

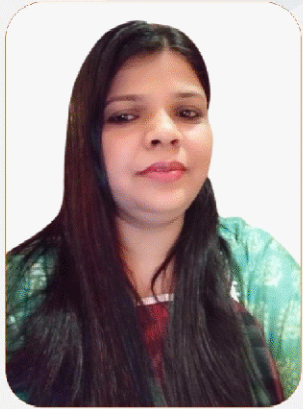


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Current Affairs Related to 4th April 2025

- ◆ **Digital Crop Survey System has been launched by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare** to collect real-time crop sown information directly from the field through a mobile interface. This innovative system ensures accurate, updated information on crop areas for each agricultural plot, which will be crucial for accurate production estimates. As part of this initiative, Agri Stack has been developed in compliance with the Digital Personal Data Protection Act 2023 and other IT laws of India.
- ◆ **A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed between the Government of Himachal Pradesh and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.** The objective of the MoU is to improve the quality of education in Himachal Pradesh. As part of the MoU, UNESCO will assist Himachal Pradesh in modernizing its education system. The MoU also emphasizes on integrating green education, environmental awareness and sustainable development into the school curriculum.
- ◆ **The Ministry of Defence has signed a contract with Bharat Forge Limited for the purchase of 155 mm/52 caliber Advanced Towed Artillery Gun System.** A contract was also signed with Tata Advanced System Limited for the acquisition of High Mobility Vehicle 6x6 Gun Towing Vehicles. The total cost of these contracts is around Rs 6900 crore. With this agreement, a total of Rs 1.40 lakh crore worth of contracts have been signed by the Ministry of Defence for capital procurement so far in the current financial year 2024-2025.
- ◆ **The book Ripples of Change on women-led rural WASH initiatives was released by the Jal Shakti Minister.** The book was published by the Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation in collaboration with UNICEF India. Ripples of Change features ten powerful women from rural India. These stories documented by UNICEF reflect the transformative impact of Swachh Bharat Mission and Jal Jeevan Mission through gender empowerment, community leadership and grassroots innovation.
- ◆ **The Chief Minister of Sikkim has proposed a budget of Rs 16,196 crore for 2025-2026.** The budget includes a revenue expenditure of Rs 11,028 crore and a capital outlay of Rs 5168 crore.
- ◆ **Addressing an event in New Delhi, Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said about Rs 11 lakh crore is being invested in various industries.** He said Indian Railways is expected to become the second largest carrier this year, handling 1.6 billion tonnes. He stressed that ports in India are also growing rapidly. Electronic manufacturing in India, which was minimal a decade ago, has now become a major export sector.
- ◆ **After three days of talks in Saudi Arabia, Russia and Ukraine have agreed to a naval ceasefire in the Black Sea in separate agreements with the US.** The two countries agreed to safe navigation in the Black Sea. They will not attack each other's energy systems. Russia said the naval ceasefire will only come into effect if sanctions against its food and fertilizer trade are lifted. Ukraine and Russia are both major grain exporters, and prices have hit a new high since the start of the war.
- ◆ **The government announced the discontinuation of the medium-term and long-term government deposit components of the Gold Monetisation Scheme.** Accordingly, no gold deposited at designated collection and purity testing centres or GM mobilisation, collection and testing agents or designated bank branches under the said components of the GMS will be accepted. The Gold Monetisation Scheme was announced on 15 September 2015. The GMS originally consisted of three components, short-term bank deposits, medium-term government deposits, and long-term government deposits.
- ◆ **The Lok Sabha passed the Boiler Bill 2024 for regulation of boilers, protection of life and property of people from the danger of explosion of steam boilers, and uniformity in registration.** The Boiler Bill 2024 will repeal the hundred-year-old Boiler Act 1923. The bill was passed by the Rajya Sabha in December 2024. The bill has provisions to ensure the safety of people working inside boilers and promote ease of doing business.
- ◆ **The Indian Space Research Organisation has completed the rolling experiment as part of its Space Docking Experiment mission.**

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National & International Current Affairs

1. When is International Mine Awareness Day celebrated recently?

- (A) 3 April (B) 4 April
(C) 5 April (D) 6 April

(B) International Mine Awareness Day is celebrated every year on 4 April. This day was declared by the United Nations General Assembly in the year 2005. The purpose of this day is to highlight the dangers associated with landmines and explosive residues during war. It also aims to promote efforts to clean contaminated areas and help the victims.



2. When will withdrawing money from ATM in India become expensive recently?

- (A) 10 April (B) 1 May
(C) 2 June (D) 5 July

(B) The Reserve Bank of India has increased the interchange fee. Withdrawing money from ATM in India will become expensive from 1 May. Customers will have to pay Rs 2 extra for every financial transaction beyond the free limit. Withdrawing money from ATM will cost Rs 19 per transaction. The fee for non-financial transactions will increase by Rs 1.



3. Who has been appointed as the Executive Director of Foods in HUL recently?

- (A) Rajneet Kohli (B) Vivek Joshi
(C) Salila Pandey (D) None of these

(A) Rajneet Kohli, the former CEO of Britannia Industries, has been appointed as the Executive Director of Hindustan Unilever's Foods and Refreshments division. This will be effective from 7 April 2025, and he is replacing Shiva Krishnamurthy, who is leaving the company to pursue an external opportunity.



4. Which bank has been fined by RBI recently?

- (A) HDFC Bank (B) Punjab National Sind Bank
(C) Both of the above (D) None of these

(C) Recently RBI has imposed fine on HUL as they failed to meet regulatory compliance standards. HDFC Bank was fined Rs 75 lakh as it did not follow RBI's Know Your Customer guidelines. Punjab & Sind Bank was fined Rs 68.20 lakh for not following RBI guidelines.



5. Which ministry has recently finalised a deal worth Rs 2500 crore?

- (A) Ministry of Defence (B) Ministry of Finance
(C) Ministry of Culture (D) Ministry of Coal

(A) This deal is for the purchase of Nag missile system and 5000 light vehicles. NAMIS is an anti-tank weapon platform. The purchase is aimed at promoting indigenous production. It will also strengthen national defence manufacturing capabilities. The agreements were made under the category of Indian indigenously designed, developed and manufactured products.



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6. Recently, what percentage of growth has been recorded in the core sector industry in February 2025?

- (A) 2.5% (B) 2.9%
(C) 3.7% (D) 4.9%

(B) India's core sector grew at 2.9% in February 2025, which is the lowest rate in the last five months. This decline was recorded at 7.1% in February 2024, compared to which the growth is very less. Out of the eight major firms, only three firms increased monthly production, while only the lower and last such sectors recorded more production than last year.



7. Recently CDS General Anil Chauhan has inaugurated Techkriti 2025 in which IIT?

- (A) IIT Kanpur (B) IIT Madras
(C) IIT Delhi (D) IIT Bengaluru

(A) Chief of Defence Staff General Anil Chauhan inaugurated Techkriti 2025, Asia's largest inter-collegiate technology and entrepreneurship festival at the Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur. This event is a hub of innovation. Which enrolls scholars, industry experts and defense sector officials together to explore advanced technological advancements.



8. Recently, India's social security coverage has increased to what percent in 2024?

- (A) 30% (B) 39.7%
(C) 48.8% (D) 42.5%

(C) India has made significant progress in expanding social security coverage, as released in the International Labour Organization's World Social Security Report 2024.2026. According to this report, India's social security coverage increased from 24.4% in 2021 to 48.8% in 2024. This achievement reflects the impact of various government applicants.



9. Which city has recently become the capital of billionaires in Asia?

- (A) Mumbai (B) Shanghai
(C) Beijing (D) None of these

(B) In the Hurun Global Rich List 2025, the Chinese city of Shanghai has become the capital of the United Arab Emirates in Asia, leaving behind Mumbai. Roshni Nadar of HCL Technologies became the first Indian to be included in the top 10 richest women in the world. India has established itself as the country with the third largest number of billionaires in the world after the United States and China.



10. Who has recently become the 5th richest woman in the world?

- (A) Roshni Nadar (B) Julia Koch
(C) Alice Walton (D) None of these

(A) Roshni Nadar has become the first Indian woman to be included in the list of top 10 richest women in the world. According to the Hurun Global Rich List 2025, she is ranked 5th among the richest women globally. She is the chairperson of HCL Technologies. Her net worth is Rs 3.5 lakh crore. She is now the third richest person in India in 2025.



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