



# **21–22 December 2025**

1. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved HDFC Bank to acquire an aggregate holding of up to what percent in IndusInd Bank? **Ans: 9.5%**
2. The Government of India has decided to divest up to 3% stake in which public sector bank through an Offer for Sale (OFS)? **Ans: Indian Overseas Bank (IOB)**
3. Which bill passed by Parliament enhances the statutory wage employment guarantee to 125 days per financial year for rural households? **Ans: Viksit Bharat—Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin) Bill, 2025**
4. Under the Sabko Bima Sabko Raksha (Amendment of Insurance Laws) Bill, 2025, the Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) limit in insurance companies is raised to? **Ans: 100%**
5. Which banking giant is establishing Asia's largest Global Capability Centre (GCC) in Powai, Mumbai? **Ans: JPMorgan Chase**
6. Who was conferred with 'The Great Honour Nishan of Ethiopia', the highest civilian award of Ethiopia? **Ans: Prime Minister Narendra Modi**
7. Which bank was named 'Global Bank of the Year 2025' by The Banker publication? **Ans: DBS Bank**
8. Which country has become the first in the world to receive United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) recognition for its entire national cuisine? **Ans: Italy**
9. According to the 2025 Passport Index by Arton Capital, what is India's global rank? **Ans: 67th**
10. Which city unveiled a 70-foot iron statue of Lionel Messi, believed to be the largest in the world? **Ans: Kolkata**
11. Which town has been announced as the 23rd district of Haryana by Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini? **Ans: Hansi**
12. The bilateral military exercise 'EKUVERIN' was conducted between the Indian Army and the defence forces of which country? **Ans: Maldives**
13. Portraits of all 21 awardees of which honour have been displayed at the newly inaugurated 'Param Vir Dhirgha' in Rashtrapati Bhavan? **Ans: Param Vir Chakra**
14. Which country won the 2025 Squash World Cup (Mixed Team) title held in Chennai? **Ans: India**
15. India's first-ever Power Museum is being developed on the campus of which defunct thermal power station in Bihar? **Ans: Karbigahia Thermal Power Station**
16. What is the minimum height above local relief defined by the Supreme Court to classify a landform as 'Aravalli Hill'? **Ans: 100 metres**
17. Which organisation notified the exit and withdrawal norms under National Pension System (NPS) Amendment Regulations, 2025? **Ans: Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA)**
18. What is the theme for the 10th edition of Swachh Survekshan launched by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA)? **Ans: Swacchata Ki Nayi Pehel- Badhayein Haath, Karenin Safai Saath**
19. Which term has been selected as Collins Dictionary's 'Word of the Year 2025'? **Ans: Vibe coding**
20. Which country formally handed over the BRICS presidency to India for the year 2026? **Ans: Brazil**



21. Under the amended National Pension System (NPS) rules, non-government subscribers can withdraw what percentage of their corpus as a lump sum? **Ans: 80%**

22. Which Indian ship was commissioned as the third Adamya-class Fast Patrol Vessel in Goa? **Ans: Indian Coast Guard (ICG) Ship 'Amulya'**

23. The National Council for Vocational Education and Training (NCVET) has recognised which company as an Awarding Body (Dual)? **Ans: Flipkart**

24. Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) have been finalised for Pradhan Mantri Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel (PM MITRA) Parks in which three cities? **Ans: Lucknow, Kalaburagi, and Navsari**

25. Which company secured a contract from Indian Railways for the supply of Rail Borne Maintenance Vehicles (RBMV)? **Ans: Titagarh Rail Systems Ltd (TRSL)**

26. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Central Board has approved which new framework for deposit insurance premiums? **Ans: Risk-based deposit insurance framework**

27. Who has been appointed as the Chairman of IIFL Finance effective June 2025? **Ans: Bibhu Prasad Kanungo**

28. Which Indian institute developed 'NexCAR19', India's first indigenous CAR-T therapy for cancer? **Ans: ImmunoACT (IIT Bombay spin-off)**

29. Which Chennai-based team won the 'Most Inspirational Award' at the NASA Space Apps Challenge 2025? **Ans: Photonics Odyssey**

30. The Bihar Cabinet approved which roadmap for the next 5 years (2025-2030)? **Ans: Saat Nischay-3**

31. Which butterfly species is featured in the logo for the 17th Conference of the Parties (COP17) to the Convention on Biological Diversity? **Ans: Erivan Anomalous Blue**

32. India signed a Letter of Intent to provide an institutional framework for defence collaboration with which country? **Ans: Netherlands**

33. Which family topped the 'Bloomberg-World's Richest Families 2025' list? **Ans: The Walton family**

34. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) is replacing the 'Draft Red Herring Prospectus' (DRHP) with which simplified document? **Ans: Average Prospectus**

35. All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) New Delhi conducted India's first workshop on Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) for which disease? **Ans: Parkinson's disease**

36. The Assam Cabinet approved ₹250 crore for development in which specific region? **Ans: Bodoland Territorial Region (BTR)**

37. The government approved the 'Viksit Bharat Mumbai Marina' project to be developed at which location? **Ans: Mumbai Harbor**

38. Quad partners (Australia, India, Japan, US) conducted their first Field Training Exercise (FTX) in which location? **Ans: Guam**

39. Who received the Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) Lifetime Achievement Award for corporate governance? **Ans: R.C. Bhargava**

40. Tata Chemicals is acquiring which Singapore-based company for \$25 million? **Ans: NOV (or NOVI)**



41. Which new microsite was launched by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to enhance public awareness on currency design? **Ans: <https://indiancurrency.rbi.org.in>**

42. India defeated which country to clinch the T20I cricket series 3-1 in December 2025? **Ans: South Africa**

43. Which chip launched by the Government of India is the country's first quantum computing chip? **Ans: 25-qubit QPU**

44. India and Jordan signed MoUs to collaborate on which payment interface? **Ans: Unified Payments Interface (UPI)**

45. The 'United Economic Forum (UEF) Trade Summit 2025' was held in which city? **Ans: Chennai**

46. Under the new Aravalli protection norms, mining is strictly prohibited in which zones? **Ans: Core/inviolate areas (Protected Areas, Tiger Reserves)**



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