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1. Bengal tops India in bird count for third consecutive year

The Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC) is one of the world's largest bird count programmes, in which bird lovers count different species. The 2025 count was held from February 14 to 17, in which a total of 1068 bird species were documented across India. West Bengal topped the list for the third consecutive time with 543 species counted.



2. India second country in the world to introduce ELP for pilots after China

India has become the second country in the world after China to introduce Electronic Personnel License (EPL) for pilots in the civil aviation sector. Its formal announcement was made on 20 February 2025 by Union Civil Aviation Minister K. Ramamohan Naidu in New Delhi. 'Udan Bhawan', located in Safdarjung Airport, New Delhi, is the headquarters of various civil aviation regulatory bodies of the country.



3. Prime Minister Modi inaugurated the first Seoul Leadership Conference in Delhi

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the first edition of the Seoul Leadership Summit at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi on 21 February 2025. The two-day summit was held on 21 and 22 February. Bhutan Prime Minister Dasho Tshering Tobgay, who is on a 3-day visit to India, delivered the keynote address at the summit.



4. Government extended the tenure of Chief Economic Advisor Nageshwaran by 2 years.

The tenure of Chief Economic Advisor (CEA) V. Anantha Nageshwaran of the Ministry of Finance, Government of India has been extended by two years till 31 March 2027. He was appointed Chief Economic Advisor in January 2022 in place of K. V. Subramaniam. The Chief Economic Advisor is the head of the Economic Division of the Department of Economic Affairs of the Ministry of Finance.



5. International Mother Language Day

International Mother Language Day is celebrated annually on 21 February with the aim of preserving languages, promoting multilingual education and spreading awareness of linguistic diversity. The theme of International Mother Language Day 2025 is "Silver Jubilee Celebration of International Mother Language Day" as this year marks its 25th anniversary.

अंतरराष्ट्रीय
मातृभाषा दिवस

6. All India Marathi Sahitya Sammelan

The 98th All India Marathi Sahitya Sammelan is being held from 21 to 23 February 2025 at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi, inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. After 71 years, this conference was held in Delhi, which reflects the importance of Marathi language and India's rich literary tradition.

ऑखिल भारतीय
मराठी साहित्य संमेलन

7. 'Ali Ai Ligang' Festival

The Missing tribe, the largest tribal community of Assam, recently celebrated the Ali Ai Ligang festival at Shankarpur in Jorhat. The festival marks the first sowing of crops and its name is derived from three words - Ali (beans), Ai (seed) and Ligang (sowing). The festival is celebrated every year on the first Wednesday of the month of 'Ginmur Polo' between February-March.



8. Assam's Purnima Barman named "Woman of the Year" by Time magazine.

Assam's wildlife biologist Dr. Purnima Devi Burman has been included in the Time Magazine "Women of the Year" 2025 list. She is one of the 13 women from across the world to be included in this prestigious list. This list ranks women who have contributed to creating a better and more equitable world by identifying and finding solutions to problems related to women.



1. Which state topped the list of most bird species in India in Bird Census 2025?

A - West Bengal

B - Uttarakhand

C - Assam

D - Maharashtra

The Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC) 2025, held from February 14-17, recorded 1068 bird species in India. West Bengal topped the list for the third time in a row with 543 species. The state uploaded 1909 checklists, with Darjeeling recording the highest number of 252 species and South 24 Parganas submitting the highest number of 513 checklists.



2. Which is the second country in the world to introduce Electronic Personnel License (EPL) for pilots in the civil aviation sector?

A - China

B - India

C - America

D - Canada

India became the second country in the world after China to introduce Electronic Personnel License (EPL) for pilots. This was announced by Union Civil Aviation Minister K. Ram Mohan Naidu in New Delhi on 20 February 2025. 'Udaan Bhawan' located at Safdarjung Airport in New Delhi houses the headquarters of civil aviation regulatory bodies like DGCA, BCAS, AAIB and AERA.



3. Who inaugurated the first edition of Seoul Leadership Summit 2025?

A - Prime Minister - Narendra Modi

B - Home Minister - Amit Shah

C - Finance Minister - Nirmala Sitharaman

D - None of the following

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the first Seoul Leadership Summit at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi on 21 February 2025. The two-day summit (21-22 February) was organised to promote leadership dialogue. Bhutanese Prime Minister Dasho Tshering Tobgay delivered the keynote address.



4. Who was the first Chief Economic Adviser of the Union Finance Ministry?

A - J. J. Anjaria

B - Sunil Mehta

C - Shuchi Tyagi

D - Rahul Prakash

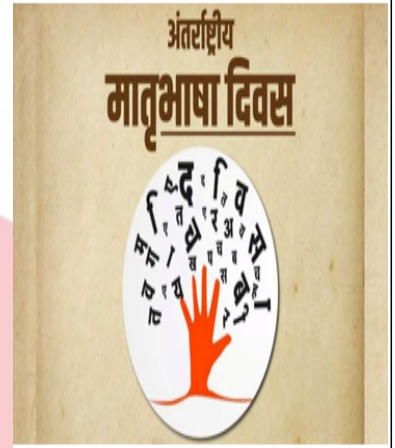
The tenure of V. Anantha Nageswaran, Chief Economic Adviser (CEA) of the Government of India was extended by two years to 31 March 2027. He was appointed in January 2022 in place of K. V. Subramaniam. The CEA heads the economic division of the Ministry of Finance and monitors domestic and international economic trends.



5. When is International Mother Language Day celebrated?

- A - 21 February
B - 23 February
C - 20 February
D - 15 February

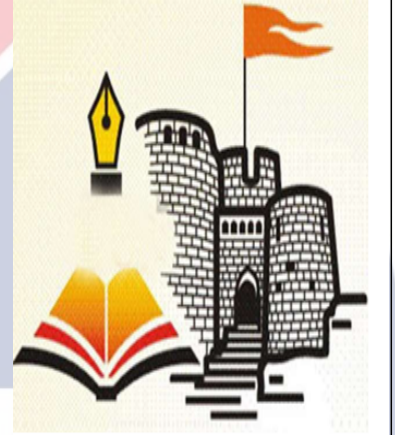
International Mother Language Day is celebrated every year on 21 February to promote linguistic preservation and multilingual education. The theme for 2025 is "Silver Jubilee Celebration of International Mother Language Day" as its 25th anniversary is being celebrated.



6. Where is the 98th All India Marathi Sahitya Sammelan being held?

- A - Nagpur
B - Jaipur
C - Delhi
D - Ahmedabad

The 98th All India Marathi Sahitya Sammelan was held on 21-23 February 2025 at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi, inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. After 71 years, the conference took place in Delhi, showcasing the rich tradition of the Marathi language.



7. Ali Ai Ligang festival is celebrated by which tribe ?

- A - Bodo
B - Missing
C - Meena
D - Bhil

The Missing tribe of Assam recently celebrated the Ali Ai Ligang festival in Shankarpur, Jorhat, which marks the first sowing of crops. This festival is celebrated every year on the first Wednesday of the month of 'Ginmur Polo' in February-March. Ali Ai Ligang reflects the faith of the Missing tribe towards agriculture and nature.



8. Which Indian woman has been included in Time Magazine's "Women of the Year" 2025 list -

- A - Dr. Purnima Devi Burman
B - Nirmala Devi
C - Amrita Devi Vishnoi
D - Sushmita Sen

Wildlife biologist Dr. Purnima Devi Burman of Assam has been included in the Time Magazine "Women of the Year" 2025 list. She is one of the 13 prominent women from around the world who have contributed to solving problems related to women. Dr. Burman has been recognized for the conservation of Hargila (Greater Adjutant Stork) and its wetland habitat.





One Liner

1. When did the Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC) start - **In the year 1998 and India started participating from 2013.**
2. Who is the Union Civil Aviation Minister - **K. Rammohan Naidu**
3. Where is the headquarters of School of Ultimate Leadership (Soul) located - **Gandhinagar (Gujarat)**
4. For how many years the tenure of V. Anantha Nageswaran, Chief Economic Advisor, Ministry of Finance, Government of India has been extended - **For two years - till March 31, 2027.**
5. What is the theme of International Mother Language Day - 2025 - **"Silver Jubilee Celebration of International Mother Language Day"**
6. Who inaugurated the All India Marathi Literature Conference - **Prime Minister Narendra Modi**
7. The capital of Assam is - **Dispur**
8. Recently, Assam's wildlife scientist Dr. Purnima Devi Burman has been included in which list of Time Magazine - **"Woman of the Year 2025"**
9. When was Time Magazine founded - **Year - 1923**
10. How many women were awarded by Time Magazine in the year 2025 - **13**

