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⚡ 1. Sports Current Affairs

🏏 India Wins 9th Asia Cup Title (2025)

India defeated Pakistan by **5 wickets** in a nail-biting final at **Dubai International Stadium (28th Sept 2025)**.

- **Hero:** Tilak Varma – unbeaten 69* (Man of the Match)
- **Player of the Tournament:** Abhishek Sharma
- **MVP of Tournament:** Kuldeep Yadav
- **India's Asia Cup Titles:** 🏆 9 (Most by any team)
- **Other winners:** Sri Lanka – 6, Pakistan – 2

🧠 Exam Tip:

This was the *first India–Pakistan Asia Cup final in 41 years* — must remember!

💰 2. RBI Monetary Policy (Oct 2025)

RBI Governor **Sanjay Malhotra** announced the **Monetary Policy Review 2025** keeping rates unchanged:

Key Policy	Current Rate
Repo Rate	5.50%
CRR	3%
SDF	5.25%
MSF / Bank Rate	5.75%
Stance	Neutral

Highlights:

- **FY26 GDP Growth:** Revised upward to **6.8%** (from 6.5%)
- **FY26 CPI Inflation:** Cut to **2.6%** (from 3.1%)

🧠 Quick Take:

RBI's tone is *optimistic*: inflation under control, growth improving.

This combo – *Repo 5.5%, GDP 6.8%, CPI 2.6%* – is a **must-remember trio!**

🇮🇳 3. RBI's Major Reform – Digital Payment Security

From **1 April 2026**, RBI mandates **2-Factor Authentication (2FA)** for *all* digital payments.

- New methods include biometrics, tokens & risk-based authentication.
- Objective: Stronger protection from frauds.

Tip: Effective Date: **1st April 2026**

4. India–EFTA Trade Agreement Comes Into Force

India's FTA with **EFTA nations** – *Switzerland, Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein* – became operational on **1 Oct 2025**.

- Named **TEPA (Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement)**.
- Investment target: 💰 **USD 100 billion** in 15 years
- Job creation: Over **1 million direct jobs**

Remember: EFTA ≠ EU.
It's a separate European trade bloc.

5. National Affairs Highlights

- **Swachh Shehar Jodi Initiative:** MoHUA links 72 mentor cities with 200 mentee cities for better sanitation.
- **First Integrative Oncology Centre:** Opened in Goa – Ayurveda + Modern Cancer Care.
- **Cold Desert (Himachal) joins UNESCO Biosphere Network** – India's 13th entry.
- **Mission for Aatmanirbharta in Pulses:** ₹11,440 crore (2025–31) → 2 crore farmers to benefit.
- **MY Bharat App:** AI-enabled youth platform with 1.81 crore registrations.
- **NIELIT Digital University:** Focus on AI, Cybersecurity, Data Science, Semiconductors.
- **UPSC completes 100 years** (1 Oct 2025).
- **Dugong Reserve in Tamil Nadu** gets IUCN recognition (Palk Bay region).

Tip: Match Ministry + Year + Objective.

6. State News

State	Highlight
Bihar	Unmesha International Literature Festival in Patna (25–28 Sept 2025).
Chhattisgarh	Balod declared <i>India's first child-marriage-free district</i> .

Madhya Pradesh	“Gaj Rakshak” app launched for elephant tracking in Bandhavgarh.
Telangana	Bathukamma Festival created 2 Guinness Records (floral arrangement & synchronized dance).
Kerala	Museum dedicated to artist A. Ramachandran opened in Kollam.

7. International Affairs

- India–Bhutan approved **₹4,033 crore rail projects** (Kokrajhar–Gelephu, Banarhat–Samtse).
- **India re-elected to ICAO Council (Part II).**
- **India–China flights to resume by late Oct 2025.**
- **India–EFTA TEPA** became operational (1 Oct 2025).

8. Banking & Economy

- **SIDBI** records highest-ever profit: ₹4,811 crore (FY25, +19.5%).
- **RBI** allows banks to provide working capital loans against *gold as raw material* (from 1 Oct 2025).
- **GST Collections (Sep 2025): ₹1.89 lakh crore**, up 9.1% YoY.
- **ADB** cuts India’s FY26 growth forecast to 6.5% due to global tariffs.
- **OpenAI** valuation hits **\$500 billion** (AI boom headline).

9. Appointments

Name	Position	Key Detail
Rajeev Verma	Delhi Chief Secretary	Succeeded Dharmendra (AGMUT cadre).
Shirish Chandra Murmu	RBI Deputy Governor	From Oct 9, 2025.
Shailesh Chandra	MD & CEO, Tata Motors	From Oct 1, 2025.
Gaurav Banerjee	MD & CEO, Sony Pictures India	Till 2029.
Asheesh Pandey	MD & CEO, Union Bank of India	Govt. appointment.

Kalyan Kumar	MD & CEO, Central Bank of India	New term.
Praveer Ranjan	DG, CISF	New appointment.
Praveen Kumar	DG, ITBP	Indo-China border guard force.

10. Defence News

- **199th Gunners Day** celebrated (28 Sept 2025).
- **BSF launched AI-powered Border Command Centre** (Pakistan & Bangladesh borders).
- **Exercise Drone Kavach 2025:** Arunachal Pradesh; focus on counter-drone systems.

11. Awards & Recognitions

- **DRDO** – BusinessLine Changemaker Award 2025.
- **Diljit Dosanjh** – Int'l Emmy Nomination (Best Actor, *Amar Singh Chamkila*).
- **Andhra Pradesh Tourism Dept.** – Global Tourism Award 2025.
- **Novotel Vijayawada Varun** – Best 5-Star Hotel (AP Tourism Excellence Award).
- **ISSA Award 2025** – India recognized for expanding social security coverage (19% → 64.3%).

12. Science & Technology

- **Biomedical Research Career Programme Phase-III:** ₹1,500 crore (2025–31), DBT + Wellcome Trust (UK).
- **Australia approves “Lecanemab”** – drug for early-stage Alzheimer's.

13. Important Days

Date	Day	Theme
29 Sept	World Heart Day	“Small Lifestyle Changes, Big Health Benefits”
30 Sept	International Translation Day	Celebrating translators, interpreters, & multilingualism
1 Oct	International Day of Older Persons	“Older Persons Driving Local and Global Action”

4 Oct	World Animal Day (100th year)	"Save Animals, Save the Planet!"
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14. Obituaries

- **G.G. Parikh (100 yrs)** – Gandhian socialist leader.
- **Pandit Chhannulal Mishra (89 yrs)** – Padma Bhushan awardee & Banaras Gharana vocalist.

15. Static GK Takeaways

Organization	HQ	Founded	Head / Chairperson
RBI	Mumbai	1935	Sanjay Malhotra
UPSC	New Delhi	1926	Dr. Ajay Kumar
SIDBI	Lucknow	1990	Manoj Mittal
DRDO	New Delhi	1958	Dr. Samir V. Kamat
EFTA	Geneva	1960	Kurt Jäger
ICAO	Montréal	1947	Juan Carlos Salazar
ACC (Asian Cricket Council)	Dubai	1983	Mohsin Naqvi
RSS	Nagpur	1925	Mohan Bhagwat

16. Top 10 Takeaways for Exams

1. 🇮🇳 **India wins 9th Asia Cup (2025)** – Tilak Varma 69*, Dubai.
2. 📊 **RBI Repo Rate: 5.50% | GDP: 6.8% | CPI: 2.6%.**
3. 🇮🇳 **2FA for digital payments** from 1 April 2026.
4. 🇮🇳 **India–EFTA TEPA** in force from 1 Oct 2025.
5. 🏛️ **UPSC completes 100 years.**
6. 🐬 **Dugong Reserve (TN)** gets IUCN recognition.
7. 👤 **Rajeev Verma** – Delhi Chief Secretary.
8. 🌾 **Mission Aatmanirbharta in Pulses** – ₹11,440 crore.
9. 📊 **GST Collection Sep 2025:** ₹1.89 lakh crore.
10. 📱 **MY Bharat App:** AI platform for youth with 1.8 crore users.



Weekly Current Affairs Practice Set (29 Sept – 05 Oct 2025)

Sports Current Affairs

- 1] Who won the **Asia Cup 2025** title?
A) Pakistan B) India C) Sri Lanka D) Bangladesh
✓ **Ans:** B) India
 India beat Pakistan by 5 wickets in Dubai to win their 9th title.
- 2] Who was the **Man of the Match** in the Asia Cup 2025 final?
A) Abhishek Sharma B) Shivam Dube C) Tilak Varma D) Kuldeep Yadav
✓ **Ans:** C) Tilak Varma (69* not out)
- 3] The **Asia Cup 2025 final** was played in which country?
A) Sri Lanka B) UAE C) India D) Bangladesh
✓ **Ans:** B) UAE (Dubai International Stadium)
- 4] How many Asia Cup titles does India now have?
A) 6 B) 7 C) 8 D) 9
✓ **Ans:** D) 9 (most by any team)
- 5] Which player was declared the **Player of the Tournament** in Asia Cup 2025?
A) Abhishek Sharma B) Kuldeep Yadav C) Rohit Sharma D) Shubman Gill
✓ **Ans:** A) Abhishek Sharma

RBI Monetary Policy & Economy

- 6] What is the **current Repo Rate** as per RBI's Oct 2025 policy?
A) 5.25% B) 5.50% C) 5.75% D) 6%
✓ **Ans:** B) 5.50%
- 7] RBI's stance in Oct 2025 policy is:
A) Hawkish B) Dovish C) Neutral D) Accommodative
✓ **Ans:** C) Neutral
- 8] RBI revised India's **FY26 GDP growth estimate** to:
A) 6.5% B) 6.8% C) 7.0% D) 6.3%
✓ **Ans:** B) 6.8%



9) RBI cut the **FY26 CPI inflation forecast** to:

- A) 3.5% B) 4.0% C) 2.6% D) 3.1%

✓ **Ans:** C) 2.6%

10) RBI's Governor in October 2025 is:

- A) Shaktikanta Das B) R. Gandhi C) Sanjay Malhotra D) Urjit Patel

✓ **Ans:** C) Sanjay Malhotra

Banking & Finance Reforms

11) RBI's new rule mandates **2-Factor Authentication** for all digital payments from:

- A) 1 Jan 2026 B) 1 Apr 2026 C) 1 Jul 2025 D) 1 Oct 2025

✓ **Ans:** B) 1 Apr 2026

12) SIDBI reported a record net profit of ₹4,811 crore in FY25. SIDBI's HQ is in:

- A) Mumbai B) Lucknow C) New Delhi D) Hyderabad

✓ **Ans:** B) Lucknow

13) RBI now allows working capital loans using which asset as raw material?

- A) Silver B) Gold C) Iron D) Oil

✓ **Ans:** B) Gold

14) September 2025 GST collection reached:

- A) ₹1.75 lakh crore B) ₹1.89 lakh crore C) ₹2.00 lakh crore D) ₹1.65 lakh crore

✓ **Ans:** B) ₹1.89 lakh crore

15) The Asian Development Bank (ADB) cut India's FY26 growth forecast to:

- A) 6.3% B) 6.5% C) 6.8% D) 7.0%

✓ **Ans:** B) 6.5%

National Affairs

16) The **Swachh Shehar Jodi Initiative** was launched by which ministry?

- A) Jal Shakti B) MoHUA C) Rural Development D) Urban Affairs

✓ **Ans:** B) Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs (MoHUA)

17) India's first **Integrative Oncology Centre** was inaugurated in:

- A) Delhi B) Goa C) Mumbai D) Jaipur

✓ **Ans:** B) Goa (AIIA campus)

18) Which Biosphere Reserve was recently added to UNESCO's World Network?

- A) Sunderbans B) Cold Desert (HP) C) Nilgiri D) Simlipal

✓ **Ans:** B) Cold Desert, Himachal Pradesh



19) The **Mission for Aatmanirbharta in Pulses** will run till which year?

- A) 2028 B) 2030 C) 2031 D) 2035

✓ **Ans:** C) 2031

20) The **MY Bharat App** is primarily for:

- A) Farmers B) Women C) Youth D) Senior Citizens

✓ **Ans:** C) Youth (AI-enabled resume & volunteering platform)

State Affairs

21) Which district became **India's first child-marriage-free district**?

- A) Kota B) Balod C) Deoghar D) Mandla

✓ **Ans:** B) Balod, Chhattisgarh

22) The **Bathukamma Festival** that entered Guinness Records is from:

- A) Karnataka B) Tamil Nadu C) Telangana D) Andhra Pradesh

✓ **Ans:** C) Telangana

23) "Gaj Rakshak" App was launched in:

- A) Assam B) Kerala C) Madhya Pradesh D) Odisha

✓ **Ans:** C) Madhya Pradesh

24) The **Unmesha International Literature Festival** was hosted in:

- A) Jaipur B) Patna C) Lucknow D) Pune

✓ **Ans:** B) Patna, Bihar

25) The museum for artist **A. Ramachandran** was inaugurated in:

- A) Kochi B) Kollam C) Thrissur D) Thiruvananthapuram

✓ **Ans:** B) Kollam, Kerala

International Affairs

26) India–EFTA TEPA Agreement became operational from:

- A) 1 Sept 2025 B) 1 Oct 2025 C) 1 Nov 2025 D) 1 Dec 2025

✓ **Ans:** B) 1 Oct 2025

27) The EFTA bloc includes how many countries?

- A) 3 B) 4 C) 5 D) 6

✓ **Ans:** B) 4 (Switzerland, Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein)

28) India–Bhutan approved first-ever **rail projects** worth:

- A) ₹2,000 crore B) ₹4,033 crore C) ₹5,500 crore D) ₹3,200 crore

✓ **Ans:** B) ₹4,033 crore



29] India was re-elected to which UN body's council?

- A) ICAO B) WHO C) UNESCO D) ILO

✓ **Ans:** A) ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization)

30] India and which country will resume direct flights from late October 2025?

- A) China B) UK C) Russia D) Japan

✓ **Ans:** A) China



Appointments

31] **Rajeev Verma** was appointed as:

- A) Cabinet Secretary B) Delhi Chief Secretary C) RBI Deputy Governor D) DG CISF

✓ **Ans:** B) Delhi Chief Secretary

32] **Shirish Chandra Murmu** became which of the following?

- A) RBI Deputy Governor B) SEBI Chairman C) Finance Secretary D) DG ITBP

✓ **Ans:** A) RBI Deputy Governor

33] **Shailesh Chandra** is now the MD & CEO of:

- A) Hyundai India B) Tata Motors C) Maruti Suzuki D) Mahindra & Mahindra

✓ **Ans:** B) Tata Motors

34] **Gaurav Banerjee** is the new MD & CEO of:

- A) Star Network B) Zee Entertainment C) Sony Pictures Networks India D) Viacom18

✓ **Ans:** C) Sony Pictures Networks India

35] **Asheesh Pandey** has been appointed MD & CEO of:

- A) Union Bank of India B) SBI C) PNB D) Central Bank of India

✓ **Ans:** A) Union Bank of India



Defence

36] The **Indian Army** celebrated its **199th Gunners Day** on:

- A) 27 Sept B) 28 Sept C) 29 Sept D) 30 Sept

✓ **Ans:** B) 28 Sept 2025

37] **Exercise Drone Kavach** was held in:

- A) Rajasthan B) Sikkim C) Arunachal Pradesh D) Ladakh

✓ **Ans:** C) Arunachal Pradesh

38] The **BSF AI-powered Border Command Centre** covers which borders?

- A) Indo-Nepal B) Indo-China C) Indo-Pak & Indo-Bangladesh D) Indo-Myanmar

✓ **Ans:** C) Indo-Pak & Indo-Bangladesh



Awards & Recognition

39) Diljit Dosanjh was nominated for which international award?

- A) Grammy B) BAFTA C) International Emmy D) Golden Globe

✓ Ans: C) International Emmy (Best Actor)

40) The DRDO won which award in 2025?

- A) Bharat Ratna B) Padma Vibhushan C) BusinessLine Changemaker D) CSR Award

✓ Ans: C) BusinessLine Changemaker Award

41) Which state received the Global Tourism Award 2025?

- A) Kerala B) Rajasthan C) Andhra Pradesh D) Gujarat

✓ Ans: C) Andhra Pradesh

42) The ISSA Award 2025 recognized India for expanding which coverage?

- A) Education B) Health Insurance C) Social Security D) MSME Loans

✓ Ans: C) Social Security



Science & Days

43) The Biomedical Research Career Programme Phase-III is worth:

- A) ₹500 crore B) ₹1,000 crore C) ₹1,500 crore D) ₹2,000 crore

✓ Ans: C) ₹1,500 crore

44) World Heart Day 2025 was observed on:

- A) 27 Sept B) 28 Sept C) 29 Sept D) 30 Sept

✓ Ans: C) 29 Sept

45) Theme of World Heart Day 2025?

- A) Healthy Heart, Healthy Life B) Small Lifestyle Changes, Big Health Benefits C) Beat Cardiovascular Diseases D) Heart for All

✓ Ans: B) "Small Lifestyle Changes, Big Health Benefits"

46) International Translation Day 2025 is celebrated on:

- A) 29 Sept B) 30 Sept C) 1 Oct D) 2 Oct

✓ Ans: B) 30 Sept

47) International Day of Older Persons 2025 theme was:

- A) Age with Dignity B) Healthy Aging C) Older Persons Driving Local and Global Action D) Silver Years Stronger

✓ Ans: C) Older Persons Driving Local and Global Action



Obituaries



48] **G.G. Parikh**, who passed away at 100, was known as:

- A) Cricketer B) Gandhian Socialist C) Scientist D) Poet

✓ **Ans:** B) Gandhian Socialist

49] **Pandit Chhannulal Mishra**, who passed away, was famous for:

- A) Tabla B) Kathak C) Hindustani Classical Vocal D) Sarod

✓ **Ans:** C) Hindustani Classical Vocal (Banaras Gharana)

Static GK

50] The **Asian Cricket Council (ACC)** is headquartered in:

- A) Colombo B) Mumbai C) Dubai D) Delhi

✓ **Ans:** C) Dubai

