

Weekly One Liner Current Affairs 3rd week (17th to 25th Jan) 2026

National News

- **India** Launches **Theme, Logo** and **Website** for **BRICS 2026 Presidency**
- **Bamanwas Kankar** Becomes **Rajasthan's First Fully Organic Certified Gram Panchayat**
- **Navi Mumbai International Airport** to Be Named After **D B Patil**
- **Andhra Pradesh** Cabinet Approves **Dagadarthi Greenfield Airport** in **Nellore District**
- **GAIL** Joins **PNGRB's National PNG Drive 2.0** to Promote **PNG** and **CNG** Across India
- **Union Environment Minister** Chairs **NIRANTAR Meeting** to Strengthen **MoEFCC Coordination**
- **Essar** Signs **₹5,100 Crore MoU** with **Gujarat** for **Large-Scale Bio-Fuel Project**
- **Indian Mountaineer Aritra Roy** Conquers **Mount Aconcagua** in **Argentina**
- **NITI Aayog** Releases **Export Preparedness Index 2024**
- **Makaravilakku Festival** Celebrations **Commence** at **Sabarimala Temple** in **Kerala**
- **Government** and **Netflix** Conclude 'Inspiring Innovators – Naye Bharat Ki Nayi Pehchaan' Initiative
- **IPA** Launches **Pharmaceutical Academy** for **Global Excellence (PAGE)** in **Ahmedabad** to **Bridge Industry Skill Gap**
- **Kochi** to Host **9th International Spice Conference (ISC 2026)** in **February**
- **Centre** Launches '**Paripoorna Mediclaim Ayush Bima**' for **CGHS Beneficiaries**

- **NHAI Extends 'Clean Toilet Picture Challenge' Initiative Till June 30**
- **India to Host Bharat Electricity Summit 2026 in New Delhi**
- **University of New South Wales to Open Bengaluru Campus in August 2026**
- **DGCA Imposes ₹22.2 Crore Penalty on IndiGo for December 2025 Flight Disruptions**
- **PM Modi Launches India's First Overnight Sleeper Vande Bharat Train on Howrah–Guwahati Route**
- **India's First Green Ammonia Project Launched in Kakinada**
- **Ponduru Khadi from Andhra Pradesh Receives GI Tag**
- **PM Modi inaugurated the Kaziranga Elevated Corridor Project**
- **India's Electronics Exports Surge Past \$47 Billion in 2025**
- **IIT Delhi Launches Centre of Excellence for Regulatory Affairs in the Power Sector**
- **Union Environment Minister Chairs 88th SC-NBWL Meeting to Review Wildlife and Eco-Sensitive Zone Proposals**
- **India–UAE Ties Strengthen: Trade Target of \$200 Billion by 2032**
- **Wikimedia Foundation Partners with Big Tech for Paid AI Access to Wikipedia Content**
- **PM Modi Addresses Bagurumba Dwhou 2026 in Assam**
- **Tamil Nadu Announces Semmozhi Illakiya Virudhu to Honour Literary Excellence in Major Indian Languages**
- **VP C. P. Radhakrishnan Releases Hindi Edition of Dr. C. Palanivelu's Autobiography "Palanivelu GUTS"**
- **India Launches Responsible Nations Index to Assess Ethical Governance and Global Responsibility**
- **Bharat Steel 2026 Summit to Focus on Sustainability and Technological Transformation in Steel Sector**
- **Union Cabinet Extends Atal Pension Yojana till 2030-31 and Approves Rs 5,000 Crore Equity Support for SIDBI to Boost MSMEs**
- **Union Cabinet Approves ₹5,000 Crore Equity Infusion into SIDBI to Boost Credit for MSMEs**

- **Punjab Police** Launches “**Operation Parhar**” to **Dismantle Gangster Networks** Across the State
- **Republic Day 2026 Parade** to Feature **30 Tableaux** at **Kartavya Path**
- **Election Commission** launches **ECINET digital platform** at **IICDEM 2026**
- **Lucknow** Becomes **UP’s First Zero Fresh Waste Dump City**
- **Punjab** Launches **First Dog Sanctuary** in **Ludhiana** as **Pilot Project**
- **Sukanya Samridhi Yojana** Completes **11 Years of Empowering the Girl Child**
- **Amit Shah** to Launch **ODOC Scheme** at **Uttar Pradesh Day Celebrations** in **Lucknow**
- **CDS** Releases **Military Quantum Mission Policy Framework** to Integrate **Quantum Technologies** in **Armed Forces**
- **Hyderabad** to Host **Wings India 2026, Asia’s Largest Civil Aviation Event**
- **India** Partners with **World Economic Forum** to Launch **Skills Accelerator** for **Future-Ready Workforce**

International News

- **India** Climbs to **80th Position** in **Global Passport Index 2026**
- **Ashwini Vaishnaw** to Participate in **G7 Critical Minerals Ministerial Meeting** in **Washington DC**
- **Finke River** Recognised as **World’s Oldest Flowing River**
- **Madrid** to Host **Laureus World Sports Awards** for **Third Consecutive Year**
- **6th ASEAN-India Digital Ministers Meeting** Focuses on **Inclusive, Secure, and Connected Digital Ecosystem**
- **United States** Officially **Withdraws** from **WHO** Citing **COVID-19 Mismanagement**

Banking and Financial

- **DFS Launches Composite Salary Account Package for Central Government Employees with Banking and Insurance Benefits**
- **World Bank Raises India's GDP Growth Forecast to 7.2% for FY 2025–26**
- **Tripura Gramin Bank Launches India's First Solar-Powered ATM Van to Boost Rural Banking**
- **Innoviti Technologies Receives RBI Authorization to Operate as Payment Aggregator**
- **Wholesale Inflation Turns Positive at 0.83% in December 2025**
- **RBI Approves Japan's SMBC to Set Up Wholly-Owned Subsidiary in India**
- **RBI Recognises FEDAI as Self-Regulatory Organisation for All Authorised Dealers**
- **Piramal Finance Secures \$350 Million Multilateral Funding from IFC and ADB**
- **RBI Notifies Revised Integrated Ombudsman Scheme (RB-IOS)**
- **LTIMindtree Wins ₹3,000 Crore CBDT Contract for AI-Based Tax Analytics Platform Modernisation**
- **CareEdge Projects 7% GDP Growth for India in FY 2026-27 Despite Global Economic Uncertainties**
- **IMF Upgrades India's GDP Growth Forecast to 7.3% for FY 2025-26**
- **Canara Bank Becomes First to Integrate NBSL's Plugin-Based UPI Solution into Canara aiPe**
- **Payoneer India Gets RBI In-Principle Approval to Operate as Cross-Border Payment Aggregator**
- **JPMorgan to Set Up Branch in GIFT City for Trading Equities and Financial Instruments**
- **Razorpay POS Secures RBI Licence to Operate as Offline Payment Aggregator**

Appointment and Resignation

- **Kotak Mahindra Bank** Names Former Bajaj Finance MD **Anup Kumar Saha** as **Whole-Time Director**
- **PFRDA** Forms **Expert Panel** to Develop **Assured Pension Income Product** Under **NPS**, chaired by **M. S. Sahoo**
- **Praveen Kumar** Named **BSF Chief**, **Shatrujeet Singh Kapoor** Appointed **DG ITBP**
- **President Droupadi Murmu** Appoints **Praveen Vashista** as **Vigilance Commissioner**
- **MS Dhoni** Appointed **Goodwill Ambassador** for **Pune Grand Tour 2026**
- **Yemen** Appoints **Shaya Mohsen Zindani** as **New Prime Minister**
- **Sandeep Bakhshi** Re-appointed as **ICICI Bank MD & CEO**
- **Uganda President Yoweri Museveni** Wins **Seventh Term**
- Five-Time Bihar MLA **Nitin Nabin** Elected Unopposed as **Youngest BJP National President**
- **RBI** Approves Re-appointment of **Kaizad Bharucha** as **Deputy MD** of **HDFC Bank** for **Three Years**
- **Deepinder Goyal** to Step Down as **Eternal Group CEO**

Awards

- **Karnataka Bank** Wins '**Best Fintech & DPI Adoption**' at **IBA Banking Technology Awards**
- **Tunisian Filmmaker Zoubeir Jlassi** Wins **\$1 Million AI Film Award** for '**Lily**' at **Dubai Summit**
- **American Scientist Toby Kiers** Wins **Tyler Prize** for **Revealing Hidden Fungal Networks**
- **C-DOT** Wins **SKOCH Award 2025** for **Indigenous Cell Broadcast Solution** Enhancing Disaster Alerts

Science

- **ISRO's PSLV-C62 Mission Fails** to **Place 16 Satellites** into **Orbit**

- **NASA Astronaut Sunita Williams Retires After 27-Year Stellar Career**

Defence

- **Indian Army Inducts Solar-Powered MAPSS Drone for Long-Endurance Border Surveillance**
- **Indian Navy's First Training Squadron Reaches Singapore's Changi Naval Base**
- **INS Sudarshini to Embark on 10-Month Lokayan 26 Voyage**
- **India Flags Off First Batch of Guided Pinaka Rockets for Armenia**

Sports

- **Australia Women's Captain Alyssa Healy Announces Retirement from International Cricket**
- **Mitchell Starc and Laura Wolvaardt Named ICC Players of the Month for December 2025**
- **FIFA World Cup 2026 Trophy Unveiled in India by Mansukh Mandaviya and Gilberto D'Silva**
- **Vidarbha Lift Maiden Vijay Hazare Trophy, Beat Saurashtra in Final**
- **BCCI Inks ₹270 Crore Gemini Sponsorship Deal Ahead of IPL 2026**
- **Olympic Medallist Saina Nehwal Announces Retirement from Competitive Badminton**

Important day

- **11 – 17 January 2026 – National Road Safety Week**
- **Indian Army Celebrates 78th Army Day with Parade in Jaipur**
- **16 January – National Startup Day**
- **20 January – Penguin Awareness Day**
- **21 January – Foundation Day of Tripura, Manipur, and Meghalaya**
- **23 January – Parakram Diwas**

- **24 January – National Girl Child Day** (Theme 2026- Empowering Every Daughter, Building a Stronger India)
- **24 January – International Day of Education** (Theme 2026 –The power of youth in co-creating education)

Obituary

- **Senior Kerala Congress Leader Thomas Kuthiravattam** Passes Away at 80

