

# One-liner JAN 2021





# January One-liners Current Affairs PDF

## Weekly One Liner Current Affairs 1st to 7th January 2021

### ◆National News

- **PM** to lay Foundation Stone of the permanent campus of **IIM Sambalpur** on 2 January
- **Mandatory implementation of FASTag** wef new year day; hybrids lanes to remain operational till 15th February, 2021
- **Jharkhand** launch crop relief scheme- **Kisan Fasal Rahat Yojana**
- **India approves** two coronavirus vaccines, 'Covishield' and 'Covaxin'
- **PM Modi** lays foundation stone of **Light House projects (LHPs)**
- **Amit Shah** releases 'National Police K-9 Journal'
- Centre sets up **panel to work out CET** headed by **R P Tiwari**
- **Kerala** to host **4th Global Ayurveda Festival** from March 12, 2021
- **Madhya Pradesh** rolls out '**Launch Pad Scheme**' to make youth self-reliant
- **Ministry of Tribal Affairs** setup **TRIFOOD Parks** in **MP**
- **Uttar Pradesh** Government launched **Kisan Kalyan mission**
- **PM Modi** inaugurates **Kochi-Mangaluru natural gas pipeline**

### ◆International News

- **International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA)** becomes **Associate Member** of the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO)
- **Australia** Has **Changed a Word** in its **National Anthem** to Honor Indigenous People
- **Bloomberg Billionaires Index 2021**, **Mukesh Ambani** Ranks **12**



- **S. Congress** passes '**Malala Yousafzai Scholarship Act**'
- **Bajaj Auto** becomes **world's most valuable two-wheeler** company
- **Argentine** filmmaker **Pablo Cesar** to **head 51st IFFI's International Jury**
- UK PM **Boris Johnson** cancels **Republic Day** visit to India

### ◆Banking and Financial

- **GST collections** at all-time high of over **Rs 1.15 lakh crore** in December
- **ADB** to provide **\$231 million loan** to enhance power generation capacity in **Assam**
- **SEBI** imposes **fine of Rs. 15 crore** on **Mukesh Ambani**, **Rs. 25 crore** on Reliance Industries
- **RBI** launches **Digital Payments Index**
- **ADB, India** signs **\$10 million loan** to support project horticulture in **Himachal Pradesh**
- **ADB** to provide **\$100 million loan** to upgrade power distribution in **Bengaluru**
- **Bank of Baroda** launches **WhatsApp banking services**
- **Tata Motors** ties up with **Karnataka Bank** for vehicle finance
- **World Bank** Signs **\$105 Million Project** to Improve Waterways in **West Bengal**
- **GoI & NDB** sign two loan agreements for **USD 646 million** for upgrading Road Network in **Andhra Pradesh**
- **RBI** fines **Bajaj Finance Rs 2.5 crore** for recovery agent harassment
- **Tata Power, SIDBI** join hands for rooftop solar financing for MSMEs
- **RBI** to **introduce LEI** for large-value transactions in RTGS/NEFT **from April**
- **India's growth** to rebound to **4% in FY 22: World Bank**
- **Shivalik Mercantile CB** becomes **India's 1st urban co-operative bank** to transition to **SFB**

### ◆Appointment and Resignation

- **Isro Chairman K Sivan** gets one-year extension till January 2022



- **Suneet Sharma** takes over the charge of **new Chairman & CEO of Railway Board**
- Four Judges elevated as **Chief Justices of Odisha, Telangana, Madras and J& K High Courts**
- **Soma Mondal** appointed **new Chairperson of SAIL**
- **Umesh Sinha** appointed **Deputy Election Commissioner**
- Lt Gen **Shantanu Dayal** to take charge as **Deputy Chief of Army Staff**
- **Karan Bajwa** to head **Google Cloud in Asia Pacific**

### Defence

- **MoD** signs contract with **BEL** to supply indigenously developed **10 Lynx U2 Fire Control systems** for Indian Navy
- **BEL** signs contract with **Indian Navy** for Initial supply of indigenously developed **Laser Dazzlers**
- **India & Israel** successfully **test MRSAM** air defence system

### ◆Sports

- **Leon Mendonca** becomes **India's 67th Grandmaster**
- **Assam Rifles Public School** becomes **first Khelo India Sports School** from North-East
- **Teimour Radjabov** won **Airthings Masters**
- **Claire Polosak** became **first woman to officiate in a men's Test**
- **Khelo India Ice Hockey Tournament** begins in **Chiktan, Kargil**

### ◆Important day

- **1st January – Global Family Day**
- **4 January-World Braille Day**
- **Journalist Day** Observed in **Maharashtra** on **6 January**

### ◆Obituary

- Former **Union minister Buta Singh** passes away
- Legendary **Music Director Shantanu Mohapatra** passes away
- Ace **mountaineer Colonel Narendra 'Bull' Kumar** passes away



- **Congress leader K K Ramchandran** Master passes away at 78

## Weekly One Liner Current Affairs 8th to 15th January 2021

### ◆National News

- **PM Modi** inaugurates **world's first double-stack container train**
- **UJALA** and **SLNP** schemes **complete six years**
- **Ramesh Pokhriyal** inaugurates **International Akhand Conference 'EDUCON-2020'**
- **Harsh Vardhan** launches **coastal research vessel 'Sagar Anveshika'**
- **Manipur** launches **COSFOM website** for forest department
- WB's CM **Mamata Banerjee** Inaugurates **26th Kolkata International Film Festival**
- **RS Sharma** to head **empowered committee for COVID-19 vaccine administration**
- **Government** of India places order of **11 million doses** of **COVISHIELD**
- **KVIC** launches cow dung-based paint called '**Khadi Prakritik Paint**'
- **Suriname's** Indian-origin **President** to be **Republic Day** chief guest
- **Kerala** becomes the **8th State** to complete **ease of doing business reforms**
- **Bharat Biotech** inks pact with **Precisa Med** to supply **Covaxin** to **Brazil**
- **India-UAE MoU** for Scientific and Technical Cooperation
- **Heritage Conservation Committee**, last hurdle cleared by new Parliament building
- **Magh Bihu 2021** to be celebrated on 15 January in **Assam**
- **No foreign guest** at **2021 Republic Day event** first time in 55 years
- **IFFI 2021** to celebrate the work of legendary **filmmaker Satyajit Ray**
- **India's first Fire Park** comes up in **Odisha**





## ◆International News

- **Tesla CEO Elon Musk** becomes **world's richest person**
- Indian-American **Raj Iyer** becomes **S. Army's first CIO**
- **Joint session of US Congress** certifies **Joe Biden's electoral victory** over Trump
- **India** to chair **3 important committees** of **UNSC**
- **Saudi Arabia** to build a **zero emissions city**
- **Henley Passport Index 2021, Japan** Tops, **India** ranked **85<sup>th</sup>**
- **France** hosts 4th **One Planet Summit**
- **11 Indian companies** find place among **Hurun Global 500** for 2020, **Apple** tops
- **Donald Trump** becomes the **first U.S. President** to be **impeached twice**

## ◆Banking and Financial

- **'Indian economy** to contract by **7%** in **2020-21'**: Govt
- **Bandhan Bank** unveils **account** for **army personnel**
- **India** signs **Rs 2,113 crore loan** pact with **Japan** to support COVID-19 relief efforts
- **India's real GDP** to expand by **1%** in **FY2022: Icra**
- **India's GDP** to grow at **11 per cent** in **FY22: Brickwork Ratings**
- **RBI** cancels the **licence** of **Vasantdada Nagari Sahakari Bank**
- **RBI** slaps **Rs 2 crore fine** on **Deutsche Bank** for non-compliance
- **RBI** forms **working group** headed by **Jayant Kumar Dash** on **digital lending** as frauds come into sharp focus
- **Nomura** Estimates **India's GDP** to **contract 6.7%** in **FY21**
- **BofA Securities** Projects **GDP** of India to **Contract 6.7%** in **FY21**
- **UBS** Projects **GDP** of India **at -7.5%** in **2020-21**
- **Fitch Ratings** Projects **GDP** of India **at -9.4%** in **FY21**

## ◆Appointment and Resignation

- **RBI** appoints **Rabi Narayan Mishra** as full-time **director** of **College of Supervisors**



- Justice **Sudhanshu Dhulia** appointed as **Chief Justice** of **Gauhati High Court**
- Maharashtra DGP **Subodh K Jaiswal** takes over as **new CISF chief**
- **Sadyr Japarov** wins **Kyrgyzstan's Presidency**
- **Estonia's PM Juri Ratas** resigns over corruption scandal
- **Intel** appoints **Pat Gelsinger** as New **CEO**

### ◆Awards

- **Suriname President** among 30 **Pravasi Bharatiya Samman** awardees
- **AIIMS Bhubaneswar** receives **Kayakalp Award** for 3rd time

### ◆Defence

- Maritime security, **coastal defence exercise** begins on 12 Jan
- **Indian Army** signs a pact to procure **high-altitude drones** from **ideaForge** for \$20 million

### ◆Science

- **ISRO** to adopt **100 Atal Tinkering Labs** to promote scientific temperament

### ◆Sports

- **Sanjay Kapoor** elected **All India Chess Federation president**

### ◆Book and Author

- **Ravi Shastri** unveils book **India's 71-Year Test: The Journey to Triumph in Australia**
- RBI officer **Giridharan** pens novel '**Right Under our Nose**'

### ◆Important day

- **9 January: Pravasi Bharatiya Divas** or **NRI Day** (Theme 2021: "Contributing to Aatmanirbhar Bharat")
- **January 10: World Hindi Day** 2021



- **11 January – Death anniversary of Lal Bahadur Shastri**
- **12th January: National Youth Day 2021**
- **Polio National Immunisation Day** rescheduled to **31st January 2021**
- **14th January: Indian Armed Forces** celebrate Fifth **Veterans Day**
- **15th January: Indian Army Day 2021**

### ◆Obituary

- Acclaimed **fashion designer Satya Paul** passes away
- Former **Gujarat Chief Minister Madhavsinh Solanki** passes away
- Renowned **writer Ved Mehta**, who took India to Americans passed away
- Padma Awardee **Journalist Turlapati Kutumba Rao** passes away

## Weekly One Liner Current Affairs 16th to 24th

### January 2021

#### ◆National News

- **India, Japan** sign **MoU** to enhance **cooperation in ICT, including 5G tech**
- **Govt** brings forward target of **20% ethanol-blending with gasoline** by **2025**
- **Piyush Goyal** inaugurates the '**Prarambh: Startup India International Summit**'
- **Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas** launched "**SAKSHAM**" awareness campaign
- **Third Phase of PMKVY** launched in **600 districts**
- **India's first 'Labour Movement Museum'** to be set up in **Alappuzha, Kerala**
- **PM Modi** flags off **8 trains** to boost connectivity to Statue of Unity at **Kevadia, Gujarat**
- **India's first COVID-19 Vaccine** recipient is **Manish Kumar**





- **India, Japan** ink pact on **movement of skilled workers**
- **Assam** to come up with **Science City** at **Tepesia**
- **Punjab** CM launches **Ghar Ghar Rozgar te Karobaar Mission'**
- **NITI Aayog** to launch second edition of **India Innovation Index 2020**
- **Maharashtra** renames **Gorewada international zoo** after **Bal Thackeray**
- **Bhawana Kanth** to become **1st woman fighter pilot** at **R-Day parade**
- **India Innovation Index ranking 2020, Karnataka** retains **top** spot
- **Ministry of Railways** approves **Howrah-Kalka Mail** as "**Netaji Express**"
- **Gujarat** CM announces '**Mukhyamantri Bagayat Vikas Mission'**
- **Gujarat** to Rename **Dragon Fruit** as '**Kamalam'**
- **India, Singapore** sign pact on **submarine rescue support**
- **Cabinet** approves **Rs 5,282-cr** investment for **850 MW Ratle project** on **Chenab** river
- **Karnataka** CM Yediyurappa launches **Avalokana software**
- **RBI** slaps penalty of **Rs 2 crore** on **Standard Chartered Bank**
- **Ministry of Tribal Affairs** Launches "**Shramshakti**" Digital Data Solution for Migrant Workers
- **National Girl Child Day: Srishti Goswami** is **Uttarakhand CM** for one day
- **India's longest Road Arch Bridge** inaugurated in **Meghalaya**

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### ◆ International News

- **India** has the **largest diaspora** in the **world**: United Nations
- **Fiji** wins **presidency** of **UN Human Rights Council**
- **WhatsApp** delays new **privacy policy** by 3 months
- **Nepali** Climbers **1st to Scale K2**, World's 2nd Highest Mountain, In Winter
- **Harsh Vardhan** chairs **148th session of WHO Executive Board**



- **India's 4th Rank in Global Firepower Index 2021**
- **Davos Agenda Summit 2021**, Theme: "Stakeholders for a cohesive and sustainable world"
- **Infosys** receives **Google Cloud Partner** Status
- **Joe Biden** takes oath as **46th US President**, **Kamala Harris** as **49th Vice President**
- **India** in **third position** in **scientific publications** after China, US: **DST**

### ◆Banking and Financial

- **Foreign exchange reserves** surge 748 million to **\$586.082 billion**
- **YES Bank** launches **wellness themed credit card**
- **HDFC, ICICI, SBI** remain **systemically Imp banks**: RBI
- **ICICI Bank** launches '**InstaFX**' **mobile app** to help customers obtain Forex Prepaid Card swiftly
- **Axis Bank** launches **Aura credit card** loaded with health, wellness benefits

### ◆Appointment and Resignation

- **Telecom Equipment and Services Export Promotion Council (TEPC)** appoints **Sandeep Aggarwal** as new **Chairman**
- **Vishwvir Ahuja** re-appointed as **RBL Bank chief**
- **Kiren Rijiju** Gets **Additional Charge** of **AYUSH Ministry**
- Govt appoints **Siddhartha Mohanty** as **managing director** of **LIC**
- **Jayant Khobragade** appointed **India's next Ambassador** to **ASEAN Secretariat**

### ◆Awards

- **SKOCH Challenger Award** to **Ministry of Panchayati Raj**
- **Azim Premji, Dr Devi Shetty** chosen for **Press Club of Bangalore awards**
- Federal Bank's **Shyam Srinivasan** is **Business Standard Banker of the Year 2019-20**
- Esteemed Philanthropist **Ravi Gaikwad** wins **Nelson Mandela World Humanitarian Award**



- Indian mathematician **Nikhil Srivastava** named joint winner of **Michael and Sheila Held Prize**

### ◆Defence

- **Indian Army** conduct "**Exercise Kavach**" To be held under Andaman and Nicobar Command
- **HAL** successfully test fires **Smart Anti Airfield Weapon** from Hawk-i aircraft
- **Indo-French** Exercise **Desert Knight-21** begins First edition
- **Operation Sard Hawa** launched by **BSF**

### Sports

- **Khelo India Zaskar Winter Sport & Youth festival** 2021 begins in Ladakh
- **ITBP** won **IHAI National Ice Hockey** Championship

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### Book and Author

- **Ramchandra Guha's** book '**The Commonwealth of Cricket**'
- Goa CM releases book '**Manohar Parrikar – Off the Record**', written by **Waman Subha Prabhu**

### ◆Important day

- **January 18 to February 17, 2021: National Road Safety Month**
- Government announces **23rd January** to be celebrated as "**PARAKRAM DIWAS**" every year
- **24th January: National Girl Child**

### ◆Obituary

- Legendary **Musician Ustad Ghulam Mustafa Khan** passed away At 89
- Former **minister & businessman Kamal Morarka** passed away at age of 74
- **Bhajan singer Narendra Chanchal** dies at 80



## Weekly One Liner Current Affairs 25th to 31st January 2021

### ◆National News

- **Indian Railways'** longest freight train '**Vasuki**' sets a new record
- **WIPRO** group gears up to act as knowledge partner of **Madhya Pradesh**
- **UP** Government launches '**Udyam Sarathi App**' for Youths
- **Himachal Pradesh** celebrates **50th Statehood** day on **Jan 25**
- **Nitin Gadkari** approves levy of "**Green Tax**" for older, polluting vehicles
- In a first, **Bangladesh tri-service** contingent takes part in **India's Republic Day parade**
- **Akshay Kumar** launches mobile action game **FAU-G**
- **MP's** CM launches '**PANKH Abhiyan**' for Girl Child
- **Textiles Ministry** signs MoU with **Nissenken Quality Evaluation Centre**, Japan
- **India** inks MoU with **IEA** for global energy security, sustainability
- **India's** launched "**Vaccine Maitri**"
- **Maharashtra** tops **justice delivery in India 2020**
- **Kolkata's** First Young Readers' Boat Library

### ◆International News

- **Estonia:** Reform Party's **Kaja Kallas** to become **first woman PM**
- **India** Ranks **7<sup>th</sup>** in **Global Climate Risk Index 2021** of Germanwatch, Rank 1: **Mozambique**
- **PM Modi's** address at **Climate Adaptation Summit 2021**
- **India** ranks **10<sup>th</sup>** in **Asia-Pacific Personalised Health Index**, **Singapore** tops
- **Corruption Perception Index 2020: India** Slips to **86<sup>th</sup>**; **New Zealand & Denmark** On Top
- **NZ** and **Vietnam** top **COVID-19 "performance index"**, **India's** Rank **86**
- **5<sup>th</sup>** Joint Meeting of the **India-Japan Act East Forum** in New Delhi



## Banking and Financial

- **HDFC** to sell **48%** share in **Good Host** for Rs 232.81 cr
- **President** approves conferment of **Jeevan Raksha Padak Series of Awards-2020**
- **FDI in India** rose **13%** to \$57 billion in 2020: **UNCTAD**
- **India's GDP** estimated to contract by **6%** in **FY21**, grow at 7.3% in FY22: **UN**
- **India's GDP** to contract **8% in FY21: FICCI**
- **India's economy** to grow **5%** in **FY22** fiscal, 6.8% in FY23 fiscal: **IMF**
- **TCS** is **third most valued IT services brand globally**: Brand Finance
- **Bharti AXA General Insurance** launches '**Krishi Sakha**' App for farmers

### ◆ Appointment and Resignation

- **Dhanlaxmi Bank** Board appointment of **J K Shivan** as **MD and CEO**
- Lt- General **CP Mohanty** to be the **new vice-chief of Army Staff**
- **Swaminathan Janakiraman** and **Aswini Kumar Tewari** appointed as **MDs of SBI**

### ◆ Awards

- **President** approves conferment of **455 Gallantry & other Defence Decorations**
- **Padma Awards 2021: 7 Padma Vibhushan, 10 Padma Bhushan and 102 Padma Shri Awards.**
- **51<sup>st</sup> International Film Festival of India**: Golden Peacock Award – **Into the Darkness**
- **Rajendra Kumar Bhandari** won **Subhash Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar 2021**
- **Meghalaya** won **National Award for Best Electoral Practices 2020**
- **Ram Temple tableau of Uttar Pradesh** on Republic Day wins 1st prize



### ◆Defence

- **Indian Navy** conducts joint exercise with **Army and Air Force**
- **India** successfully tests **Akash-NG missile**

### ◆Science

- **SpaceX** launches a record **143 satellites** on one rocket
- **ISRO** to launch city college's **academic satellite** in **Coimbatore**
- **NASA** finds the '**Lost Galaxy**'

### ◆Sports

- **Thailand Open** badminton: **Carolina Marin, Viktor Axelsen** win singles titles

### ◆Book and Author

- **Soumitra Chatterjee's "A life in cinema, theatre, poetry"** authorised biography released, Co-authored by **Arjun Sengupta** and **Partha Mukherjee**

### ◆Important day

- **24<sup>th</sup> January: International Day of Education** (Theme 2021: "Recover and Revitalize Education for the COVID-19 Generation")
- **25<sup>th</sup> January: National Voters Day** (Theme 2021: "Recover and Revitalize Education for the COVID-19 Generation")
- **25 January- National Tourism Day** (Theme 2021: "Recover and Revitalize Education for the COVID-19 Generation.")
- **26<sup>th</sup> January: 72<sup>nd</sup> Republic Day**
- **International Customs Day: 26 January** (Theme 2021: "Customs bolstering Recovery, Renewal and Resilience".)
- **January 27: International Holocaust Remembrance Day**
- **28 January- Birth Anniversary of Lala Lajpat Rai**
- **Last Sunday of January: World Leprosy Day**
- **30<sup>th</sup> Jan: Martyrs Day** or **Shaheed Diwas**

### ◆Obituary





- Former **India goalkeeper Prasanta Dora** passes away
- Oscar-winning **actress Cloris Leachman** passes away at 94

