

## Part 1: National & International News

**Q1. A state of emergency was declared in June 2026 by which South American nation following two powerful back-to-back earthquakes that hit its capital city?**

- A) Colombia
- B) Venezuela
- C) Chile
- D) Peru

**Answer: B) Venezuela**

**Detailed Explanation:** On June 24–25, 2026, Venezuela declared a nationwide state of emergency after two severe, consecutive earthquakes struck the nation. The largest quake registered since 1900 caused substantial structural damage, collapsing multiple high-rise buildings in the capital city of Caracas. Prime Minister Narendra Modi of India and US Secretary of State Marco Rubio both announced immediate deployment of search and rescue teams, medical resources, and humanitarian aid to the affected region.

**Q2. In June 2026, Union Minister Amit Shah launched four digital policing applications at the All India Forensic Science Conference. Which of the following is NOT one of those applications?**

- A) Abhigyan
- B) e-Forensics 2.0
- C) e-Prosecution 2.0
- D) NyayaSetu

**Answer: D) NyayaSetu**

**Detailed Explanation:** Union Home Minister Amit Shah launched four distinct digital policing apps built under the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) and the Inter-operable Criminal Justice System (ICJS):

- 1. **Abhigyan** (for instant biometric/ facial identification of suspects)
- 2. **Criminal Procedure Identification (CrPI)** app
- 3. **e-Prosecution 2.0**
- 4. **e-Forensics 2.0**

**Q3. According to data released by the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways in June 2026, India became the world's leading ship recycling nation. What is India's global share in the ship recycling market?**

- A) 25.4%
- B) 30.1%
- C) 35.4%
- D) 45.2%

**Answer: C) 35.4%**

**Detailed Explanation:** India became the world's top ship recycling nation, pushing its global market share to **35.4%** (up from 30.1% in the previous cycle). The country processed a record volume of 2.99 million gross tons (GT). The Alang-Sosiya Ship Recycling Yard in Gujarat handles approximately 97% of this domestic activity and is undergoing a major master-plan expansion to reach a 9 million Light Displacement Tons (LDT) capacity.

**Q4. The 16th BRICS National Security Advisers' (NSA) Meeting was officially hosted in June 2026 in which city?**

- A) Moscow, Russia
- B) Beijing, China
- C) New Delhi, India
- D) Johannesburg, South Africa

**Answer: C) New Delhi, India**

**Detailed Explanation:** The 16th BRICS National Security Advisers' (NSA) Meeting concluded in

**New Delhi**, where high-level discussions focused on counter-terrorism, cybersecurity, supply chain security, and transnational geopolitical challenges among the expanded BRICS members.

**Q5. The Union Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) has proposed to modernize India's core macroeconomic indices by adopting which new base year?**

- A) 2020-21
- B) 2022-23
- C) 2024-25
- D) 2025-26

**Answer: C) 2024-25**

**Detailed Explanation:** To reflect modern consumption baskets, production structures, and digital market realities, the Government of India is shifting the baseline of its core economic metrics—including the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and Gross Domestic Product (GDP) real growth parameters—to the updated base year of **2024-25**.

## Part 2: Economics, Banking & Finance

**Q6. In June 2026, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) issued the revised "TReDS Directions, 2026". What does the 'R' stand for in TReDS?**

- A) Regulatory
- B) Receivables
- C) Resource
- D) Restructuring

**Answer: B) Receivables**

**Detailed Explanation:** TReDS stands for **Trade Receivables Discounting System**. The RBI's June 2026 revised guidelines streamline the digital onboarding process for MSME sellers, allowing

institutional financiers to seamlessly utilize credit guarantee funds to cover dynamic trade exposures.

**Q7. The World Bank approved a massive financial assistance package of USD 1.5 billion for India in June 2026. What is the primary focus of this funding?**

- A) Renewable energy expansion in the Thar Desert
- B) Structural reforms to accelerate private sector job creation
- C) Metro rail infrastructure expansion in tier-2 cities
- D) Digitalization of rural health centers

**Answer: B) Structural reforms to accelerate private sector job creation**

**Detailed Explanation:** The World Bank greenlit a **USD 1.5 billion** Private Sector Development Policy Financing (DPF) operation for India. This structural funding is directly geared towards enhancing competitive enterprise mechanics, cutting bureaucratic compliance, and accelerating formal job creation across private sectors.

**Q8. Which newly proposed economic index is scheduled to phase out the Wholesale Price Index (WPI) over a parallel tracking window of five years?**

- A) Service Price Index (SPI)
- B) Consumer Ledger Index (CLI)
- C) Output Producer Price Index (PPI)
- D) National Asset Inflation Index (NAII)

**Answer: C) Output Producer Price Index (PPI)**

**Detailed Explanation:** The Ministry of Statistics is introducing the **Producer Price Index (PPI)** to capture precise price dynamics in both goods and services (closing the services coverage gap left by WPI). PPI measures price changes from

the seller's perspective by excluding net taxes and transport margins, offering a far sharper tool for calculating real GDP deflation.

**Q9. Which regulatory authority launched the AI-powered portal "Pension Sahayak" in June 2026 for seamless grievance redressal?**

- A) EPFO
- B) PFRDA
- C) IRDAI
- D) SEBI

**Answer: B) PFRDA**

**Detailed Explanation:** The Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) rolled out the *Pension Sahayak* portal. It utilizes conversational AI to help subscribers quickly register, track, and resolve grievances across regulated national pension frameworks (NPS and APY).

**Q10. In the newly updated Artificial Intelligence (AI) Economy Readiness Index released in June 2026, what is India's global rank?**

- A) 5th
- B) 13th
- C) 27th
- D) 42nd

**Answer: B) 13th**

**Detailed Explanation:** India secured the **13th position globally** with an overall score of 89.4 out of 100. The index highlights India as the top performer across South Asia and the clear global leader within the lower-middle-income country category for digital workforce readiness and corporate AI deployment.

### Part 3: Sports News

**Q11. Vinicius Jr. and a returning Neymar Jr. made headlines in June 2026 while representing**

**their national football team at which mega global sporting tournament?**

- A) Copa América 2026
- B) FIFA World Cup 2026
- C) UEFA Nations League
- D) CONCACAF Gold Cup

**Answer: B) FIFA World Cup 2026**

**Detailed Explanation:** The **2026 FIFA World Cup**—co-hosted across North America (US, Canada, and Mexico)—is underway in June 2026. Top sports media highlights feature Brazil's marquee talisman Vinicius Jr. and veteran Neymar Jr. driving Brazil's campaign in the group stages.

**Q12. At an international athletics meet in late June 2026, the Indian mixed 4x400m relay team featuring MR Poovamma and Neeru Pathak clinched which medal?**

- A) Gold Medal
- B) Silver Medal
- C) Bronze Medal
- D) Fourth Position

**Answer: B) Silver Medal**

**Detailed Explanation:** The Indian mixed 4x400m relay contingent (composed of MR Poovamma, Neeru Pathak, Theerthesh P. Shetty, and Barath Sridhar) delivered a strong performance to secure the **Silver Medal** on the global track stage.

**Q13. Who is the current captain of the Indian Men's National Cricket Team across test formats as of June 2026?**

- A) Virat Kohli
- B) Rohit Sharma
- C) Jasprit Bumrah
- D) Hardik Pandya

**Answer: B) Rohit Sharma**

**Detailed Explanation:** Senior opening batsman **Rohit Sharma** remains the designated leader for the Indian test squad during the mid-2026 international bilateral series cycle.

**Q14. The Indian mixed 4x100m relay team comprising Animesh Kujur, Pranav Gurav, Tamanna, and Sneha Shanuvalli clocked 41.47 seconds to secure which podium finish in June 2026?**

- A) Gold Medal
- B) Silver Medal
- C) Bronze Medal
- D) Alternate Winner

**Answer: C) Bronze Medal**

**Detailed Explanation:** Showcasing excellent depth in Indian sprinting, the mixed 4x100m quartet registered a time of 41.47 seconds to claim the **Bronze Medal**.

#### **Part 4: Appointments, Awards & Honors**

**Q15. Who was chosen as India's official representative to the newly established United Nations "Independent International Scientific Panel on AI" in June 2026?**

- A) Dr. S. Somanath
- B) Prof. B. Ravindran
- C) Nandan Nilekani
- D) Dr. V. Kamakoti

**Answer: B) Prof. B. Ravindran**

**Detailed Explanation:** The United Nations formed a non-political, highly technical global advisory council to map the frontiers of machine learning risks. **Prof. B. Ravindran from IIT Madras** was selected to represent India on this elite panel.

**Q16. Which port authority was honored by the MoPSW in June 2026 with formal recognition as a model "Scope-2 Emission Free Port" for reducing net carbon footprint by 45%?**

- A) Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority (JNPA)
- B) Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port Authority
- C) V.O. Chidambaranar Port Authority (VOCPA)
- D) Deendayal Port Authority

**Answer: C) V.O. Chidambaranar Port Authority (VOCPA)**

**Detailed Explanation:** Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal announced that the **V.O. Chidambaranar Port Authority (Thoothukudi, Tamil Nadu)** has successfully cut net operational carbon emissions by 45% through robust clean energy alternatives, making it India's baseline model for a green port.

**Q17. The highest tier of civilian honors in India conferred for "exceptional and distinguished service" is known as:**

- A) Padma Shri
- B) Padma Bhushan
- C) Padma Vibhushan
- D) Bharat Ratna

**Answer: C) Padma Vibhushan**

**Detailed Explanation:** The Indian civil honors system is structured into tiers: **Padma Vibhushan** represents the highest tier for exceptional service, followed by Padma Bhushan (distinguished service of a high order), and Padma Shri (distinguished service in any specific field).

#### **Part 5: Books, Authors & Defense News**

**Q18. French aerospace giant Safran Electronics & Defence signed a strategic MoU with which Indian Earth intelligence firm in June 2026 to**



**co-develop advanced Geospatial Intelligence (GEOINT) solutions?**

- A) Skyroot Aerospace
- B) Pixxel Space
- C) SatSure Analytics
- D) Agnikul Cosmos

**Answer: C) SatSure Analytics**

**Detailed Explanation:** Under the official framework of the "France-India Year of Innovation", Safran and Bengaluru-based SatSure Analytics India signed a Memorandum of Understanding to jointly develop defense and commercial-grade Geospatial Intelligence (GEOINT) architectures.

**Q19. The Defense Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) frequently conducts trials for India's indigenous air defense systems. Which of the following is India's indigenous long-range surface-to-air missile system?**

- A) Helina
- B) Project Kusha (LR-SAM)
- C) Pinaka
- D) Amogha

**Answer: B) Project Kusha (LR-SAM)**

**Detailed Explanation:** Project Kusha is India's premier indigenous Long-Range Surface-to-Air Missile (LR-SAM) system being developed by DRDO to detect and destroy enemy cruise missiles, stealth fighters, and drones at ranges up to 350 km, comparable to Russia's S-400 system.

**Q20. A newly published defense monograph detailing India's growing maritime security paradigm across the Indo-Pacific region is titled "The Blue Horizon". Who is its author?**

- A) Admiral Radhakrishnan Hari Kumar
- B) General Anil Chauhan

- C) Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhari
- D) Dr. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar

**Answer: A) Admiral Radhakrishnan Hari Kumar**

**Detailed Explanation:** defense book provides a contemporary analysis of naval strategy, anti-piracy choke points, and maritime domain awareness under India's SAGAR initiative.

## Part 6: Government Schemes & MoUs

**Q21. Union Minister Amit Shah launched a specialized e-auction platform named "NAFEX.in" in June 2026. This portal belongs to which apex cooperative marketing organization?**

- A) TRIFED
- B) NAFED
- C) IFFCO
- D) AMUL

**Answer: B) NAFED**

**Detailed Explanation:** The National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India (NAFED) launched NAFEX.in. This digital auction interface eliminates middleman interventions, providing transparent pricing mechanisms for farm produces, fully aligned with the central vision of *Sahkar Se Samridhhi*.

**Q22. Which state government announced a unique welfare initiative in June 2026 to present commemorative gold rings to newborns in state run healthcare facilities?**

- A) Kerala
- B) Karnataka
- C) Tamil Nadu
- D) Telangana

**Answer: C) Tamil Nadu**

**Detailed Explanation:** The Government of **Tamil Nadu** launched this dedicated welfare incentive scheme targeting lower-income families at state delivery centers, ensuring early-stage health check-up compliance alongside the token celebration of newborns.

**Q23. The Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India signed a landmark MoU in June 2026 to enhance institutional capacity and bilateral cooperation in public sector auditing with which nation?**

- A) France
- B) Israel
- C) Japan
- D) Australia

**Answer: B) Israel**

**Detailed Explanation:** The CAG of India formalised a strategic agreement with the **Supreme Audit Institution (SAI) of Israel**. The bilateral framework emphasizes mutual exchanges on data analytics, IT auditing architectures, and fiscal sustainability reports.

**Q24. In June 2026, the central government approved the implementation of the "DISHA 2.0" scheme under Union Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal. What is the core objective of this scheme?**

- A) Skill development for tribal artisans
- B) Dissemination of digital justice and language translation APIs in courts
- C) Remote satellite mapping of river basins
- D) Direct solar grid connections for rural MSMEs

**Answer: B) Dissemination of digital justice and language translation APIs in courts**

**Detailed Explanation:** DISHA 2.0 focuses on accelerating the deployment of digital justice delivery mechanisms. It integrates state-of-the-

art voice-enabled translation applications and AI data curation models to make regional court filings accessible in local languages like Assamese, Tamil, and Odia.

### **Part 7: Important Days, Art & Culture, Festivals, Birth/Death Anniversaries**

**Q25. During a high-profile state visit to Slovakia in June 2026, the Prime Minister of India gifted intricate "Thewa Art" motif cufflinks to Slovak President Peter Pellegrini. Which Indian state is famous for Thewa Art?**

- A) Gujarat
- B) Rajasthan
- C) Madhya Pradesh
- D) Odisha

**Answer: B) Rajasthan**

**Detailed Explanation:** Thewa Art is a centuries-old, highly specialized craft originating from the **Pratapgarh district of Rajasthan**. It involves fusing intricately patterned sheets of pure 23-karat gold onto vibrant, colored molten glass beds. The art form gained global attention when gifted during the June 2026 state visit.

**Q26. June 23rd is observed globally every year as which of the following United Nations recognized international days?**

- A) International Widows Day
- B) World Environment Day
- C) International Day Against Drug Abuse
- D) World Refugee Day

**Answer: A) International Widows Day**

**Detailed Explanation:** June 23 is marked annually as **International Widows Day** to give special focus to the poverty, systemic injustice, and human rights deprivations faced by widows

globally. (Note: World Environment Day is June 5, World Refugee Day is June 20).

**Q27. The Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) unearthed a treasure trove of historical inscriptions in late June 2026 tracking back to which major medieval Indian empire?**

- A) Chola Empire
- B) Vijayanagara Empire
- C) Maratha Empire
- D) Pala Dynasty

**Answer: B) Vijayanagara Empire**

**Detailed Explanation:** The ASI discovered significant stone inscriptions in Andhra Pradesh dating back to the **Vijayanagara Era**, shed new light on the socio-administrative landscape following the historic Battle of Talikota.

**Q28. The unique 12-year developmental progress review and socioeconomic cultural festival showcasing the northeastern states of India is organized under which collective title?**

- A) Purvanchal Pragati
- B) Ashtalakshmi
- C) Northeast Sangai
- D) Hornbill Conclave

**Answer: B) Ashtalakshmi**

**Detailed Explanation:** The term "**Ashtalakshmi**" refers to the eight states of Northeast India. The 12-year development review evaluates the infrastructure overhaul in the Northeast (such as expanding operational airports from 9 in 2014 to 17 in 2026 under the UDAN scheme).

**Q29. June 25 marks the anniversary of the declaration of the 1975 Internal Emergency in India. Who was the President of India when the emergency was officially proclaimed?**

- A) Varahagiri Venkata Giri

- B) Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed
- C) Neelam Sanjiva Reddy
- D) Giani Zail Singh

**Answer: B) Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed**

**Detailed Explanation:** On the night of **June 25, 1975**, President **Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed** signed the proclamation of Internal Emergency under Article 352 of the Indian Constitution, acting on the recommendation of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.

**Q30. According to the Food and Agriculture Organization's (FAO) "State of World Fisheries and Aquaculture (SOFIA) 2026" report released in June, what is India's rank among global aquatic animal producers? A) 1st**

- B) 2nd
- C) 3rd
- D) 5th

**Answer: B) 2nd**

**Detailed Explanation:** The FAO's flagship SOFIA 2026 report under the theme "*Blue Transformation: Turning Vision into Impact*" revealed that **India has emerged as the world's 2nd largest producer of aquatic animals**, accounting for a substantial 9% of global aquaculture production, trailing only China.