

Weekly One Liner Current Affairs

3rd week (17th to 22nd Feb) 2026

National News

- **PM Modi** Inaugurates **Kumar Bhaskar Varma Setu** in **Assam**
- **India** to Establish **First National Cow Culture Museum** in **Mathura, Uttar Pradesh**
- **Amazon India** Partners with **IIT Roorkee** to Develop **Sustainable Non-Wood Paper Packaging** from **Agricultural Waste**
- **Kerala CM** Launches '**Sthree Suraksha**' Scheme Providing **₹1,000 Monthly Pension**
- **INSA** And **CSIR-NIScPR** Sign **MoU** To Advance **Science Policy Research**
- **Kerala** Launches **Nawodhan Scheme** to **Revive Fallow Land** and **Boost Self-Reliance** in **Horticulture**
- **IIT Madras** Partners with **Finnish Meteorological Institute** to Establish '**VAYYU**' **Climate Research Centre**
- **IIT Bombay** and **Columbia University** Sign **MoU** to Establish **Centre of AI for Manufacturing**
- **Bharat Electronics Limited** Approves **Joint Venture** with **Safran Electronics** and **Defence** for **HAMMER Weapon System Project**
- **PM Modi** Inaugurates **Northeast India's First Emergency Landing Facility** in **Assam**
- **Shivraj Singh Chouhan** to Launch **AI-Powered Farmer Platform 'Bharat-VISTAAR'** in **Jaipur**
- **Amit Shah** Inaugurates **India's First CBDC-Based Public Distribution System** in **Gujarat**
- **Union Cabinet** Approves **₹10,000 Crore Startup India Fund of Funds 2.0** to Boost **Innovation** and **Non-Metro Startups**

- **Union Cabinet Approves ₹1 Lakh Crore Urban Challenge Fund to Boost Market-Linked, Reform-Driven Urban Development**
- **Balaghat Chosen as Pilot District Under World's Largest Cooperative Grain Storage Plan**
- **NLC India Ltd. Signs MoU with NALCO (National Aluminium Company) to Boost Thermal and Renewable Energy Collaboration**
- **Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy to Inaugurate BioAsia 2026 Summit Highlighting TechBio Innovations**
- **President Murmu Inaugurates Centenary Celebrations of Ol Chiki Script, Honours Santal Achievers**
- **PM Modi Launches PM RAHAT Scheme for Cashless Road Accident Treatment**
- **Madras High Court Launches AI-Assisted 'Superlaw Courts' System to Boost Judicial Efficiency**
- **India, France elevate ties to 'Special Global Strategic Partnership'**
- **Govt Launches First National Call for BIRAC-RDI Fund to Boost High-Impact Biotechnology Innovation**
- **JP Nadda Launched SAHI and BODH to Strengthen AI Use in India's Healthcare System**
- **Kerala Approves India's First Graphene Policy**
- **National Consumer Helpline Facilitates ₹52 Crore Refunds Across 31 Sectors in Nine Months**
- **NHAI to Create India's First 'BeeCorridors' to Boost Pollinator Conservation**
- **DoP Unveils 8 Commemorative Stamps Celebrating 'Puppets of India' at India Habitat Centre**
- **FCI Signs MoU with WFP to Supply 2 Lakh Metric Tonnes of Rice for Global Hunger Relief**
- **India and Nepal Sign Mutual Legal Assistance Pact to Strengthen Cooperation in Criminal Matters**

- **EU Launches First European Legal Gateway Office in India to Boost Study and Work Opportunities**
 - **Google Unveils \$15 Billion 'America-India Connect' Subsea Cable Project to Boost AI Connectivity**
 - **India's First Private-Sector Helicopter Assembly Line Inaugurated by TASL for Airbus H125**
 - **Kerala to launch India's first graphene policy to become global tech hub**
 - **India Sets Guinness World Record with Over 2.5 Lakh AI Responsibility Pledges in 24 Hours**
 - **UP Government Launches District-Level Manuscript Digitisation Drive Under 'Gyan Bharatam Mission'**
 - **Rekha Gupta Launches India's First AI-Driven CM Shri School in Delhi**
 - **FAO Awards International Certificate to West Bengal for 'Matir Srishti' Programme**
 - **Kiren Rijju Launches NIGRANI App at Nalanda University to Boost PMJVK Monitoring**
 - **Union Home Minister to Launch Vibrant Villages Programme-II in Assam's Cachar District**
- Banking and Financial**
- **RBI Slaps Fines on Bank of Maharashtra, DCB Bank, CSB Bank, IIFL Finance and Navi Finserv for Non-Compliance with Norms**
 - **NPCI Extends 'UPI One World' Wallet to International Delegates at India AI Impact Summit 2026**
 - **DBS Bank Becomes First in Asia-Pacific to Pilot Visa Intelligent Commerce for AI-Driven Payments**
 - **India's Wholesale Inflation Rises to 1.81% in January**
 - **IOB Launches Online Death Claim Settlement Portal for Faster, Transparent Processing**

- **NPCI** collaborates with **NVIDIA** to advance **India's sovereign AI infrastructure** for **digital payments**
- **Bharti Airtel arm** receives **RBI nod** to operate as **Type II NBFC-ND**
- **IDFC FIRST Bank** Launches **Hello Cashback Credit Card** with **Tiered Rewards** and **Credit-Building Benefits**

Appointment and Resignation

- **GAIL (India) Limited** Appoints **Deepak Gupta** as **New CMD**
- **Reserve Bank of India** Approves **Rajan Bajaj** as **MD & CEO** of **Slice Small Finance Bank**
- **Tarique Rahman** Sworn in as **Bangladesh Prime Minister**
- **Sanae Takaichi** Resigns as **Japan PM**

Awards

- **Oil India Limited** Bags **FIPI Award 2025** as '**Oil & Gas Production Company of the Year**'

Science

- **Dayananda Sagar University** Partners with **NVIDIA** to Launch **India's First AI-First Factory** with **₹175 Crore Investment**
- **Union Minister Jitin Prasada** inaugurates **STQC Lab Automation Portal, SATYA**
- **GalaxEye** Becomes **First Private Indian Satellite Operator** to Partner with **NewSpace India Limited** for **Global Data Reseller Agreement**
- **OpenAI** Partners with **Leading Indian Universities** to **Embed AI Across Campuses** and **Build Future-Ready Talent**
- **IIT Madras Global Research Foundation** to Launch **First Applied AI Innovation Centre** at **Dubai CommerCity**
- **AI Impact Casebooks** on **Health & Education** Launched at **India AI Impact Summit 2026**

- **JioHotstar Partners with OpenAI to Launch ChatGPT-Powered Conversational Streaming in India**

Defence

- **Indian Navy Launches Mega Multilateral Naval Exercise 'MILAN' at Visakhapatnam**
- **First Indigenous Cadet Training Ship Launched at L&T Kattupalli in Chennai**

Sports

- **Magnus Carlsen Wins Inaugural FIDE Freestyle Chess World Championship**
- **Rashid Khan Makes History as First Asian Bowler with 150+ T20I and 200+ ODI Wickets**
- **Norway's Johannes Hoesflot Klaebo wins ninth gold medal in cross-country skiing**
- **Lucas Pinheiro Braathen Creates History, Wins Giant Slalom Gold for Brazil at Milan Cortina 2026 Winter Olympics**
- **Paras Dogra Becomes Second Batter to Cross 10,000 Runs in Ranji Trophy**
- **Smriti Mandhana Named BBC Indian Sportswoman of the Year 2025**
- **6th National Rafting Championship "The Ultimate River Battle" Begins in Doda, J&K**
- **Pramod Bhagat Wins SL3 Gold at BWF Para World Championships**
- **Harmanpreet Kaur becomes highest capped woman in international cricket**

Important day

- **17 February – Global Tourism Resilience Day** (Theme 2026 – Tourism Resilience in Action: From Crisis Response to Impactful Transformation.)
- **19 February 2026 (third Thursday of February) – World Anthropology Day**

Obituary

- **Renowned Odia Singer Geeta Patnaik** Passes Away
- **Internet Pioneer David J. Farber** Passes Away at 91

