

Welfare (1)

• PM-AJAY portal and mobile app launched

Body: Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment (Dr Virendra Kumar)
Detail: PM-AJAY portal & app launched 26 May 2026; PM-AJAY = Pradhan Mantri Anusuchit Jaati Abhyuday Yojana, for Scheduled Caste welfare; three components — Adarsh Gram, Grants-in-Aid (GIA), and Hostels — with real-time, milestone-linked fund flow

Exam hook: PM-AJAY targets SCHEDULED CASTES under Min. of Social Justice & Empowerment; its 3 components are Adarsh Gram, GIA and Hostels.

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Polity/Bodies (2)

• National Sports Board & National Sports Tribunal Rules, 2026 notified

Body: Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports

Law: Notified under the National Sports Governance Act, 2025

Detail: Govt notified the National Sports Board Rules and National Sports Tribunal Rules, 2026 (26 May 2026); the Board (a Chairperson + 2 Members) is the central authority recognising National Sports Federations; the Tribunal is a dedicated body for fast, low-cost resolution of sports disputes, reducing reliance on civil courts

Exam hook: Parent law = National Sports Governance Act, 2025; Board = recognition/governance, Tribunal = disputes.

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• DARPG launches NeSDA 2025 e-governance assessment portal

Body: Department of Administrative Reforms & Public Grievances (DARPG), Ministry of Personnel, PG & Pensions

Detail: NeSDA (National e-Governance Service Delivery Assessment) 2025 portal launched 25 May 2026; a BIENNIAL framework benchmarking online service delivery across States/UTs and central ministries; modelled on the UN e-Government Survey's Online Service Index (OSI)

Exam hook: NeSDA is DARPG's biennial e-gov benchmark (not annual); based on the UN OSI.

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Economy (1)

• Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) completes 10 years

Body: Ministry of Corporate Affairs; Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) is the regulator

Law: Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (in force from 2016)

Detail: IBC marked 10 years on 28 May 2026; as of March 2026, 1,419 cases yielded resolution plans, realising over Rs 4 lakh crore for creditors

Exam hook: IBC enacted 2016; regulator = IBBI; adjudicating authorities = NCLT (companies) and DRT (individuals/partnerships).

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IR/Diplomacy (3)

• 16th India–Singapore Defence Policy Dialogue, Singapore

Body: Ministry of Defence (India) & Ministry of Defence (Singapore)

Detail: 16th India-Singapore Defence Policy Dialogue (DPD) held in Singapore 28 May 2026; co-chaired by Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh and Singapore's Permanent Secretary (Defence) Joseph Leong; focus on cyber, AI, maritime security, unmanned systems; reaffirmed open, rules-based Indo-Pacific

Exam hook: DPD is the apex bilateral defence-policy mechanism; the recurring India-Singapore bilateral ARMY exercise is 'Bold Kurukshetra' and navy is 'SIMBEX'.

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• Third India–Nordic Summit at Oslo

Body: Ministry of External Affairs (summit of India with the five Nordic states — Sweden, Denmark, Norway, Finland, Iceland)

Detail: Third India-Nordic Summit held at Oslo, Norway on 19 May 2026; focus on green technology, clean energy, blue economy, STEM, defence; ties to India's Arctic Policy

Lineage: First India-Nordic Summit 2018 (Stockholm); Second 2022 (Copenhagen)

Exam hook: 5 Nordic countries (Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Iceland); 3rd summit venue = OSLO.

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• State visit of Cyprus President Christodoulides; outcomes signed

Body: Ministry of External Affairs / PMO

Detail: State visit of President of Cyprus H.E. Nikos Christodoulides to India (22 May 2026); MoUs signed including a Joint Working Group on counter-terrorism, diplomatic-training (Sushma Swaraj Institute of Foreign Service), Search-and-Rescue (SAR) coordination, higher education and culture

Exam hook: Cyprus = EU island state in the eastern Mediterranean, capital NICOSIA; SSIFS is India's diplomatic training academy under MEA.

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Defence (8)

• Agni-1 ballistic missile test-launched from Chandipur

Body: DRDO / Strategic Forces Command (SFC), Ministry of Defence

Detail: Short-Range Ballistic Missile (SRBM) Agni-1 successfully test-launched 22 May 2026 from Integrated Test Range (ITR), Chandipur, Odisha; ~700–900 km range, surface-to-surface, nuclear-capable

Lineage: Agni series under IGMP; Agni-1 inducted 2004; user-trial fired by SFC (the tri-service custodian of India's nuclear arsenal)

Exam hook: Agni-1 = SHORT-range (not Agni-V/ICBM); launch site is Chandipur (Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Island is for some other tests) and the firing agency is SFC, not DRDO alone.

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• INS Sudarshini completes first trans-Atlantic crossing (Lokayan 26)

Body: Indian Navy, Ministry of Defence

Detail: Sail Training Ship (STS) INS Sudarshini reached Antigua 27 May 2026 — her FIRST Atlantic crossing — during the global voyage 'Lokayan 26'; 19-day Mindelo (Cape Verde)→Antigua leg, crossed 10,000 nm since departing Kochi on 20 Jan 2026

Lineage: Last Indian sail-ship Atlantic crossing was INS Tarangini in 2007; next port Norfolk, USA for SAIL 250 events

Exam hook: Sudarshini is a SAIL TRAINING ship (not a warship); 'Lokayan 26' is the expedition name; theme invoked is Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam.

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• Suryakiran Aerobatic Team marks 30 years

Body: Indian Air Force (IAF), Ministry of Defence

Detail: Suryakiran Aerobatic Team (SKAT) marked its 30th anniversary at Air Force Station Bidar on 26 May 2026; raised 1996 at Bidar; flies the Hawk Mk-132 jet trainer in red-and-white livery; 800+ displays; motto 'Sadaiva Sarvottam' (Always the Best)

Lineage: IAF's official aerobatic team (compare: 'Sarang' is the IAF HELICOPTER display team flying Dhruv/ALH)

Exam hook: SKAT flies fixed-wing Hawk jets from BIDAR; do not confuse with the Sarang helicopter team.

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• 'Suryastra' 300-km Universal Rocket Launching System flagged off

Body: Ministry of Defence (private-sector NIBE Group complex), inaugurated by Raksha Mantri Rajnath Singh & Maharashtra CM Devendra Fadnavis

Detail: India's FIRST 300-km Universal Rocket Launching System 'Suryastra' flagged off 23 May 2026 at a private Defence Manufacturing Complex at Shirdi, Maharashtra; indigenous TNT and RDX plant technologies also unveiled; NIBE–Black Sky MoU on satellite assembly

Exam hook: 'A nation that manufactures its own weaponry writes its own destiny' = Rajnath Singh; system name = Suryastra; theme = Aatmanirbharta in defence.

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- IAF opens Technical Branch (Officer) entry via GATE scores**
Body: Indian Air Force, Ministry of Defence
Detail: IAF announced a new induction route into the Technical Branch (Officers' Cadre) on the basis of a valid GATE (Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering) score — exempting such candidates from the AFCAT written test and directly shortlisting them for the Air Force Selection Boards (AFSBs)
Lineage: AFCAT remains the standard entry test for all IAF branches; GATE route is exclusive to the Technical Branch
Exam hook: GATE-route applies ONLY to the Technical Branch; AFCAT is still mandatory for other branches.
[PIB 2265411 · 2026-05-26](#)
- Garud Special Forces Maroon Beret parade at Chandinagar**
Body: Indian Air Force, Ministry of Defence
Detail: Maroon Beret Ceremonial (passing-out) Parade for new 'Garud' commandos held 23 May 2026 at the Garud Regimental Training Centre (GRTC), Air Force Station Chandinagar
Lineage: Garud is the IAF's Special Forces unit (raised 2004); the maroon beret marks induction into airborne/special-forces ranks
Exam hook: Garud = IAF special forces (Army's are PARA-SF / Para Commandos; Navy's are MARCOS) — match the force to the right service.
[PIB 2264454 · 2026-05-23](#)
- 48th Flight Test Course graduates from AFTPS Bengaluru**
Body: Air Force Test Pilots School (AFTPS), Indian Air Force, Bengaluru
Detail: 17 officers (14 IAF, 1 Army, 2 Navy) of the 48th Flight Test Course graduated 23 May 2026 after a 48-week course; 'Suranjan Das Trophy' for best all-round Test Pilot awarded to Sqn Ldr KK Singh; graduates join the Aircraft & Systems Testing Establishment (ASTE)
Exam hook: AFTPS and ASTE are at Bengaluru; reviewing officer CAS Air Chief Marshal AP Singh is an alumnus of the 17th course.
[PIB 2264765 · 2026-05-24](#)
- INA Ezhimala Spring Term 2026 Passing Out Parade**
Body: Indian Naval Academy (INA), Ezhimala, Kerala — Ministry of Defence
Detail: Spring Term 2026 Passing Out Parade held 28 May 2026; cadets commissioned into the Indian Navy, Indian Coast Guard and friendly-foreign-country maritime forces; Reviewing Officer VAdm Sameer Saxena, FOC-in-C Southern Naval Command
Lineage: INA Ezhimala is Asia's largest naval academy
Exam hook: INA is at EZHIMALA, Kerala (under Southern Naval Command, HQ Kochi).
[PIB 2265068 · 2026-05-25](#)

Environment (1)

- International Day for Biological Diversity 2026; Project Cheetah**
Body: Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MoEFCC) — Bhupender Yadav; national event at IIFM, Bhopal
Detail: International Day for Biological Diversity (IDB) observed 22 May; 2026 theme 'Acting Locally for Global Impact'; event flagged progress of Project Cheetah at Kuno (MP)
Lineage: 22 May designated by the UN/CBD; Project Cheetah began Sep 2022 (cheetahs from Namibia & South Africa to Kuno NP)
Exam hook: IDB date = 22 May; 2026 theme = 'Acting Locally for Global Impact'; Project Cheetah site = Kuno National Park, Madhya Pradesh.
[PIB 2264014 · 2026-05-22](#)

Sci/Tech (2)

- India Semiconductor Mission launches 'Investors Support' portal**
Body: India Semiconductor Mission (ISM), Ministry of Electronics & IT (MeitY)
Detail: ISM launched the 'Investors Support' online portal (ism.gov.in/investment) on 26 May 2026; under the Semicon India Programme 12 fab/package projects and 24 chip-design projects approved so far
Lineage: ISM set up 2021 under MeitY to build a chip ecosystem
Exam hook: ISM is under MeitY; 'Semicon India Programme' is the umbrella; portal aids investors with schemes/approvals and grievances.
[PIB 2265285 · 2026-05-26](#)

- CSIR-IHBT Palampur and the Himalayan bioeconomy push**
Body: Ministry of Science & Technology; CSIR-Institute of Himalayan Bioresource Technology (IHBT), Palampur (HP) — Dr Jitendra Singh
Detail: Govt spotlighted Himalayan bioresources as new engines of economic value (28 May 2026); the tulip from CSIR-IHBT featured in the Ayodhya 'Pran Pratishtha' offering
Exam hook: CSIR-IHBT is at PALAMPUR, Himachal Pradesh; CSIR is an autonomous body under the Ministry of Science & Technology (DSIR).
[PIB 2266281 · 2026-05-28](#)

Infra (2)

- International Day of Yoga 2026 — Kolkata main event, theme announced**
Body: Ministry of AYUSH
Detail: IDY 2026 main event to be held at Kolkata, West Bengal on 21 June 2026; theme announced as 'Yoga for Healthy Ageing'; 25-day countdown launched from the UNESCO World Heritage Site Khajuraho (MP)
Lineage: IDY declared by UN in 2014, first observed 21 June 2015; India-led resolution
Exam hook: IDY date = 21 June; 2026 theme = 'Yoga for Healthy Ageing'; 2026 main venue = KOLKATA.
[PIB 2265716 · 2026-05-27](#)
- Indian wrestlers top 2026 U23 Asian Championships**
Body: PMO congratulations; Wrestling Federation of India contingent
Detail: At the 2026 U23 Asian Wrestling Championships in Da Nang, Vietnam, India's Men's Freestyle and Women's teams won the TEAM TITLES; Men's Freestyle took 9 medals (4 gold) — India's best-ever haul at this event; Women won 10 medals (6 gold); Greco-Roman took 8
Exam hook: Venue = Da Nang, Vietnam; India won both Men's Freestyle and Women's team titles at the U23 Asian Championships 2026.
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