



**Bal Bharati**  
PUBLIC SCHOOL  
Pitampura

## ANNUAL

### CURRENT AFFAIRS

#### VI-IX

#### NATIONAL NEWS

##### 1. Council of Ministers

- Minister of Road Transport and Highways: Mr. Nitin Jairam Gadkari
- Minister of Health and Family Welfare: Mr. Jagat Prakash Nadda
- Minister of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare: Mr. Shivraj Singh Chouhan
- Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change: Mr. Bhupender Yadav
- Minister of Education: Mr. Dharmendra Pradhan
- Minister of Law and Justice: Mr. Arjun Ram Meghwal
- Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas: Mr. Hardeep Singh Puri
- Minister of Commerce and Industry: Mr. Piyush Goyal

2. **Golden Line (Aerocity to Tughlakabad):** A new metro line was inaugurated in Delhi to improve urban connectivity and reduce traffic congestion. This project aims to make commuting easier and more efficient for residents.

3. The **55th International Film Festival of India** took place from 20 to 28 November, 2024 at Panaji, Goa. The theme of this year's festival was 'Young Filmmakers - The Future is Now'. Hence, this year a new section and award category 'Best Debut Director of Indian Feature Film' has been introduced in the festival to encourage young filmmakers.

4. India's ambitious **Gaganyaan space mission** - the country's first crewed spaceflight program, will not be launched in 2025 as previously planned. Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) Chairman S. Somanath announced a revised timeline, pushing the launch to 2026.

5. A special ambulance was launched by the National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) to rescue and protect Ganga Dolphins, India's national aquatic animal.

6. **November 15**, tribal leader Birsa Munda's birth anniversary, is celebrated as **Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas**. This year, the Prime Minister launched a **commemorative stamp and coin** to mark the **150th birth anniversary** of tribal icon and freedom fighter **Birsa Munda in Bihar**.

7. **Rajmarg Saathi Launched:** New Route Patrolling Vehicles named 'Rajmarg Saathi' were introduced by the **National Highways Authority of India (NHAI)** to enhance road safety. These vehicles will patrol national highways and provide assistance to travelers in case of emergencies.
8. India got its 58th tiger reserve after the development of a new tiger reserve in **Madhya Pradesh** named- **Ratapani Wildlife Sanctuary**. *It aims* to protect endangered species and preserve biodiversity in the region.
9. The Centre announced the appointment of Revenue Secretary Sanjay Malhotra as the 26th Governor of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
10. December 4 is celebrated as Indian Navy Day. The President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu attended the Navy Day celebration this year, and witnessed the Operational Demonstration conducted by the Indian Navy at Puri Beach, Odisha.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

1. USA has declared Bald Eagle as its National bird after 250 years.
2. India has collaborated with France to establish world's largest museum Yuga Yugeen Bharat National Museum.
3. The most toxic plant in the world is Gympie -Gympie.
4. Mozambique was hit by cyclone Chido.
5. The owners of Walmart - Walton family is the richest family in the world.
6. Donald Trump has been named as Time's Person of the year.
7. Merriam - Webster dictionary has picked Polarization as the word of the year.
8. International Cheetah day is celebrated every year on December 4 to raise awareness about Cheetah.
9. China has set up its atmospheric monitoring station in Antarctica.
10. John Tinniswood, world's oldest man passed away at 112 years of age.
11. Ngusaba Goreng is a two week long festival celebrating a rich harvest in Bali.
12. Kenya has cancelled the Airport and Energy deal with Gautam Adani group.
13. Iraq has conducted the first national census in 40 years.
14. World Children's day is celebrated on November 20 every year.
15. World Diabetes day is celebrated on November 14 every year.

## IT NEWS

1. Google announces best Google Play apps and books of 2024: As we approach the end of the year, Google traditionally announces the best Google Play apps, games, and books.
  - **Best app: Partiful** (Event planning platform)

- **Best game: AFK Journey**
  - **Best multi-device app: Max**
  - **Best multi-device game: Clash of Clans**
2. **Ai-Da Robot Painting Sells for Over \$1 Million:** Painting created by a robot Artist named Ai-Da was sold at an art auction for \$1.08 million. This sale marks the highest price ever paid for artwork created by a human-like robot.
  3. **16-Year-Old Student Builds Nuclear Fusion Reactor:** Cesare Mencarini, a 16-year-old student from England, successfully built a working nuclear fusion reactor. His achievement highlights the potential for young innovators in advancing scientific research.
  4. **Australia Bans Social Media for Children Under 16:** Australia has enacted a law preventing individuals younger than 16 from using social media platforms. The legislation aims to protect young people, though some critics argue it may introduce new challenges.
  5. **BBC Launches In-Car BBC Sounds App:** BBC has introduced an integrated in-car BBC Sounds app, allowing drivers to access digital radio, music, and podcasts directly through their vehicle's entertainment system without the need for a smartphone. Initially available for newer BMW and MINI models, this app aims to enhance the driving experience by providing easy access to BBC content.

## **SPORTS NEWS**

### **CRICKET**

1. Bangladesh won Junior Asia Cup U-19 Cricket tournament held at Dubai from 29th November to 8th December.
2. Australia Women beat India Women 3-0 in the ODI series held in Australia from 5th to 11th December 2024.

### **HOCKEY**

1. India Women team won the Women Asian Champions Trophy held at Rajgir Bihar from 11 to 20 November 2024. They beat China 1-0.
2. India Men hockey team won the Men's Hockey Junior Asia Cup 2024, held in Muscat, Oman from 26 November to 4 December 2024. They beat Pakistan in the final 5-3.

### **CHESS**

1. Eight-year-old Divith Reddy won the Under-8 World Cadets Chess Championship. Sattwik Swain of India secured second position.
2. India's D.Gukesh won the 2024 World Chess Championship by beating China's Ding Liren, becoming the youngest World Chess Champion at just 18 years old.

## BADMINTON

Lakshay Sen and P.V.Sindhu won the Men's and Women's Category respectively in the Syed Modi Badminton Tournament 2024, held at Babu Banarasi Das Indoor Stadium in Lucknow, India, from 26 November to 1 December 2024.

## STATIC NEWS

### Sports Awards of India

<b>Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Trophy</b>	It is given to the university for top performance in the inter-university tournaments.
<b>Arjuna Award</b>	It is given to sportspersons for "consistent outstanding performance" over the period of the last four years.
<b>Dronacharya Award</b>	It is given to coaches for "producing medal winners at prestigious international events".
<b>Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna</b>	It is given to sportspersons for "most outstanding performance by a sportsperson" over the period of four years.
<b>Dhyan Chand Award</b>	It is given to individuals for "lifetime contribution to sports development".
<b>Rashtriya Khel Protsahan Puruskar</b>	It is given to organizations (both private and public) and individuals for "playing a visible role in the area of sports promotion and development" over the period of last three years

### Head-quarters of important organisations:

1. The headquarters of RBI (Reserve Bank of India)- Mumbai.
2. Food Safety and Standards Authority of India(FSSAI) - New Delhi.
3. Board for Cricket Control in India (BCCI) - Mumbai, Maharashtra.
4. Security and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) - Mumbai, Maharashtra.
5. Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) - Antariksh Bhavan, Bangalore.

6. Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC)- Barakhambha Road, Delhi

**International Airports in India**

1. Indira Gandhi International Airport - New Delhi
  2. Shri Guru Ramdasjee International Airport - Amritsar
  3. Lucknow Chaudhary Charan Singh International Airport - Lucknow
  4. Kempegowda International Airport - Bengaluru
  5. Madras International Meenambakkam International Airport - Chennai
  6. Rajiv Gandhi International Airport - Hyderabad
  7. Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose International Airport - Kolkata
  8. Biju Patnaik International Airport - Bhubaneswar
  9. Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport - Mumbai
  10. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport - Ahmedabad
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