

- 1. India's first Hydrogen Train was successfully tested on the Jind to Sonipat track in Haryana.**
- 2. India's first 8-lane twin-tube tunnel, 4.9 km long, built beneath a tiger reserve, opens on June 20.**
 - Announced by Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav.
 - Located in the Mukundra Hills Tiger Reserve in Rajasthan (bordering Madhya Pradesh); it connects the Delhi-Mumbai Expressway.
- 3. Noida International Airport Begins Commercial Operations**
 - Commercial operations officially commenced at the Noida International Airport (Jewar, Uttar Pradesh).
- 4. Air India Launches 'Easy Connect' Service**
 - Allows passengers from Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities (e.g., Bhopal, Varanasi) to complete luggage check-in and international immigration locally before connecting to global hubs (like London) via larger cities like Delhi.
- 5. India and the European Union (EU) signed a free trade agreement pact in the aviation sector.**
- 6. Seven railway stations were officially shifted to the South Coast Railway Zone in Visakhapatnam.**
- 7. Bharat Innovate 2026 Launched in France**
 - Launched on the sidelines of the 52nd G7 Summit (held June 14-16 in Nice, France), where PM Narendra Modi attended as a guest.
 - Bharat Innovate 2026 was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and French President Emmanuel Macron.
 - It is a bilateral platform connecting 120 Indian deep-tech startups and institutes with French institutions.
 - IIT Hyderabad is establishing India's first nuclear design center in collaboration with CEEPL India and Dassault Systemes.
- 8. Union Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia launched India's first drone-based mail and parcel transmission service for the Department of Post in Himachal Pradesh.**
 - Connects Mandi Post Office and the Rihundar (Rihardhar) branch.
- 9. India's First 3D Human Brain Atlas was launched by IIT Madras at the BRICS Neuroscience Symposium.**
 - Aims to help find cures for neurological diseases like Alzheimer's and Dementia.
- 10. The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) launched a WhatsApp-based AI chatbot named 'Oil Seed Kisan Mitra'.**
 - Developed by the Indian Institute of Oilseeds Research in Hyderabad; available in multiple regional languages.
- 11. Avtar.ai, supported by the India AI Mission, launched 'Varya', India's first indigenous video story-generating AI model.**
- 12. WT MARUT Portal Launched on Global Wind Day; India's Renewable Energy Status**
 - Announced during the Global Wind Energy Day event (June 15), hosted in Goa with the theme "Wind Energy: From Ambition to Acceleration".
 - Union Minister Pralhad Joshi launched the "Wind Turbine Management and Resource Utilization Tracker" (WT MARUT) portal during the Global Wind Day conference in Goa.
 - It is India's first dedicated digital platform for wind turbine supply chain management.
 - India produces 24 Gigawatts (GW) of wind energy, with Rajasthan leading production; target is 100 GW by 2030.
 - Global rankings: India ranks 4th in wind energy, 3rd in solar energy, and 3rd overall in total renewable energy (behind China and the USA).
- 13. India's Space Economy Set for Major Growth**
 - At the RISE (Research Industry Startup Entrepreneurship) Conclave in Bengaluru, Minister Jitendra Singh announced that India's space economy will grow from \$8-9 billion to \$40-45 billion over the next decade.
 - India currently boasts over 400 space startups.
- 14. The Ministry of Defence granted in-principle approval to establish the National Military Drone Technology Hub at IIT Kanpur.**
 - Investment of ₹500 crore.

15. BSNL collaborated with IIT Kanpur to research, test, and deploy 5G, 6G, and next-generation telecom technologies within India.

16. Oil India Limited signed an agreement with Canada's Petroleum Technology Research Centre (PTRC) at the Global Energy Show 2026 in Calgary.

17. Wildlife Conservation Updates

Great Indian Bustard

- Under "Project GIB", artificial breeding efforts in Rajasthan and Gujarat increased the population of this critically endangered bird to 94.
- It is also the state bird of Rajasthan.

Great Hog Badger

- First scientific assessment report for the Great Hog Badger (locally 'Mati Gahori') was released in Kaziranga National Park, Assam.
- Listed as 'Vulnerable' by the IUCN; found in evergreen forests and falls under the pig category.

Agrobiodiversity Committee

- The National Biodiversity Authority formed a 1-year expert committee chaired by Padma Shri Dr. P.L. Gautam to advise farmers on crop diversification.

18. PMKVY 4.0 Integrated with Skill India Digital Hub

- Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) was originally launched on July 15, 2015, under the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.
- It provides short-term, free industry-relevant training.

19. Draft Broadcasting Guidelines Released

- The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting released draft rules unifying TV and radio regulations.
- TV channels must broadcast 30 minutes of public interest content daily.
- FM radios must dedicate 1 hour daily to topics like education, health, and agriculture.

20. Foreign University Campuses Approved in India

- The Ministry of Education approved campuses for the University of Bristol (Mumbai), the University of York (Mumbai), and the University of New South Wales (Bengaluru, starting August 2026).

21. NCERT was granted deemed university status under a distinct category

22. Key Agreements and Partnerships (MoUs)

- Delhi government partnered with Prasar Bharati to develop a global media and entertainment hub.
- The Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) signed an MoU with UltraTech Cement to boost skill development in the cement sector.

23. First Batch of Women NDA Cadets Commissioned

- The Ministry of Defence commissioned the historic first batch of 17 women cadets from the National Defence Academy (NDA) (who joined in 2022).
- Nine will join the Indian Army, five will join the Indian Air Force, and the rest join the Navy.

24. Indian Army Updates Uniform to Remove Colonial-Era Practices

- The Indian Army updated its dress code via the Army Uniform Pamphlet 2026.
- Drops terms like "Royal"; removes pouch belts and ceremonial swords for reviewing officers.
- Introduces the indigenous 'Bandi' jacket into formal civil dress.

25. INS Sharda Concludes Port Call in Colombo

- The Indian Navy's Sukanya-class offshore patrol vessel INS Sharda concluded a port call in Colombo, Sri Lanka.

26. An Indian Air Force AN-32 aircraft crashed at the Jorhat airbase in Assam, killing 5 personnel.

27. Assam - GI Tags and Crude Oil Pact with Nagaland

- Assam received GI tags for 4 traditional products with NABARD's help: Bihu Pepa (musical instrument), Banh Shilpa (bamboo craft), Karbi Anglong handloom, and Deori handloom.
- This brings Assam's total GI products to 12.
- Assam and Nagaland agreed to collaborate on exploring crude oil and natural gas in shared border regions.

28. Jharkhand Secures GI Tags for 11 Products

- Jharkhand secured GI tags for 11 traditional handloom and textile products.
- Includes Barauni Painting, Jadopatia Painting, Bhagaiya Silk, Munda Tribe Jewelry, Bamboo Craft, and Kuchai silk saree.

• (Sohrai painting already held a GI tag.)

29. Telangana - New Schemes and Land Records Portal

- Launched the "Breakfast and Milk Scheme" for government school students from pre-primary up to class 12.
- Launched the Bhu Bharati portal, replacing Dharani for land records management.

30. Odisha Restores Original Odia Place Names

- Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi approved restoring the original Odia names for 64 places (e.g., Cuttack to Kataka, Balasore to Baleswar).

31. India Records Current Account Surplus in Q4

- India recorded a current account surplus of \$7.1 billion (0.7% of GDP) in Q4 (January to March).
- Driven by high service exports and strong inward remittances.

32. Wholesale Price Index (WPI) Inflation increased to 9.68% in May 2026 (up from 8.26% in April).

- The DPIIT (Ministry of Commerce and Industry) updated the base year from 2011-12 to 2022-23.
- Total tracked WPI articles increased from 697 to 957 — Primary Articles: 129, Fuel & Power: 25, Manufactured Items: 803.

33. Unemployment Rate Rises to 5.5% in May 2026

- The Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) reported India's unemployment rate rose to 5.5% in May 2026 (from 5.2% in April).
- Labour Force Participation Rate (LFPR) stood at 54.4%.

34. World Bank Upgrades India's FY27 GDP Forecast

- The World Bank upgraded India's FY27 GDP prediction to 6.6% (from 6.5%).
- Global GDP growth is projected to slow to 2.5% in 2026.

35. Government to Sell 5% Stake in GIC Re

- The government is selling a 5% stake in General Insurance Corporation (GIC Re) via an Offer for Sale (OFS).

36. RBI Places Restrictions on Mog Vera Cooperative Bank

- The RBI placed 6-month restrictions on Mog Vera Cooperative Bank.
- Withdrawals limited to ₹1 lakh; deposit insurance cover capped at ₹5 lakh.

37. Bandhan Bank, in collaboration with Centrum Finserv, launched a unified 3-in-1 account combining savings, trading, and Demat functions on one platform

38. Novama Wealth Management Company received SEBI approval to act as a mutual fund investment provider.

39. The National Stock Exchange (NSE) will invest 10% of its CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility) funds through the Social Stock Exchange.

40. 114th ILO Summit Focuses on Gig Worker Rights

- The 114th International Labour Organization (ILO) Summit in Geneva focused on gig worker rights under Convention 193.
- India was represented by Shobha.
- The summit coined the term "Platform Economy" and debated fundamental rights, fixed hours, and minimum wages.

41. Social Media Bans for Minors (Indonesia, UK)

- Indonesia became the first Southeast Asian nation to ban social media for users under 16.
- Following Australia, UK Prime Minister Keir Starmer announced a similar ban on social media for children under 16.

42. Global Peace Index 2026 (20th Edition)

- Iceland retained the #1 rank.
- India dropped to the 127th position (down from 115th in 2025).

43. Thailand will host the 2026 IMF-World Bank annual meeting

44. The 13th BRICS Urbanization Forum was held at Sushma Swaraj Bhavan in New Delhi (June 11-12).

- Theme: "Cities for people, BRICS cooperation for inclusive and resilient urban future".

45. NIUA Celebrates Golden Jubilee

- The National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) celebrated 50 years with the theme "Resilient Urban India 2047".

46. BRICS 2026 Summits Hosted by India (18th Edition)

- Agriculture Summit: Indore (resulting in the Indore Declaration).
- Cultural Summit: Varanasi.
- Employment Summit: Thiruvananthapuram.

47. Lt. Gen. Dhiraj Seth was appointed Chief of Army Staff (succeeding Gen. Upendra Dwivedi), effective June 30th

- K. Swaminathan was mentioned as the new Navy Chief.

48. Other Key Appointments

- Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL): Krishna Kumar Singh took additional charge as chairman.
- BMC: Ashwini Bhide became the first woman Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) commissioner.
- DGCA: Vir Vikram Yadav appointed as the new Director General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) chief.
- IndusInd Bank: Arijit Basu appointed as part-time chairman.
- United Spirits: Appointed cricketer Virat Kohli for the Johnnie Walker brand campaign.

49. PM Modi Conferred Slovakia's Highest Award

- Slovakian President Peter Pellegrini conferred PM Narendra Modi with Slovakia's highest national award, the "Order of the White Double Cross (First Class)".
- This brings the PM's global award tally to 33.

50. Sudarsan Pattnaik Wins Russian Grand Sand Masters Cup 2026

- Padma Shri awardee Sudarsan Pattnaik (from Puri, Odisha) became the first Indian to win the Russian Grand Sand Masters Cup 2026.

51. Panchayat Satat Vikas Puraskar

- Tripura Panchayat secured the top honor in the Panchayat Satat Vikas Puraskar.

52. Cricket - Suryavanshi's Record Debut & Williamson's Retirement

- Vaibhav Suryavanshi became the youngest player to debut for the Indian cricket team at 15 years and 71 days, breaking Sachin Tendulkar's long-standing record.
- He won the Orange Cap and the Most Valuable Player award in his debut tournament.
- Modern cricket great and former New Zealand captain Kane Williamson retired from international cricket after 16 years.

53. Formula 1 - Hamilton Wins First Race for Ferrari

- Lewis Hamilton claimed his 106th F1 career win (and his first victory for Ferrari) at the Barcelona Catalunya Grand Prix

54. Archery - Sheetal Devi Named Para-Archer of the Year

- India's Sheetal Devi was named the World Archery Para-Archer of the Year 2025.

55. FIFA World Cup Host Nations

- 2026 edition: Canada, USA, and Mexico.
- 2030 edition: Morocco, Spain, and Portugal.
- 2034 edition: Saudi Arabia.

56. Major Dhyan Chand Lifetime Achievement Award

- Zafar Iqbal was awarded the Major Dhyan Chand Lifetime Achievement Award.

57. Obituary - Gavari Devi

- Gavari Devi, renowned Rajasthani folk singer, passed away at 98.
- Celebrated for popularizing Maand music and the iconic song "Kesaria Balam".

58. World Blood Donor Day (June 14)

- Celebrated on the birth anniversary of Karl Landsteiner (Nobel-winning scientist who discovered the ABO blood group system).

- The 2026 theme: "One drop of humanity give blood save lives".

59. World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (June 15)

- Theme: "Beyond awareness making elder abuse prevention work".

60. International Day of Family Remittances (June 16)

- The 2026 theme: "Remittances for rural resilience, entrepreneurship and employment".

61. World Book Capital 2026

- Rabat (Morocco) is the World Book Capital for 2026.
- Madrid was the first in 2001.

62. Constitution & Polity

Amendments & Articles

- The 94th Amendment Act (2006) mandates a State Tribal Welfare Minister in states like Bihar.
- Fundamental Rights are in Articles 12 to 35.

Subject Lists

- Defense is a Union subject; Education is Concurrent; Police is a State subject; the IT Sector falls under Residuary powers.

Basics

- India is a "Union of States", and its federalism divides power between the Union and States.
- B.R. Ambedkar is the Father of the Indian Constitution, which was adopted on January 26, 1950.

Miscellaneous

- The National Commission for Women is a Statutory Body.
- The Union Budget is released by the Ministry of Finance.

63. Geography, History & GI Tag Framework

Geography

- Capital of Arunachal Pradesh is Itanagar.
- Longest River in India is the Ganga (2525 km).
- The "Land of Five Rivers" is Punjab (Panchnad).
- The Silicon Valley of India is Bengaluru.

History

- The Dandi March (Salt March) was led by Mahatma Gandhi starting March 12, 1930.

Currency

- Japan uses the Yen.

GI Tags Framework

- Regulated globally by TRIPS (WTO) and valid for 10 years.
- Started in India under the 1999 Act, with Darjeeling Tea receiving the first tag in 2004-05.

64. State in Focus: Assam

Basic Facts

- Known as the Land of Rivers and Red Hills.
- Formed on January 26, 1950; it is the gateway to the North East, sharing borders with six states, Bhutan, and Bangladesh.
- Capital is Dispur (Guwahati is situated on the Brahmaputra River).

Government

- 126 Assembly seats, 14 Lok Sabha seats, 7 Rajya Sabha seats.
- Chief Minister is Himanta Biswa Sarma; Governor is Lakshman Prasad Acharya.

Geography

- Comprises 35 districts (including Majuli island).
- Major rivers: Brahmaputra, Barak, Manas.
- Houses 7 National Parks: Kaziranga (got UNESCO tag in 1985), Manas, Nameri, Orang, Raimona, etc.

Symbols

- Animal: One-Horned Rhino. Bird: White-winged Wood Duck. Tree: Hollong. Flower: Foxtail Orchid.

Culture

- Languages are Assamese and Bodo.
- Major festival is Bihu (celebrated thrice a year); classical dance is Sattriya.
- Famous pre-existing GI tags include Tezpur Litchi and Muga Silk

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