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Weekly Current Affairs – 05th - 11th Aug' 2025

National affairs

1. Uttar Pradesh's Lucknow Gomtinagar station has been recognized as India's first private railway station. The private company has signed a nine-year agreement with the Rail Land Development Authority (RLDA).
2. Satnashri village in Maharashtra's Nagpur district is set to become India's 1st Smart Intelligent Village. This will improve everyday rural life with cutting-edge technologies such as drone-assisted farming and smart irrigation systems, mobile banking, digitalized schools and advanced surveillance systems.
3. India's first 1 MW Green Hydrogen Plant has been commissioned at Kandala port in Gujarat.
4. Indian Navy to buy Compact Autonomous Surface Craft, Brahmos Fire Control System and Launcher and an upgraded Barak-1 Point Defense Missile System from Israel.
5. Grassland bird census begins for the first time in Assam's Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve.
6. India receives 16 Airbus C-295 Military Transport Aircrafts from Spain.
7. Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis inaugurated India's first AI-powered Anganwadi Centre in Nagpur. The Anganwadi centres have been equipped with interactive smart boards, VR headsets and tablets as well as gamified educational content.
8. Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the M. S. Swaminathan Centenary International Conference 2025.
9. Indian Army Research Cell 'Agnisodh' at IIT Madras was inaugurated by Indian Army Chief General Upendra Dwivedi. It aims to transform academic research into defence-ready technology. It will help enhance the capabilities of military personnel in emerging areas including additive manufacturing, cyber security, quantum computing, wireless communications and unmanned aerial systems.
10. Union External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar inaugurated the first ever BIMSTEC Traditional Music Festival in New Delhi.
11. India signed 9 MoUs with the Philippines to strengthen strategic partnership in multiple areas. The agreements were signed in the presence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Philippine President Ferdinand Romualdez Marcos Jr. in the areas of Strategic Partnership, Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, Defence, Science and Technology, Digital Technology, Space, Maritime Cooperation, Tourism and Cultural Exchange.
12. The Union Ministry of AYUSH, in collaboration with the World Health Organization (WHO), organized a three-day WHO-International Regulatory Cooperation for Herbal Medicines (IRCH) Workshop in Ghaziabad from August 6 to 8, 2025.
13. NITI Aayog recently launched the India Electric Mobility Index (IEMI). The India Electric Mobility Index (IEMI) is a first-of-its-kind tool to track and rank states and union territories (UTs) on their progress in electric mobility. It assesses all states and union territories out of 100 on 16 indicators under 3 key themes.
14. India and Russia reaffirmed their strategic partnership at the 11th session of the India-Russia Working Group on Modernization and Industrial Cooperation and signed a key protocol to enhance cooperation in various sectors including aluminium, fertilisers, railways and mining technology.
15. Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Dutt Bhawan in New Delhi. It is the new Secretariat building built as part of the Central Vista Redevelopment Project.
16. The Zoological Survey of India (ZSI) has discovered a new marine nematode species in Odisha's Chilka Lake.
17. Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal unveiled Digital Maritime Initiatives at the IT Conclave 2025.

International affairs

1. China has developed the HQ-16 Surface-to-Air Missile (SAM) System.
2. Moldova is the 107th member of the International Solar Alliance. [The headquarters of the International Solar Alliance (ISA) is located in Gurugram, Haryana, India. India and France jointly formed the ISA during the COP21 climate conference held in Paris in 2015.]
3. Australia will ban children under the age of 16 from creating YouTube accounts.
4. Russia has developed an Intercontinental Ballistic Missile (ICBM) called 'RS-28 Sarmat'. [ICBMs are long-range ballistic missiles, typically with a range of more than 5,500 kilometers (3,400 miles), designed to carry nuclear or conventional warheads.]
5. Israel signs \$35 Billion Natural Gas Export Deal with Egypt.
6. Bangladesh has released its first National Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI) in a joint initiative of UNICEF and the European Union (EU).
7. Recently, Kabak Yano from Arunachal Pradesh successfully climbed Mount Kilimanjaro, the highest peak in Africa.
8. Illinois became the first US state to ban AI therapy.
9. Armenia and Azerbaijan recently signed a peace agreement at the White House. This peace agreement was signed to end the 37-year-old Nagorno-Karabakh conflict.

Appointment

1. PB Balaji has been appointed as the CEO of Jaguar Land Rover. He is the first Indian to be appointed to this position. He was previously the Chief Financial Officer of Tata Motors.
2. Rajiv Anand has been appointed as the MD and CEO of IndusInd Bank.
3. IAS officer Pratyay Amrit has been appointed as the new Chief Secretary of Bihar.

Award

1. Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari has been awarded the 43rd Lokmanya Tilak National Award.

Day/Theme

1. Hiroshima Day is observed on August 6 and Nagasaki Day is observed on August 9. (On August 6, 1945, the United States Air Force dropped a nuclear bomb named "Little Boy" on the city of Hiroshima, Japan, and on August 9, the nuclear bomb named "Fat Man" was dropped on the city of Nagasaki).
2. The 11th National Loom Day will be observed on August 7.
3. World Indigenous Peoples Day is observed on August 9; 2025 theme- "Indigenous Peoples and AI: Defending Rights, Shaping Futures".
4. World Lion Day is observed on August 10. World Lion Day was started in 2014, with the aim of conserving lions and protecting their natural ecosystem, and raising awareness. (Project Lion was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on August 15, 2020).

Sports

1. Indian cricketer Shubman Gill has been named the best male cricketer of the month for July (2025) and England cricketer Sophia Dunkley has been named the best female cricketer of the month for July (2025) by the International Cricket Council (ICC).
2. Magnus Carlsen won the 1st Chess Esports World Cup title.

3. The Indian men's and women's teams have qualified for the London 2026 World Table Tennis Championships (WTTC).
4. British racing driver Lando Norris won the 2025 Hungarian Grand Prix.
5. The Asia Rugby Under-20 (Sevens) Championship 2025 was held in Rajgir, Bihar from 9-10 August. The mascot of this championship is named 'Ashoka' (a rabbit). 9 countries participated in this competition. The Indian women's team won the bronze medal.
6. The All India Football Federation (AIFF) and the Telangana government launched India's first FIFA Talent Academy for women at the Gachibowli Stadium Complex in Hyderabad.
7. The 12th World Games 2025 will be held in Chengdu, China from August 13-17. A 17-member team will represent India in this competition.
8. Indian athlete Ammu Rani won the gold medal with a javelin throw of 62.59 meters at the International Wieslaw Maniak Memorial 2025 held in Poland.

Project/ Services

1. The Union Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas has launched the 'Apna Ghar' initiative to provide safe and healthy resting places for truck drivers.
2. Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu launched the Annadata Sukhibhava-PM KISAN Scheme.
3. Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin released the State Policy 2025 to ensure and support the rights of the transgender community.
4. The Odisha government has launched the 'Shaktishree' programme to ensure the safety of girl students in higher education institutions as a "transformative empowerment and self-defence initiative". The scheme covers 16 state universities and 730 government and aided colleges.
5. Union Minister for Women and Child Development Annapurna Devi inaugurated the 'SheLeads II' programme in New Delhi.

Trade & Finance

1. AU Small Finance Bank gets approval to become India's first Small Finance Bank as Universal Bank.
2. DSP Mutual Fund launches India's first Flexi Cap Index Fund.
3. India surpasses Japan to become world's fifth largest aviation market.
4. IRDAI fines Policybazaar Rs 5 crore for misleading insurance advertising.[IRDAI is the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India, an autonomous statutory body established in 1999 to regulate and develop the Indian insurance sector.]
5. Indian company Dhruva Space is launching its first commercial mission called "LEAP-1" with SpaceX's Falcon 9.
6. IDFC FIRST Bank has launched a digital platform called 'RemitFIRST2India' to help NRIs send money to their families in India in a fast and secure way.
7. TATA AIA Life Insurance Co. Ltd. has launched a women-centric insurance plan called "Shubh Shakti".
8. Federation of Indian Export Organizations (FIEO) has signed an MOU with Amazon India to increase MSME exports through e-commerce platform.

App/Portal

1. IIT Palakkad has launched India's first AI-powered Learning App called 'Tutoz'. This innovative educational app is specially designed to help students preparing for challenging national level entrance exams like Joint Entrance Examination (JEE), National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET) and Common Admission Test (CAT).

Miscellaneous

1. India ranks second globally in fish production.
2. The world's rarest blood group, 'CRIB', has been identified in a 38-year-old woman from Kolar district in Karnataka. This blood group falls under the Cromer blood group system. It is named as Cromer system (CR), India (I), Bengaluru (B). It is characterised by the absence of a high-affinity antigen in the blood that is normally present in most individuals. This absence makes it extremely rare, with the Bengaluru woman being the only person in the world to have this blood group.
3. India ranks third globally in organ transplants; America and China are first and second respectively.
4. Prime Minister Narendra Modi's 'Pariksha Pe Charcha 2025' initiative has set a Guinness World Record with over 3.53 crore registrations.
5. Singapore ranks first in the 2025 Global Artificial Intelligence City Index. Bengaluru tops the list of Indian cities; Bengaluru ranks 26th globally.
6. Researchers at Mizoram University have discovered a new species of rain snake called Smithophis Leptofasciatus.
7. Jensen Huang, CEO and President of NVIDIA, tops the Fortune 100 Most Powerful People in Business list; Satya Nadella, Chairman and CEO of Microsoft, is second, while Mukesh Ambani, the chairman of Reliance Group, is at 56th.
8. The World Health Organization (WHO) has classified Hepatitis D virus as a carcinogen.
9. Mangalore has been ranked 49th globally and top in India in the list of the safest cities in the world.
10. Zomato (online food delivery company) has appointed Bollywood actor Shah Rukh Khan as its new brand ambassador.

Obituary

1. Former Jharkhand Chief Minister Shibu Soren passed away recently at the age of 81. He was a Rajya Sabha member from Jharkhand and a leader of the Jharkhand Mukti Morcha party. He served as the Chief Minister of Jharkhand three times.
2. Myanmar's Acting President U Myint Swe passed away recently at the age of 78.