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TODAY'S IMPORTANT CURRENT AFFAIRS

BANKING

IMPORTANT DAYS

World Day Against Death Penalty 2025



- 1. The World Day Against the Death Penalty, observed every year across the world on October 10 to raise awareness about capital punishment and advocate for its abolition worldwide.
- 2. The day is celebrated under the theme of "The Death Penalty Protects No One: Abolish it Now."
- 3. It was first observed on October 10, 2003.
- 4. This year marks the marks the 23rd observance of the World Day Against the Death Penalty.

Date: 13.10.2025

World Egg Day 2025



- 1. World Egg Day (WED) is annually observed across the globe on the 2nd Friday of October to promote the nutritional benefits of eggs as a rich source of protein and essential nutrients.
 - 2. The theme of the day is "Mighty Egg Packed with Natural Nutrition".
- 3. World Egg Day was initiated by the International Egg Commission (IEC) (now World Egg Organisation, WEO).
- 4. The inaugural World Egg Day was observed on 11 October 1996.

International Day of the Girl Child 2025

1. The United Nations (UN's) International Day of the Girl Child (IDGC) is annually observed globally on October 11 to highlight the challenges girls face and promote their empowerment and human rights.



- 2. The theme of the day is "The girl I am, the change I lead: Girls on the frontlines of crisis".
 - 3. The day was first Observed in 11 October 2012

NATIONAL AFFAIRS

IISc and IIT Madras joined GBA for Water Security and Resilience Project

1. The Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) announced a collaboration with Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru(Karnataka) and the Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT-M) for World Bank funded Bengaluru Water Security and Resilience Project.

- 2. The project is expected to be modelled on IISc's Urban Flood model for Bengaluru, with crucial modifications to align with GBA's objectives.
- 3. It will be implemented by a special-purpose vehicle called Bengaluru Smart Infrastructure Limited.

NITI Aayog Releases "Roadmap for Job Creation in the AI Economy"

- 1. B.V.R. Subrahmanyam, CEO of NITI Aayog released a "Roadmap for Job Creation in the AI (Artificial Intelligence) Economy", to transform India into a global hub for AI talent.
- 2. It examines how AI is reshaping the tech services industry through the lens of work, worker, and workforce.
- 3. The Roadmap was developed by NITI Aayog's Frontier Tech Hub, in collaboration with NASSCOM(National Association of Software and Service Companies) and BCG(Boston Consulting Group).
- 4. The purpose is to enhance opportunities, ensure quality-based pricing, improve transparency and reduce middlemen and boost their bargaining power.
- 5. The roadmap highlights AI's impact on work and workforce, noting potential job losses by 2031 but forecasting up to 4 million new AI-driven jobs in the next five years.

NeGD Signs MoU with Bharat Taxi to provide Technical Support

1. The National e-Governance Division (NeGD), Digital India Corporation, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY), signed a MoU with Sahakar Taxi Cooperative Limited with the brand name Bharat Taxi, a pioneering cooperative-driven national ride-hailing initiative.

India Water & Rivers Forum 2025

1. CSRBOX and The Godavari Initiative (TGI) jointly organised the inaugural edition of the India Water & Rivers Forum 2025 in New Delhi to catalyze collective action for water security and advance corporate

water stewardship in India.

2. The **2nd edition** of the India Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Outlook Report 2025, published by CSRBOX, was launched to provide a comprehensive analysis of India's ESG landscape, highlighting key trends, gaps, and opportunities for sustainable business transformation.

MNRE Recognised Three Major Ports as Green Hydrogen Hubs

- 1. Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) officially recognised three major ports, Deendayal Port Authority (Gujarat), V.O. Chidambaranar Port Authority (Tamil Nadu), and Paradip Port Authority (Odisha) as Green Hydrogen Hubs under the National Green Hydrogen Mission (NGHM).
- 2. The objective is to promote green hydrogen production, utilisation, and export and to foster sustainable maritime logistics
- 3. Supports India's net-zero emissions target by 2070 under the NGHM.
- 4. Projects in these zones eligible for benefits under Central and State Government schemes, facilitating access to infrastructure, approvals, and financial incentives.

BANKING & FINANCE

Bol Signs a MoU with BSF to Boost Financial Benefits under the Rakshak Salary Package

- 1. The Bank of India (BoI), signed a MoU with the Border Security Force (BSF) under the Rakshak Salary Package to enhance financial benefits for BSF Personnel and Veterans.
- 2. Complimentary coverage up to Rs.1 crore Air Accident Coverage Up to Rs.2 crore.
- 3. Benefits are attractive deals on Debit and Credit Cards.
- 4. Additional value-added benefits to ensure greater financial security for BSF members.

CotoPay Launches India's First Business-Focused e-RUPI Voucher Issuance Platform

- 1. CotoPay, a brand of Cotodel Technologies Private Limited, powered by the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), has launched the first business-specific e-RUPI(Digital e-rupee) voucher issuance platform to onboard businesses to manage their expenses by leveraging the existing Unified Payments Interface(UPI) ecosystem.
- 2. The platform removes the requirement for individual Know Your Customer (KYC) processes, making onboarding quick and hassle-free.

Sachin Tendulkar Launches Sportswear Brand 'TEN x YOU'

1. Former Indian cricketer and Bharat Ratna Sachin Tendulkar launched his first sportswear and athleisure brand "TEN x You", to promote fitness and sports in India.

APPOINTMENTS

Rajeev Juneja Appointed as President of PHDCCI



- 1. Rajeev Juneja, Vice Chairman & Managing Director (MD) of Mankind Pharma Limited., assumed charge as the President of PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI) for the period 2025–26.
- 2. **He succeeds Hemant Jain,** MD of KLJ Group of Companies.
- 3. Gautam Adani, founder and chairman of Adani Group, has again ranked at 2nd position on the list, with total wealth of USD 92 billion.
- 4. **He is followed by Savitri Jindal**, the matriarch of OP Jindal Group, has also reclaimed **3rd spot** on the list with net worth of USD 40.2 billion.

Sebastian Lecornu Re-Appointed as New PM of France



- 1. French President Emmanuel Macron has reappointed Sebastien Lecornu as the new Prime Minister of France.
 - 2. He succeeds François Bayrou.

Taken by Ms. A. Natchal

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