

# One Liner Current Affairs PDF

## January 2024 ( Ambitious Baba)

**Weekly One Liner Current Affairs 1st January to 8th January 2024**

### National News

- **UAE** initiates process of investing **\$2 billion** in **food parks** in **India**
- **Gujarat** To Unveil **India's First Submarine Tourism** In **Dwarka**
- **Defence Secretary** Opens **HAL's Aero Engine R&D Facility** In **Bengaluru**
- **Hardeep Puri** inaugurates **India's first 'Zero Waste Street Food Festival'** in **Delhi**
- **Guinness world record** of performing **mass Surya Namaskar** created in **Gujarat** on **New Year Day**
- **Assam CM** flags off **200 green buses** for **pollution-free Guwahati**
- **Reliance Power** to **sell Kalai II hydropower project** to **THDC India**
- **PM** to attend **DGP conference** at **Jaipur**
- **India** inaugurated its **first all-girls Sainik School** in **Vrindavan, UP**
- **PM Modi** inaugurates **new terminal building** at **Tiruchirappalli airport**
- **Udhampur** achieved **100% saturation** in '**Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra**'
- **Surat** Hosts **12th Divya Kala Mela 2023**
- **J&K** becomes **first UT** to implement **PM Vishwakarma Yojana**
- **Flipkart co-founder, Binny Bansal** launched e-commerce start-up '**OppDoor**'
- **IREDA** Declared **2024** as '**Year of HR Development and Discipline**'
- **Reliance Industries** first in India to receive **ISCC-Plus certification**

- **KABIL (Khanij Bidesh India Ltd)** to invest over **₹200 cr** towards **securing lithium supplies** in **Argentina**
- **CCI** approved **Punjab government's** buy of **private thermal plant**
- **Hyderabad, Bengaluru airports** score **high** in **global on-time ranking**
- **Maharashtra** aims to become **Global Drone hub**
- **PM** inaugurates **Kochi-Lakshadweep Islands Submarine Optical Fibre Connection**
- **ArcelorMittal** partners with **IIT Madras** to create **Hyperloop facility**
- **P. tops** in **entry rate** on **Inter-Operable Criminal Justice System (ICJS) platform**
- **Kerala** launches **K-Smart tech solution**
- **Czech PM** to be **chief guest** at **Vibrant Gujarat Summit**
- **Jagdeep Dhankhar** inaugurated **Startup Expo** in **Kathua**
- **Jharkhand govt** reduces **qualifying age** for **old-age pension** to **50**
- **Andhra Pradesh CM** boosts **social security pension** to **Rs 3,000**
- **NHAI** collaborates with **National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC)** to develop **'Green Cover Index'**
- **REC limited** signs with **Rail Vikas Nigam (RVN)** to **finance multi-modal**
- **UP** distributed **loans** over **Rs 6 lakh crore** to **boost MSME sector**
- **Ayodhya** to host **International Kite Festival** ahead of **Ram Temple consecration**
- **Amit Shah** inaugurates **58th DGSP/IGSP conference 2023** in **Jaipur**
- **Cabinet** Approves **India-USAID MoU** For **Railways' Net-Zero Emission Goal**
- **Ayodhya Airport** Renamed As **'Maharishi Valmiki International Airport'**
- **Sarbananda Sonowal** chair first **Inland Waterways Development Council Meeting** in **Kolkata**
- **Amit Shah** chairs **'National PACS Mega Conclave'** in **New Delhi**
- **Suchetha Satish** sets **new world record** for **singing** in **most languages** during **single concert** in **Dubai**

## International News

- **Argentina Rejects BRICS Membership** Under **President Javier Milei**
- **Francoise Bettencourt Meyers** becomes **first woman** with a **\$100 billion**
- **Russia** takes over the **BRICS chairmanship**
- **France** becomes **first European country** to issue **digital Schengen visas**
- **EAM Jaishankar** to **represent India** at **Uganda NAM Summit** in **January 2024**

## Banking and Financial

- **Sukanya Samriddhi Schemes'** interest rates hiked up to **20 bps** for **Q4FY24**
- **GST** collection **rises 10%** in **December** to **Rs 1.64 lakh cr**
- **UPI** ends 2023 with record **transactions** worth **₹18-lakh crore**
- **India Ratings** revises **PNB Housing Finance NCD ratings** from **AA** to **AA+**
- **Bank of India** introduced **Super Special Fixed Deposit**
- **India Ratings** raises **GDP growth** forecast for **FY'24** to **6.7%** from **6.2%**
- **Canara Bank** to launch **Data Analytics center** in **Bengaluru**
- **REC Limited** and **Bank of Baroda** join hands to **finance Power, Infra,** and **Logistics Projects**
- **SBI** raises **\$250 mn** via **Green Bonds** to **fund sustainable projects**
- **Indian economy** to grow at **3 percent** in **current financial year**; **NSO**

## Appointment and Resignation

- **Arvind Panagariya** appointed as **16th Finance Commission Chairman**
- **Andrew Saberton** appointed as the **Deputy Executive Director** of **United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)**

- **Ashok Vaswani** assumes charge as **Kotak Mahindra Bank's MD and CEO**
- **Ravindra Kumar Tyagi** takes over as **CMD of Power Grid Corporation**
- **Tshisekedi** re-elected **president of Congo**
- **Denmark's Queen Margrethe II** to **step down** after 52 years on throne
- **Vivek Srivastava** appoints as **DG of Fire Service**
- **Dong Jun** Named As **China's New Defense Minister**
- **Kia India** names **Gwanggu Lee** as new **MD & CEO**
- Justice **BR Gavai** appoints **chairperson of SC legal services committee**
- **Nadia Calviño** takes over as **European Investment Bank (EIB) President**
- **Randhir Jaiswal** became **Spokesperson of Ministry of External Affairs**
- **Sanjay Jasjit Singh** took charge of **Western Naval Command**
- **P Santhosh** appoints as **MD & CEO of National Asset Reconstruction Company (NARCL)**
- **Shashi Singh** appointed as **new president of All India Rubber Industries Association (AIRIA)**
- Vice Admiral **Dinesh K. Tripathi** appointed as **Vice Chief of the Naval Staff**
- **Sanjiv Aggarwal** appoints as **MD & CEO of Investment and Infrastructure Fund Limited (IIFL)**
- **Raghuram Iyer** appointed as **CEO of Indian Olympic Association**
- **Vikas Sheel** appointed as **ED of Asian Development Bank**
- **Rajiv Shah** named as '**Class C' director on Board of Directors of Federal Reserve Bank of New York**
- **Indra Mani Pandey** assumes charge of **Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) Secretary General**
- **Ashwani Gupta** appointed as **CEO of Adani Ports**

## Awards

- **Prof B R Kamboj** honoured with **M S Swaminathan Award**

## Defence

- **India, UAE** to conduct joint military exercise '**Desert Cyclone**' in **Rajasthan**

## Science

- **ISRO** launched **XPoSat** aboard **PSLV-C58**
- **Google DeepMind** Introduces **Mobile ALOHA Humanoid Technology**

## Sports

- **Australian batter David Warner** announces his **retirement** from **ODI**
- **Anahat** wins **U-19 girls" title** at **Scottish Junior Open squash**
- **Beatrice Chebet** breaks **5 km world record** in **Barcelona event**

## Important day

- **Maharashtra govt** to observe **15 January** as **state sports day**
- **1 January** – **Global Family Day**
- **1 January** – **World Day of Peace**
- **1 January** – **Copyright Law Day**
- **DRDO** celebrates **66th Foundation Day** on **January 1**
- **2 January** – **World Introvert Day**
- **4 January** – **World Braille Day**
- **Chhattisgarh** declared **dry day** on **January 22** to **honor Ram temple**
- **6 January** – **World Day of War Orphans**
- **5 January** – **National Birds Day** (Theme 2023 – Right To Fight)
- **8 January** – **Earth's Rotation Day**
- **8 January** – **South African Native National Congress (SANNC) Day**

## Obituary

- **Professor Ved Prakash Nanda** died
- **Former India defender Prabir Majumdar** passes away

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## National News

- **Union Cabinet** Approved **India-Guyana** MoU For **Hydrocarbon Sector**
- **68 Rajya Sabha Members** Set to **Retire** in **2024**
- **Uttar Pradesh** to set up **pharma park** in **Lalitpur, Bundelkhand**
- **Gangasagar Mela** begins in **West Bengal**
- **Tamil Nadu** receives **investment proposals** worth **₹6.64 lakh crore**
- **India** and **Mauritius** collaborate on **Rs 20 crore small satellite project**
- **Nitin Gadkari** inaugurates and lays foundation stone of **12 National Highway projects** in **Kerala**
- **Indian Railways** Electrifies **6,577 Route Kilometers** in **2023**
- **Dharmendra Pradhan** attends **inaugural ceremony** of **Kala Utsav**
- **Parshottam Rupala** Lays Foundation Stone For Upgradation Of **Paradip Fishing Harbour**
- **West Bengal CM** launches '**Yogyasree**' for **SC/ST students**
- **India** To Host **UNESCO's World Heritage Committee** In **July 2024**
- **Ujjain** Unveils **India's First Hygienic Food Street 'Prasadam'**
- **Wings India** To Be Held At **Hyderabad's Begumpet Airport**
- **Piyush Goyal** Inaugurates **Indus Food 2024** in **Greater Noida**
- **Maharashtra govt** declares **new Atpadi Conservation Reserve** in **Sangli district**
- **Chhattisgarh govt** launches '**Ramlala Darshan**' scheme

- **Nitin Gadkari** inaugurates, lays foundation stones of **29 highway** projects worth **Rs 4,000 crore** in **Punjab**
- **PM Modi** inaugurated & laid foundation stone of **multiple development projects** in **Maharashtra** worth over **30,500 crore**
- **Tamil Nadu** launched **special vehicle** to **restore coastal ecosystems**
- **Denmark** introduced **green fuels alliance** in **India**
- **IIT Madras** to open **new campus** at **Kandy** in **Sri Lanka**
- **Sarbananda Sonowal** Laid Foundation Stone Of The **Regional Research Institute For Homoeopathy** At **Guwahati**
- **Uttar Pradesh** To Welcome **5 New Airports** In **Expansion Drive**
- **2024** Is 'Year Of Technology Absorption' For **Army**
- **Karnataka Govt.** Launched 'Yuva Nidhi' Scheme For **Jobless Youth**
- **International Camel Festival** Organized In **Bikaner, Rajasthan**
- **PM Modi** Inaugurates **27th National Youth Festival** In **Nashik**
- **First 'Made In India' Memory Chip** Is Expected To Be Produced In **2024: Ashwini Vaishnav**
- **2nd International AYUSH Conference** Inaugurated In **Dubai**
- **South Korean firm Simmtech** signs **MoU** for creating **semiconductor ecosystem** in **Gujarat**
- **Maharashtra's Pench Tiger Reserve** becomes **India's First Dark Sky Park**
- **PM Modi** Releases **First Instalment** of **PM-JANMAN Scheme** for **Pucca Homes**
- **Defense Minister** Sanctions **Insurance Scheme** for **BRO Workers**
- **Maiden National Highway steel slag road** on **NH-66 Mumbai-Goa** inaugurated
- **MP** govt declares **January 22** as **dry day** to mark **consecration** of **Ram temple** in **Ayodhya**

## International News

- **Kyrgyzstan** Declares **Snow Leopard** As **National Symbol**
- **2023** Recorded **Hottest Year Ever** As **Earth Nears Critical 5C Limit**

- **Global unemployment** seen inching up to **5.2%** in **2024: International Labour Organization (ILO)**
- **Henley Passport Index 2024; India Ranks 80<sup>th</sup>; topped** by **France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Singapore, and Spain**
- **Greece Drafts Bill To Legalize Same-Sex Marriage**
- **South Korea Bans Trade Of Dog Meat In New Law**

## Banking and Financial

- **Fino Payments Bank** applies to **RBI** for **SFB license**
- **Indusind Bank** Introduces The '**Samman Rupay Credit Card**'
- **World Bank** Keeps **India's FY25 GDP Growth Estimate Unchanged** At **6.4%**
- **Rural Development Ministry** signs **pact** with **SBI** to **facilitate loans** for **SHGs**
- **Indian Bank** Launches '**Indian Bank One Co-Branded Credit Card**'
- **SBI** Launches **Green Rupee Term Deposit**
- **RBI** imposes **fine** on **Dhanlaxmi Bank, ESAF Small Finance Bank, Punjab and Sind Bank** over **non-compliances**
- **DLabs** at **ISB** launches '**Build for Billions**' jointly with **RBI Innovation Hub, Union Bank of India**
- **Tata Consumer** signs **pacts** to buy **Capital Foods, Organic India**
- **Wholesale** inflation rises to **0.73%** in **December**

## Appointment and Resignation

- **Sheikh Hasina** wins **fifth term** in **Bangladesh PM**
- **Rashmi Shukla** becomes **Maharashtra's first woman DGP**
- **SEBI** Appoints **G Ram Mohan Rao** As **Executive Director**
- **Puneet Chhatwal** Appointed **Chairman** of **Federation of Associations in Indian Tourism & Hospitality (FAITH)**
- **NIVEA** India Appoints **Geetika Mehta** As **New MD**
- **Aruna Nayar** takes over as **Secretary** of **Railway Board**
- **Seema Kumar** takes charge as **Member** of **Railway Board**



- **Gabriel Attal** becomes **France's youngest PM**
- **Satish Kumar** appoints as **Member of (TRACTION & ROLLING STOCK), Railways Board**
- **PhonePe** Appoints **Ritesh Pai** As **CEO** For **International Payments Division**
- **Samir Kumar Sinha** Takes Over As **DG (Acquisition)** In **Defence Ministry**
- **Credit bureau Experian** appointed **Manish Jain** as **MD** for **India**
- **Sheel Vardhan Singh** Assumes **Role** As **UPSC Member**
- **Maheshwar Rao** Appointed As **MD** Of **Bangalore Metro**
- **Vivek Murthy** Appoints As **US Representative** On **WHO Board**
- **Bhutan's Tshering Tobgay** becomes **PM** for **second time**
- **Denmark's King Frederik X** Takes **The Throne** After Abdication Of Queen
- **William Lai** Elected **President** Of **Taiwan**
- **Govt** approves **reappointment** of **RBI Deputy Governor Michael Patra** for **1 year**

## Awards

- **Divyakriti Singh** Becomes **1st Indian Woman Arjuna Awardee** for **Equestrian Sports**
- **Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award for 2023; [ReadMore...](#)**
- **Dronacharya Award (regular category)** for **outstanding coaches; Lalit Kumar** (wrestling), **B. Ramesh** (chess), **Mahaveer Prasad Saini** (para-athletics), **Shivendra Singh** (hockey), **Ganesh Prabhakar Devrukhkar** (mallakhamb)
- **Swachh Survekshan Awards 2023: Indore, Surat 'cleanest cities' in India**
- **Sheetal Devi**, the **world's first armless woman archer** won **Arjuna Award**
- **Varanasi** wins '**Cleanest Ganga Towns**' Award

## Defence

- **DRDO** Launches '**Ugram**' **Assault Rifle** For **Armed Forces**

- **Adani Group** Unveils **India's First Medium Altitude, Long Endurance Drone**
- **Indian Navy** to host **multi-national naval exercise MILAN** in **Feb**

## Science

- **Microsoft** launches **AI Odyssey** to skill **1 lakh developers** in **India**
- **LG** Unveils **World's 1st Wireless Transparent OLED TV**

## Sports

- **South Africa batter Heinrich Klaasen** announces **retirement** from **Test cricket**
- **Zverev-Led Germany** Beat Swiatek's Poland To **Win United Cup**
- **FIH** and **Viacom18** Ink **Four-Year Media Rights Deal**
- **New Zealand** appoints **Andre Adams** as **bowling coach**
- **MP** emerges **overall Champion** of **first ever Beach Games** held in **Diu**
- **Australian cricketer Shaun Marsh** announces **retirement**
- **Rohit Sharma** Become **First Men's Player To Play 150 T20Is**

## Important day

- **9 January – Pravasi Bharatiya Divas**
- **10 January – World Hindi Day** (Theme 2024 – Hindi–Bridging Traditional Knowledge and Artificial Intelligence)
- **Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT)** Organizes **Startup India Innovation Week 2024** from **10-18 January**
- **12 January – National Youth Day**
- **11 to 17 January – National Road Safety Week**
- **14 January 2024 – 7th Armed Forces Veterans Day**
- **14 January – International Kite Day**
- **15 January – Indian Army Day** (Theme 2024 – In Service of the Nation)

- **16 January – National Startup Day**

## Obituary

- **Music Maestro Ustad Rashid Khan** Dies
- **Football Player Franz Beckenbauer** Passed Away
- **Urdu poet Munawwar Rana** passes away
- **Renowned classical singer Prabha Atre** passes away

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## National News

- **Boeing** opens its **first distribution center** in **India**, located in **Khurja, Uttar Pradesh**
- **IndoSpace** Signs **Rs 2000 Cr Deal** With **Tamil Nadu Govt**
- **L&T** wins **Rs 10,000 crore electrification order** for **high-speed rail project**
- **Haldia Petrochemicals** becomes **India's first BSI Certified ISO 27001:2022 Petrochemical firm**
- **BEL** bags **₹695-crore order** from **Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders**
- **Parshotham Rupala** Launches **Project for Artificial Reefs** in **Vizhinjam**
- **Amit Shah** Inaugurates **New Cooperative Office** for **Strengthening Societies** and **Rural Economy** in **New Delhi**
- **Jagdeep Dhankhar** inaugurates **12th General Assembly** of the **Asian Buddhist Conference for Peace**
- **MeitY Secretary, S Krishnan** launches "**Centre of Excellence in Intelligent Internet of Things Sensors** and **India Innovation Centre for Graphene**" in **Kerala**
- **Jyotiraditya Scindia** Inaugurates **Asia's Largest Aviation Expo Wings India 2024**
- **Adani Group** plans to invest **Rs12,400 crore** in **Telangana**
- **UAE** unveils groundbreaking '**EcoMark**' **green accreditation framework**

- **Farsi as India's New Classical Language**
- **PM Modi** inaugurates **Boeing's India Engineering and Technology Center** near **Bengaluru city**
- **PM Modi** released **commemorative postage stamps, book on Ram Temple**
- **India, France** to jointly fund **science research projects**
- **Cabinet** approves **Coal India power projects** through **JVs**
- **West Bengal CM** inaugurates **47th International Kolkata Book Fair**
- **Ministry of Tourism** to organize **"Bharat Parv"** from **23-31 January**
- **India, Cuba** signed an **MoU on digital public infrastructure collaboration**
- **Ladakh** organized **Mamani Festival**
- **JP Nadda** launches **'Gaon Chalo Abhiyaan'** in **Delhi**
- **G Kishan Reddy** inaugurates **National Skill Training Institute** in **Hyderabad**
- **Sarbananda Sonowal** laid foundation stone for **Ayush Diksha Centre** in **Odisha**
- **Hardeep S Puri** launches **first pilot project to make jet fuel from alcohol**
- **Jagannath Temple** Hosts **'Gole Mela' Festival** in **Udhampur**
- **Mansukh Mandaviya** laid foundation stone for **cancer hospital** in **Rajkot**
- **Kiren Rijju** inaugurates the **Young Scientist Conference** at **IISF 2023**
- **Pralhad Joshi** inaugurated **State Mining Minister's Conference** in **Bhopal**
- **PM Modi** inaugurated the **Ayodhya Ram Mandir**
- **World's Tallest Ambedkar Statue** Unveiled In **Andhra Pradesh**
- **Indo-Islamic Cultural Foundation (IICF)** To Build **'Masjid Muhammed Bin Abdullah'** Mosque In **Ayodhya**
- **PM Modi** Launched **'PM Suryodaya Yojana'**
- **Indian Stock Market** Surpasses Hong Kong To Become **4th Biggest Equity Market Globally**

## International News

- **Switzerland** to Host **Ukraine Peace Summit**
- **TCS** ranked **second most valuable IT brand** in **global list**
- **WHO** certifies **Cabo Verde** as **malaria-free**
- **North Korea** conducts **test** of **underwater nuclear weapons system**

## Banking and Financial

- **Yes Bank** deploys **Veefin's SmartFin** supply chain finance solution
- **IndusInd Bank** ties up with **EazyDiner** to **launch credit card**
- **LIC** overtakes **SBI** to become the **most valuable PSU**
- **ICICI Bank Canada** Launches '**Money2India (Canada)**' Mobile Banking App
- **Cabinet** approves **creation** of **posts** for **16th Finance Commission**
- **IREDA, Indian Overseas Bank** ink **pact** to **co-finance renewable energy projects**
- **BoB** launches new '**bob 360**' **deposit scheme**
- **LIC** launches **Jeevan Dhara II** plan

## Appointment and Resignation

- **Vineet McCarty** appointed as **Commandant** in **Indian Naval Academy**
- **AN Pramod** assumed charge as the **Director General Naval Operations (DGNO)**
- **Shantanu Jha** Takes Over as **Chief Staff Officer** at **Eastern Naval Command**
- **Hrithik Roshan** Onboards as **Brand Ambassador** for **RuPay Prime Volleyball League**
- **Daljit Singh** Chaudhary appointed **Director General** of **Sashastra Seema Bal**
- **Praveen Achuthan** Kutty appointed as **MD & CEO** of **DCB Bank**
- **PepsiCo India** appoints **Jagrut Kotecha** as new **CEO**

- **Bernardo Arevalo** sworn in as **Guatemala's president**
- **Tarun Khulbe** appoints as **CEO of Jindal Stainless**

## Awards

- **Former CJI Ranjan Gogoi** to honoured with '**Assam Baibhav**' Award
- **Engineers India Limited (EIL)** conferred with **SCOPE Eminence Award**
- **President Murmu** presented **Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar** to **19 children**
- **Bangalore & Delhi Airports** jointly bagged **best airport award**
- **UP Govt** to Honour **Dr. Ritu** and **Naveen** with '**UP Gaurav Samman**'

## Defence

- **India, Thailand** organized **first bilateral exercise "Ex-Ayutthaya"**
- **India, Egypt** begin **2nd edition** of **joint exercise 'CYCLONE'**
- **India-Kyrgyzstan** Joint Special Forces Exercise '**Khanjar**' commences in **HP**

## Science

- **Pixxel** opens **new spacecraft manufacturing facility** in **Bengaluru**
- **Japan** achieved a **historic soft moon landing** with **SLIM Mission**

## Sports

- **Indian President** Inaugurated **5th Meghalaya Games**
- **Pat Cummins** and **Deepti Sharma** won **ICC Players of the Month** for **December 2023**
- **Yogesh Singh** wins **gold medal** in **men's 25m centre fire pistol**
- **Praggnanandhaa** Surpasses **Viswanathan Anand** to Become **India's No.1 Chess Player**

- **Rohit Sharma** becomes the **most prolific T20I centurion**
- **South Africa** host **ICC U-19 Cricket World Cup 2024**
- **Tata Group** to continue as **IPL title sponsor** until **2028**
- **Ravi Shastri** received **lifetime achievement award**
- **Tai Tzu Ying** clinches **first women's singles title** at **India Open**
- **Madrid** to host **Spanish F1 GP** from **2026**

## Books & Authors

- **Jagdeep Dhankhar** released book titled '**Fertilising the Future**, written by **Mansukh Mandaviya**
- **Amit Shah** launched book '**Assam's Braveheart Lachit Barphukan**' by **Arup Kumar Dutta**

## Important day

- **18 January 2024** (Thursday of the third week of January) – **Women's Healthy Weight Day**
- **Tripura, Manipur, and Meghalaya** celebrate **52nd Statehood Day** on **21 January**
- **23 January** – **Parakram Diwas**
- **24 January** – **National Girl Child Day**

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## National News

- **IIM Kashipur** to host **Uttishtha 2024**
- **14th All India Police Commando Competition** organized in **Visakhapatnam**
- **Vice-President** inaugurated '**Hamara Samvidhan, Hamara Samman**' campaign
- **DGCA** slaps **Rs 1.10 crore penalty** on **Air India** for **safety violations**

- **Odisha** to Setup **World's First 'Black Tiger Safari'** in **Mayurbhanj**
- **Cabinet** Approved for **India-Oman IT Cooperation MoU**
- **India's second VLF communication station** to come up in **Telangana**
- **MoD** inks **₹1,070 crore pact** with **Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders** for **14 fast patrol vessels** for **Indian Coast Guard (ICG)**
- **Cabinet** approves setting up of **two coal gasification plants** in **West Bengal** and **Odisha**
- **PM Vishwakarma** beneficiaries invited as **"special guests"** to witness the **Republic Day Parade 2024**
- **Cabinet** approves **Protocol** for establishment of **joint Economic and Trade Committee** between **India** and **Dominican Republic**
- **Krutrim** becomes **India's first \$1 billion AI startup**
- **Reliance Jio** and **OnePlus** join hands to set up **5G innovation lab** in **India**
- **Nirmala Sitharaman** To Become **2nd FM** To Present **6 Consecutive Union Budgets**
- **Tata Group, Airbus team** up to **make helicopters**
- **63rd Central Geological Programming Board (CGPB)** Meeting Convened In **Bhopal**
- **IREDA** releases vigilance journal '**Pahal**'
- **PM Modi** inaugurates **Diamond Jubilee celebrations** of **Supreme Court**
- **Rubber** meet to be held in **Guwahati**
- **4th Orange Festival 2024** In **Nagaland**
- **PM Modi** Unveils **Infrastructure Boost** in **Bulandshahr, UP**
- **Election Commission** collaborates with **Rajkumar Hirani** for a **short film**
- **World Sustainable Development Summit** to be held in **New Delhi**
- **THDC** dedicates **India's largest Green Hydrogen pilot project**
- **Odisha CM** inaugurates **4th National Chilika Birds Festival**
- **MoHA** extends **ban** imposed on **Students Islamic Movement of India** for **5 years**



- **GAIL signs long-term LNG deal with UAE's ADNOC Gas**
- **India's employable youth up from 33.9% in 2014 to 51.3% in 2024: Department of Economic Affairs**
- **Ola launches e-Bike taxi service in Delhi & Hyderabad**

## International News

- **Saudi Arabia to Open First Alcohol Store for Diplomats**

## Banking and Financial

- **CCI approves proposed merger of Fincare SFB with AU Small Finance Bank**
- **SBI Life Insurance launches two new term plans with return of premium**
- **Yes Bank becomes first Indian bank to conduct export finance transactions on RXIL's ITFS**
- **REC to lend 2 trillion for solar panels**
- **HDFC Bank first lender to issue 20 million credit cards**
- **LIC gets RBI nod for 9.99% stake buy in HDFC Bank**
- **Zomato receives RBI nod to operate as payment aggregator**
- **Bank of Baroda's arm rebranded as 'BOBCARD Limited'**
- **Entero Healthcare Solutions, JNK India, Exicom Tele-Systems and Akme Fintrade (India) get SEBI's nod to launch IPOs**
- **BoB raises Rs 5,000 Crore via 10-year infrastructure bonds**
- **Mahila Samman Savings Certificate collected over ₹14,500 crore in 9 months**
- **FY 2023-24 marks third successive year of over 7% growth of Indian economy: Economic Review**
- **IMF upgrades India's GDP growth rate to 6.7 per cent for current financial year**

## Appointment and Resignation

- **Sankey Prasad** appointed as **CMD** for **Project Leaders Middle East**
- Karnataka HC Chief Justice **Prasanna B Varale** appointed as **Supreme Court judge**
- **Nitish Kumar** takes oath as **Bihar chief minister** for **record ninth time**
- **Preeti Rajak** Becomes **Indian Army's 1st Woman Subedar**
- **Anil Kumar Lahoti** appoints as **Chairman of Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI)**
- **Sharat Chauhan** appointed as **Puducherry's New Chief Secretary**
- **Azali Assoumani** re-elected as **President** of the **Comoros**

## Awards

- Squadron Leader **Nikita Malhotra** conferred with **Vayu Sena Medal**
- **IIT Guwahati scholar Satyam** wins '**Best Product Design**' at **Vishwakarma Awards**
- **Thiruvananthapuram airport** bags **excellence award**
- **President Murmu** approves **80 gallantry awards**
- **UP** selected **Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar 2024**
- **Former Bihar CM Karpoori Thakur** Awarded **Bharat Ratna** Posthumously
- **Padma Awards 2024 Announced; [ReadMore...](#)**
- **Foxconn CEO Young Liu** honoured with **Padma Bhushan**
- '**India: Mother of Democracy**' clinches **First Spot** at **Republic Day Parade 2024**
- **Naorem Roshibina** crowned **Female Wushu Athlete of the Year**
- **NTPC Limited** gets certified as a **Top Employer 2024** in **India**

## Defence

- **India, France, UAE** conduct **mega air exercise** over **Arabian Sea**
- **Joint military exercise – SADA TANSEEQ** between **India & Saudi Arabia** to be held in **Rajasthan**

## Sports

- **Shastri, Engineer** honoured with **Col CK Nayudu Lifetime Achievement Award**
- **Virat Kohli** wins **ICC Men's ODI Cricketer of the Year Award 2023**
- **England** to host **2027 World Test Championship Final**
- **Indian pair of Rhythm Sangwan and Ujjwal Malik** claim **1st gold** at **ISSF Shooting World Cup**
- **Australian Open 2024: Rohan Bopanna** wins **men's doubles final**
- **Netherlands** won **FIH Hockey5s Women's World Cup**
- **Tanmay Agarwal's Record-Breaking Triple Century** Sets the **Ranji Trophy**
- **Indian women's hockey player Deep Grace Ekka** announces **international retirement**
- **ICC lifts ban on Sri Lanka Cricket** two months after suspension
- **Indian boxer Mandeep Jangra** wins **intercontinental title** in **S.**
- **Divyansh Singh Panwar** Clinches **ISSF World Cup Gold** In **10m Air Rifle Event**

## Book and Author

- **"Conversations with Aurangzeb"** written by **Charu Nivedita**

## Important day

- **24 January – International Day of Education** (Theme 2024 – Learning for lasting peace)
- **25 January – National Voters Day** (Theme 2024 – Nothing Like Voting, I Vote For sure)
- **26 January – International Day of Clean Energy**
- **27 January – International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust**
- **28 January – Indian Newspaper Day**
- **28 January 2024 (last Sunday of January) – World Leprosy Day** (Theme 2024 – Beat Leprosy)

- **30 January – Martyrs Day or Shaheed Diwas**
- **31 January – International Zebra Day**

## Obituary

- **Dr Nitya Anand** dies at 99
- **Veteran banker Rana Talwar** passed away
- **First hockey Olympian, Sukhbir Singh Gill** of Chandigarh dies

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