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TODAY'S IMPORTANT CURRENT AFFAIRS BANKING

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IMPORTANT DAYS

National Safe Motherhood day is celebrated on April 11

- 1. The day is **celebrated to mark the birth anniversary of Kasturba Gandhi** who is the wife of Mahatma Gandhi and also to mark the day as a symbol of strength, simplicity and womanhood in Indian history.
- 2. The GoI officially declared April 11 as National Safe Motherhood day in 2003.

OBITUARY

Hari Dutt Kapri, former India basketball captain died

- 1. Former captain of the Indian team and Ace basketball player Hari Dutt Kapri passes away at the age of 83.
- 2. He was conferred with a lifetime achievement award by the Uttarakhand government.
- 3. He was also honored with the Arjuna award in 1969.



NATIONAL AFFAIRS

1. Ladakh celebrates Apricot blossom festival 2025

- ✓ Ladakh introduced the Apricot Blossom festival tw years ago on the inspiration of the Cherry Blossom festival of Meghalaya to boost eco-tourism.
- ✓ Ladakh is one of the biggest Apricot producers in the country.





2. Project Nilgiri Tahr (2022-2027)

- ✓ Kerala and TamilNadu will jointly conduct a Nilgiri Tahr census in April to mark 50 years of Eravikulam National Park.
- ✓ The project aims to conserve Tamilnadu's state animal through scientific surveys, radio telemetry and reintroduction into historical habitats.
- ✓ According to the recent survey, there are about 1229 Nilgiri Tahrs in Tamilnadu and around 827 in Kerala.

3. Ministry of Skill Development partnered with WEF(World Economic Forum) for 'India Skills Accelerator'

- ✓ The Accelerator aims to close the gaps through inclusive upskilling and reskilling.
- ✓ This initiative will function as a public-private colloboration platform to enable cross sectoral efforts for unlocking innovative ideas.

4. Global Technology Summit (GTS) 2025 to begin in New Delhi

- ✓ 9th edition of GTS 2025 will be held in New Delhi from 10th to 12th April.
- ✓ The theme of the summit was "Sambhavna Possibilities".

FINANCIAL NEWS

RBI cuts Repo rate for the second time

✓ The first bi-monthly monetary policy of the RBI



for 2025-26 held on 9th April 2025.

✓ The RBI has cut its policy Repo rate for the second time by 25 basis points (0.25%) to 6% from 6.25%.

SPORTS

Cricket in 2028 Olympics

- 1. Cricket returns to the Olympics after 128 yrs to participate at the 2028 Los Angeles Olympic games.
- 2. It was last played at the 1900 Paris Olympics.
- 3. The **T20** format will be used for both men's and women's tournaments at LA 2028.
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- 4. The organisers confirm six teams will participate in LA games.
- 5. The USA is expected to earn a direct qualification as the host nation.
- 6. Other newly added sports are,
 Baseball, Flag football, Squash and Lacrosse.

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