

Current Affairs March 2018

1st March 2018

- CSIR signs MoU with IORA to designate CSIR-CIMAP as Coordinating Centre on Medicinal Plants on - 26th February 2018
- Nitin Gadkari lays foundation stone for NTCPWC on - 26th February 2018
- UN Security Council adopts Russian-drafted resolution on Yemen sanctions on - 26th February 2018

2nd March 2018

- Tokyo 2020 Olympics mascots unveiled on - 28th February 2018
- India ranked 47th in Inclusive Internet Index 2018 published by - Economist Intelligence Unit
- 21st National Conference on e-Governance held in Hyderabad by - DARPG

3rd March 2018

- World Rare Disease Day observed on - 28th February 2018
 - Kanchi Shankaracharya Jayendra Saraswati passed away on - 28th February 2018
 - One-time relaxation in passing marks to class 10 students granted by - CBSE
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- AK Pradhan appointed as Group Chief Risk Officer of PNB on - 27th February 2018
- Union Cabinet approves four MoUs between India and Jordan on Cooperation in various sectors on - 28th February 2018
- Pakistan admits being added grey list of FATF in - February 2018
- Action Plan for Champion Sectors in Services approved by - Union Cabinet
- Rs. 9,435-crore procurement proposals for three services approved by - DAC

4th March 2018

- Anti Tank Guided Missile NAG successfully test-fired on - 28th February 2018

5th March 2018

- Zero Discrimination Day 2018 observed globally on - 1st March 2018
- India, Russia, Bangladesh signed pact for - Rooppur atomic plant
- Indian Navy sailboat INSV Tarini arrives in Cape Town, South Africa headed by - Women Team

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- Rs 2,919 crore projects under Nirbhaya fund to create 8 safe cities approved by - Union Ministry of Women and Child Development
- Bharati Defence delivers interceptor boat to Coast Guard - ICG C-162

6th March 2018

- Formation of National Financial Reporting Authority sanctioned by - Union Cabinet
- Marshall Islands to launch world's first - Digital legal tender
- 90th Academy Awards (Oscars 2018)
- Name of first Hindu woman who got elected as Senate of Upper house of Pakistan - Krishna Kumari Kohli
- Ama Gaon, Ama Vikas programme launched by - Odisha Government

7th March 2018

- Sharp decline in child marriages in India - UNICEF
 - Which country became biggest oil supplier to India - Iraq
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8th March 2018

- Animal Welfare Board of India headquarters shifted from Chennai to - Ballabgarh
- Saposhi is the name of a - Malware
- In which city of India HeliTaxi service was launched - Bengaluru
- Sukhad Yatra App and Toll-free Emergency number for Highway users launched by - Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
- #YesIBleed menstrual hygiene campaign launched by – Union Govt
- European Bank for Reconstruction and Development approved membership of which country – India

9th March 2018

- International Women Day 2018 observed across the globe on - 8th March
- Union Cabinet approved inking of four MoU's with which country - France
- Name of Indian architect who won 2018 Pritzker Prize - Balkrishna Doshi

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10th March 2018

- Which Court allowed Passive Euthanasia and Living Will - Supreme Court
- Arbitration and Conciliation (Amendment) Bill, 2018 approved by - Union Cabinet
- Name of the leader who was stripped of human rights award - Aung San Suu Kyi (Myanmar)
- Which state passed bill to award death penalty for rape of girls below 12 years of age - Rajasthan

11th March 2018

- 14 Agreements inked between India and - France

12th March 2018

- Tobacco Product Regulation: Building Laboratory Testing Capacity, launched by - WHO
 - Which country removed 2 term limit of President - China
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- Divorced Saudi mothers can now retain custody of – Children

13th March 2018

- First multinational naval exercise held at Andaman, its name is - MILES-18
- First coastal policing academy set up at - Gujarat
- Union Government formed Tribunal to solve - Mahanadi Water Dispute
- Tuberculosis Free India Campaign launched by - Union Government

14th March 2018

- Deadline for Aadhaar linking extended by - Supreme Court
- Tuberculosis Free India Campaign launched by - Union Government
- Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India signs MoU with Reserve Bank of India on - 12th March 2018

15th March 2018

- Stephen Hawking passed away, he was renowned - Physicist
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- ICMR awarded International Kochon Prize 2017 on - 13th March 2018
- Assam government proposes insurance scheme for journalists on - 13th March 2018
- Supreme Court bars foreign lawyers, law firms from practicing in India on - 13th March 2018
- World Hindi Secretariat in Port Louis, Mauritius inaugurated by - President
- India-UK Joint Team wins Newton-Bhabha Fund for project of - Groundwater Arsenic Research

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16th March 2018

- Which country tops the list of World Happiness Index 2018 - Finland
 - World Consumer Rights Day 2018 observed globally on - 15th March
 - Indian export subsidy schemes challenged at WTO by - USTR
 - India's rank on WEF Energy Transition Index 2018 – 78
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17th March 2018

- Haryana Assembly passes bill proposing death penalty in rape of girls below 12 years on - 15th March 2018
- NITI Aayog to release SATH-E project roadmaps on - 17th March 2018
- Artificial heart with rocket technology developed by - China
- Innovative analytical approach to enhance productivity introduced by - Railway

18th March 2018

- 105th Indian Science Congress inaugurated by - Prime Minister
- Maharashtra Government bans use of plastic by - CM Devendra Fadnavis
- India, ADB sign \$120 million loan to improve rail infrastructure on - 16th March 2018

19th March 2018

- Singapore, Paris are world's costliest cities by - Worldwide Cost of Living report 2018
 - Pune tops in urban governance says - ASICS 2017 report
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- 20th March 2018
- Commemorative coins on Nabakalebar festival released by - President
- Russia Elections 2018: Putin wins historic fourth term on - 18th March 2018
- Indo-French Naval exercise Varuna 2018 begins on - 19th March 2018
- Jnanpith awardee Kedarnath Singh passed away on - 19th March 2018
- Airbnb inks four MoUs for promotion of tourism in - North-East

21st March 2018

- Who has been appointed ambassador of International NGO "Educate Girls"?- Katrina Kaif
 - International Day of Happiness is celebrated on- 20th March 2018
 - Over 18 locomotives handed over to Myanmar by - India
 - Cooperation agreement to share earth observation data from each other's satellite inked between Europe and - India
 - India, Hong Kong sign double taxation avoidance agreement on - 19th March 2018
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- Plastic Park to be set up in Jharkhand's Deoghar District by - Government
- BIRAC celebrated its 6th Foundation Day on - 20th March 2018

22nd March 2018

- All pharmacies and chemists have to report TB cases, notified on - 20th March 2018
- Full autonomy to 62 higher educational institutes granted by - UGC
- Export duty on sugar scrapped by - Government
- Google launched Google assistance in Hindi on - 15th March 2018
- Payment of Gratuity (Amendment) Bill, 2017 passed by - Lok Sabha
- Opening of 18 new missions in Africa by 2021 approved by - The Union Cabinet
- Amendments in Surrogacy (Regulation) Bill, 2016 - The Union Cabinet
- Health Ministry increases reservation quota for disabled in PG medical courses to 5 % on - 21st March 2018
- World Water Day observed globally on - 22nd March 2018

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23rd March 2018

- Cabinet approves inclusion of which communities ST list in Karnataka - Parivara and Talawara
- Payment of Gratuity (Amendment) Bill passed in - Parliament
- Closure of India Development Foundation of Overseas Indians approved by – Cabinet
- Cabinet approves revision of DTAA between India and which country - Qatar
- North-East Industrial Development Scheme 2017 approved by - Cabinet
- Possibility of strengthening cooperation in border areas explored by India and - China
- Multi-utility vehicle Naipunya Ratham launched by - Andhra Pradesh Government
- Great Pacific Garbage Patch is rapidly accumulating plastic, reported on - 22nd March 2018
- India's first sign language dictionary launched by - Union Government
- Abel prize won by Robert Langlands in Norway on - 20th March 2018

24th March 2018

- Endangered snow leopard population witnesses a rise in the - Himalayas
- BCCI clears Mohammed Shami of match-fixing allegations on - March 22nd 2018
- World's first brass futures contracts launched by- MCX

25th March 2018

- World Tuberculosis Day 2018 observed globally on - 24th March 2018
- ISRO and BHEL tie-up for the production of Space Grade Lithium-Ion Cells on - 23rd March 2018

26th March 2018

- International day of Remembrance of the victims of Transatlantic Slave Trade 2018 observed globally on - 25th March
 - Global carbon emissions hit record high in 2017 - IEA Report
 - Name of the player who was banned for one Test for ball tampering - Steve Smith (Australia)
 - Who has been nominated for Representative to UNESCO Executive Board from India - JS Rajput
 - Name of Canadian Mathematician who won 2018 Abel Prize for his Grand Unified Theory - Robert Langlands
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- Longest sandstone cave of world discovered in - Meghalaya

27th March 2018

- SC seeks centre's response on pleas challenging which two practices among Muslim community - Polygamy and Nikah halala
- First International Exhibition of Graphic Prints held in New Delhi with the name of - Print Biennale India 2018
- First district of India to have 100% solar powered health centres - Surat
- Malaysia proposes 10 years in jail for publishers of fake news on - 26th March 2018
- World's longest sandstone cave Krem Puri discovered in - Meghalaya

28th March 2018

- Cool EMS Service between India and Japan was launched by - Department of Posts
 - Where was first insect museum of India opened - Tamil Nadu
 - India hold naval training with - U.S.
 - Who has been appointed as principal scientific advisor to Government - Vijay Raghavan
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- World Theater Day was observed across the globe on – March 27th 2018
- NASA, SpaceX collaborate to search for exoplanets by - TESS
- World's first nuclear reactor completed by - Arab
- Sun protection to protect Great Barrier Reef developed by - Scientists
- Who has been appointed CEO of Ayushman Bharat mission?
- Indu Bhushan
- Who has been appointed as acting Chairperson of NGT ? - Justice Jawad Rahim

29th March 2018

- Government launched Study in India programme to attract - Foreign students
 - Exim Bank extended \$500 million loan facility to - 15 Nation ECOWAS
 - Skill India partners with Ministry of Power for implementation of - Saubhagya Scheme
 - Portal for pensioners launched by - EPFO
 - India and ADB sign USD 80 million loan agreement to boost employment in Himachal Pradesh on - March 28th, 2018
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- Australian skipper Steve Smith and Vice-captain David Warner on - March 28th, 2018
- SEBI accepts most of recommendations of Uday Kotak Committee on Corporate Governance on - March 28th, 2018
- CCEA approved formulation of new Integrated Scheme for School Education on - 28th March 2018

30th March 2018

- Central Panel for 65th National Films Awards to be headed by - Shekhar Kapur
- MoU among India, UK and Ireland on organised crime approved by - Union Cabinet
- Bulk export of all edible oils approved by - CCEA
- GSAT-6A Communication Satellite launched by - India
- US issues work permits to spouses of H-1B visa holders on - 29th March 2018

31st March 2018

- Continuation of Credit Guarantee Fund for Education Loans Scheme approved by - CCEA
 - April declared as Sikh Awareness Month by - New Jersey
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- Madhya Pradesh's Kadaknath chicken gets - Geographical Indication tag
- A new organ Interstitium in the human body discovered by - Scientists
- Crime branch of state police to be set up by - Tripura Government

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