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TODAY'S IMPORTANT CURRENT AFFAIRS

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IMPORTANT DAYS

World Animal Day 2025



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Save Animals, Save the Planet*

- 1. World Animal Day (WAD) or Animal Lovers Day is annually observed across the globe October 4 to highlight the importance of animals and raise awareness of their welfare.**
- 2. This year 2025 marks the 100th anniversary of WAD since its first observance in 1925.**
- 3. The theme of the year is “Save Animals, Save the Planet”.**
- 4. First observed on 24 March 1925 in Berlin, Germany.**

World Space Week 2025



1. The United Nations (UN)'s World Space Week (WSW) is annually observed across the globe from 4th to 10th of October.

2. It is observed to promote global unity and highlights the collaboration between space technology and climate science.

3. The theme of the day is "Living in Space".

4. The first-ever WSW was observed from October 4–10, 2000.

National Wildlife Week 2025

1. The National Wildlife Week is annually observed across India from 2nd to 8th of October every year to raise awareness about the importance of wildlife conservation and protect India's rich biodiversity.



2. The theme of the day is "Sewa Parv".

3. This year marks the observance of the 71st National Wildlife Week in India.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS

Maharashtra Gov Announces Navi Mumbai Airport Renamed After DB Patil

1. Maharashtra CM Devendra Fadnavis announced that the new Navi Mumbai International Airport will be officially named Loknete Dinkar Balu (DB) Patil Navi Mumbai International Airport.

2. Other Pending Approvals are Pune Airport is proposed to be named after Jagadguru Sant Tukaram, and Aurangabad Airport after Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj.

TN Govt Partners with Borussia Dortmund to Launch India's First Sports Tech Incubation Centre

1. Government of Tamil Nadu (TN) announced the partnership with Borussia

Dortmund, a German Football club, to establish India's first dedicated sports-technology incubation centre in TN.

2. TN also planned to establish a space-tech incubation centre at Anna University(Chennai, TN) and set up a dedicated space-tech startup hub in Thoothukudi.

Thomas Cook India Signs MoU with Ministry of Tourism for Traveller Feedback

1. Thomas Cook (India) Limited (TCIL), signed a MoU with the Ministry of Tourism (MoT), Government of India (GoI), **to collect real-time traveller feedback to evaluate India's destination performance.**

2. The MoU is valid for an **initial period of three years.**

Chhattisgarh's Balod Becomes India's First Child Marriage-Free District

1. **Balod** district in Chhattisgarh was declared **India's first Child Marriage-Free district** by the state government, after achieving zero reported child marriage cases across all 436 gram panchayats and 9 urban local bodies.

2. **The achievement is part of the "Child Marriage-Free India" campaign,** initiated by the Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi on August 27, 2024, aimed at eliminating child marriage across India.

3. The 436-gram panchayats and 9 urban bodies Balod has been certified child-marriage free.

Maharashtra Government Launches E-Bond system for Import and Export Transactions

1. The Government of Maharashtra launched an Electronic Bond (E-Bond) system for high-value import and export transactions, replacing the

traditional paper-based stamp bonds. With this, Maharashtra became the 16th state in India to adopt the digital system.

2. Drastically reduces processing times and simplifies procedures, **eliminating the need for physical Rs. 500 stamp papers.**
3. **The initiative aligns with central government's 'Ekal Anubandh' digital initiative and the broader vision of 'Viksit Bharat'.**

BANKING & FINANCE

RBI Imposes Penalties on American Express Banking Corp and HDB Financial Services

1. **RBI imposed penalties on two financial entities named American Express Banking Corporation and HDB Financial Services, for non-compliance with regulatory directives.**
2. **The RBI imposed a fine of Rs. 31.80 lakh on American Express Banking Corporation.**
3. The fine was imposed for failing to return credit balances to certain cardholders from refunds or failed transactions.
4. **HDB Financial Services was fined Rs.4.2 lakh** for not adhering to the 'Know Your Customer (KYC) Directions, 2016'.
5. The RBI's inspection identified that the company failed to obtain the PAN or equivalent e-document, or Form No. 60, for certain loan accounts disbursed during the fiscal year 2023-24.

Zomato and HDFC Pension Launch NPS Model for Delivery Partners

1. **Zomato in collaboration with HDFC Pension Management Company Limited, launched the National Pension System (NPS) Platform Workers Model under the supervision of the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA).**
2. The model uses digital Know Your Customer (KYC/eKYC) for smooth registration, allowing gig workers to complete signup with minimal paperwork.

3. The initiative aims to provide structured retirement planning for gig-based delivery partners and integrate them into the formal financial system.
4. **The model ensures portability of pension accounts**, allowing delivery partners to retain benefits even when shifting jobs or platforms.
5. It covered within the first 72 hours, over 30,000 delivery partners generated their Permanent Retirement Account Numbers (PRANs).
6. **Zomato targets to onboard more than 1,00,000 partners by December 2025.**

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