

Weekly One Liner Current Affairs

2nd week (9th to 16th April) 2024

National News

- **Cochin Shipyard** signs **repair agreement** with **US**
- **FSSAI** launches extensive **Awareness & Sensitization Program** Targeting Major Markets
- **Air India, Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL)** sign **agreement** to develop **Bengaluru airport** as **hub**
- **India** eyes **100 GW nuclear power** by **2047: AEC**
- **India** secures **second overseas port: Sittwe agreement** approved by **Ministry of External Affairs (MEA)**
- **'Experimental Licence Module for 100 5G Labs'** launched at **IIT Madras**
- **Khanij Bidesh India Limited (KABIL)** and **Council of Scientific and Industrial Research – Institute of Minerals and Materials Technology (CSIR-IMMT)** sign **MoU** for **Technical and Knowledge cooperation** for **Critical Minerals**
- **Gujarat Council on Science and Technology (GUJCOST)** designated as **Nodal Centre** for **ISRO's START programme**
- **NTPC** launches **latest edition** of **Girl Child Empowerment Mission (GEM)**
- **Citroën** becomes the **first multinational carmaker** to **export EVs** from **India**
- **Defence Ministry** issues **65,000cr tender** to **HAL** for **buying 97 LCA Mark 1A Fighter Jets**
- **Swiggy** launches **'Swiggy Pawlice'** initiative for **finding missing pets**

- **Election Commission** introduces **Home Voting** for **elderly** and **Persons with Disabilities**
- **Coal production** target set at **170 million tonnes** for **2024-25**
- **Indian Govt** Gifts **35 Ambulances** and **66 School Buses** in **Nepal**
- **2nd edition** of **Janakpurdham Cultural Festival** held in **Nepal**

International News

- **57 companies** account for **80%** of **greenhouse gas emissions** since **2016**
- **Zimbabwe** launched **new gold-backed currency** to **tackle inflation**
- **EU** and **India** join hands to **nurture startups** in **EV battery recycling field**
- **India** ranks **third** with **67 unicorns**: **Hurun Global Unicorn Index 2024**
- **Indo-Pacific Economic Framework (IPEF)** to organize **Clean Economy Investor Forum** in **Singapore**
- **Iran** launches operation '**True Promise**' against **Israel**
- **World Cybercrime Index**: **India** at **10th**; topped by **Russia**
- **Delhi Airport** among top **10 Busiest Airports** in **World**

Banking and Financial

- **Union Bank** raises **4200 cr** from **Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC)** to **fund overseas business growth**
- **J&K Bank** partnered with **Paymart India** to **launch virtual ATM Facility**
- **Piramal Alternatives** invests **Rs 110 crore** in **Biodeal Pharmaceuticals**
- **REC** sanctions record **Rs 3.59 lakh crore loan** in **FY24**
- **Society For Innovation & Entrepreneurship (SINE), IIT Bombay** Collaborates with **Canara Bank** for **Financing of Startups**

- **ICICI Lombard** ties up with **Policybazaar** to **offer insurance products**
- **General Insurance industry** grows **12.78%** in **FY24**
- **PhonePe** partners with **eSewa** to **promote UPI** in **Nepal**
- **ADB** raises **India's FY25 GDP growth** forecast to **7%**
- **HDFC** becomes **first private bank** to **open branch** in **Lakshadweep**
- **L&T** completes sale of **entire stake** in **L&T Infrastructure Development Projects**
- **Moody's projects India's GDP** growth at **6.1%** in **2024-25**
- **BharatPe** to launch **ZeroPe app**
- **At 4.85%**, **retail inflation** falls to **10-month low** in **March**
- **Japan-based MUFG** to **acquire 20% stake** in **HDFC Bank's non-banking arm**
- **RBI** rejects **two applications** for **small finance bank**
- **Karnataka Bank** collaborates with **FISDOM** to provide **3-in-1 accounts via Mobil app**
- **Wholesale inflation** rises to **3-month high** of **0.53%** in **March**

Appointment and Resignation

- **Najmi Waziri** appoints as **head** of **committee** to **protect Delhi's forests**
- **Manoj Panda** appoints as **member** of **16th Finance Commission**
- **Harendra Singh** appointed as **national women's hockey coach**
- **Simon Harris** elected **youngest PM** of **Ireland**
- **Sushil Sharma** selected as **CMD** of **SJVN**
- **US-India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF)** appoints **Tarun Bajaj** to **head US-India Tax Forum**
- **RBL Bank** appoints **Murali Ramakrishnan** as **independent director**
- India's **Jagjit Pavadia** re-elected to **International Narcotics Control Board**
- Former Pakistan PM **Yousuf Raza Gillani** elected **Senate Chairman**

- **Mary Kom steps down as Chef-de-Mission for Paris Olympics**
- **Sachidananda Mohanty** appointed as **member** of **UGC**
- **Anurag Kumar (IPS)** appointed as **Joint Director** in **CBI**
- **Suryoday SFB** appoints **Deepak Kumar Sharma** as **Additional Director**
- Justice **Aniruddha Bose** appointed as **head** of **National Judicial Academy**
- **Vandita Kaul** appointed as **Secretary, Department of Posts**
- **SPACE India** appoints **Sanjana Sanghi** as its **Brand Ambassador**

Awards

- **INS Sharda** awarded **“On The Spot Unit Citation”** for **anti-piracy ops**
- **Dr. Agarwal’s Eye Hospital** wins **‘Best Scientific Poster Award’ 2024**
- **Neeraj Sharma** receives prestigious **“Medal of Honour”** at **Consular Day 2024**
- **Chandrayaan 3 team** of **ISRO** receives **John L Jack Swigert Jr Award**
- **Gagandeep Kang** awarded **John Dirks Canada Gairdner Global Health Award** for work on **2 enteric diseases in children**
- **Lokesh Muni** honoured with **American President’s Volunteer Award 2024**
- **Avantika Vandanapu** named **South Asian Person of the Year** by **Harvard**

Defence

- **Indian Coast Guard** inaugurates **Aquatic Centre** in **Tamil Nadu**
- **Indian Army** gets **portable Igla-S Air defence system**
- **Coastal security exercise ‘Sagar Kavach’** conducted off **Lakshadweep Islands**

- **'Dustlik 2024' joint military exercise** between **India** and **Uzbekistan**
- **DRDO & Indian Army** conduct **successful trials** of **MPATGM** weapon system

Science

- **Tata** launches **India's first private earth observation satellite**
- **Dr Reddy's** launches **migraine management wearable device 'Nerivio'**
- **Pilot Gopi Thotakura** becomes **first Indian space tourist** to fly with **Blue Origin**
- **Russia** successfully launches **Angara A5 rocket**

Sports

- **New Zealand teams** win **men's and women's titles** at the **Hong Kong Sevens**
- **Sumit Nagal** becomes **first ever Indian** to win main draw match in **Monte Carlo Masters**
- **Mendis** and **Bouchier** named **ICC Players of the Month** for **March 2024**
- **Rashmi Kumari** wins **national women's carrom title**
- **Radhika** wins silver medal at **Asian Wrestling Championships 2024**
- **Nepal's Dipendra Singh Airee** becomes **third batsman** to hit **six sixes in an over**
- **Tsitsipas** win **Monte Carlo Masters** for the **third time**
- **Travis Head** smashes the **fourth-fastest hundred** in **IPL history**

Book and Author

- **Sam Pitroda's** released his new book **'The Idea of Democracy'**
- **Siddharth Rajsekar** released **'I Can Coach'** book

- **Vice President** releases the book “**The Law and Spirituality**” written by **Prof. Raman Mittal** and **Dr. Seema Singh**
- **Salman Rushdie** released ‘**Knife**’ memoir recounting stabbing

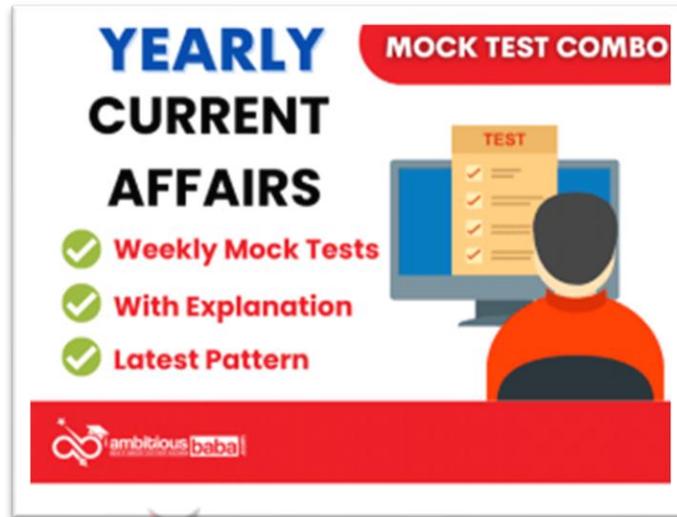
Important day

- **9 April – CRPF Valour Day**
- **9 April – National Mature Women’s Day**
- **10 April – World Homeopathy Day** (Theme 2024 – Homeoparivar: One Health, One Family)
- **11 April – National Safe Motherhood Day**
- **11 April – World Parkinson’s Day**
- **11 April- National Submarine Day**
- **12 April – International Day of Human Space Flight**
- **12 April – International Day for Street Children**
- **13 April – International Turban Day**
- **14 April – World Quantum Day**
- **14 April – Ambedkar Jayanti**
- **15 April – World Art Day** (Theme 2024 – A Garden of Expression: Cultivating Community Through Art)
- **16 April – World Voice Day** (Theme 2024 – Educate. Celebrate)
- **16 April – Save the Elephant Day**

Obituary

- **Cinematographer Gangu Ramsay** passes away
- **R.M. Veerappan** passed away
- **British physicist Peter Higgs** passes away
- **Former New Zealand Legspinner Jack Alabaster** passes away

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