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TODAY'S IMPORTANT CURRENT AFFAIRS

BANKING

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IMPORTANT DAYS

United Nations Public Services day observed on June 23rd

1. The day was observed to honour the vital contributions of public servants and the public sector.



2. The **first official observance** and the inaugural UN Public Service Awards (UNPSA) ceremony **took place in 2003.**

3. The **theme** of the day was **“Five years to 2030: Accelerating Public Service Delivery for a Sustainable future”**

4. The 2025 United Nations Public Service forum will be hosted in **Samarkand, Uzbekistan from June 23rd to 25th, 2025.**

International day of Women in Diplomacy observed on June 24th

1. The day was declared by the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) in 2022.

2. The **theme** of the days is **“Eliminating Structural barriers to women’s leadership in Diplomacy”.**



NATIONAL AFFAIRS

Nitish Kumar announces 3X hike in Social Security Pensions

Bihar CM Nitish Kumar announced a near-threefold hike in pensions for elderly, widows and disabled under Bihar's Social Security Pension Scheme.

- 1. Monthly Pension increased from Rs.400 to Rs.1,100 per beneficiary.**
- 2. This will be effective from July 2025 and the payments will be transferred by the 10th every month.**
- 3. Total beneficiaries of this scheme will be 1,096 cr people.**
- 4. These beneficiaries will additionally receive free food grains under the PM Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana.**

Over 39,000 youths in Yadgir receive Rs.11.70 lakh

- 1. Under the Yuva Nidhi Scheme, Rs.11.70 lakh in unemployment allowances has been transferred to 39,132 youths in Yadgir district, Karnataka.**
- 2. The scheme offers Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) to eligible unemployed graduates and diploma holders.**
- 3. The youths who have completed degree and master's degree will receive Rs.3000/month.**
- 4. Diploma holders will receive Rs.1,500 per month.**
- 5. The allowance stops once the beneficiary secures a job.**

CM Yogi inaugurates Rs.7283 cr Gorakhpur link expressway

- 1. UP CM Yogi Adityanath inaugurated the 91.35 km Gorakhpur Link Expressway in Azamgarh.**
- 2. It is built at a cost of Rs,7,283 cr.**
- 3. It connects Azamgarh with Gorakhpur, Sant Kabir Nagar and Ambedkar Nagar districts.**

Indian Railways offers Rs.1cr accident compensation to employees

- 1. A new scheme was launched by the Indian Railways to provide Rs.1cr accident compensation to employees' families in case of accidental death.**
- 2. No insurance premium is required to avail this benefit.**

3. The employee's salary account must be registered as a salary package account with partner banks.

AWARDS & HONOURS

IPPB wins Digital Payments Award



1. India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) won the Digital Payments Award 2024-25.

2. The award was conferred by the Ministry of Finance.

3. It received a 'Special Mention' for its performance in FY 2023-24.

4. It ranked 1st among all Payments Banks in India in the Performance Index 2024-25.

BUSINESS NEWS

Bharti Space to invest Rs.313 cr in Eutelsat's satellite expansion

1. Bharti Space Ltd (India) will invest Rs.313 cr in French satellite company Eutelsat.

2. Bharti's stake in Eutelsat will drop from 24% to 18.7% (app) after dilution.

NPCI launches NACH 3.0 to enable faster salary, EMI and SIP

1. National Automated Clearing House (NACH) 3.0 is a major upgrade to improve speed, security, transparency and efficiency in recurring interbank transactions.

2. It is launched for faster processing of salaries, EMIs, Mutual fund SIPs, subscriptions, school fees, etc.,

Gold becomes world's second largest reserve

1. According to a European Central Bank (ECB) report, gold is now the 2nd largest global reserve asset by value after the US dollar.

2. In 2024 Gold held 19% of global official reserves and Euro held 16%.

3. The US dollar remained dominant at 47%

SPORTS

India launches logo and mascot 'Viraaj' for 2025 World Para Athletics Championships



1. The event will be held at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, New Delhi from September 27 to October 5, 2025.
2. This is the 12th edition of the championships and India is hosting for the first time.
3. The official Mascot is Viraaj, a young elephant with a blade prosthesis, symbolizing strength and resilience.
4. A total of 186 medal events will be contested during the championship.
5. Over 100 countries are expected to participate.

Bumrah becomes 1st Asian to claim 150 Test wickets



Jasprit Bumrah has become the 1st Asian bowler to take 150 test wickets in SENA countries (South Africa, England, New Zealand and Australia)

Pant becomes 1st Indian keeper to hit centuries in both test innings

1. Pant became the 2nd wicketkeeper to score centuries in both innings of a Test match.
2. He was the 1st **Indian batter** to score hundreds in both innings of a Test in England.
3. The **first wicketkeeper to score centuries was Andy Flower.**



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