenal of about 50 nuclear weapons and enough fissile material to produce six to seven nuclear weapons per year.



North Korea has also stockpiled a significant amount of chemical and biological weapons. In 2003, North Korea withdrew from the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT). Since 2006, the country has conducted six nuclear tests at increasing levels of expertise, leading to sanctions.

1985: India won the Benson & Hedges Cricket Championship.



Under the captaincy of Sunil Gavaskar, India won the Benson & Hedges Cricket Championship on March 10, 1985. This victory was achieved by defeating Pakistan at the Melbourne Cricket Ground in Australia. This victory is also called

the 'Mini World Cup'. The tournament was part of the celebrations to commemorate the 150th anniversary of European settlement in Victoria. All the teams playing Test matches till then participated with matches played at the Melbourne Cricket Ground and Sydney Cricket Ground.

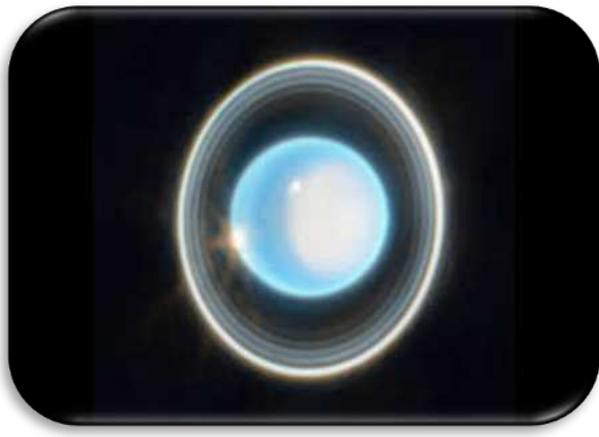
1801: The first census takes place in Great Britain.



The first British census in 1801 covered only England, Wales and Scotland. Only in 1821 were all parts of the United Kingdom and adjacent island dependencies synchronised, but the questions asked differed from country to country. Indeed the Irish Census Commissioners developed extensive data sets, quite different from those of England and Wales or Scotland.

1977: Rings were discovered around the planet Uranus.

In 1977, rings were discovered around the planet Uranus.



These rings were discovered by James L. Elliot, Edward W. Dunham, and Jessica Mink. Uranus' rings are the second ring to be discovered after Saturn's. Uranus' rings are less complex than Saturn's rings and simpler than Jupiter and Neptune's rings.

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