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# TODAY'S IMPORTANT CURRENT AFFAIRS BANKING

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# NATIONAL AFFAIRS

### Goa govt starts RoRo ferry service on Mandovi river

# **1.** Goa has launched India's first Roll-on/Roll-off (RoRo) ferry service on the Mandovi river.

# 2. Two new RoRo ferries are Gangotri and Dwarka.

3. These ferries will replace old boats significantly reducing travel time for commuters & tourists.

- 4. The project has been implemented at zero cost to the Goa government.
- 5. Each ferry can carry 100 passengers, 15 cars and 30-40 two wheelers.

# India's second longest cable stayed bridge opens in Shivamogga



 Union Minister Nitin Gadkari inaugurated the Sigandur cable-stayed bridge across the Sharavathi backwaters in Shivamogga district, Karnataka.
The bridge spans 2.44 km in length and 16 m in width.

- **3.** The bridge connects Sagara and Marakutika and was **built at a cost of over Rs.470 cr.**
- 4. It is now India's second longest cable-stayed bridge.

### Himachal launches My Deed NGDRS pilot project

1. Himachal Pradesh launched the 'My Deed' NGDRS pilot project to digitize land registration processes.

2. The NGDRS allows citizens to apply for land registration online anytime, anywhere.

3. The initiative was spearheaded by CM Thakur Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu.

#### Hemanta Sarma launch India's first aqua tech park in Assam

1. Assam CM Himanta Biswa Sarma inaugurated India's first Aqua Tech Park at Sonapur near Guwahati.

**2.** It is a joint initiative by NGO Kolong Kopili in colloboration with NABARD, ICAR-CIFA.



3. The Assam govt. has launched 10 fishery cluster development projects in 2025 with an outlay of Rs.8 cr.

#### **BUSINESS NEWS**

#### Services exports cut India's trade deficit by 9.4% in Q1

1. India's overall trade deficit contracted 9.4% to \$20.3 billion in the first quarter Q1 of the current financial year driving nearly 11% growth in services exports.

2. The data was released by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry which showed that India's overall exports grew to \$210.3 billion in the April-June quarter up from \$198.5 billion in the corresponding period of the previous financial year.

3. India's total exports stood at an all-time high of \$825 billion in the financial year 2024-25.

4. India's total imports grew 4.4% in Q1 of this financial year to \$230.6 billion with merchandise imports growing 4.2% & services imports growing 4.9% during this period.

# <u>APPOINTMENTS</u> Sanjay appointed as CEO of GIFT city



1. A 2001-batch IAS officer of the Kerala Cadre Sanjay Kaul has ben appointed as the MD & CEO of GIFT city company Ltd, Gandhinagar.

2. He will serve in this position on deputation for three years or until further orders.

3. He is currently serving as a Joint Secretary in the Union Ministry of Culture.

4. The current MD & CEO is Tappan Ray.

# Sabyasachi appoints Manish Chopra as CEO

- 1. Manish Chopra has been appointed as the CEO of Sabyasachi Couture.
- 2. Sabyasachi Couture is a majority owned (51%) by the Aditya Birla Group.
- **3.** He previously led Shein India operations and held Senior roles at Meta.



# **SPORTS**

# Jannik Sinner won first Wimbledon title



1. Jannik Sinner of Italy defeated Carlos Alcaraz of first Wimbledon title which held in All England Club in London.

2. This is Sinner's first Wimbledon title.

3. He has now reached four consecutive Grand Slam finals winning the US Open 2024, Australian Open 2025 and Wimbledon 2025.

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