

Weekly One Liner Current Affairs 1st week (1st to 8th May) 2026

National News

- **India and Kenya Sign MoU to Enhance Customs Cooperation and Speed Up Trade Clearance**
- **PM Narendra Modi Inaugurates Six BCCI Indoor Cricket Academies Across Northeast India**
- **PM Modi Inaugurates 594-km Ganga Expressway**
- **Google to Invest \$15 Billion in AI Hub at Visakhapatnam as Naidu and Vaishnav Lay Foundation Stone**
- **Ladakh Expands to 7 Districts as LG Vinai Kumar Saxena Approves Creation of Five New Districts**
- **Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) to Launch E-PRAAPTI Portal for Easy Tracking and Access of Inactive PF Accounts**
- **NITI Aayog Launches DPI @2047 Roadmap to Drive India's \$30 Trillion Viksit Bharat Vision**
- **10th National Public Health Summit to Be Held in Chandigarh**
- **Marathi Films "Jeev – The Creature" and "April May 99" Selected for Cannes Film Festival Film Market**
- **Shivraj Singh Chouhan Launches Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana IV in Odisha**
- **Ministry of Mines Approves 58 Companies Under ₹1500 Crore Critical Mineral Recycling Incentive Scheme**
- **India Deploys Aarogya Maitri portable hospital in Jamaica to Strengthen India-CARICOM Health Cooperation**
- **DPIIT Signs MoU with Chamber India to Boost Startup Ecosystem and Innovation-led Growth**

- **India** Launches **First Commercial Seaplane Service** as **SkyHop Aviation** Gets **DGCA Approval**
- **Gajendra Singh Shekhawat** Flags Off **Somnath Swabhiman Parv Yatra** from **Delhi** to **Gujarat**
- **Government** to Launch **SACHET Mobile-Based Disaster Alert System** for **Nationwide Emergency Communication**
- **Tamil Nadu** Becomes **India's Top Marine Fish Producing State** in **2025**, Overtakes Gujarat: **CMFRI Report**
- **SEBI** Launches **PaRRVA System** to Boost **Transparency** and **Investor Protection** in **Financial Markets**
- **IPPB** Launches **SHG Savings Account** to Boost **Financial Inclusion** and **Empower Women** in **Rural India**
- **Nitin Gadkari** Launches **India's First MLFF Barrier-Less Tolling System** in **Gujarat**
- **Government** to Launch **Prashast 2.0** for **Early Identification of Disabilities** in **Children**
- **Department of Posts** Signs **MoU** with **DTDC Express Limited** to Boost **Logistics & E-commerce Delivery**
- **Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited** Signs **Tech Transfer Pact** with **DRDO** for **Naval GT-IRSS System**
- **7-Year-Old Ishank Singh** Becomes **Youngest** to **Cross Palk Strait**
- **Sikkim** Becomes **India's First Fully Paperless Judiciary**
- **Rajnath Singh** Inaugurates **North Tech Symposium** in **Prayagraj**
- **Andaman & Nicobar Islands** Set **Guinness World Record** with **Largest Underwater National Flag** Near **Havelock Island**
- **South Coast Railway Zone** to Be Notified on **June 1, 2026**, as **India's 18th Railway Zone** with **HQ** in **Visakhapatnam**
- **Siemens Mobility** Delivers **First D9 Freight Locomotive** to **Indian Railways**
- **Cabinet** Approves **₹5,659 Crore Mission** for **Cotton Productivity** to **Boost Output** and **Quality** by **2031**

- **Cabinet Approves ₹3,936 Crore Semiconductor Projects** to Boost **India's Chip Ecosystem**
- **India Relaxes FDI Norms, Allows Up to 10% Investment** from **Bordering Countries** via **Automatic Route**
- **Larsen & Toubro Bags ₹2,500–₹5,000 Crore Coal-to-Ammonium Nitrate Project** in **Odisha**
- **Karnataka Launches India's First State-Led Centre of Excellence** for **Space Technology** in **Bengaluru**
- **CCEA Approves ₹1,570 Crore Ship Repair Facility** at **Vadinar, Gujarat** Under Joint Development Model
- **Union Cabinet Approves Increase in Supreme Court Judge Strength** from 33 to **37**
- **Jyotiraditya Scindia Inaugurates 100th N-Gen Post Office** at **NEHU Shillong** in **Meghalaya**
- **India to Host First International Big Cat Alliance Summit 2026** in **New Delhi**
- **India–EU Launch ₹169 Crore Joint Initiative** to Boost **EV Battery Recycling** Under **TTC Framework**

International News

- **UAE Announces Exit from OPEC and OPEC+** Effective **May 1**
- **China Launches Pakistan's PRSC-EO3**
- **India Ranks 157th in 2026 World Press Freedom Index**, Falls Six Places; **Norway topped**
- **India Tops Representation in THE Asia University Rankings 2026**; **IISc Bengaluru Ranks 43rd**
- **Madame Tussauds London Launches 'Icons of India' Exhibition** Featuring **Amitabh Bachchan & Sachin Tendulkar**

Banking and Financial

- **Flipkart, Axis Bank & PayU Introduce Biometric Authentication** for **Card Payments**, Replacing **OTP System**

- **Bank of Baroda** Launches **Indian Sign Language Video Call Support** to **Enhance Inclusive Banking Services**
- **Finance Ministry** Allows **100% FDI** in **Insurance Sector** Under **Automatic Route**
- **Axis Bank** Launches **First Digital Locker-Focused Branch** in **New Delhi**
- **National Asset Reconstruction Company Limited (NARCL)** recovers **Rs 4,364 crore** in **FY26**
- **CBDT** Reports **5.12% Growth** in **Net Direct Tax Collections** to **₹23.4 Lakh Crore** in **FY26**
- **ADB** Unveils **\$70 Billion Asia-Pacific Connectivity Plan** for **Power Grid** and **Digital Infrastructure** by **2035**
- **NSE** Launches **Electronic Gold Receipts**, Enables **Dematerialisation** of **Physical Gold** for **Trading**
- **S&P Global** Cuts **India FY2026–27 Growth** Forecast to **6.6%** Amid **Global Economic Risks**

Appointment and Resignation

- **Ashutosh Gowariker** Appointed **Festival Director** for **57th International Film Festival of India**
- **Anupinder Singh Grewal** Appointed **President** of **National Company Law Tribunal**
- **Shreyas Iyer** Named **Brand Ambassador** for **F1 Programme** in **India**
- **Rohit Jain** Appointed as **RBI Deputy Governor** for **Three-Year Term**
- **Prasoon Joshi** Appointed **Chairman** of **Prasar Bharati**
- **Govt** Approves Appointment of **R. Balasubramaniam** and **Joram Aniya** as **Full-Time NITI Aayog Members**
- **Kumar Mangalam Birla** Takes Charge as **Vodafone Idea Chairman**
- **Shashi Shekhar Vempati** Appointed **CBFC Chairperson**

Awards

- **Parveen Shaikh Wins Whitley Award 2026** for Protecting Indian skimmer
- **Indian Journalists Anand RK & Suparna Sharma Win Pulitzer Prize** for Cybercrime Exposé

Science

- **GalaxEye Launches Mission Drishti, India's First OptoSAR Satellite**
- **Pixxel & Sarvam AI Partner to Launch India's First Orbital Data Centre Satellite 'Pathfinder' by 2026**

Defence

- **Indian Army to Host First 'Pragati' Multilateral Military Exercise** in Meghalaya
- **DRDO Reports ₹5200 Crore Revenue for BrahMos Aerospace** in 2025–26
- **INS Mahendragiri Delivered to Indian Navy**
- **Indian Army Departs for CINBAX 2nd Edition Military Exercise** in Cambodia
- **INS Sindhukesari Arrives at Colombo for Operational Turnaround**
- **HNLMS De Ruyter Arrives at Kochi to Boost India–Netherlands Maritime Cooperation**
- **INS Sunayna Arrives in Myanmar During Indian Navy Chief Dinesh K Tripathi's Regional Visit**

Sports

- **Rithika Sri Becomes Tamil Nadu's First Transgender Umpire**
- **South Korea Defeats China 3-1 to Win Uber Cup 2026**
- **China Retains Thomas Cup 2026 Title, Wins 13th Crown**
- **Marta Kostyuk Wins Madrid Open 2026, Defeats Mirra Andreeva to Claim Biggest Career Title**
- **Apaar Saxena Earns International Master Title** After Strong European Performances

- **New Delhi to Host 22nd Commonwealth Table Tennis Championship**

Important day

- **1 May – International Labour Day**
- **1 May – Maharashtra Day**
- **2 May – World Tuna Day** (Theme 2026 – Sustaining Tuna, Sustaining Nations and Advocating for Tuna Conservation)
- **2 May – International Harry Potter Day**
- **3 May – World Press Freedom Day** (Theme 2026 – Shaping a Future of Peace)
- **3 May 2026 (first Sunday of May) – World Laughter Day**
- **4 May – Coal Miners’ Day**
- **4 May – International Firefighters’ Day**
- **5 May 2026 (first Tuesday of May) - World Asthma Day** (Theme 2026 – Access to anti-inflammatory inhalers for everyone with asthma – still an urgent need)
- **6 May – International No Diet Day**
- **7 May 2026 (first Thursday of May) – World Password Day**
- **7 May – World Athletics Day** (Theme 2026 – Sport: Building Bridges, Breaking Barriers)
- **8 May – World Red Cross** (Theme 2026 – Keeping Humanity Alive)
- **8 May – World Thalassaemia Day** (Theme 2026 – Hidden No More: Finding the Undiagnosed. Supporting the Unseen)

Obituary

- **Indian Golf Legend Vijay Kumar** Passes Away at 57
- **Four-Time Paralympic Champion and Former F1 Driver Alex Zanardi** Passes Away
- **Veteran Actor Sudesh Kumar**, Known for Dosti, Passes Away
- **CNN Founder Ted Turner** Passes Away at 87