

Weekly One Liner Current Affairs

4th week (25th to 31st December) 2023

National News

- **World Bank** provides **\$300 million loan** to **Tamil Nadu** to help **21 Urban Local Bodies**
- **National Investment and Infrastructure Fund (NIIF)** Plans To Invest Up To **Rs 675 Crore Bhogapuram airport**
- **Digi Yatra, facial recognition tech**, implemented at **13 Indian airports**
- **UP** to build **India's first AI city** in **Lucknow**
- **UN** announces **2024** as **International Year of Camelids**
- **UP CM** inaugurated **state's first intra-district chopper service**
- **Telangana** introduced **Rs 5 lakh accident insurance** for **Gig Workers**
- **Health Minister** launched '**MedTech Mitra**' to **advance health Solution**
- **Bharat Electronics** Secures **₹445 Cr Deal** For **UP Dial 112 Project**
- **Bihar Police** to launch '**Mission Investigation@75 days**'
- **Telecommunications Consultants India Ltd (TCIL)** pays **Rs 14.20 crore** dividend to the **Government** for **FY 2022-23**
- **PM Narendra Modi** becomes **first world leader** to have **20 million YouTube subscribers**
- **India, Russia** ink **pacts** on construction of **future power units**
- **KSRTC** Unveils '**Namma Cargo**' Logistics In **Karnataka**
- **Ayodhya Train Station** Renamed As **Ayodhya Dham**
- **Cabinet** approves opening of **Consulate General of India** in **Auckland, New Zealand**
- **India** and **Italy** signed **Mobility** and **Migration Partnership Agreement**
- **India** and **Malaysia** sign an **MoU** for **Cooperation** in **Broadcasting**

- **Union cabinet** approves **increase** in **copra MSP** for upcoming **2024 season**
- **Kerala CM** launched **new board** for **transparent Public Sector Recruitment**
- **Delhi, Bangalore, Mumbai** host over **20%** of **India's crypto investments**
- **India** and **Russia** signed **Protocol on Consultations** for **next four years**
- **Gujarat** emerged as **India's 'Petro Capital'**
- **IIT Guwahati** collaborated with **Assam govt's Arohan Scheme** over **STEM**
- **RK Singh** inaugurated **power grid's Vishram Sadan** in **Bengaluru**
- **President Murmu** to attend **Karbi Youth Festival-2024** in **Assam**
- **Reliance Jio** joins hands with **IIT Bombay** to launch **Bharat GPT**
- **Adani Total Gas Ltd (ATGL)** and **Flipkart** sign **MoU** for **supply chain decarbonization**

International News

- **Angola** to quit **Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)**
- **UK** to introduce **carbon import levy** on certain products by **2027**
- **India** to **Acquire Five Lithium Blocks** in **Argentina**
- **Pakistan People's Party** nominated **first Hindu woman, Dr Saveera Parkash** for elections in **Khyber Pakhtunkhwa**

Banking and Financial

- **SEBI** proposes **two-phase transition** to **instant settlement** in **Indian stock market**
- **Fitch** expects **India** to be among **fastest-growing nations** in **2024-25**
- **Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)** extends **₹932 crore loan** to **India** to **implement Sustainable Development Goals**

- **SBI** to sign **\$165 million LoC** with **World Bank** for **rooftop solar projects**
- **NABARD** and **ADB** jointly launch **climate action initiative**
- **Kotak Mahindra Life Insurance** introduces the unveiling of **T.U.L.I.P. (Term with Unit Linked Insurance Plan)**
- **SoftBank** sells shares worth **\$310 mn** in **FirstCry**
- **Education Loans Experience 20.6% Spike** From **April To October**
- **IndusInd Bank** launches 'eSvarna' credit card
- **Ola Electric** files **IPO papers** with **Sebi**; first by auto company in 20 years
- **World Bank** Approves **\$100 Mn** For **Skill Development** In **Sikkim**
- **Muthoot FinCorp** raises **₹200 crore** from **SBI** via **NCDs**
- **Current account gap narrows** to **1% of GDP** at **\$8.3 bn** in **Q2FY24**: **RBI**
- **Reserve Bank of India** approves **IDFC-IDFC First Bank** merger
- **ICICI Pru Mutual Fund** to acquire **9.95% stake** in **Federal, RBL Bank**

Appointment and Resignation

- **SEBI** approves **Pramod Agrawal's** appointment as **BSE Chairman**
- **North East SFB** appoints **Satish Kumar Kalra** as **interim MD & CEO**
- **Kartik Aaryan** signed as **Brand Ambassador** for **Football**
- **Bisleri** signed **Deepika Padukone** as it's **Global Brand Ambassador**
- **CS Rajan** appointed as **part-time chairman** of **Kotak Mahindra Bank**
- **Katie Moon** appoints as **ambassador** of **Mumbai Marathon**
- **LIC** appoints **S Sunder Krishnan** as **Chief Risk Officer**
- **UN chief** appoints **Sigrid Kaag** as **senior humanitarian coordinator** for **Gaza**
- **HDFC Bank** approves re-appointment of **Atanu Chakraborty** as **chairman** for **3 years**
- **Nina Singh** becomes **first woman** to be appointed as **DG** of **Central Industrial Security Force (CISF)**

Awards

- **Poet Sukrita Paul Kumar** Wins **Rabindranath Tagore Literary Prize**
- **Yunqing Tang** and **Ruixiang Zhang** won **SASTRA Ramanujan Awards** for **2022** and **2023** respectively
- **Karnataka** bags **National Energy Conservation Award 2023**
- **Devendra Fadnavis** Conferred **Honorary Doctorate** By **Japanese University**

Defence

- **Iran's navy** adds sophisticated **cruise missiles 'Talaieih and Nasir'** to its **armoury**
- **INS Imphal, India's first warship** named after a **northeastern state**, commissioned
- **Pakistan** successfully tests **Fatah-II** guided **multi-launch rocket system**

Science

- **China** launches a **Long March-11 carrier rocket** into **space**
- **ISRO** launched **FEAST software** and **book** to **guide faculty** and **students**

Sports

- **Former South Africa captain Dean Elgar** announces **retirement** from **international cricket**
- **Indian women** records **maiden historic Test win** over **Australia**
- **Coca-Cola** extends **partnership** with **ICC** till **2031**
- **Sharvaanica** becomes **champion** in **two formats** at **Asian Youth Chess**
- **Indian Olympic Association** forms **three-member ad hoc committee** to **run affairs** of **suspended WFI**
- **Wrestler Pooja Dhanda** handed **one-year ban** by **National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA)**

- **Suriya** acquired **ownership** of **Chennai** in **Indian Street Premier League**
- **PV Sindhu** makes it into **Forbes list** of **highest-paid women athletes** in **2023**


Important day

- **23 December – National Farmers Day** (Theme 2023 – Delivering Smart Solutions for Sustainable Food Security and Resilience)
- **24 December – National Consumer Rights Day**
- **25 December – Good Governance Day**
- **27 December – International Day of Epidemic Preparedness**

Obituary

- **Sculptor Dr. Uttam Pacharne** Passed Away
- **Former EU Commission President Jacques Delors** dies at 98
- **Actor-turned-politician Vijayakanth** passed away

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