

Weekly One Liner Current Affairs 4th week (24th to 31st March) 2025

National News

- **Jal Shakti Minister** Launches '**Catch the Rain 2025**' Campaign in **Haryana**
- **President Murmu** attends **Purple Fest 2025** at **Rashtrapati Bhavan**
- In a first, **Muzaffarnagar's GI-tagged jaggery** exported to neighboring **Bangladesh**
- **Anthurium flowers** from **Mizoram** go beyond borders, **exported first time** to **Singapore**
- **C-DOT** Partners With **IIT Delhi** To Develop **AI-Powered Chatbot** For **Disaster Communication**
- **SECL's CSR Scheme 'SECL Ke Sushrut'** Becomes **First Coal PSU Initiative** Listed on **DBT Portal**
- **Central government** launches **BioSaarthi** to **support Biotech Startups**
- **Punjab Assembly 1st** in **India** to **broadcast proceeding** in **sign language**
- **Central govt employees** can opt for **Unified Pension Scheme** till **June 30**
- **BHEL** Secures **₹7,500 Crore** Order for **800 MW Thermal Unit** at **Ukai Plant** in **Gujarat**
- **Delhi** becomes **28th legislature** to join **National eVidhan Application Platform**
- **Govt Scraps 20% Onion Export Duty** to **Boost Farmer Incomes** Starting **April 1**
- **APEDA Pioneers** Export of **Sikkim's GI-Tagged Dalle Chilly** to **Solomon Islands**

- **India-Singapore** to jointly develop **Green and Digital Shipping corridor**
- **Centre** Notifies **24% Hike** in **Salaries** and **Pensions** for **MPs**
- **Ministry of Education** launches **“Baalpan ki Kavita initiative: Restoring Bhartiya rhymes/poems for young children”**
- **NSO, India** and **IIMA** Join hands to **Strengthen Data-Driven Policy** and **Innovation**
- **Reliance Industries** acquires **74% stake** in **Nauyaan Shipyard** for **₹382.73 crore**
- IT major **Wipro** bags **£500 million, 10-year deal** with **UK’s Phoenix Group**
- **Society for Applied Microwave Electronics Engineering & Research (SAMEER)** and **AIIMS** sign **MoU** for **collaborative research** on **medical devices**
- **UIDAI & IIIT-H** launch **biometric challenge** to **test age invariance** in **fingerprint algorithms**
- **Centre** releases over **Rs 436 crore** to **Karnataka** and **Tripura** for **rural development**
- **MoRD & UNICEF YuWaah** Partner to **Empower Rural Women and Youth**
- **Haryana CM** launches AI chatbot **‘Sarathi’** for **enhanced citizen engagement**
- **CDS Anil Chauhan** inaugurates **‘Techkriti 2025’**
- **Chhattisgarh** Signs **MoU** with **Nasscom** to **Boost Development and Employment**
- **Cabinet** approves **release of an additional instalment** of **Dearness Allowance** to **Central Government employees**
- **Cabinet** approves **Electronics Component Manufacturing Scheme** for making **India Atmanirbhar** in **electronics supply chain**
- **Cabinet** Approves **Nutrient Based Subsidy Rates** For **Kharif Season 2025**

- **Final Budget allocation** for the **Department of Fertilizers** has increased to **Rs. 1,91,836.29 crore**
- **Cabinet** approves **construction** of **4-Lane greenfield** and **brownfield Patna-Arrah-Sasaram corridor (NH-119A) (120.10 km)** in **Bihar**
- **Punjab** to develop **Jhajjar-Bachauli Wildlife Sanctuary** for **Leopard safari**
- **India's core sector growth** slows down to **2.9%** in **Feb** as against **4.6%** in **January**
- **Zaggle** Acquires **51% Stake** in **EffiaSoft** for **₹41 Crore** to Boost **Fintech Capabilities**
- **India, Japan** sign **loan agreements** worth **JPY 191.73 billion** for **6 projects**

Banking and Financial

- **HDFC Bank** introduces **Embassy Fixed Deposit**
- **RBI** imposes **penalty** of **Rs 36 lakh** on **IDBI Bank** and **Citibank**
- **Public sector banks' dividend** rises **33%** to **₹27,830 crore** in **FY24**
- **Bank of Baroda** Unveils 'mDigiNext' App to **Enhance Corporate Cash Management**
- **614th Meeting** of **Central Board** of the **RBI** organised in **Thiruvananthapuram**
- **India** to **overtake Japan** in **2025** and **Germany** in **2027: IMF**
- **SEBI** **Doubles FPI Disclosure Threshold** to **₹50,000 Cr**
- **Ribbit Capital** To Raise **\$500 Million** to Boost **Fintech Investments**
- **Bain Capital** Acquires **Joint Control** in **Manappuram Finance** for **Rs. 4,385 Crore**
- **RRBs** achieve a record **Rs. 7,571 crore profit** in **FY 2023-24**
- **IRDAI** Sets **New Standards** for **Health Insurance** in **India**
- **RBI, NPCI** approve **Rs 2 hike** in **ATM interchange fee**
- **BOI's first dollar loan deal** in over a decade raises **\$400 mn**, woos **22 banks**

- **RBI allows standalone primary dealers** to participate in all **repo operations**
- **RBI imposes ₹75 lakh penalty** on **HDFC Bank**, ₹68.2 lakh on **Punjab & Sind Bank**
- **RBI to raise foreign individual investment cap** in **listed firms** to **10%**
- **RBI Hosts 8th State Level Coordination Committee (SLCC) Meeting** in **Gangtok** to **Tackle Financial Frauds** and **Boost Literacy**
- **MobiKwik** to enter **stock broking business**, incorporates new **subsidiary**
- **Insurers** can **deny health claims** for **alcohol-related hospitalisation**
- **Govt** to mobilise **Rs 8 lakh cr** via bonds in **first half** of **FY26**.
- **Interest rates** on **small savings schemes** unchanged for **April-June quarter**
- **Central Bank of India** Partners with **PSB Alliance** for **Digital Supply Chain Finance**
- **Fintech Startup** Abound Raises **\$14M** to **Serve Indian-Americans**
- **Bank of Baroda** Goes **Live** with **PM-Vidyalaxmi Scheme** to Boost **Education Loans**

Appointment and Resignation

- **Government** Appoints **Rahul Bhave** as **MD** and **CEO** of **IFCI**
- **Anuj Kumar Singh** appointed as **Joint Secretary** in **UPSC**
- **Justice Harish Tandon** takes oath as **Chief Justice** of **Orissa High Court**
- **Ashok Singh Thakur** elected as **Chairman** of **Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH)**
- **Vikram Sahu** to take over as the **new Bank of America India Head**
- **Canara Bank** Appoints **S K Majumdar** as **Executive Director**
- **Sanjay Singh** elected **UWW-Asia bureau member**
- **Ajay Seth** Appointed as the **New Finance Secretary**
- **Sanjay Kumar Mishra** Joins **EAC-PM** as **Full-Time Member**

- **Sunil Kakkar** becomes **first Indian full-time director** of **Maruti Suzuki India**
- **Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah** Sworn in as **Namibia's First Woman President**
- **Dr Jay Bhattacharya** confirmed as **Director** of **NIS** of the **United States**
- **IBA** elects **CS Setty** as **new Chairman**
- **Ajay Kapur** reappointed as **MD** of **Ambuja Cements**
- TATA AIA's **Swaminathan S. Iyer** Joins **IRDAI** as **Whole-Time Member (Life)**

Awards

- **Hindi Writer Vinod Kumar Shukla** Honored with **59th Jnanpith Award**

Defence

- **India** achieves record **₹1.27 lakh crore** in **indigenous defence production** in **2023-24**
- **MoD** inks **Rs 2,500 crore contracts** for **NAMIS Tracked version** of **anti-tank weapon platform**
- **DRDO** successfully tests **VL-SRSAM missile** at **Chandipur, Odisha**
- **Ex Indra:14th edition** of **India, Russia bilateral naval exercise** set to take place off **Chennai**
- **HAL** signs **Rs 62,700-cr deal** with **MoD** for **supply of light combat helicopters**

Sports

- **Anahat Singh** and **Veer Chotani** Triumph at **SRFI Indian Tour PSA Challenger** in **Chennai**
- **Oscar Piastri** Wins **Chinese Grand Prix**
- **India** clinches **both Men's & Women's Kabaddi World Cup 2025**
- **Pranati Nayak** wins **bronze** in **Women's Vault** at **FIG World Cup**

- **India Wins Bronze in Mixed Quad at ISTAF Sepak Takraw World Cup 2025**
- **Sunil Kumar wins bronze in Asian Wrestling Championship**
- **Former CWG medallist Sumeeth Reddy retires**
- **Manav Thakkar Becomes First Indian to Reach Final Eight of WTT Star Contender**
- **Novak Djokovic becomes oldest man to reach ATP Masters 1000 semi-final**
- **Anahat Singh & Kareem El Torkey win the Indian Open 2025 Squash Title**

Important day

- **22 March – World Water Day** (Theme 2025 – Glacier Preservation)
- **March 23 – World Meteorological Day** (Theme 2025 – Closing the Early Warning Gap Together)
- **24 March – World Tuberculosis Day** (Theme 2025 – Yes! We Can End TB: Commit, Invest, Deliver)
- **24 March – International Day for the Right to the Truth Concerning Gross Human Rights Violations and for the Dignity of Victims**
- **25 March – International Day of the Unborn Child**
- **March 25 – International Day of Solidarity with Detained and Missing Staff Members**
- **March 26 – Purple Day of Epilepsy**
- **March 27 – World Theatre Day** (Theme 2025 – Theatre and a Culture of Peace)
- **29 March 2025 – World Piano Day**
- **28 March – Universal Acceptance Day** (Theme 2025 – Connecting the Unconnected – Building a Multilingual Internet for Viksit Bharat.)

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