



## Weekly Current Affairs

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1. The **Indian government** has raised the maximum limit of retirement gratuity and death gratuity from **Rs 20 lakh to Rs 25 lakh, effective from January 1, 2024**. This revision, issued by the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, aims to enhance benefits for Central government employees.
2. **Goa Statehood Day is celebrated annually on May 30** to commemorate the day when Goa attained statehood in 1987. This occasion marks the recognition of Goa as a separate state within the Indian union, distinct from the Union Territory it was previously part of.
3. **Russia is set to remove the Taliban** from its list of banned terrorist organizations, three years after the group regained power in Afghanistan. This move, reported by state-run **RIA Novosti news agency**, comes after years of Russia fostering relations with the Taliban, including holding multiple rounds of talks and boosting trade despite international sanctions.
4. In a significant move to **fortify Ukraine's defense** capabilities against Russia, Sweden has announced the donation of two **Saab Airborne Surveillance and Control (ASC) 890 aircraft**. These radar surveillance planes will play a crucial role in enhancing Ukraine's long-range target identification capabilities and supporting the integration of F-16 fighter jets provided by other Western nations.
5. The **Muthoot Pappachan Group (MPG)**, popularly known as **Muthoot Blue**, has announced the appointment of Shah Rukh Khan as its new brand ambassador. This strategic collaboration marks a significant milestone for MPG, aimed at reinforcing its brand presence and establishing a new connection with a diverse audience across the country.
6. The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) has granted approval for the appointment of **Sandeep Batra as the Chairman of the Board of Directors of ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Company**. The company announced this development on Thursday.
7. **Rakesh Ranjan, a 1992 batch IAS officer from Manipur Cadre**, has been appointed as the Chairman of the Staff Selection Commission (SSC). This appointment comes following a notification issued by the Appointment Committee of the Cabinet.
8. **France applauds the election of Dr. Emmanuelle Soubeyran as Director General of the World Organization for Animal Health (WOAH)** for the 2024-2029 term. She was elected to this position on May 28 at the World Assembly of Delegates, which was held in Paris, and extends her thanks to all the member countries and territories for their show of confidence.
9. **Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)** has entered a strategic partnership with the Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay (IIT-Bombay), to develop India's first **Quantum Diamond Microchip Imager**. This advanced sensing tool aims to revolutionize the examination of semiconductor chips, reducing failures and

enhancing the energy efficiency of electronic devices.

10. **Chennai-based startup Agnikul Cosmos** has achieved a remarkable feat by successfully launching the world's first space rocket with a single-piece three-dimensional (3D) printed engine. After four failed attempts, Agnikul triumphed on its fifth try, launching its own rocket, named Agnibaan, into space. This launch marks India's first semi-cryogenic engine-powered rocket, which was completely designed and manufactured indigenously.
11. **The Indian Air Force (IAF) has joined a 16-day multi-nation mega military exercise in Alaska, United States**, designed to provide realistic training to participating forces in a simulated combat environment. The exercise, known as 'Red Flag 24', commenced on May 30 and will continue until June 14.
12. **Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) and Tata Group**, two of India's prominent business conglomerates, have been named among the **World's 100 'Most Influential Companies' by the renowned TIME magazine**. This recognition highlights their significant impact and influence on a global scale.
13. In its latest report, **CRISIL Ratings** predicts a slowdown in bank credit growth for fiscal year 2025 to 14%, marking a decline of 200 basis points from the estimated 16% growth in FY24. This moderation is attributed to various factors including a high base effect, revision in risk weights, and a slightly slower pace of GDP growth.
14. Every year, **World No Tobacco Day is observed on 31st May** to create awareness about the potential health risks associated with tobacco consumption and advocate for effective policies to reduce its use. This day serves as a reminder of several life-threatening diseases like heart disease, stroke, cancer, and respiratory illnesses caused by smoking. Tobacco use is a major public health concern, causing millions of preventable deaths worldwide and imposing a massive burden on healthcare systems.
15. **Hindi Journalism Day is celebrated annually on May 30**. This year, the occasion falls on Thursday, May 30, 2024. The roots of Hindi journalism can be traced back to the publication of Udant Martand, the first Hindi newspaper to be published in India. During the British rule, Udant Martand was published in Calcutta on May 30, 1826, marking the beginning of Hindi journalism in the country.
16. The state of Kerala has introduced **Artificial Intelligence (AI)** learning in the Information & Communication Technology (ICT) textbook for Class 7 students. This initiative aims to familiarize over 4 lakh students with AI in the upcoming academic year, marking a significant step towards enhancing technological education in the state.
17. The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, organized an event to observe **World No Tobacco Day 2024**. This year's theme, "**Protecting Children from Tobacco Industry Interference**," highlights the urgent need to shield youth from the detrimental influences of tobacco consumption. During the event, the Union Health Secretary, Shri Apurva Chandra, addressed the gathering through a video message, focusing on the devastating impact of tobacco use.
18. **Bengaluru-headquartered Canara Bank** has approved initiating the process of diluting a **14.50% stake in its subsidiary**, Canara HSBC Life Insurance Company, through an initial public offering (IPO). This move is pending approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and the Department of Financial Services (DFS). Currently, Canara Bank holds a 51% majority stake in the life insurance company, while HSBC Insurance (Asia Pacific) owns 26%, and Punjab National Bank holds the remaining 23%.
19. **The Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has imposed a penalty of **Rs 88.70 lakh on SBM Bank (India)** for non-compliance with specific regulatory norms. This includes licensing conditions and directives related to the Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS).
20. **Axis Bank and Mastercard** have launched the **NFC Soundbox**, set to redefine payment experiences in India. This innovative device is

poised to be an all-in-one solution, enabling users to accept various payment methods such as Bharat QR, UPI, Tap & Pay, and Tap + Pin.

21. **India's fiscal deficit for FY24 improved to 5.6% of GDP**, better than the previous estimate of **5.8%**, due to higher revenue realization and lower expenditure. In actual terms, the fiscal deficit was ₹16.53 lakh crore, or 5.63% of the GDP, which grew by 8.2% in 2023-24.
22. In April, India's core sector, **comprising coal, steel, cement, fertilizers, electricity, natural gas, refinery products, and crude oil, witnessed a notable 6.2% growth**, reflecting positive momentum in key industries. This growth, driven by robust performances in sectors such as steel, electricity, and natural gas, contrasts with the 4.6% growth recorded in April 2023. However, it's essential to note that March's growth figures were revised upward to 6%, indicating a stronger trajectory than previously estimated.
23. **Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone (APSEZ)** has clinched a significant 30-year concession agreement with the Tanzania Ports Authority to operate **Container Terminal 2 (CT2) at Dar es Salaam Port**. This marks APSEZ's third venture into international ports, signaling its strategic expansion beyond Indian shores.
24. In a remarkable display of spelling prowess, **Bruhat Soma, a 12-year-old Indian-American seventh-grader from Florida**, has emerged victorious at the prestigious **Scripps National Spelling Bee**. Maintaining the dominance of the small ethnic community in this prestigious competition, Bruhat correctly spelled 29 words in the tiebreaker round, earning him more than \$50,000 in cash and other prizes.
25. **The National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS)**, Bengaluru, India's premier mental health institution, has been conferred the prestigious **Nelson Mandela Award for Health Promotion for 2024 by the World Health Organization (WHO)**. This award recognizes individuals, institutions, and organizations that have demonstrated remarkable contributions to health promotion.
26. In a landmark achievement for sustainable space exploration, **Wipro 3D and ISRO** have jointly developed and successfully tested a 3D-printed rocket engine for India's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV). The engine, designed for the fourth stage (PS4), marks a significant advancement in additive manufacturing technology within India's space program.
27. England's fast-bowling allrounder **Brydon Carse** has been handed a three-month suspension from all forms of cricket after being found guilty of breaching betting regulations. The 28-year-old placed a staggering 303 bets on various cricket matches between 2017 and 2019, leading to charges being brought against him.
28. **The Boxing Federation of India (BFI)** has taken a significant step by agreeing to join the **World Boxing (WB)**, a newly established governing body formed after the International Olympic Committee (IOC) refused to recognize the International Boxing Association (IBA). This move comes amidst the ongoing World Olympic qualifiers in Bangkok, where the BFI's affiliation will be ratified by the WB executive board.
29. **Every year on June 1, the world comes together to celebrate World Milk Day**. This annual event, established by the **Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations**, aims to bring the importance of milk as a global food to the forefront and promote dairy farming and the dairy industry. Since its inception in 2001, World Milk Day has gained global recognition, with various campaigns carried out to raise awareness about the nutritional value and significance of milk in a balanced diet.
30. **The Global Day of Parents, observed annually on 1 June**, is a significant occasion that aims to raise international awareness about the importance of parenthood and promote the healthy development of children by their parents. Established by the United Nations General Assembly, this day serves as a reminder of the crucial role parents play in shaping the lives and well-being of their children.



- 31. The Supreme Court of India has reconstituted its Gender Sensitisation and Internal Complaints Committee, in accordance with the Gender Sensitisation and Sexual Harassment regulations of 2013.** The reconstitution, initiated by the **Chief Justice of India, appoints Justice Hima Kohli as the Chairperson**, alongside Justice BV Nagarathna as a Member and Dr. Sukhda Pritam as the Member Secretary.
- 32. The Centre has introduced a new numbering series, 160xxxxxx, for making service or transactional calls.** This move aims to help citizens easily identify legitimate calls and curb unsolicited voice calls from telemarketers using 10-digit mobile numbers.
- 33. Telangana Formation Day** is a momentous occasion celebrated annually on **June 2 in the Indian state of Telangana**. This day marks the official establishment of Telangana as the 28th state of India on June 2, 2014, after years of struggle and aspirations for a separate state identity.
- 34. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has cancelled the auction of 10-year green bonds as traders refused to pay the greenium**, the premium for sustainability impact. This move highlights the market's reluctance to invest at the desired yields, leading to significant financial implications.
- 35. Unified Payments Interface (UPI) achieved a record-breaking 14.04 billion transactions in May**, marking a significant increase from the 13.30 billion transactions recorded in April. This reflects a 49% year-on-year growth. The total transaction value reached Rs 20.45 lakh crore, with an average daily transaction count of 453 million and an average daily transaction value of Rs 65,966 crore.
- 36. India's GDP growth rate jumped to 7.8% in Q4 of FY24**, leading to an annual growth rate of 8.2%, as reported by the National Statistical Office (NSO) of the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI).
- 37. India's fiscal deficit for FY24 improved to 5.6% of GDP**, down from the Revised Estimates of 5.8%, owing to higher-than-expected tax receipts. The deficit stood at Rs 16.54 trillion against the budgetary target of Rs 17.86 trillion. Net tax receipts surpassed projections at Rs 23.27 trillion, while total expenditure reached Rs 44.43 trillion, constituting 99% of the budgeted amount.
- 38. The gross Goods and Services Tax (GST) revenue reached ₹1.73 lakh crore, marking a notable 10% year-on-year growth.** This surge was primarily fueled by a robust uptick in domestic transactions, which rose by 15.3%, while imports experienced a slight decline of 4.3%. The net GST revenue for May 2024, after factoring in refunds, amounted to ₹1.44 lakh crore, showcasing a growth of 6.9% compared to the same period last year.
- 39. In a decision that marked the end of an era, Dinesh Karthik**, the veteran wicketkeeper-batter, announced his retirement from all forms of cricket. The writing was on the wall after his emotional farewell from the **Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) franchise in the recently concluded Indian Premier League (IPL) season**.
- 40. Wembley Stadium, Real Madrid** etched their name in the history books once again by securing a record-extending **15th UEFA Champions League title**. The Spanish giants showcased their trademark resilience and clinical edge, overcoming a valiant Borussia Dortmund side with a 2-0 victory.
- 41. Nayana James**, an **Asian Athletics Championships bronze medalist**, etched her name in glory by clinching the **gold medal in the women's long jump event at the Taiwan Athletics Open 2024 held in Chinese Taipei**. Braving rainy conditions at the Taipei Municipal Stadium, Nayana recorded an impressive distance of 6.43m to secure the top spot on the podium.
- 42. Gautam Adani**, the chairman of the **Adani Group, has regained the title of Asia's richest person, surpassing Mukesh Ambani, the head of Reliance Industries**. This milestone was achieved after a surge in the stock prices of the listed companies within Adani's apples-to-airport conglomerate.
- 43. The Indian Air Force (IAF) has deployed its formidable Rafale** fighter jets for the two-

week multinational air exercise Red Flag, which commenced on May 30 in Alaska. The IAF contingent, supported by IL-78 air-to-air refuelers and C-17 transport aircraft, arrived at the Eielson Air Force Base in the United States for the advanced aerial combat training exercise.

44. **World Bicycle Day on June 3, 2024**, it's time to embrace the sustainable and eco-friendly mode of transportation that not only reduces our carbon footprint but also promotes a healthy lifestyle. Bicycles have been an integral part of our lives, offering a liberating experience while contributing to a greener planet.
45. **On June 2, 2024, the world observes International Sex Workers' Day**, a day dedicated to raising awareness about the challenges and exploitation faced by sex workers worldwide. This annual event serves as a reminder of the importance of healthy working conditions, respect, and human rights for those engaged in the sex industry.
46. **Historic Election in Mexico: Claudia Sheinbaum Becomes First Woman President.** In a historic moment for Mexico, Claudia Sheinbaum has been elected as the country's first woman president, according to the provisional results announced by the Mexican election commission. Sheinbaum, from the ruling Morena party, has taken an unassailable lead over her nearest rivals in the presidential contest held on June 2, 2024. Outgoing Mexican President Andrés Manuel López Obrador, who mentored Sheinbaum, has congratulated her on her victory. The elections also saw the renewal of more than 20,000 political positions, including all seats in the lower house, the senate, and regional and municipal offices.
47. **Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and the Sikkim Kantikari Morcha (SKM)** emerged as the clear winners in the recently concluded legislative assembly elections in Arunachal Pradesh and Sikkim, respectively. According to the Election Commission of India, the BJP clinched an impressive 46 out of 60 seats in Arunachal Pradesh, while the SKM swept the Sikkim polls, securing a remarkable 31 out of 32 seats.
48. **On 2 June 2024, the city of Hyderabad officially ceases to be the joint capital of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh.** This milestone marks the end of a ten-year period during which Hyderabad served as the shared capital for the two states. In 2014, the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act was passed by the Parliament of India under Article 3 of the Constitution. This Act led to the bifurcation of the erstwhile state of Andhra Pradesh, resulting in the creation of Telangana as the 29th state of India.
49. The central government has approved Assam's proposal to establish a new **Indian Institute of Management (IIM)** in Kamrup district. Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma announced the **"in-principle approval"** from the Ministry of Education, with IIM Ahmedabad slated to mentor the new institution.
50. **Zupee**, India's largest skill-based **Ludo platform**, has partnered with **Gurugram Cyber Police for the 11th edition of the Cyber Security Summer Internship Program, titled 'Cyber Warriors'**. The month-long internship aims to train selected candidates in cyber security under the guidance of experts, fostering responsible digital citizenship and tackling real-world cyber threats.
51. **PV Sindhu**, the two-time Olympic medallist and World Champion in badminton, has invested in Greenday's **'Better Nutrition'** brand. Sindhu has also joined the startup as its brand ambassador, further solidifying her commitment to the cause of tackling micronutrient deficiencies in India.
52. **Finnish telecom giant Nokia and Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya (GSV) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)** to jointly explore advancements in 5G and 6G communications, specifically targeting transportation and logistics sectors. The agreement, signed in the presence of Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw, Chancellor of GSV, aims to leverage Nokia's expertise in

telecommunications to enhance various aspects of transportation and logistics.

53. **State Bank of India (SBI)** achieved a significant milestone as its market capitalization surpassed ₹8 lakh crore, driven by a remarkable surge in its stock prices. This achievement underscores the bank's robust performance and reflects investor confidence in the banking sector amid favorable market conditions.
54. **Goldman Sachs** has revised its GDP growth forecast for India for the calendar year 2024, raising it by 20 basis points to **6.9% from an earlier projection of 6.7%**. This adjustment follows a stronger-than-expected GDP growth of 7.8% for the January-March 2024 quarter, driven by robust investment demand and a recovery in consumption.
55. SEBI, the Securities and Exchange Board of India, has launched "**Saathi 2.0**," a mobile app designed to provide comprehensive tools for simplifying complex financial concepts and empowering investors with reliable information. The app features modules on various financial aspects like KYC procedures, mutual funds, ETFs, buying and selling shares, investor grievances redressal, and an Online Dispute Resolution platform. It also offers educational videos to assist investors in their personal finance planning.
56. In the fiscal year **2023-24**, India witnessed a slight contraction in foreign direct investment (FDI) by about **3.5%, attributed to global economic uncertainties**. However, amidst this, India continued to attract significant FDI from Singapore, albeit with a dip in numbers, maintaining its position as the highest recipient of FDI from the island nation.
57. The 21st edition of the **Asia Pacific premier defence meet, the Shangri-La Dialogue or the Asian Security Summit, concluded in Singapore on 2 June 2024**. Held at the Shangri-La Hotel from 31 May to 2 June, the Dialogue saw participation from over a hundred delegates worldwide, discussing pressing security challenges and exploring fresh approaches.
58. As part of the **Artemis program**, which intends to bring humans back to the lunar surface, **NASA and the European Space Agency (ESA)** are working together to create a common time system for the moon. The project aims to meet the requirement for a common timekeeping system to manage missions from various nations and private organizations.
59. The ninth edition of the **ICC Men's T20 World Cup** promises to be a thrilling spectacle, with the winners set to take home a record-breaking prize money of at least **\$2.45 million**. This staggering figure represents the highest prize money in the history of the tournament, making the coveted trophy even more prestigious.
60. Every year, the **International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression is observed on June 4**. This year, it falls on a Tuesday. On August 19, 1982, the UN General Assembly's special session focused on the plight that Palestinian and Lebanese children faced due to Israeli aggression during the Lebanon war.
61. Pakistan has launched its second satellite, the **Multi-Mission Communication Satellite (PAKSAT MM1)**, in collaboration with China. This satellite aims to enhance internet connectivity across Pakistan and improve various communication services.
62. **Haryana Chief Secretary T V S N Prasad** announced the launch of a Rs 10,000-crore project funded by the World Bank to address air pollution in the state. The Haryana Clean Air Project for Sustainable Development will be rolled out in phases, starting with districts in the National Capital Region (NCR).
63. **The Centre has appointed Sushil Kumar Singh**, an officer from the **Indian Railway Service of Mechanical Engineering (IRSME)** of the 1993 batch, as the Chairman of Deendayal Port Trust in Kandla, Gujarat. One of the largest state-owned ports in the country, Deendayal Port Trust will be under Singh's leadership until his superannuation in January 2027.
64. **The Board of Punjab National Bank (PNB)** has approved the initiation of the process to dilute **10%** of its shareholding in Canara HSBC Life Insurance through an initial public offering

(IPO). PNB currently holds a 23% stake in this life insurance joint venture.

65. **Adani One**, the digital platform of the Adani Group, and ICICI Bank have introduced two variants of co-branded credit cards in partnership with Visa. This launch signifies Adani Group's entry into the retail financial sector, offering cardholders up to 7% Adani reward points on spending within the Adani ecosystem.
66. **The Bank Clinic**, spearheaded by the **All India Bank Employees' Association (AIBEA)**, aims to empower retail customers by providing guidance on addressing their grievances in the rapidly evolving landscape of banking technology and regulatory standards set by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
67. The much-awaited **QS World University Rankings 2025** have been announced, featuring an impressive **1,500 universities across 105 higher education systems**. This year's ranking stands as the largest ever, underscoring the global commitment to academic excellence and innovation.
68. **The cricketing world** witnessed another veteran hanging up his boots as **Kedar Jadhav, the 39-year-old former Indian all-rounder**, announced his retirement from all forms of cricket. Jadhav's decision comes shortly after former Indian wicketkeeper-batsman Dinesh Karthik bid farewell to the game after his last outing in the Indian Premier League (IPL) for the Royal Challengers Bangalore.
69. **At the prestigious New York Indian Film Festival 2024, Sanya Malhotra** has etched her name in glory by winning the Best Actress award for her captivating performance in the film **"Mrs."** This triumph marks a significant milestone in Malhotra's burgeoning career and underscores her exceptional talent as an actress.
70. The famous **Annual Hindi Sahitya Bharati Award** has been given to **Krishna Prakash**, who is well-known for leading Mumbai Police's special counterterrorism team, Force One. The award was given out at Mumbai's multicultural Sab Me Ram Shashwat Shri Ram event.
71. Poet and playwright **Siddhalinga Pattanashetti** has been chosen for the prestigious **Gudleppa Hallikeri Award for 2024 by the Gudleppa Hallikeri Memorial Foundation, Hosaritti (Haveri District)**. Veeranna Chekki, senior trustee of the Gudleppa Hallikeri Memorial foundation of Hosaritti, Haveri District announced. This is the 19th award and will be presented in the honour of the birth anniversary of Gudleppa Hallikeri on 6 June.
72. **The KAZA 2024 Heads of State Summit** ended in the Zambian resort town of Livingstone on May 31, with leaders of the five member countries agreeing to argue their case for lifting of the ban on ivory trade at the 20th meeting of the **Conference of Parties (CoP20) of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)** due next year in Geneva, Switzerland.
73. **Nvidia CEO Jensen Huang** revealed the company's groundbreaking next-generation AI chip platform, Rubin, set for a 2026 release. The Rubin family, comprising GPUs, CPUs, and networking processors, promises to revolutionize AI capabilities. Notably, Nvidia plans an aggressive shift to annual releases, aiming to keep pace with AI advancements and maintain its market dominance.
74. **Boeing and NASA** are gearing up for the highly anticipated launch of the Starliner spacecraft's first crewed flight test, scheduled for June 5 from Cape Canaveral Space Force Station in Florida. This historic event marks a significant milestone in space exploration, with veteran NASA astronauts Butch Wilmore and Suni Williams aboard the spacecraft.
75. **ISRO, through its Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC)**, has introduced the PraVaHa software, a Computational Fluid Dynamics. PraVaHa, acronym for "Parallel RANS Solver for Aerospace Vehicle Aero-thermo-dynamic Analysis," is tailored to simulate both external and internal flows on various types of vehicles, including launch vehicles, winged, and non-winged re-entry vehicles.



76. A group of teachers and students at the **Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Dharwad**, directed by **Prof. Sudheer Siddapureddy** and **Ameer Mulla**, with funding from the **TiHAN Foundation**, IIT Hyderabad (NMICPS, Indian government), has created a drone for fire rescue assistance. During the two-day workshop on Drone design and autonomous navigation in fire rescue (DDANFR 2024), organized by the Fire and Thermal Research Laboratory (FLRL) and the Control System and Robotics Laboratory at IIT Dharwad on May 31 and June 1, there was an unveiling and demonstration of what is purported to be the first fire rescue assistance drone.
77. On June 5th of each year, the world observes **World Environment Day (WED)**, a significant global event aimed at raising awareness and promoting action towards environmental protection. Established by the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) in 1972, this day serves as a platform to highlight pressing ecological issues faced by our planet and foster sustainable practices. This year, the theme for World Environment Day is 'Land restoration, desertification, and drought resilience' under the slogan '**Our land. Our future. We are #GenerationRestoration.**'
78. In 2015, the **General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean of the FAO** proposed the launch of an initiative to declare an International Day for the Fight against Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing. After extensive consultations, the proposal was endorsed by the FAO Committee on Fisheries, leading to the proclamation of June 5th as the "**International Day for the Fight Against Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing**" by the UN General Assembly in December 2017.
79. **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** launched the '**Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam**' campaign to commemorate the World Environment Day. He planted a Peepal tree sapling at Buddha Jayanti Park in Delhi. He was accompanied by Union Environment Minister **Bhupender Yadav** and Delhi's Lieutenant Governor **Vinai Kumar Saxena**.
80. Amidst tightening Western sanctions, **India's reliance on Russian oil has seen a significant shift. Despite a decline in imports due to sanctions-related challenges**, Russia has maintained its position as India's leading oil supplier for the second consecutive year.
81. **The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) Chairman**, HRI Sanjay Kumar Agarwal, officially launched the GST Bhawan, the official complex of the Central Board of Indirect Tax (CGST) Rohtak Commissionerate, in Rohtak, Haryana. At the inaugural ceremony were Shri Shashank Priya, Member of CBIC (GST, Legal, CX & ST), together with officers and staff from the CGST Rohtak Commissionerate, Panchkula Zone, and senior CBIC officers.
82. India will host the prestigious **81st International Air Transport Association (IATA) Annual General Meeting (AGM)** in 2025, marking its return after a 42-year hiatus. This significant event, scheduled for June 8 to 10, will convene in Delhi, the third time the city has hosted the AGM after 1958 and 1983.
83. **NOTA** created a record with **2.18 lakh** voters in Madhya Pradesh's Indore opting for the '**none of the above**' option in the Lok Sabha elections, counting for which is underway. Of the total voters, 14.01 per cent opted for 'None of the Above', introduced in 2013 following a Supreme Court order.
84. **Roscosmos state corporation cosmonaut Oleg Kononenko**, who currently works at the International Space Station has booked a record of 1,000 days for the first time in the world in terms of total spaceflight duration.
85. **12 countries** signed the Zero Debris Charter, a landmark initiative led by the **European Space Agency (ESA)** to address the pressing issue of space debris. Unveiled in 2023, the Charter commits signatories to achieving debris-neutral space activities by 2030.
86. **Om Birla, the incumbent Lok Sabha Speaker**, has achieved a remarkable feat by winning the Kota parliamentary seat on June 4, 2024. With a resounding margin of 41,139 votes, Birla has become the first presiding officer in



20 years to be re-elected to the Lower House of Parliament.

- 87. Rakesh Mohan Joshi**, an international trade and management expert, has been appointed as the Vice-Chancellor of the **Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT)**, a prestigious business school under the Ministry of Commerce.
- 88. The Ministry of Defence (MoD)** has taken a significant step towards enhancing pensioner services by forging partnerships with four prominent banks. These Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) aim to establish SPARSH service centers, leveraging the System for Pension Administration (RAKSHA), across 1,128 branches nationwide. SPARSH, a web-based system, facilitates streamlined pension processing and direct crediting to defense pensioners' bank accounts.
- 89. Axis Bank and Bajaj Allianz General Insurance** have joined forces in a strategic bancassurance partnership aimed at boosting insurance penetration and financial inclusion in India. Through this collaboration, Bajaj Allianz General Insurance products will be distributed across Axis Bank's extensive network of over 5,250 branches.
- 90.** In a significant ruling, the Bombay High Court declared that public sector banks lack the legal authority to issue **Look Out Circulars (LOCs)** against defaulting borrowers. This verdict, based on a challenge to a clause in a government memorandum, invalidates all LOCs issued by such banks.
- 91. NPCI International and the Reserve Bank of Peru** have joined forces to introduce a UPI-like real-time payments system in Peru, marking a pioneering move for South America. This collaboration aims to revolutionize Peru's financial landscape, fostering economic growth and financial inclusion by leveraging India's renowned Unified Payment Interface (UPI) technology.
- 92. Arka Fincap Limited, a subsidiary of Kirloskar Oil Engines Limited**, has obtained a Corporate Agency License from the IRDAI, marking a significant milestone. This license allows Arka to venture into insurance distribution,

enhancing its existing financial solutions portfolio to meet customer needs comprehensively.

- 93.** In response to the dynamic growth of Indian securities markets, **SEBI has established a committee, chaired by Usha Thorat**, former Deputy Governor of the RBI, to assess and propose enhancements to the ownership and economic framework of clearing corporations.
- 94. UN Russian Language Day is observed annually on June 6th and was established by the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in 2010.** This day is dedicated to promoting the study and appreciation of the Russian language. It coincides with the birthday of Aleksandr Pushkin, one of the most prominent Russian writers and creators

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- 2. Lai Autonomous District Council-a chief executive member (CEM) C Lalmuanthanga'n** executive member (EM) atana a ruat mi pakuate chu May 30 khan rinawmna thu tiamtira lak luh an ni. EM-tehna chanpual tur pawh CEM-in nimin vek khan a siam nghal. LADC EM lak luhna inkhawm hi LADC Hall-ah neih a nia, LADC executive secretary K Lalthanzara'n a kaihruai. EM atana ruatte chu Lawngtlai bawrh sap **Chemala Siva Gopal Reddy-a'n rinawmna thu tiamtirin** a la lut a ni. LADC-ah hian MDC bial 24 awmin, inthlana thlan tlin MDC 24 an awm mek a, MLA atana thlan tlin tâk Dr Lorrain Lalpekliaana Chinzah bial chu a ruak mek. CEM C Lalmuanthanga chu Congress party a ni a, a kaihhruai sorkara amah

thlâwptu MDC 12-te chu MNF vek an ni. CEM telin elected MDC 24 zinga 10 (41.67%) chu department enkawl nei an ni ta a ni.

3. **May 31 kha World No Tobacco Day** a ni a, Mizoram hmun hrang hrangah vaihlo dona ni atan hman niin, chief minister Lalduhoma'n Dawrpui Multipurpose Centre-ah a hmanpui. Chief Minister chuan, vaihlo atanga siam thil tha lo tih thinte kalsan a, hnam hrisel leh dam rei nih tum turin Mizoram mipui a sáwm. National Tobacco Control Programme leh Indian Society on Tobacco & Health (ISTH), Mizoram Chapter chuan nimin khan Vanapa Hall-ah World No Tobacco Day an hmang a, Chief Minister khuallian niin, Health minister Lalrinpuii khualzahawm a ni. Inkhawm hi Health & Family Welfare principal director Dr Vanlalsawma'n a kaihruai a, vaihlo dona thutiam sawi rual a ni. National Health Mission director Dr Eric Zomawia'n World No Tobacco Day 2024 thupui, '**Protecting children from tobacco industry interference**' tih hmangin thu a sawi bawk.
4. May 29 - June 1, 2024 chung khan **Melaka, Malaysia-ah Asia Pacific Baptist Youth (APBY) Conference** vawi 18-na neih a nia, APBY vice president atan Upa Jacob Vanlaltana Khiangte thlan a ni. APBY inkhawmpui hi kum 5 danah neih thin a nia, Asia leh Asia páwn lam ram 30 atangin palai 700 chuang an tel a, Mizoram atangin Mizoram Thalai Kristian Pawl leh Lairam Isua Krista Baptist Kohhran Thalai Pawl member eng emaw zat an tel bakah, BCM, Hnahthial Area Choir an tel. Inkhawmpuiah hian APBY vice president atana thlan Jacob Vanlaltana Khiangte bakah, Esther Vanlalnunpuii Sailo leh Zirsangpuii ten workshop-ah thu an sawi a; Lalthansangi Ralte chu worship band member a nia, TKP atangin Lalhlumawii leh LIKKB Thalai Pawl atangin Celestina Vanlalhriatpuii te an zai bawk.
5. **Adviser to chief minister Lalmuanpuia Punte**, MLA chuan June 1, Inrinni khan a pisaah a bial chhunga damdawi-in pathum - Biate Community Health Centre, East Lungdar Primary Health Centre leh North Vanlaiphai Primary Health Centre hnenah x-ray kháwl a hlan.
6. **National Health Mission hnuai National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP) leh UPC (NEI) General Sunday School** department chuan zûk leh hmuam leh a kaihhnawih thil hrang hrang donaa thawkho turin June 3 khan NHM Mission Director pisaah thuthlung (memorandum of understanding) an ziak. MoU-ah hian NHM aiawhin mission director Dr Eric Zomawia leh NTCP state nodal officer Dr H Lianthangpuia ten hming an ziak a; UPC (NEI) aiawhin General Sunday School director Rev. Biaksangzuala'n hming a ziak.
7. Dik lo taka sorkar sum hman avangin **Chakma Autonomous District Council (CADC)**-a chief executive member hlui leh chairman hlui **Kali Kumar Tongchongya leh a fapa Julius Tongchoinggya bakah**, CADC deputy chairman hlui Purna Munia Chakma te chu court-in thiam loh a chantir a, kum 4 theuh tang tur leh Rs 3,00,000 theuh chawi turin a hrem. Kali Kumar Rongchongya, Julius Tongchongya leh Purna Munia Chakma te lakah hian IPC Section 409 leh PC Act Section 13(2) (r/w 13(a) & (b)) tlawhchhanin thubuai ziah luh a ni. Anni pathum hi special judge (PC Act) Dr HTC Lalrinchhana chuan May 31, 2024 khan thiam loh a chantir a, bail-a an chhuah mekna sûtin, jail-ah dah luh nghal a ni.
8. **India rama Muaythai inelna sang ber UMAI National Muaythai Championship 2024** zawhfel takah - **Mizoram chuan gold medal 21, silver medal paruk leh bronze medal pakua, a vaiin medal 36 an hlawh chhuak**. Tepesia, Sonapur, Guwahati, Assam-a inelna neihah Mizoram hi a pumpuiah pangana an nia, a thlengtu Assam an champion thung. Mizoram hian player 40, team official leh coach bakah referee & judge te nen mi 46 a tir a, tun tum hi kum 2004-a Mizorama Muaythai Association din a nih hnuah National Championship-a players an tirh hnem ber tum a ni.
9. Kumin April 19 atanga June 1 thlenga Lok Sabha inthlanpuia vote tlate chu June 4 khan India ram pumah chiar a ni a; Mizoram MP atan ZPM candidate **Richard Vanlalhmangaiha** than tlin niin, amah hnaih bertu MNF candidate chu vote 68,288-in a hneh.

**10. Mizoram Pollution Control Board (MPCB)**

chuan World Environment Day (June 5) pualin nimin zing khan Aizawlah Mass Rally on Clean Air an buatsaih a, rally-a tel mi 300 velin kawngpui dunga bawlhhlawhte an chhar fai nghal.Vanapa Hall kawta inkhawm tâwiah

MPCB scientist-C Dr Lalramnghaki Pachuau chuan,kumina World Environment Day thupui chu '**Land restoration, desertification and draught resilience**' tih a nih thu sawiin, Mizoram leilung chhe mek siamthat leh a chhe zel tur ven chu mi tin mawh a nih thu.

