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**Weekly Current Affairs – 01<sup>st</sup>– 07<sup>th</sup> Sept' 2025**

## National affairs

1. Union Minister Jitendra Singh launched India's first National Biofoundry Network. The National Biofoundry Network is a national-level platform with six objectives (Advanced Bioproduction, Synthetic Biology, Gene Editing, Climate-Smart Agriculture, Green Biotechnology, Leading Biotechnology). It is designed to transform biotechnology research into market-ready solutions, fostering innovation. It will act as a one-stop ecosystem for design, testing, prototyping and scaling of biotechnology products.
2. Union Minister Shri Ashwini Vaishnav inaugurated India's first Tempered Glass Manufacturing Facility in Noida. The factory will be owned and operated by Optimus Infracom.
3. The Union Ministry of Defence signed an MoU with the Quality Council of India (QCI) to improve the delivery of pension, healthcare, rehabilitation and welfare services to veterans. Currently, there are over 6.3 million veterans in India. Also under this MoU, QCI will assist the Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare (DESW) in providing digital assessments, impact assessments and evidence-based policy recommendations.
4. A total of over 700 personnel from the Indian Army, Indian Navy and Indian Air Force will participate in 'Exercise Bright Star 2025' to be held in Egypt from 28 August to 10 September. Exercise Bright Star is a multilateral exercise jointly organized by Egypt and the United States.
5. India signed an MoU with the Philippines to enhance joint cooperation in Electronics, Space and Satellite Communication technologies.
6. India signed an MoU with Bhutan for technical cooperation in the agricultural sector.
7. Minister of State for Defence Sanjay Seth inaugurated the MILMEDICON-2025: "International Conference on Physical and Mental Trauma in Military Settings" organized by the Medical Corps in New Delhi. The conference will focus on innovations, challenges and reforms in the field of military medicine worldwide.
8. OpenAI appoints Raghav Gupta to lead education in India and Asia Pacific. ChatGPT-maker AI company OpenAI plans to open its first Indian office in New Delhi. OpenAI is launching India-specific programs, including a learning accelerator with IIT Madras, AICTE and the Ministry of Education.
9. Air India Express becomes the fourth Indian airline to join the International Air Transport Association (IATA).
10. Gujarat to host 70th Filmfare Awards 2025.
11. India's first Semiconductor OSAT Pilot Line Facility inaugurated in Gujarat.
12. 14th joint military exercise MAITREE between India and Thailand is being conducted in Meghalaya.
13. Indian Army conducts first-ever Exercise Aarogya Setu in Assam. Aarogya Setu exercise is India's first integrated civil-military medical exercise. The exercise was conducted by the Indian Army in Assam to improve cooperation between the Army's medical corps and civilian healthcare in disaster and war situations.
14. The Indian Army's Spear Corps and the Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) conducted a joint firepower exercise called 'Achook Prahar' in Arunachal Pradesh. The four-day exercise will be conducted in a simulated battlefield scenario.
15. Maharashtra tops the State Energy Efficiency Index (SEEI) 2024 released by the Union Power Ministry.
16. The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has launched India's first Multi-Lane Free Flow (MLFF) Tolling System in Gujarat. [MLFF is a seamless method of toll collection, allowing vehicles to collect tolls on highways without stopping, using a combination of FASTag technology, Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) cameras and RFID readers.]

17. As per the data released in August 2025, Delhi ranks first in E-Bus Adoption; Maharashtra and Karnataka are in second and third place respectively. Odisha is in first place in the Eastern Zone and fifth place in India. West Bengal is in sixth place in the country. The number of e-buses currently running in West Bengal is 391.
18. India has signed a Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) with Japan to strengthen cooperation in the key minerals sector. Both sides will exchange information on mineral resources and policies, regulations, auctions, sustainable deep sea mining, extraction, processing, reserves of key minerals and possible joint development of key mineral projects. The two countries will work on the current status of Union Minister for Coal and Mines of India, G Kishan Reddy.
19. Union Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurated India's largest Aero Engine Test Bed in Noida, Uttar Pradesh. This bed is used for development, characterization and testing of aircraft engines. This Aero Engine Test Bed meets the requirements of performance, safety and certification.
20. The Indian Army conducted an exercise called 'Yudh Kaushal 3.0' in Arunachal Pradesh.
21. According to the NARI 2025 report, Kohima is ranked first in India as the safest city for women, while Gangtok is ranked fifth. Patna, Jaipur, Faridabad, Delhi, Kolkata, Srinagar and Ranchi are at the bottom of the list.
22. According to the recently released National Statistics Office (NSO) report, India's GDP growth rate is 7.8%. (In the first quarter of the financial year 2025-26, the services and construction.

#### International affairs

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#### Award

1. Educate Girls became the first Indian NGO to win the 68th Ramon Magsaysay Award 2025. Other 2025 winners include - Shahina Ali of Maldives and Flaviano Antonio L. Villanueva of the Philippines (for environmental work). [Foundation to Educate Girls Globally is an Indian non-profit organization established in Rajasthan in 2007 to promote girls' education in rural and educationally disadvantaged areas of India.]

#### Day/Theme

1. Police Day is observed in West Bengal on 1st September.
2. National Nutrition Week is observed from 1st to 7th September; 2025 theme is- "Eat Right for a Better Life".

3. National Teachers' Day is observed on 5th September. 2025 theme- Inspiring the Next Generation of Learners. (This day has been observed since 1962 to mark the birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan.)

### **Sports**

1. Animesh Kujur becomes first Indian male sprinter to qualify for World Athletics Championships.
2. Dharambir and Preeti Pal to carry India's flag at World Para Athletics Championships 2025.
3. Indian athlete Ajaya Babu Valluri wins gold at Commonwealth Weightlifting Championships 2025.
4. India wins 2025 SAFF U17 Women's Championship by defeating Nepal 5-0.
5. World Boxing Championships 2025 begins in Liverpool, England.
6. ICC partners with Google to boost Women's Cricket Fan Engagement.
7. Indian pair Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Sethi win bronze medals at Badminton World Federation (BWF) World Championships 2025.
8. India tops the medal tally at 16th Asian Shooting Championship 2025 with 99 medals. India has won 50 gold, 26 silver and 23 bronze medals.
9. Australian car racing driver Oscar Piastri won the 2025 Dutch Grand Prix.
10. Australian bowler Mitchell Starc recently announced his retirement from T20 international cricket.
11. The International Cricket Council (ICC) has announced a prize money of \$4.48 million for the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 to encourage women's cricket worldwide. The tournament is being jointly hosted by India and Sri Lanka from 30 September to 02 November 2025.
12. The 30th Badminton World Championships 2026 will be held in New Delhi. (Previously, India hosted the tournament in 2009).

### **Project/ Services**

1. Chief Minister Rekha Gupta has re-launched the 'U-Special' bus service for college students in Delhi. Under this project, 25 electric buses will serve 67 educational institutions on different routes.
2. The Bihar cabinet has approved the 'Mukhya Mantri Mahila Rozgar Yojana'. Its objective is to promote self-reliance and self-employment by providing financial assistance to women.

### **Trade & Finance**

1. Total GST collection in August 2025 was Rs 1.86 lakh crore.
2. India is expected to become the world's second largest economy in terms of Purchasing Power Parity (PPP) by 2038 and the Indian economy is expected to reach USD 20.7 trillion (PPP) by 2030. According to a report published by Economy Watch in August 2025, India's GDP will be USD 34.2 trillion, overtaking that of the United States.
3. Unity Bank and BharatPe have launched India's first EMI-Based Credit Card. The card allows users to pay for purchases in full or convert them into affordable Equated Monthly Installments (EMI) and offers lifetime fee-free usage and the ability to use UPI for payments to vendors.
4. Punjab National Bank (PNB) has opened its first Startup Branch in New Delhi. The branch will offer specialized financial products, loan schemes and advisory support and will provide financial support by connecting startups to a curated list through partnership with Software Technology Parks of India (STPI).
5. RBI has imposed a penalty of Rs 44.7 lakh on Bandhan Bank for failing to capture audit trail for manual backend account data manipulation, wrongly paying commission to employees and violating RBI instructions.
6. India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) celebrated its 8th Foundation Day on 01 September 2025. India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) was established in 2018 with 100% equity of the Government of India under the Department of Posts, Ministry of Communications.

### **App/Portal**

1. The Agriculture and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) has launched its new initiative, BHARATI, to boost India's agri-food exports. Bharti is designed to support 100 agri-food startups, foster innovation and boost exports to \$50 billion by 2030.
2. The Union Ministry of Tribal Affairs has launched the country's first AI-powered Translator, Adi Vaani. Adi Vaani is an artificial intelligence-based translation tool that will serve as the basis for a large language model for tribal languages. It has been launched with an aim to digitize, preserve and revitalize tribal languages. As per the 2011 census, there are 461 tribal languages and 71 distinct tribal mother tongues spoken by Scheduled Tribes in India.

### **Miscellaneous**

1. India is ranked 115th in the Global Peace Index 2025 recently released by the Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP); Iceland tops the list. Ireland and New Zealand are at second and third place. Singapore is the safest country in Asia and sixth globally.
2. India has achieved 52 GW of wind power. Gujarat tops the list with 14,081 MW of electricity generation. Tamil Nadu is at second place (11,851 MW) and Karnataka is at third place (7,760 MW).
3. Reliance will build the Dhirubhai Ambani Giga Energy Complex in Jamnagar, Gujarat. Spread over an area of 44 million sq ft, the project is three times the size of Singapore.
4. India Post partners with MapmyIndia to implement DIGIPIN.
5. Cognizant CEO Ravi Kumar S. makes it to the 2025 TIME 100 AI list. This is an annual list of 100 influential people in the field of artificial intelligence.