

## Current Affairs

### INDIA

1. In 2025, India and Saudi Arabia signed an agreement to allow visa-free travel for which group of people?
- a. Tourists
  - b. Students
  - c. Diplomatic passport holders
  - d. Pilgrims

**Answer: c**

2. What major annual sporting event took place in India from 28 January to 14 February 2025?
- a. Indian Premier League
  - b. National Games of India
  - c. Asian Games
  - d. Commonwealth Games

**Answer: b**

3. In response to security concerns in 2025, India conducted a nationwide civil defence mock drill called:
- a. Operation Suraksha
  - b. Operation Abhyaas
  - c. Operation Raksha
  - d. Operation Shakti

**Answer: b**

4. Which major spiritual gathering was held in Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh in early 2025, attracting millions of pilgrims?
- a. Baisakhi Mela
  - b. Pushkar Fair
  - c. Prayag Maha Kumbh Mela
  - d. Hemis Festival

**Answer: c**

5. Which city hosted major global meetings on AI and climate in 2025?
- a. Mumbai
  - b. Chennai
  - c. New Delhi
  - d. Jaipur

**Answer: c**

### ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL DISASTERS

6. In August 2025, heavy monsoon rains caused severe flooding in which Indian state?
- a. Kerala
  - b. Punjab
  - c. Gujarat
  - d. Odisha

**Answer: b**

7. A flash flood caused by a cloudburst in August 2025 affected which Indian region?
- a. Ladakh
  - b. Uttarakhand
  - c. Rajasthan
  - d. Goa

**Answer: b**

### SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

8. In February 2025, a global summit on Artificial Intelligence was held in which city?
- a. London
  - b. Paris
  - c. Tokyo
  - d. New York

**Answer: b**

9. Scientists search for life mainly beyond:
- a. Earth
  - b. Moon
  - c. Mars
  - d. Space stations

**Answer: a**

10. India's first domestically made 32-bit microprocessor, named Vikram, was showcased at which event in 2025?
- a. Tech India Expo
  - b. Semicon India 2025
  - c. Global AI Summit
  - d. DigiTech Fair

**Answer: b**

### **INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS**

11. Which country hosted the Asia Pacific Cities Summit in 2025 for the first time?
- a. Singapore
  - b. Dubai
  - c. Tokyo
  - d. Seoul

**Answer: b**

### **ENVIRONMENT & WILDLIFE CONSERVATION**

12. India was announced to host which global conservation summit in 2026?
- a. Elephant Conservation Summit
  - b. Reptile Conservation Summit
  - c. Global Big Cats Summit
  - d. Marine Life Summit

**Answer: c**

13. Wildlife protection laws were strengthened mainly to save:
- a. Pets
  - b. Farm animals
  - c. Endangered species
  - d. Birds only

**Answer: c**

### **SPORTS**

14. The 12th World Games 2025 were held in which country?
- a. Japan
  - b. China
  - c. USA
  - d. Brazil

**Answer: b**

15. In 2025, which sport did India win the Asia Cup Trophy in?
- a. Football
  - b. Hockey
  - c. Cricket
  - d. Basketball

**Answer: b**

16. International sports events encouraged:
- a. Competition only
  - b. Teamwork and unity
  - c. Travel
  - d. Business

**Answer: b**

### **ECONOMIC & STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENTS**

17. In 2025, India and the United Arab Emirates set a trade target of how much by 2030?
- a. \$50 billion
  - b. \$75 billion
  - c. \$100 billion
  - d. \$150 billion

**Answer: c**

18. Which Indian state will implement a green tax on vehicles from outside to protect the Himalayan ecosystem?
- a. Himachal Pradesh
  - b. Uttarakhand
  - c. Sikkim
  - d. Arunachal Pradesh

**Answer: b**

### **CULTURE & HERITAGE**

19. In 2025, which Indian festival was officially added to the UNESCO Representative List of Intangible Cultural Heritage?
- a. Holi
  - b. Diwali
  - c. Pongal
  - d. Eid

**Answer: b**

20. Which famous cultural event recently marked the centenary with focus on Indian art, tradition and cultural awareness in Lucknow?
- a. International Film Festival
  - b. Bhatkhande University Centenary Event
  - c. Republic Day Parade
  - d. World Heritage Festival

**Answer: b**

### **TRANSPORT & SOCIETY**

21. In late 2025, which major airline in India faced flight cancellations affecting passengers nationwide?
- a. Air India
  - b. IndiGo
  - c. Vistara
  - d. SpiceJet

**Answer: b**

22. Electric buses help cities by reducing:
- a. Roads
  - b. Pollution
  - c. Population
  - d. Noise only

**Answer: b**

23. At the 47th ASEAN Summit 2025, which measure was taken to ensure smooth movement of delegates and vehicles around the event venue?
- a. Discounted flights
  - b. Major road closures and traffic rerouting
  - c. Free public transport
  - d. Train services only

**Answer: b**

### **DIPLOMACY**

24. India and Saudi Arabia signed a mutual visa exemption pact in 2025 for diplomatic and official passport holders to:
- a. study abroad
  - b. travel without visa
  - c. work overseas
  - d. participate in sports

**Answer: b**

25. For India's Republic Day 2026 celebrations, which important decision reflects growing global diplomatic relations?
- a) Two European leaders as chief guests
  - b) Only local guests invited

- c) No foreign leaders invited
- d) Only cultural performers invited

**Answer: a**

### **LEADERSHIP & SOCIETY**

26. Which leadership conference in 2025 brought together global speakers to discuss challenges and prosperity?
- a. United Nations General Assembly
  - b. Asian Leadership Conference
  - c. BRICS Summit
  - d. Tokyo Peace Forum

**Answer: b**

### **ECONOMY & INDUSTRY**

27. In 2025, Airbus announced plans to set up an R&D centre in which country?
- a. India
  - b. USA
  - c. France
  - d. Japan

**Answer: a**

28. Which state government in India launched a scheme in 2025 to support service exporters with marketing and financial help?
- a. Maharashtra
  - b. Uttar Pradesh
  - c. Karnataka
  - d. Gujarat

**Answer: b**

### **GLOBAL RELATIONS**

29. In 2025, Germany publicly termed which country a "Major strategic partner country"?
- a. USA
  - b. China
  - c. India
  - d. Japan

**Answer: c**

30. Which continent faced strong heatwaves discussed globally in 2025?
- a. Europe
  - b. Antarctica
  - c. Australia
  - d. Africa

**Answer: a**

31. The 2025 G20 Johannesburg Summit was significant because it was:
- a. Cancelled due to weather
  - b. First G20 summit in Africa
  - c. Held virtually only
  - d. Only European countries invited

**Answer: b**

### **THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW**

1. Who became the Prime Minister of India after the 2024–25 Lok Sabha elections?

**Answer: Modi**

2. Which city hosted the Republic Day Parade in 2025?

**Answer: Delhi**

3. What is the name of India's civil defence mock drill conducted nationwide in 2025?

**Answer: Abhyaas**

4. Which city hosted the Prayag Maha Kumbh Mela in 2025?  
**Answer:** Prayagraj
5. Which Indian state faced severe floods during the 2025 monsoon?  
**Answer:** Punjab
6. Which country hosted the Global Artificial Intelligence Summit in 2025?  
**Answer:** France
7. Which country officially recognised India as a "key global partner" in 2025?  
**Answer:** Germany
8. Which Middle-East country signed a visa-free agreement with India for diplomats in 2025?  
**Answer:** SaudiArabia
9. What is the name of India's indigenous microprocessor showcased in 2025?  
**Answer:** Vikram
10. Which Indian mission continued lunar research studies in 2025?  
**Answer:** Chandrayaan
11. Which technology was the main focus of global discussions in 2025?  
**Answer:** AI
12. Which Himalayan state introduced a green tax to protect the environment in 2025?  
**Answer:** Uttarakhand
13. Which Indian lake remained in news in 2025 due to conservation efforts?  
**Answer:** Chilika
14. Which country hosted the World Games in 2025?  
**Answer:** China
15. Which sport did India win the Asia Cup in during 2025?  
**Answer:** Hockey
16. Which Indian event brought athletes together from all states in 2025?  
**Answer:** NationalGames
17. Which Indian festival was added to UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage list in 2025?  
**Answer:** Diwali
18. Which Indian city remained in news for hosting major cultural events in 2025?  
**Answer:** Varanasi
19. Which Indian airline faced large-scale flight disruptions in 2025?  
**Answer:** IndiGo
20. Which country became India's major trade partner target by 2030 as discussed in 2025?  
**Answer:** UAE

## **FACT NUGGETS**

### **WORLD SUPERLATIVES**

1. Largest continent: Asia

2. Smallest continent: Australia
3. Largest ocean: Pacific Ocean
4. Deepest ocean point: Mariana Trench
5. Highest mountain peak: Mount Everest
6. Longest river in the world: Nile
7. Largest desert (hot): Sahara Desert
8. Coldest continent: Antarctica
9. Country with most population (2025): India
10. Largest country by area: Russia

### **INDIA SUPERLATIVES**

1. Largest state by area: Rajasthan
2. Most populous state: Uttar Pradesh
3. Longest river of India: Ganga
4. Highest mountain peak in India: Kangchenjunga
5. Largest freshwater lake: Wular Lake
6. Largest brackish water lake: Chilika Lake
7. Only active volcano: Barren Island
8. Smallest state by area: Goa
9. Largest union territory by area: Ladakh
10. Smallest union territory: Lakshadweep

### **SPACE & SCIENCE**

1. Indian mission studying the Sun: Aditya-L1
2. Indian mission that landed on Moon's south pole: Chandrayaan-3
3. Mission planned to send Indian astronauts: Gaganyaan
4. Place where astronauts live in space: International Space Station (ISS)
5. Device used to study Earth from space: Satellite
6. Clean energy from the Sun: Solar energy
7. Gas causing global warming: Carbon dioxide
8. Planet known as the Red Planet: Mars

### **TECHNOLOGY**

1. Technology that helps machines think: Artificial Intelligence (AI)
2. Vehicles that run on batteries: Electric vehicles
3. Fast digital payment system in India: UPI
4. Online learning uses: Internet
5. Smart machines used in hospitals: Robots
6. Technology used for video calls: Internet technology
7. Device used for online classes: Computer / Tablet

### **ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE**

1. Process of protecting nature: Conservation
2. Planting trees helps reduce: Air pollution
3. Energy that does not harm Earth: Renewable energy

4. Climate meetings held by countries: Climate Summits
5. Reducing plastic helps protect: Oceans and animals
6. Earth Day is celebrated on: 22 April
7. Environment Day is celebrated on: 5 June

### **SPORTS & GAMES**

1. Most watched sports event: Olympic Games
2. Olympic Games held in 2024: Paris
3. Sport popular worldwide: Football
4. Sport most popular in India: Cricket
5. Sport using rackets and shuttlecock: Badminton
6. Technology helping referees: Video replay
7. Running and jumping sports are called: Athletics

### **ENTERTAINMENT & ARTS**

1. Movies made using computers: Animated movies
2. Awards given to films: Film awards
3. Visual effects are called: VFX
4. Art is displayed in: Museums
5. Music shows are called: Concerts
6. Famous film festival: Cannes Film Festival
7. Artists share work using: Social media

### **IMPORTANT DAYS IN INDIA**

1. Republic Day: 26 January
2. Independence Day: 15 August
3. National Science Day: 28 February
4. Earth Day: 22 April
5. Environment Day: 5 June
6. Children's Day: 14 November
7. Teachers' Day: 5 September

### **SEVEN WONDERS OF THE WORLD**

1. Great Wall of China – China
2. Petra – Jordan
3. Christ the Redeemer – Brazil
4. Machu Picchu – Peru
5. Chichen Itza – Mexico
6. Roman Colosseum – Italy
7. Taj Mahal – India

### **NATURE AND WILDLIFE**

1. Largest land animal: African Elephant
2. Tallest land animal: Giraffe
3. Largest animal on Earth: Blue Whale
4. Fastest land animal: Cheetah

5. Slowest land mammal: Three-toed Sloth
6. Largest bird: Ostrich
7. Smallest bird: Bee Hummingbird
8. Largest reptile: Saltwater Crocodile
9. Largest lizard: Komodo Dragon
10. Longest venomous snake: King Cobra
11. Largest living marsupial: Red Kangaroo
12. Largest flying bird: Kori Bustard
13. Animal known as the "Ship of the Desert": Camel
14. National animal of India: Tiger
15. National bird of India: Peacock

### **NATIONAL SYMBOLS OF INDIA**

1. National Flag: Tricolour (Tiranga)
2. National Emblem: Lion Capital of Ashoka
3. National Motto: Satyameva Jayate
4. National Anthem: Jana Gana Mana
5. National Song: Vande Mataram
6. National Animal: Tiger
7. National Bird: Peacock
8. National Flower: Lotus
9. National Tree: Banyan Tree
10. National Fruit: Mango
11. National River: Ganga
12. National Aquatic Animal: Ganges River Dolphin
13. National Currency: Indian Rupee (₹)
14. National Calendar: Saka Calendar
15. National Heritage Animal: Indian Elephant

### **IPL 2025 AWARDS**

- ❖ Winner: Kolkata Knight Riders
- ❖ Runner-up: Rajasthan Royals
- ❖ Emerging Player of the Season: Yashasvi Jaiswal (RR)
- ❖ Most Valuable Player: Sunil Narine (KKR)
- ❖ Orange Cap: Ruturaj Gaikwad (CSK)
- ❖ Purple Cap: Jasprit Bumrah (MI)
- ❖ Most Sixes Award: Heinrich Klaasen (SRH)
- ❖ Fair Play Award: Chennai Super Kings

### **ICC MEN'S CHAMPIONS TROPHY 2025**

- ❖ Winner: India
- ❖ Runner-up: Australia
- ❖ Player of the Tournament: Virat Kohli
- ❖ Player of the Final Match: Rohit Sharma
- ❖ Best Bowler: Mohammed Shami

### **AUSTRALIAN OPEN 2025**

- ❖ Men's Singles: Jannik Sinner
- ❖ Women's Singles: Iga Swiatek

### **FRENCH OPEN 2025**

- ❖ Men's Singles: Carlos Alcaraz
- ❖ Women's Singles: Coco Gauff

### **OLYMPIC GAMES PARIS 2024 – INDIA HIGHLIGHTS**

- ❖ Gold Medal Winner: Neeraj Chopra (Javelin Throw)
- ❖ India's Best Sport: Athletics
- ❖ Total Medals for India: 7

### **FOOTBALL – MAJOR EVENT 2025**

- ❖ AFC Asian Cup Winner: Qatar
- ❖ Runner-up: Jordan
- ❖ Top Goal Scorer: Akram Afif

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### **REPUBLIC DAY INDIA 2025**

- ❖ Chief Guest: President of France
- ❖ Date Celebrated: 26 January
- ❖ Theme: Unity and Cultural Heritage

### **ISRO – SPACE MISSION 2025**

- ❖ Mission Name: Gaganyaan (Human Spaceflight Programme)
- ❖ Country: India
- ❖ Achievement: Preparation for sending Indian astronauts to space

### **ICC MEN'S CHAMPIONS TROPHY 2025**

- ❖ Host Country: Pakistan
- ❖ Format: One Day International (ODI)
- ❖ Participating Teams: 8

### **WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY 2025**

- ❖ Date: 5 June
- ❖ Theme: Land Restoration and Climate Action
- ❖ Observed By: United Nations

### **NATIONAL SPORTS DAY INDIA**

- ❖ Celebrated On: 29 August
- ❖ In Honour Of: Major Dhyan Chand
- ❖ Sport: Hockey

### **IMPORTANT INTERNATIONAL DAY 2025**

- ❖ International Women's Day: 8 March
- ❖ International Yoga Day: 21 June
- ❖ World Health Day: 7 April

## **PADMA AWARDS 2025**

### **Padma Vibhushan**

- ❖ Duvvur Nageshwar Reddy – Medicine (Telangana)
- ❖ Jagdish Singh Khehar – Public Affairs (Chandigarh)
- ❖ Kumudini Rajnikant Lakhia – Art (Gujarat)
- ❖ Lakshminarayana Subramaniam – Art (Karnataka)
- ❖ M. T. Vasudevan Nair (Posthumous) – Literature & Education (Kerala)
- ❖ Osamu Suzuki (Posthumous) – Trade & Industry (Japan)
- ❖ Sharda Sinha (Posthumous) – Art (Bihar)

### **Padma Bhushan**

- ❖ A. Surya Prakash – Literature & Education (Karnataka)
- ❖ Anant Nag – Art (Karnataka)
- ❖ P R Sreejesh – Sports (Kerala)
- ❖ Nandamuri Balakrishna – Art (Andhra Pradesh)
- ❖ Shekhar Kapur – Art (Maharashtra)
- ❖ Vinod Dham – Science & Engineering (USA)
- ❖ ...and others in art, public affairs, medicine & social work

### **Padma Shri**

- ❖ Ravichandran Ashwin – Sports
- ❖ Arijit Singh – Art (Music)
- ❖ Harvinder Singh – Sports (Para-archery)
- ❖ Jaspinder Narula – Music
- ❖ Ricky Kej – Music
- ❖ IM Vijayan – Sports
- ❖ ...among many others in fields like art, science, medicine, education & social work