

Weekly One Liner Current Affairs

1st week (1st to 7th) April 2023

National News

- **2nd Tourism Working Group meeting** begins in **Siliguri** from **1-3 April 2023**
- **India's agricultural exports** grow by **6.04%** during **April-Jan 2022-23**
- **India's unemployment rate** rises to **3-month high** of **7.8%** in **March 2023**
- **2nd G20 Employment Working Group meeting** begins in **Guwahati**
- **Sarbananda Sonowal** launched **Sagar Setu Mobile App**
- **Rajasthan govt** approves proposal to **set up 3 new medical colleges**
- **France** invited **PM Modi** for **Bastille Day** parade
- **IOC** signed **deal** with **Russia's Rosneft** to **raise oil imports**
- **PM Modi** flagged off **Bhopal-New Delhi Vande Bharat Express**
- **Eravikulam National Park** in **Kerala** gets a **fernarium**
- **PM Modi** addresses **5th International Conference on Disaster Resilient Infrastructure**
- **Fourth B20 conference** of the **Northeast Region** begins in **Kohima**
- **India** become **world's second-largest solar manufacturer** by **2026**
- **Telangana govt** launches '**cool roof**' policy to **beat the heat**
- **India Justice Report 2022: Karnataka tops** among **18 large states**
- **Mumbai** to soon get **fifty 24x7 Food Trucks** across **seven zones**
- **IIT Kanpur** host **Y20 Consultation** under **G20 Presidency of India**
- **UP govt** to set up **UP Education Service Selection Commission** for **appointment of teachers**
- **Chhattisgarh's Nagri Dubraj rice** variety gets **GI tag**

- **Govt** disburses incentives for **PLI Scheme** for **Drones & Drone Components**
- **Jal Jeevan Mission** Achieves **60% Coverage Milestone**
- **India & Bhutan** plan to set up **first Integrated Check Post** along border
- **'Mircha' rice** of **Bihar's West Champaran** gets **GI tag**
- **Punjab government** launched **Punjab's 'CM diYogshala'** programme
- **Ministry of I&B** partners with **Amazon India** to **highlight India's cultural heritage**
- **Apple Inc.** To Open Its **First India Store** in **Mumbai**

International News

- **Finland** became the **31st member** of **North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)**
- **Georgia** became **first American state** to pass **resolution condemning Hinduphobia**
- **Italian government** seeks to **ban English** in **official communication**
- **Kenya** to launch its **first operational satellite** on **10 April**
- **Paris** to **ban e-scooters**

Banking and Financial

- **World Bank** announces **\$100 million** as **loan** to **Odisha**
- **India Post Payments Bank** launched **WhatsApp Banking Services**
- **GST revenue collection** increases **13%** to **Rs 1.60 lakh crore** in **March 2023**
- **Government** hikes **interest rates** of **small savings schemes**
- **SBI** signed **MoU** with **Godrej Capital** to offer **banking products, services**
- **Fino Payments Bank** and **Rajasthan Royals** ties up for **Digital Banking Partner**

- **Bank of Maharashtra (BoM)** inaugurated its **first dedicated Branch** for **Start-ups** in **Pune**
- **India GDP growth** likely to moderate to **6.3%** in **FY24: World Bank**
- **Aditya Birla Health Insurance** partnered with **UCO Bank** for **bancassurance**
- **Public sector banks** transfer **Rs 35,012 crore unclaimed deposits** to **RBI**
- **Axis Bank** launches **business management solution** for **merchants**
- **Canara Bank** launches **Premium Payroll Account**
- **ADB** cuts **India GDP** growth forecast to **6.4%** for **FY24**
- **RBI** keeps **repo rate unchanged** at **6.5%**
- **DigiPortfolio** launches by **DBS Bank India**

Appointment and Resignation

- **Hero MotoCorp's Board** appoints **Niranjan Gupta** as **new CEO**
- **Praveer Sinha** re-appointed as **CEO** and **MD** of **Tata Power**
- **NASA** appoints Indian-origin **Amit Kshatriya** to **head 'Moon To Mars' Programme**
- **RG Patel** appointed as **expert member** of **ART** and **Surrogacy Board**
- **Rajib K Mishra** appointed as **CMD** of **PTC (Power Trading Corporation) India**
- Vice Admiral **SJ Singh** takes charge as **new VC** of **Indian Navy**
- **Sheenu Jhawar** becomes the **first woman President** of **TiE Rajasthan**
- **US Senate** confirms **Richard Verma** as **Deputy Secretary of State**
- **RBI** appoints **Neeraj Nigam** as **executive director**
- **Sumil Vikamsey** appointed as **MD** of **Hitachi Payment Services**
- Vice Admiral **Atul Anand** takes over as **DG Naval Operations**
- **Sudha Shivkumar** becomes **President** of **FICCI Ladies Organisation**
- **J P Chalasani** appointed as **CEO** of **Suzlon board**
- **Kenichi Umeda** appointed as **MD** of **Suzuki Motorcycle India**

- **Tsutsumu Otani** appointed as **President** of **Honda motor**

Awards

- **Kiran Nadar** conferred with **France's highest civilian award, (Knight of the Legion of Honour)**
- **Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky** awarded **Poland's highest honour, 'Order of the White Eagle'**

Defence

- **Ministry of Defence** inked **Rs 1700 crore deal** with **BrahMos Aerospace**
- **10th Bilateral Maritime exercise SLINEX-2023** will be conducted in **Colombo**
- **India-U.S.** air exercise '**Cope India**' to begin from **10 April**

Science

- **ISRO** successfully conducts **landing experiment** of the **Reusable Launch Vehicle**
- **Israel** launches **new Ofek-13 spy satellite** into **orbit**
- **NASA astronaut Christina Koch** becomes the **first woman** to go **around the moon**
- **Skyroot Aerospace** successfully test-fires **3D-printed cryogenic engine, Dhawan-II**

Sports

- **Aravindh Chithambaram** wins **Delhi International Open chess title**
- **Max Verstappen** wins **Australian GP**
- **Daniil Medvedev** Wins **Maiden Miami Opens Title 2023**
- **Gregoria Tunjung** won **Spain Masters women's title 2023**
- **Weightlifter Sanjita Chanu** **banned** for **four years** for **failing dope test**
- **Dhoni, Yuvraj** inducted with the **Marylebone Cricket Club's (MCC) honorary life membership**

Important day

- **31 March – International Drug Checking Day**
- **1 April – Odisha Day or Utkal Day**
- **1 April – Foundation Day of Reserve Bank of India (RBI)**
- **2 April – World Autism Awareness Day** (Theme 2023 -Transforming the narrative: Contributions at home, at work, in the arts and in policymaking)
- **PM Modi** inaugurated **CBI's diamond jubilee** celebrations at **Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi**
- **1-7 April – Prevention of Blindness Week 2023**
- **4 April – International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action** (Theme 2023 – Mine Action Cannot Wait)
- **5 April – National Maritime Day**
- **5 April – International Day of Conscience** (Theme 2023 –Building a Culture of Peace)
- **6 April – International Day of Sport for Development and Peace (IDSDP)** (Theme 2023 – Scoring for People and the Planet)
- **7 April – World Health Day** (Theme 2023 – Health For All)

Obituary

- **Sahitya Akademi winner Sarah Thomas** passes away

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