

## March 2023 One Liner Current Affairs

### Weekly One Liner Current Affairs 1 March to 7 March 2023

#### National News

- **Australia's Deakin The 1st Foreign University To Set Up Campus In India**
- **PM Modi To Inaugurate 3-Day Raisina Dialogue in New Delhi**
- **International Yoga Festival 2023 in Rishikesh**
- **President Murmu to launch 'Catch the Rain-2023' campaign**
- **'World's first' bamboo crash barrier installed on Maharashtra highway**
- **Anurag Thakur launched Yuva Utsav in Punjab**
- **SC formed five-member expert committee to look into Hindenburg report; headed by Former SC judge Abhay Manohar Sapre**
- **MSME's Industrial Exhibition and Fair inaugurated in Kota**
- **Amit Shah inaugurated Phase I of Bengaluru Safe City project**
- **Mauganj became the 53rd district of Madhya Pradesh**
- **Madhya Pradesh government launched Ladli Bahna scheme for women**
- **Two-day Millet Mahotsav organised at Agra**
- **7th International Dharma Dhamma Conference in Bhopal**
- **No sale of gold jewellery without hallmark unique identification number (HUID) from April 2023**
- **Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw flag off PM Jan Aushadhi Train**
- **Jitendra Singh inaugurated Good Governance Conference in Bhopal**
- **Piyush Goyal inaugurated 1st Session of Massmerize 2023**
- **PM Modi to inaugurate Disaster Risk Reduction session**

- **Ashwini Vaishnaw** released '**Go Green, Go Organic**' cover for **Sikkim**
- **Delhi international airport** among **cleanest** in **Asia-Pacific: Airport Council International (ACI)**
- **Uttarakhand** to launch **self-employment scheme** for **single women**
- **Dharmendra Pradhan** launched **new BS course** at **IIT Madras**

### International News

- After Singapore **India's UPI** likely to **extend** to **UAE, Mauritius, Indonesia**
- **The Windsor framework: The deal** between **UK** and **EU**
- **Bola Tinubu** elected as the new **President** of **Nigeria**
- **Vietnam parliament** elects **Vo Van Thuong** as **new President**
- **Mumbai** jumps to **37th place** globally in **price growth** in **luxury housing**
- **Electoral Democracy Index 2023: India** ranked **108**; **topped** by **Denmark**

### Banking and Financial

- **Moody's** raises **GDP growth forecast** for **India** to **5.5%** in **2023**
- **Singapore Airlines** to get **25.1% stake** in enlarged **Air India group**
- **India's February GST** collections rises **12% YoY** to **Rs 1.50 lakh cr**
- **IRCTC** partners with **HDFC Bank** to launch **India's most rewarding co-branded travel credit card**
- **Axis Bank** completes **deal** to **buy Citibank's India consumer business**
- **SBI** announces **completion** of **\$1 billion Syndicated Social Loan Facility**
- **RBI** puts **restrictions** on **Musiri Urban Co-operative Bank**
- **World Bank** commits **\$1 billion** to **India** for **public healthcare infra**
- **RBI** launched **Mission 'Har Payment Digital'** to promote **digital payments**

## Appointment and Resignation

- Senior IPS officer **Rashmi Shukla** to head **Sashastra Seema Bal**
- **Jishnu Barua** appointed as **new Chairperson** of **Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC)**
- **Sashidhar Jagdishan** reappointed as **MD & CEO** of **HDFC Bank**
- **Sheikh Ahmad Nawaf al-Sabah** re-appointed as **Prime Minister** of **Kuwait**
- **S. Dubey** takes charge as **Controller General of Accounts**
- **Conrad Sangma** sworn-in as **Meghalaya Chief Minister**
- **Savlon India** names **Sachin Tendulkar** as **world's first 'Hand Ambassador'**

## Awards

- **HDFC Bank's Sashidhar Jagdishan** is '**BS Banker of the Year 2022**
- **Mirabai Chanu** won **BBC Indian Sportswoman of The Year for 2022**
- **Vinod Kumar Shukla** won **PEN/Nabokov Lifetime Achievement Award 2023**

## Defence

- **IAF** transport aircraft Exercise **Shinyuu Maitri** with **Japan's Air Self Defense Force**
- **INS Trikand** participated in **International Maritime Exercise 2023**
- **Indo-France** joint exercise **FRINJEX-23** commenced in **Kerala**

## Sports

- **Jeswin Aldrin** Breaks **National Record** at **AFI National Jumps Competition**
- **India's Triple-Jumper Aishwarya Babu** Banned by **National Anti-Doping Agency's (NADA)** for **Four Years**
- **Karnataka** beat **Meghalaya** to win **Santosh Trophy** after **54 years**

- **Daniil Medvedev** won **Dubai Tennis Championships title 2023**
- Red Bull's **Max Verstappen** won **2023 Bahrain Grand Prix**

### Book and Author

- **Mansukh Mandaviya** released a book, '**India's Vaccine Growth Story**' authored by **Sajjan Singh Yadav**
- A book "**India's Struggle for Independence – Gandhian Era**" released authored by **Jyothimani** and **G. Balan**

### Important day

- **1st March: World Civil Defence Day 2023** (Theme 2023: Uniting the world's leading specialists for the safety and security of future generations".)
- **1st March: Zero Discrimination Day** (Theme 2023: "Save lives: Decriminalise",)
- **3rd March: World Wildlife Day** (Theme 2023- 'Partnerships for Wildlife Conservation')
- **4th March: National Security Day** (Theme 2023: 'Nurture young minds – Develop safety culture')
- **7 March – Jan Aushadhi Diwas** (Theme 2023 – Jan Aushadhi – Sasti bhi Acchi bhi)
- **8 March – International Women's Day** (Theme 2023 – "DigitALL: Innovation and technology for gender equality")

### Obituary

- **Former Chief Justice of India AM Ahmadi** passes away at 90

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### National News

- **Narendra Tomar** inaugurated **workshop** on **Bamboo Sector Development** in **New Delhi**

- **First meeting of Central Asia JW Group on Afghanistan** held in **India**
- **Yaoshang festival** begins in **Manipur**
- **UP** to host the **8th edition of Indian Pharma Fair (IFF)**
- **ECI** host the **3rd International Conference on 'Election Integrity'**
- **Odisha CM** unveiled **Dakota aircraft** for **public viewing** in **Bhubaneswar**
- **Maharashtra** to introduce **4th women's policy**
- **J&K government** launched **plantation drive** on **International Women's Day**
- **Army** installed **tallest Iconic National Flag** in **hilly Doda district, J&K**
- **Pune** hosted the **fourth Y20 Consultation Meeting**
- **West Bengal** urged Centre to **allow poppy cultivation**
- **India** signed **MoU** with **US** for **semiconductor supply chain**
- **Centre** launched **portal** for **women scientists** for **research grants & fund**
- **MoHUA** launched **1st Edition of Women Icons Leading Swacchata Awards**
- **Amit Shah** virtually inaugurated **development project** in **Ahmedabad**
- New health programme '**Arogya Mahila**' launched for **women** in **Telangana**
- **Piyush Goyal** chaired the **6th meeting of National Startup Advisory Council (NSAC)** in **New Delhi**
- **Uttar Pradesh** cabinet approved **New Sports Policy 2023**
- New initiative called '**Beggar Free City**' launched in **Maharashtra's Nagpur**
- **IRCTC** to start '**Bharat Nepal Ashtha Yatra Tour**'
- **Nitin Gadkari** unveiled **first methanol run buses** in **Bengaluru**
- **Two-day G20 flower festival** begins in **New Delhi**
- **PM Modi** unveils **world's longest railway platform** in **Hubballi-Dharwad**
- **SCO Supreme Courts Chief Justices'** meet held in **New Delhi**
- **Ayush Ministry** organized **Yoga Mahotsav 2023** in **New Delhi**

- **First Supreme Audit Institution (SAI20)** meeting begins in **Guwahati**
- **PM Modi** inaugurated **118 Km long Bengaluru-Mysuru Expressway** project
- **World Food India-2023** to take place in **New Delhi**
- **India & Australia** sign **audio-visual co-production agreement**
- **Kochi Metro** becomes the first to accept **digital currency** for **parking**
- **Asia's largest tulip garden** in **J&K** to open to the **public** on **19 March**
- **Uttarakhand** becomes **1st state** to start **insurance scheme** for **sericulturists**
- **Ashok Leyland** unveils **all-women production line** at **Tamil Nadu plant**
- **India** signed **MoC** with **Sweden** to **promote research networking**
- **Vande Bharat Express** gets **Asia's first woman loco pilot Surekha Yadav**
- **International Conference** on '**Buddhist Heritage**' begins in **New Delhi**
- **IIT Guwahati** partnered with **Sathya Sai Hospital** for **cardiac research**
- **Mahindra Auto** becomes **title sponsor** of **International Boxing Association (IBA) Women's Boxing Championship**
- **Centre** approved **Rs 1816 crore** to **5 states** as **disaster relief**
- **2nd Education Working Group meeting** of **G20 countries** begin in **Amritsar**
- **2nd G20 Sustainable Financial Working Group (SFWG)** meeting to be held in **Udaipur**
- **Anurag Thakur** inaugurated **16th meeting** of **SCO Youth Council** in **New Delhi**
- **3rd Divya Kala Mela** inaugurated at **Bhopal** in **Madhya Pradesh**
- **Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS)** launched '**Learning Science via Standards**' initiative for **students**
- **India** to host **SCO Tourism Ministers'** meet in **Varanasi**

## International News

- **Colombia** opens **military service** to **women** for **first time** in **25 years**
- **Rajkumar Singh** participated in **19th BIMSTEC Ministerial Meeting**
- **India world's largest arms importer: SIPRI Report 2023**

### Banking and Financial

- **Max Life** partners with **Ujjivan SFB** to offer **life insurance solutions**
- **Kotak AMC financial literacy** campaign for **women**
- **YES Bank, Aadhar Housing Finance** enter into **co-lending partnership**
- **Axis Bank** partnered with **ITC** to offer **rural lending products**
- **PNB** signed **MoU** with **Central Warehousing Corporation** to **facilitate farmers' financing**
- **IDFC Mutual Fund** rebrands itself as **Bandhan**
- **Kotak Mahindra AMC** launched **Silver ETF Fund of Fund**
- **Suryodaya Small Finance Bank** launched **Blossom Women's Savings Account**
- **India's retail inflation drops** to **6.44%** in **February 2023**
- **Wholesale inflation** falls to **two-year low** of **3.85%** in **February**
- **RBI** allowed **banks** from **18 countries** to **trade in rupee**

### Appointment and Resignation

- **Arun Subramanian** becomes **1st Indian-American judge** at **New York Court**
- **Manik Saha** sworn in as **chief minister** of **Tripura** for **second time**
- **Shalija Dhami** becomes **first woman officer** to **command** a **fighter unit** in **IAF**
- Colonel **Geeta Rana** became the **first woman officer** to **command** a **field workshop**
- **Neiphiu Rio** became the **CM** of **Nagaland** for the **fifth time**
- **Ram Chandra Paudel** elected as **new Nepal President**
- **B Gopkumar** appointed as **MD** and **CEO** of **Axis Mutual Fund**

- **Rohit Jawa** appointed as **CEO & MD** of **Hindustan Unilever Ltd.**
- **China's Xi Jinping** elected **president** for **third term**
- **Citi India** names **Bhanu Vohra** head of **commercial banking** in **India**
- **Siddhartha Mohanty** appointed as the **interim chairman** of **LIC**
- **Sumant Kathpalia** reappointed as **MD & CEO** of **IndusInd Bank**
- **Mohit Joshi** appointed as **MD** and **CEO** of **Tech Mahindra**
- **Shreya Ghodawat** appointed as **India's ambassador** of 'She Changes Climate'
- **LIC** appointed **Tablesh Pandey** and **M Jagannath** as **new MDs**

### Awards

- **India** won **Golden & Silver Star** at 'Golden City Gate Tourism Awards
- **British Architect David Chipperfield** won **Pritzker Prize 2023**
- **Oscars 2023: RRR's Naatu Naatu** won **Best Original Song** award; [ReadMore...](#)
- **Gyan Chaturvedi** awarded **Vyas Samman 2022** for 'Pagalkhana
- **RBI's Shaktikanta Das** named 'Governor of the Year' by **Central Banking**

### Defence

- **ISRO** received **Indo-US** jointly developed **NASA-ISRO synthetic aperture radar (NISAR) satellite**
- **Defence Ministry** signed **contract** with **HAL** to **procure 6 Dornier aircraft**
- **India & France** conducts **Maritime Partnership Exercise (MPX)** in the **Arabian Sea**
- **Centre** signed **Rs 934 crore deal** with **Hindustan Shipyard Limited (HSL)** to **Refit INS Sindhukirti Submarine**
- **Exercise 'La Perouse'** between navies of **India, US, Japan, France, UK** and **Australia** begins

### Science

- **OpenAI** launched '**GPT-4**' with **higher accuracy**



## Sports

- **Khelo India Dus ka Dum tournament** to be organized to celebrate **International Women's Day 2023**
- **Australia's Shaun Marsh** announced **retirement** from **first-class cricket**
- **Virat Kohli** becomes **2nd-highest run scorer against Australia**
- **Prithviraj Tondaiman** won **bronze** in **trap shooting** in **Doha**
- **Ashleigh Gardner & Harry Brook** won **ICC Player of the Month** for **February**

## Book and Author

- A book titled '**Mundaka Upanishad: The Bridge to Immortality**' authored by **Karan Singh** released

## Important day

- **8 March 2023 (Second Wednesday of March) – No Smoking Day**
- **10 March – CISF Raising Day**
- **14 March – International Day Of Action For Rivers** (Theme 2023 – Rights of Rivers)
- **14 March – International Mathematics Day** (Theme 2023 – Mathematics for Everyone)
- **15 March– World Consumer Rights Day** (Theme 2023 – Empowering Consumers Through Clean Energy Transitions)

## Obituary

- **Veteran actor-director Satish Kaushik** passed away
- **Veteran actor Sameer Khakhsar** passed away

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## National News

- **Literacy rate in India: Bihar lowest at 8%, Kerala highest at 94%**
- **Meghalaya International Film Festival** begins in **Shillong**
- **Narender Singh Tomar** inaugurated "**AgriUnifest**" in **Bengaluru**
- **Atal Innovation Mission** launched **ATL Sarthi**
- **Sampanna Ramesh** becomes **fastest Indian** to **swim across Palk Strait**
- **Rajasthan CM** announced **19 new districts** and **three new divisions**
- **Manipur governor** inaugurated **Int'l Conference** on '**Natural Farming**'
- **PM Modi** inaugurated the **Global Millets Conference**
- **Uttarakhand government** approved **10 % reservation** for **statehood activists**
- **President Murmu** presents the '**President's Colour**' to **INS Dronacharya**
- **Sikkim** hosts **B20 meeting** under **India's G20 presidency**
- **India** approves **Rs 70,500 crore** for **acquisition** of **military hardware**
- **Ayush Ministry** inaugurated **26th session** of **Rashtriya Ayurveda Vidyapeeth**
- **Indian Railways** to become **Net Zero Carbon Emitter** by **2030**
- **Government** to develop **mega textile parks** in **7 states** under **PM MITRA scheme**
- **India Post** partnered with **Shiprocket** to **benefit Startups** and **MSMEs**
- **Indira Gandhi Airport** ranked **best airport** in **South Asia** for **5th time**
- **India & Sri Lanka** inaugurate exhibition '**Geoffrey Bawa**' in **New Delhi**
- **Union government** announced **10% reservation** in **CISF** for **former Agniveers**
- **Parshottam Rupala** inaugurated '**Sagar Parikrama Phase IV**' in **Karnataka**
- **International SME Convention 2023** held in **New Delhi**

- **Aerator cum Dancing Fountains** inaugurated in **Srinagar**
- **India** on track to achieve **energy independence** by **2047**
- **GAIL** signed **MoU** with **Shell Energy India** on **ethane sourcing**
- **Nagaland** all set to **host G20 Business Summit 2023** at **Kohima**
- **5th Poshan Pakhwada** celebrations begins; **Theme 2023 – Nutrition for All: Together Towards a Healthy India**
- **L20 engagement group's inception meeting** concluded in **Amritsar, Punjab**
- **NTPC Green Energy Limited (NGEL)** signed **agreement** with **Indian Oil Corporation Limited** for setting up **renewable energy projects**
- **C-20 India Inception meeting** held in **Nagpur**
- **2nd G20 Sustainable Finance Working Group meeting** begins in **Udaipur**
- **Ranveer Singh** named **India's most valuable celebrity** of **2022**
- **PM Modi** inaugurated **new ITU Area Office** and **Innovation Center** in **New Delhi**
- **Stadium** named after **hockey player Rani Rampal**
- **Tamil Nadu's 18th wildlife sanctuary** to come up in **Erode**
- **Bhupender Yadav** chaired **1st General Body Meeting** of **National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management (NCSCM)** in **New Delhi**
- **NTPC** signed **MoU** with **Indian Army** for implementation of **Green Hydrogen Projects**
- **Himachal Pradesh** signed **MoU** with **French Agency** to improve **drinking water, sanitation**
- **Assam CM** launched **Mission Lifestyle** for **Environment**
- **2nd Working Group Meeting** of **Environment and Climate Sustainability Working Group** to be held at **Gandhinagar**
- **QS World University Rankings: IIT Bombay** ranked **1st** in **India** and **47th** globally
- **PM Modi** addressed '**One World TB Summit**' at **Varanasi**

## International News

- **Delhi** ranks **4th** on list of **world's most polluted cities**; **Lahore** at **first place**
- **US** recognized **McMahon Line** as **international border**
- **Global Terrorism Index** – **India** ranked **13th**, **topped** by **Afghanistan**
- **World Happiness Index 2023**: **India** ranked **125**; **topped** by **Finland**
- **TIME list of World's Greatest Places of 2023** released; **Ladakh** and **Mayurbhanj** are among chosen **destinations**
- **Microsoft** introduces '**Bing Image Creator**' powered by **OpenAI's DALL-E**

## Banking and Financial

- **India** signed **loan agreement** with **World Bank** for **Green NH Corridors project**
- **National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT)** approved **HDFC, HDFC Bank merger**
- **Indian economy** likely to **grow 6%** in **FY24**: **Crisil**
- **ICICI Prudential Life Insurance** launched '**ICICI Pru Gold**'
- **Indian economy** to **grow at 7%**; inflation set to moderate: **FM**
- **RBI** to set up **Data Centre & Cybersecurity Training Institute** in **Bhubaneswar**
- **Income tax dept** launched mobile app '**AIS** for **Taxpayer**
- **Amazon Pay** ties up with **NPCI's Bharat BillPay** for **loan repayments**

## Appointment and Resignation

- **Amitava Mukherjee** assumed **additional charge** as **NMDC CMD**
- **Eric Garcetti** appointed as **US ambassador** to **India**
- **Deepak Mohanty** appointed as **Chairman** of **Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA)**
- **K Krithivasan** appointed as **CEO** of **TCS**

- **FSIB** recommends **Ashwani Kumar** as **MD** and **CEO** of **UCO Bank**
- **G Krishnakumar** appointed as **CMD** of **BPCL**
- **Deepak Bagla** steps down as **MD & CEO** of **Invest India**
- **Ram Sahaya Prasad Yadav** elected **Nepal's third Vice President**
- **Luxor** appoints **Virat Kohli** as its **Brand Ambassador**
- **Ratan Tata** appointed to '**Order of Australia**' for **bolstering bilateral ties**
- **Lalit Kumar Gupta** appointed as **CMD** of **Cotton Corporation of India**
- **Manmeet K Nanda** appointed as **MD & CEO** of **Invest India**
- **Arnab Banerjee** appointed as **MD & CEO** **CEAT**
- **Laxman Narasimhan** assumed **charge** as **new CEO** of **Starbucks**

### Awards

- **Tamil writer Sivasankari** to be awarded **Saraswati Samman for 2022**
- **Bengaluru** received '**Healthy City**' award for **smoking laws**
- **Bombay Jayashri** chosen for **Sangita Kalanidhi Award 2023**
- **Nepalese batsman Aasif Sheikh** won **2022 CMJ Spirit of Cricket Award**
- **Singapore Changi Airport** named the **World's Best Airport 2023**
- **Indian-American Mindy Kaling** awarded the **National Humanities Medals**

### Defence

- **India** joined **Sea Dragon exercise 2023**
- **13th edition** of **Exercise Bold Kurukshetra** concluded at **Jodhpur Military Station**
- **Africa-India field training exercise AFINDEX-23** to be held in **Pune**
- **Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE)** launched the '**Most Silent Ship**' **INS Androth**

## Science

- **Gaganyaan mission** allocated **Rs 9023 crore** to achieve its **objectives**
- **ISRO** to conduct **young scientist programme** in **Bengaluru**
- **Asia's largest 4-metre liquid mirror telescope** inaugurated in **Uttarakhand**

## Sports

- **Asian Kho Kho Championship** for **Men** and **Women** begins in **Assam**
- **Rohan Bopanna** becomes **oldest tennis player** to **win ATP Masters**
- **Sergio Perez** won the **Saudi Arabian Grand Prix 2023**
- **India** to **host 2023 SAFF Championships** in **Bengaluru**
- **ISSF Shooting World Cup** begins in **Bhopal**
- **China & South Korea** bag titles at **All England Open**
- **Hima Das, Ancy Sojan** win **gold** in **200m** and **long jump** in **IGP**
- **Sarabjot Singh** won **gold** in **10m air pistol** at **ISSF World Cup**

## Book and Author

- **"Women and Men in India 2022"** book **launched** by **Inderjit Singh Rao**

## Important day

- **16 March – National Immunisation Day**
- **18 March – Ordinance Factories' Day** (Theme 2023 – Vinashaya Dushkritam)
- **18 March – Global Recycling Day** (Theme 2023 – Creative Innovation)
- **20 March – World Oral Health Day** (Theme 2023 – "Be Proud of Your Mouth")
- **20 March- International Day of Happiness** (Theme 2023 – Be Mindful, Be Grateful, Be Kind)

- **21 March – World Down Syndrome Day** (Theme 2023 – With Us, Not For Us)
- **21 March – International Day of Forests** (Theme 2023 – Forests and health)
- **22 March – World Water Day** (Theme 2023 – Accelerating the change to solve the water and sanitation crisis)
- **Bihar celebrated 111th foundation day on 22 March 2023** (Theme 2023 – “Yuva Shakti Bihar ki Pragati”)
- **23 March – Shaheed Diwas**
- **23 March – World Meteorological Day** (Theme 2023 – The Future of Weather, Climate and Water across Generations)
- **24 March – World Tuberculosis Day**

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### National News

- **Cabinet approved 4% hike in dearness allowance to central government employees**
- **Health Minister chairs 36th Board Meeting of Stop TB Partnership**
- **Amit Shah inaugurated Vedic Heritage portal in New Delhi**
- **Lok Sabha approves Rs 1.18 lakh crore budget for Jammu and Kashmir**
- **G20 Research and Innovation Initiative Gathering held in Assam**
- **PM Modi launched 'Call Before u Dig' app**
- **National Green Tribunal (NGT) slaps ₹10 crore penalty on Kerala government for failure to protect Ramsar sites**
- **Government launches DigiClaim platform for farmer insurance claims**
- **Anupriya Patel inaugurated 23rd INDIASOFT in New Delhi**
- **Second G20 Sherpas meeting begins at Kumarakom in Kerala**

- **Government** identified **1275 railway stations** under **Amrit Bharat Station Scheme**
- **Education Ministry** shortlisted around **9,000 schools** for **Pradhan Mantri Schools for Rising India (PM SHRI)**
- **Centre** approves **Rs 800 crore** to set up **7432 public EV charging stations**
- **Giriraj Singh** initiates '**Captive Employment**' Scheme
- **Second G20 Framework Working Group meeting** concludes in **Chennai**
- **Environment Minister** launched **Aravalli Green Wall Project** in **Gurugram**
- **Government** launched **New India Literacy Program**
- **Jaipur** to get **India's 2nd largest cricket stadium** named after **Anil Agarwal**
- **First G20 disaster risk reduction working group meeting** begins in **Gandhinagar**
- **Himachal Pradesh's Kangra tea** gets **European GI tag**
- **Telangana government** to **rejuvenate 50 lakes** in **Hyderabad**
- **MeitY** constituted **task force** with the aim to **make India 'product developer and manufacturing nation'**
- **World Bank** approved **\$363 million loan** for **clean drinking water** in **rural Karnataka**

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International News

- **26th edition** of '**Elevate Expo**' held in **Dubai**
- **26% of world's population does not have safe drinking water: UNESCO report**
- **Egypt** joins **BRICS bank** as **new member**
- **Passport Index Points 2023: India** ranks at **144th; topped** by **UAE**

### **Banking and Financial**

- **RBI** imposes **monetary penalty** of **Rs 30 lakh** on **Karur Vysya Bank**



- **IDFC First Bank** joined hands with **Crunchfish** to **facilitate offline payments**
- **Government** imposed **surcharge** for **Google Pay** and **other payment apps**
- **Axis Bank** launched '**MicroPay**' based on '**Pin on Mobile**' technology for **digital payments**
- **Indian economy** to grow at **6.5%** in **next decade: Chief Economic Advisor**

### Appointment and Resignation

- Former Brazilian **Prez Dilma Rousseff** elected as **new President** of **New Development Bank (NDB)**
- **Manmeet Colon** sworn in as **Connecticut's first assistant police chief**
- **Srikanth Venkatachari** appointed as **CFO** of **Reliance Industries**
- **UK Sinha & Dipali Goenka** appointed as **Independent Directors** of **NDTV**
- **Sheikh Mansour Bin Zayed Al Nahyan** appointed as **Vice-President** of **UAE**
- **Ajay Singh** appointed as **President** of **Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM)**
- **Pranav Haridasan** appointed as **MD** and **CEO** of **Axis Securities**
- **Star Sports** signs **Ranveer Singh** as its **brand ambassador**

### Awards

- **M T Vasudevan Nair** awarded **Kerala's highest civilian honour**
- **Luis Caffarelli** wins **Abel Prize** for **maths**
- **Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman** conferred **Special literary award**
- **J&K's Aliya Mir** wins **Wildlife Conservation Award 2023**
- **Naveen Jindal** conferred with '**Lifetime Achievement Award**' by **University of Texas**

### Defence

- **India & UK** hold joint maritime exercise '**Konkan**' in **Arabian Sea**

- **Ministry of Defence** inks **Rs 3,700 crore contracts** with **BEL**
- **Defence Ministry** signs **3 contracts** worth about **5400 crore rupees** to **bolster defence capabilities**

### Sports

- **Mumbai Indians** won **Women's Premier League title 2023**
- **Manu Bhaker** won **25m Pistol Bronze** in **ISSF World Cup 2023**
- **Satwiksairaj Rankireddy & Chirag Shetty** win **Swiss Open doubles title**

### Important day

- **25 March – International Day of Unborn Child** (Theme 2023- The dignity and value of children yet-to-be-born.)
- **25 March – International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery** (Theme 2023 – Fighting Slavery's Legacy of Racism Through Transformative Education)
- **27 March – World Theatre Day** (Theme 2023 – Theatre and a Culture of Peace)
- **30 March – Rajasthan Day**
- **29 March 2023 (88th day of the year)- World Piano Day**
- **31 March – World Backup Day**

### Obituary

- **Director Pradeep Sarkar** passes away at 67
- **Co-founder of Intel, Gordon Moore** passed away

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