

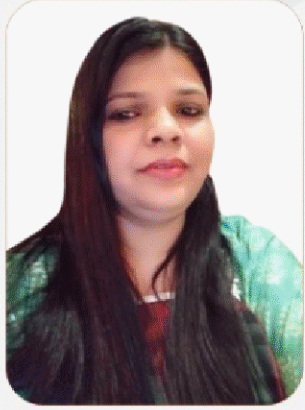


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Current Affairs Related to 11th April

- ◆ **So far the concept design for the first India Small Modular Reactor 200 MW has been finalized.** This includes the size of the reactor and the primary heat transport system. After getting the financial approval, the construction and commissioning of the demonstration unit will take 6 years. Operational readiness can be achieved by the 7th year. The estimated cost of the main unit is 5700 crores. The development of BSMR is being led by BARC and NPCIL. Competitive passive safety features and engineered safety systems are included.
- ◆ **Water Resources Census Application and Portal and Web Based Reservoir Storage Monitoring System were launched in New Delhi.** It is a 100% centrally sponsored scheme launched under the Irrigation Census Scheme, the reference year of which will be agricultural year 2023.2024. The main objective of the Water Resources Census is to create a comprehensive and reliable database for effective planning and policy making including water use efficiency, water budgeting etc. in the irrigation sector.
- ◆ **The Waqf Bill 2025 was passed by Parliament after getting approval from Rajya Sabha.** The Upper House approved the Bill, with 128 members voting in favour and 95 against it. Lok Sabha has already approved the Bill. The Muslim Waqf Bill 2025 which repeals the Muslim Waqf Act 1923 was also approved by Parliament after it was passed by Rajya Sabha. The Bill aims to streamline the management of Waqf properties with provisions for protection of heritage sites and promotion of social welfare.
- ◆ **Defence Minister Shri Rajnath Singh has launched expeditions to Mount Everest and Mount Kanchenjunga.** The Indian Army's Mount Everest expedition comprises 34 mountaineers. They will follow the South Col route and will be led by Lieutenant Colonel Manoj Joshi. A joint India Nepal team will attempt to climb Mount Kanchenjunga. The team comprises 12 mountaineers from the Indian Army and 6 from the Nepali Army. There will also be a joint NCC expedition to Mount Everest. This team will be led by Colonel Amit Bist.
- ◆ **Indian Railways signed an important agreement with Delhi Metro Rail Railway.** It aims to launch a smart passenger called Passenger Wheel Roll Measurement System for quick and safe testing of train prototypes. This is a step towards modern and better railway engineering.
- ◆ **Union Home Minister Amit Shah introduced a statutory resolution in the Lok Sabha.** The proposal was accepted by the House. Some people lost their lives in the violence in Manipur. The violence in Manipur was caused by a reservation dispute between two communities after a decision of the Manipur High Court. The minister said that there was a Naga Kuki conflict in Manipur between 1993 and 1998. Violence broke out within a few days of the High Court order. Both communities misinterpreted the decision.
- ◆ **Prime Minister Narendra Modi conferred Sri Lanka's highest civilian award, Mitra Vibhushan, on Sri Lanka,** including its contribution to strengthening historical heritage and friendly supply between India and Sri Lanka. The award was given by the President of Indonesia. President Anura Kumara Dissanayake conferred the honour on him at a ceremony held at the Presidential Secretariat in Portugal.
- ◆ **HIL Limited, a leading company in the building materials sector and part of the CK Birla Group, has rebranded and is now known as BirlaNU Limited.** This is a statement of the company's commitment to quality, innovation and manufacturing of iconic products for the transformative construction industry. HIL Limited, a leading company in the building materials sector and part of the US\$3 billion CK Birla Group, has rebranded itself as BirlaNU Limited.
- ◆ **The successful test firing of MRSAM developed by DRDO and Israel Aerospace Industries by the Indian Army is a significant achievement.** The missile system engaged and destroyed four flying targets during high-speed engagements. The MRSAM Army version of the missile system is designed to engage and destroy a wide range of targets at different ranges and distances, thereby enhancing India's defence fortress.

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National & International Current Affairs

1. When is National Safe Motherhood Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 10 April (B) 11 April
(C) 12 April (D) 13 April

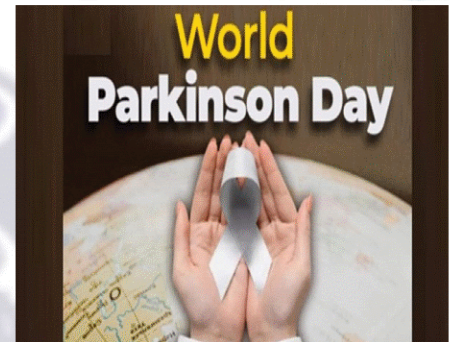
(B) NSMD Day is celebrated every year on 11 April to create awareness about maternity facilities, lactating women and proper health care given to women. Its purpose is to ensure the safety of pregnant women and their children and promote maternal health.



2. When is World Parkinson's Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 11 April (B) 12 April
(C) 13 April (D) 14 April

(A) World Parkinson's Day is celebrated every year on 11 April. The purpose of this day is to raise awareness about Parkinson's disease and show support to the patients. Parkinson's disease is a long-term and progressive brain disease. This disease is caused by the loss of nerve cells in the substantia nigra part of the brain.



3. Who has been appointed as the Deputy Governor of RBI recently?

- (A) Arun Shourie (B) Nidhi Tiwari
(C) Ambuj Chandna (D) Poonam Gupta

(D) This post was vacant after Michael Patra left the post in January 2025. She will be appointed to this post. Gupta is currently the Director General of the National Council of Applied Economic Research. She is also in the Economic Advisory Council of the Prime Minister. She is the convener of the Advisory Council of the 16th Finance Commission. In the last 90 years, only three women have been made the Deputy Governor of RBI.



4. Recently, India was ranked globally for private investment in Artificial Intelligence in 2023 ?

- (A) 5th (B) 8th
(C) 10th (D) 11th

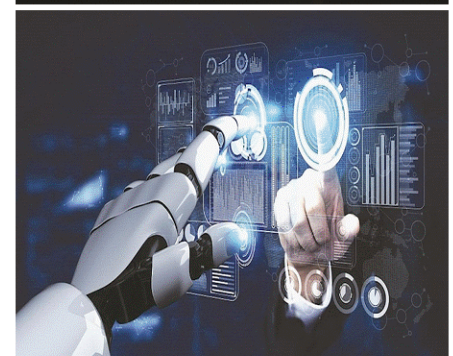
(C) UNCTAD's 2025 Technology and Innovation Report ranked India 36th on the Readiness for Frontier Technologies Index for 2024. This is an improvement from India's 48th rank in 2022 on the same index. The report highlights the scientific strengths of China, Germany, India, the UK and the US in the field of AI.



5. Recently Microsoft has signed an agreement with which state to set up three AI centers?

- (A) Maharashtra (B) Odisha
(C) Karnataka (D) Kerala

(A) Recently, to promote Digital India and to promote the adoption of Artificial Intelligence in the state administration, the Maharashtra government has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Microsoft Corporation to set up three Artificial Intelligence Centers of Excellence in Mumbai, Pune and Nagpur.

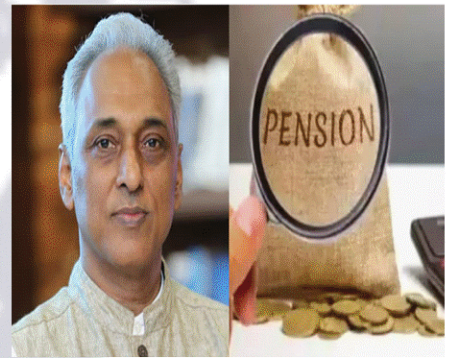
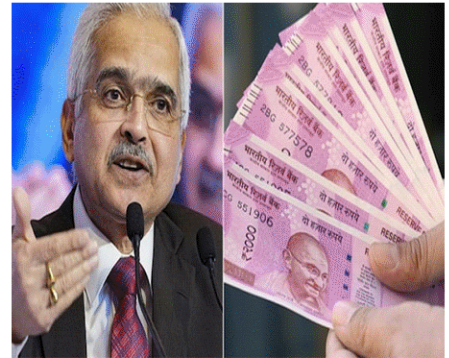


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6. According to the recently released RBI report, what percentage of 2000 rupee notes have returned?
(A) 90.9% (B) 92.81%
(C) 97.21% (D) 98.21%
(D) Recently, the Reserve Bank of India said that 98.21% of 2000 rupee notes have returned to the banking system and only Rs 6366 crore worth of such notes are still with the public. On 19 May 2023, the Reserve Bank of India announced the withdrawal of Rs 2000 denomination bank notes from circulation.
7. Recently, which state has been on top in installing solar power at railway stations?
(A) Haryana (B) Gujarat
(C) Rajasthan (D) Odisha
(C) Recently, Rajasthan is the leading state in installing solar power plants at railway stations in the country. Solar power plants have been installed at 275 railway stations in the state, which is the highest in the country. By February 2025, the National Institute of Standards and Technology has installed 209 solar power plants in 2249 railway and service associations. This information was given by Union Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnav in the Lok Sabha.
8. Who has been appointed as the President of the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority recently?
(A) Nidhi Tiwari (B) Sivasubramanian Raman
(C) Ambuj Chandna (D) None of these
(B) The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved the appointment of Sivasubramanian Raman as the new Chairman of the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority for a term of five years. Raman, who currently serves as Deputy Comptroller and Auditor General and Chief Technology Officer in the CAG of India, will now take charge of overseeing and regulating India's pension sector.
9. Which product has been granted Geographical Indication tag recently?
(A) Kumbakonam Betel Leaf (B) Nagpur Orange
(C) Kanchipuram Milk (D) None of these
(A) Kumbakonam Betel Leaf and Thovalai Flower Garland have been granted Geographical Indication tag by the Government of India. With this addition, the total number of GI items of Tamil Nadu has increased to 62. After a four-month review process, the official status of these items was published in the Government Gazette on 30 November 2024.
10. Who has been appointed as Executive Director Development by NPCI recently?
(A) Nikhil Singhal (B) Raj Kumar Singh
(C) Sohini Rajola (D) None of these
(C) Sohini Rajola has been appointed as Executive Director Solang in National Petroleum Company Limited. The role involves driving adoption of NPCI's payment solutions, improving them and managing partnerships with key stakeholders including corporates, fintech companies. This decision is part of NPCI's growth strategy led by NPCI.



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