

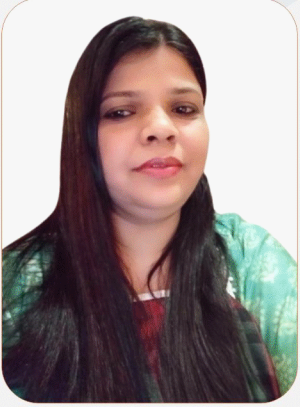


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Current Affairs Related to 24th February

- ◆ **The first Regional Dialogue on Social Justice will be held on 24-25 February 2025** at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi. The Ministry of Labour and Employment will host it in collaboration with the Confederation of Indian Industry and the Indian Employers Association. India is leading the first regional dialogue under the Global Alliance for Social Justice. More than 80 alliance partners from the Asia Pacific region will come together as part of this dialogue. ILO Director-General Gilbert F. Houngbo will be the keynote speaker. The first regional dialogue on social justice will also mark the 74th Foundation Day of the Employees' State Insurance Corporation.
- ◆ **The AI program has been launched by the Center to empower one lakh** young inventors. The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship National Skill Development Corporation and Intel India have launched AI Micro Learning Modules for Entrepreneurship. The program aims to encourage entrepreneurial thinking among young Indian entrepreneurs and clarify AI concepts. By 2025, it aims to equip one lakh youth with the skills required for a technologically advanced economy.
- ◆ **President Draupadi Murmu has appointed Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar** as the new Chief Election Commissioner. His tenure will be till 26 January 2029. He is the 26th Chief Election Commissioner of India. CEC Gyanesh Kumar is a former IAS officer. He is a 1998 batch officer of Kerala cadre. He was on the post of Secretary in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.
- ◆ **Odisha Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi has presented a state budget of Rs 2.90 lakh crore** for the financial year 2025-2026. The budget focuses on agriculture and irrigation. Rs 37,838 crore has been allocated for agriculture and allied sectors. This is an increase of about 12 percent compared to last year's budget. About 48% of Odisha's workforce depends on agriculture. 80% people live in rural areas.
- ◆ **Mutual Credit Guarantee Scheme for MSMEs was launched by the Center**, as announced in the Union Budget 2025-2026 to promote micro, small and medium enterprises. Under this scheme, MSMEs are provided collateral free loans up to Rs 100 crore for purchasing plant machinery or equipment.
- ◆ **The government approved the continuation of PM ASHA scheme till 2025-2026.** The objective of the integrated PM ASHA scheme is the effective implementation of procurement work. The government has allowed the purchase of tur, urad and lentils under the price support scheme. In Budget 2025, the government has also announced that the purchase of tur, urad, and lentils up to 100 percent of the state's production will be continued for the next four years.
- ◆ **French President Emmanuel Macron will host the emergency European summit** on Ukraine. Leaders of several European countries, including the Prime Minister of Britain, will attend the emergency summit on the Ukraine war. German Chancellor Olaf Scholz, Polish Prime Minister Donald Tusk, NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte, Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni and Ursula von der Leyen and Antonio Costa from the European Union will attend the summit.
- ◆ **Under the Deep Ocean Mission initiative, the Ministry of Earth Sciences** has tasked the National Institute of Ocean Technology to develop Matsya 6000, a fourth-generation deep-sea submersible under the Samudrayaan project. The trials are a significant step towards conducting shallow water trials up to a depth of 500 metres by the end of 2025. The state-of-the-art submersible with a diameter of 2.1 metres is designed for three-person operation. Matsya 6000 is a significant milestone in the country's ocean exploration capability.
- ◆ **In a major technological breakthrough, India has developed the world's largest** 10-tonne propellant mixer for solid rocket motors. ISRO's Satish Dhawan Space Centre has designed the mixer in collaboration with the Central Manufacturing Technology Institute in Bengaluru. The mixer weighs 150 tonnes and has a height of 8.7 m, length of 5.4 m and width of 3.3 m. It ensures accurate and safe mixing of the solid propellant material required for the rocket launch.
- ◆ **Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Shivraj Singh Chouhan inaugurated** the National Geospatial Knowledge Based Land Survey Pilot Programme of Urban Settlements. It will be launched in 152 urban local bodies of 26 states and 3 Union Territories in Raisen, Madhya Pradesh. The map programme will be implemented by the Department of Land Resources under the Ministry of Rural Development.

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National & International Current Affairs

1. Recently, which country will buy \$200 million Akash missile system from India?

- (A) Malaysia (B) Philippines
(C) Indonesia (D) Japan

(B) Recently, India is taking important steps in its ministry, and a \$200 million deal is being discussed to supply its Akash missile system to the Philippines. This deal, which is expected to expire in the current financial year, will strengthen India's presence in the global defense market and partnership with the Philippines, which is increasing its military strength.



2. Recently, the Prime Minister's Yoga Awards 2025 is being organized by which ministry?

- (A) Ministry of Sports (B) Ministry of Health
(C) Ministry of Finance (D) Ministry of AYUSH

(D) Recently, the Ministry of AYUSH has announced the opening of nominations for the prestigious Pradhan Mantri Yoga Awards for the 2025 edition of International Yoga Day. These awards recognize individuals and organizations who have made significant and sustained contributions to the promotion and development of yoga at the national and international levels.



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3. Who will host the emergency European summit on Ukraine recently?

- (A) Donald Tusk (B) Emmanuel Macron
(C) Olaf Scholz (D) None of these

(B) Recently French President Emmanuel Macron will host European leaders, including the British Prime Minister, for an emergency summit on the Ukraine war. This has been said after the statement of US officials in which they said that Europe will have no role in any talks to end the conflict.



4. Recently, which state is at the forefront of scientifically eliminating expired prescription drugs?

- (A) Kerala (B) Maharashtra
(C) Odisha (D) Karnataka

(A) Recently, an important step was taken towards sustainable sustainability and public health, Kerala is becoming the first state in India to scientifically eliminate domestically expired and unused drugs. Kerala Drug Control Department NPROUD was officially launched first.



5. Recently, Axis Bank has partnered with whom for data privacy compliance?

- (A) Privi (B) TCS
(C) Wipro (D) None of these

(A) Axis Bank, one of the largest private sector banks in India, has partnered with Privi by IDfy to become the first bank in India to implement compliance with the Digital Personal Data Protection Act 2023. This collaboration highlights the Bank's dedication to customer centricity, ethics, and transparency, ensuring that customer privacy remains a top priority.



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6. To which country has India recently sent the first sea consignment of pomegranates?

- (A) Russia (B) Brazil
(C) America (D) Australia

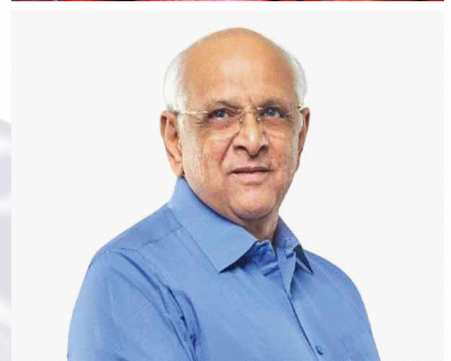
(D) India has sent the first commercial experimental consignment of pomegranates to Australia by sea route. At present, pomegranates are mainly exported by air due to low quantity and different ripening periods. The Commerce Ministry said that after Australia got market access for export of Indian pomegranates, an action plan and standard operating procedure for export was signed in February 2024.



7. Who has recently launched G-SAFAL for the upliftment of 50,000 underprivileged women?

- (A) Kerala (B) Andhra Pradesh
(C) Gujarat (D) Madhya Pradesh

(C) The Gujarat government has launched the G-Saphal scheme under the leadership of Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel. Which aims to empower economically weaker families, especially women, and promote self-reliance. This scheme will benefit 50000 Antyodaya Anna Yojana cardholder families in 25 talukas of 10 districts of Gujarat in the next five years.



8. How many lakh youth are targeted to be trained under the AI for Entrepreneurship initiative recently launched by the Government of India?

- (A) One (B) Three
(C) Five (D) Seven

(A) The Government of India has launched the AI for Entrepreneurship initiative in collaboration with Intel India, which aims to train 1 lakh youth in artificial intelligence and entrepreneurial skills by 2025. This program is part of a comprehensive strategy to enhance skill development in emerging technologies and promote innovation among young innovators across the country.



9. Recently, India and which country have signed MoU on strategic partnership?

- (A) Qatar (B) Yemen
(C) Oman (D) None of these

(A) Recently, India and Qatar signed the fifth agreement on certification and two on followers during the visit of Qatar's Emir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani to India. During this visit, both the countries agreed to extend their approval to the national level.



10. Where has India's first vertical bifacial solar plant been inaugurated recently?

- (A) Mumbai (B) Bengaluru
(C) New Delhi (D) Kolkata

(C) Recently, Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Manohar Lal DMRC inaugurated the country's first vertical bifacial solar power plant during a program organized at the Metro Bhawan, the headquarters of Qatar. This first of its kind elevated solar power plant has been installed on the elevated viaduct at Delhi Metro's Khyber Pass depot and will generate 1 MW of power.



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