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## TODAY'S IMPORTANT CURRENT AFFAIRS BANKING

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#### **IMPORTANT DAYS**

#### **UN Global Road Safety Week**

- 1. The **8**<sup>th</sup> edition of UN Global Road Safety Week is being observed from May 12 to May 18, 2025.
- 2. The theme of the day is "#MakeWalkingSafe and #MakeCyclingSafe".
- 3. The WHO and its partners are organising the 8<sup>th</sup> edition of The UN Global Road Safety Week.

#### **NATIONAL AFFAIRS**

#### Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra join hands for

#### Tapti basin Mega Recharge project

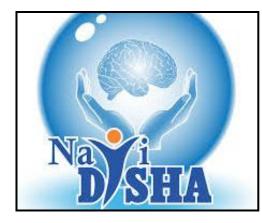
1. Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra signed an MoU jointly to implement the Tapti Basin Mega Recharge Project to mitigate water scarcity and improve irrigation across selected districts of both states.

2. The estimated cost of the project was Rs.19,244cr.





MP-Maharashtra to sign MoU for Tapti Basin Mega Recharge Project



# Delhi police launches 'Nayi Disha' to reintegrate school dropouts

The Delhi Police has launched a new initiative called **'Nayi Disha'**, a path back to learning to reintegrate school dropouts into the formal education system.

#### Bodh Kendra inaugurated at India habitat centre

Union Minister Manohar Lal inaugurated the 'Bharat Bodh Kendra' at the India Habitat Centre (IHC) in New Delhi.

#### Sarvam AI launches Bulbul - V2 with realistic Indian accents

1. Bengaluru based AI start-up Sarvam AI has launched its latest text-to-speech (TTS) model, **Bulbul - V2**.

2. It supports **11 Indian languages**, the model offers natural, human-like voices with authentic regional accents.

#### **Rajnath Singh launches BrahMos manufacturing facility in Lucknow**

**1.** Defence Minister Rajnath Singh virtually inaugurated the BrahMos supersonic cruise missile production facility at the Uttar Pradesh Defence Industrial Corridor in Lucknow.

2. It was built with an investment of Rs.300 cr and the unit aims to manufacture 80-100 BrahMos missiles annually.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

#### Justice Surya Kant appointed as NALSA

1. Justice Surya Kant, a sitting judge of the Supreme Court of India has been appointed as the new Executive Chairman of the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) by the President of India.

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#### **Executive Chairman**



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2. He succeeded Justice BR Gavai.

#### **SPORTS**

Deepika Kumari clinches bronze at Archery World Cup Stage 2

1. India's top archer Deepika Kumari secured a bronze medal at the Archery World Cup Stage 2 held in Shanghai by defeating Korea's Kang Chae Young

2. With this, India has the total medal tally of 6 medals.

#### Virat Kohli retires from Test Cricket

1. Legendary Indian Cricketer Virat Kohli has officially announced his retirement from Test Cricket .

2. He played 123 matches scoring an impressive 9230 runs at an average of 46.85.

3. With this, **Kohli retires as India's fourth highest run scorer in Test cricket** behind Sachin, Rahul Dravid and Sunil Gavaskar.

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