

## Weekly One Liner Current Affairs 1st week (1<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>st</sup> February) 2025

### Budget 2025-26: At a Glance

- **FM Nirmala Sitharaman** presented **Union Budget 2025**
- Budget 2025-26: **Prioritizes Healthcare** with **₹98,311 Cr** Allocation
- Budget 2025-26: **Surge** in **defence allocations** to enhance **armed forces**
- Budget 2025-26: **No income tax** for **upto ₹12 lakh** in **new tax regime**
- Union Budget 2025-26: **Railways allocation** remains **unchanged** at **₹2.65 lakh crore**
- Budget 2025-26: **FDI limit** in **insurance sector** raised to **100 per cent** from 74 per cent
- Budget 2024-25: **FM Sitharaman** announces **National Manufacturing Mission** for Furthering 'Make in India'
- Budget 2025-26: **Boost** for **MSMEs**, classification **investment cap** to be hiked **2.5 times**
- Budget 2025-26: **Fiscal Deficit** for **FY26** estimated at **4.4% of GDP**
- Union Budget 2025-26: **Rs 600 crore** allocated for **Samudrayaan**
- Budget 2025-26: **₹8,900 crore** additional allocation for **residential rooftop solar**
- Budget 2025-26: **Nirmala Sitharaman** announces **PM Dhan Dhanya Krishi Yojana** for **farmers**
- Budget 2025-26: **New Makhana Board and Food Institute** to be opened in **Bihar**
- Budget 2025-26: **Cotton Mission** gets a **boost** to **improve productivity**
- Budget 2025-26: **Kisan credit card limit** raised to **₹5 lakh** to boost farmer credit access

- Budget 2025: **Govt** Launches '**Mission for Aatmanirbharta in Pulses**' to **Increase Production** and **Farmers' Income**
- Budget 2025-26: **Credit guarantee** cover for **MSMEs, startups enhanced**
- Union Budget 2025-26: **Jal Jeevan Mission extended till 2028**
- Union Budget 2025-26: **Centre** Launches **₹16,021 Crore Power Reform Scheme** to Boost **State Infrastructure** and **Attract Private Investment**
- Budget 2025-26: **₹20,000 Crore** Allocated for '**Nuclear Energy Mission**'
- Budget 2025-26: **Maritime Development Fund** with **₹25,000-crore corpus**
- Budget 2025-26: **UDAN scheme** to add **120 new destinations** in **next 10 years**
- Budget 2025-26: **Top 50 tourist destinations** to be developed in '**Challenge Mode**'
- Budget 2025-26: **10,000 New Fellowships** Under **PMRF Scheme**
- Budget 2025-26: **Centre** to set up **2nd gene bank** with **10 lakh germplasm lines**
- Budget 2025-26: New '**Gyan Bharatam Mission**' for manuscripts **announced**
- Budget 2025: **Rs 20,000 cr** allocated for **Research, Development and Innovation**
- Budget 2025-26: **National Geospatial Mission** announced to **modernise land records**

### **National News**

- **Pramod Sawant** inaugurates the **Sci-Fi Science Film Festival** of **India**
- **KPI Green Energy** signs **₹1,311 crore solar project deal** with **Coal India**

- **Garuda Aerospace** commits **₹100 crore** for developing **India's first drone city** in **Andhra Pradesh**
- **Govt** forms **GoM** on **financial viability** of **Discoms**
- **Tata Steel** becomes '**India's 1st**' to develop **hydrogen transportation pipes**
- **Railway Ministry** releases '**SwaRail**' **SuperApp** for testing
- **India** Adds **4 New Ramsar Sites**, taking **total** to **89**
- **India** to Host **BRICS Youth Council Entrepreneurship Working Group Meeting** in **March 2025**
- **Maharashtra** to establish **country's first Artificial Intelligence university**
- **DGCA** imposes **Rs 30 lakh penalty** on **Air India** for **regulatory norms violation**
- **Maharashtra** makes **Marathi mandatory** for **all official communication**
- **Government** introduces '**Haj Suvidha App**' and strengthens **healthcare support** for **Indian pilgrims**
- **India's First White Tiger Breeding Centre** Approved in **Madhya Pradesh**
- **Shivraj Singh Chouhan** launches a national-level mass outreach campaign "**Watershed Yatra**"
- **ECI's 'Chandrayaan Se Chuno Tak'** initiative **boosts voter enthusiasm** in **West Delhi**
- **Zepto** world's **second-most-downloaded app** in **food and drink** category
- **Jayant Chaudhary** inaugurates **NSDC International Academy** at **Greater Noida**
- **Guneri village** in **Gujarat** declared the **first biodiversity heritage site**

### International News

- **Niger** becomes **first African country** to **eliminate onchocerciasis**

- **International Big Cat Alliance** officially comes into force as **fully functional international legal entity**
- **UK** becomes **first nation** to **outlaw AI tools** used to generate child sexual abuse content
- **Bochasanwasi Akshar Purushottam Swaminarayan Sanstha (BAPS)** inaugurates **South Africa's largest Hindu Temple** in **Johannesburg**
- **President Trump** signs **executive order withdrawing US** from **UNHRC**
- **Following USA, Argentina withdraws** from **World Health Organization**

### Banking and Financial

- **Govt** unveils **new Mutual Credit Guarantee Scheme** to support **MSME growth**
- **IRDAI** caps **senior citizen health premium hike** at **10% annually**
- **IBA** honours **Karnataka Bank** with **six awards** for **banking technology excellence**
- **India's GDP** Growth Projected at **6.4%** for **FY 2025**
- **India Post Payments Bank** and **PNB MetLife** partner to **expand life insurance access nationwide**
- **Shriram GI** Unveils **Shri Health Suraksha Insurance – A** Comprehensive and Affordable Health Plan
- **RBI** imposes **monetary penalty** on **Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited**
- **UPI volume** scales new peak of **16.99 billion** in **January: NPCI data**
- **GST collections** in **January** at **Rs 1.96 lakh crore**
- **TVS Holdings** completes acquisition of **Home Credit India** for **₹554 crore**
- **CreditAccess Grameen** secures **USD 50 million** commitment from **IFC**

- **RBI Approves Tata Communications' Rs. 330 Crore ATM Business Sale to Findi**
- **NaBFID raises Rs 5,000 crore via 15-year bonds at 7.25% cut-off rate**
- **PNB MetLife partners with Policybazaar to Launch Smart Invest Pension Plan for Early Retirement**
- **L&T Finance launches AI-powered Virtual Home Loan Advisor 'KAI'**
- **Airtel Payments Bank partners with Karnataka Bulldozers for CCL 2025**

### Appointment and Resignation

- **Hisashi Takeuchi re-appointed as Maruti Suzuki's MD and CEO**
- **Justice Harsh Kumar to head Judicial Commission on Maha Kumbh Stampede**
- **Rajesh Nirwan appointed as Director General at Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS)**
- **Bart De Wever sworn in as Belgium's new Prime Minister**
- **Airtel's Gopal Vittal named as acting chair of GSMA board**
- **Citibank appoints K Balasubramanian as India head**

### Awards

- **Chaman Arora awarded Sahitya Akademi Award 2024 in Dogri for his book "Ik Hor Ashwthama"**
- **Chandrika Tandon wins Best New Age Album Award at the 67th Grammy**
- **Noel Tata awarded honorary doctorate by the University of Sussex**

### Science

- **IAF's Shubhanshu Shukla to Become First Indian Astronaut on Private Space Mission to ISS**

- **OpenAI** launches '**deep research**' tool after China's DeepSeek shakes AI world

### Defence

- **India-Maldives Joint Military Exercise 'Ekuverin'** Begins

### Sports

- **Thomas Cook India** appointed as **exclusive partner** for **National Games 2025**
- **Govt** clears participation of **88-member Indian contingent** at **Asian Winter Games 2025**
- **Sachin Tendulkar** received **BCCI's Lifetime Achievement Award**
- **R Praggnanandhaa** wins **Tata Steel Chess Masters 2025**
- **India** Beat South Africa By 9 Wickets to Defend **U-19 Women's T20 World Cup Title**
- **Shrachi Rarh Bengal Tigers** win **men's Hockey India League 2024-25 Title**
- **Two-time Grand Slams winner Simona Halep** announced **Retirement**

### Book and Author

- **Amit Shah** releases "**Indian Renaissance: The Modi Decade**" book

### Important day

- **30 January – World Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTD) Day** (Theme 2025 – Act. Eliminate.)
- **1 February – Indian Coast Guard Day**
- **2 February – World Wetlands Day** (Theme 2025 – Protecting Wetlands for Our Common Future)
- **4 February – World Cancer Day** (Theme 2024 – United by Unique)
- **4 February – International Day of Human Fraternity** (Theme 2025 – Human fraternity for world peace and living together)

- **1-7 February – World Interfaith Harmony Week** (Theme 2025 – Uniting for Peace)
- **6 February – International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation**

### **Obituary**

- **Renowned Sculptor Latika Katt** Passes Away
- **Former Chief Election Commissioner Navin Chawla** passed away

