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### January 1st week Current Affairs One Liners

#### **IMPORTANT DAYS**

- World Braille Day is an international day on 4 January and celebrates awareness of the importance of braille as a means of communication in the full realization of the human rights for blind and visually impaired people
- Defence Research and Development
   Organisation (DRDO) celebrated 64th
   DRDO Day on January 1, 2022.
- Every year on January 6, the World Day of War Orphans is recognized.

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will lay the foundation stone of Major Dhyan Chand
   Sports University at Meerut.
- The Competition Commission of India
   (CCI) approves acquisition of 96.42%
   equity shareholding in Jindal Power
   Limited by Worldone Private Limited.
- Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi released 10th instalment of financial benefit under Pradhan Mantri Kisan
   Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) scheme via video conferencing.

- Union Education Minister Dharmendra
   Pradhan launched 100 days reading
   campaign 'Padhe Bharat'.
- Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
   (MoHUA) has announced the opening of
   Urban Geospatial Data Stories
   Challenge to foster adoption of
   geospatial technologies & to promote
   innovation in India's urban ecosystem.
- Indian Defence Minister Rajnath Singh virtually inaugurated 24 bridges and three roads, which have been built by the Border Roads Organisation (BRO) in four states and two union territories.
- Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh inaugurated Kalpana Chawla Centre for Research in Space Science & Technology (KCCRSST) at Chandigarh University on January 03, 2022.
- Ministry of Civil Aviation has released draft National Air Sports Policy (NASP) for public feedback.
- Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)
   Madras will launch a Master's
   Programme in electric vehicles (EV).
- Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi
   inaugurated 13 Projects worth around



- Rs. 1850 crores and laid the foundation stone of 9 projects worth around Rs 2950 crore in Imphal, Manipur.
- The 46th meeting of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) Council is being held in New Delhi under the chairmanship of Union finance minister Nirmala
   Sitharaman.
- The gross Goods and Services Tax, GST revenue collected in December 2021 is over one lakh 29 thousand crore rupees.
- Union Science and Technology Minister,
   Dr Jitendra Singh has launched the
   theme of National Science Day 2022.
- Smart Cities Mission has launched
   "Smart cities and Academia Towards
   Action & Research (SAAR)" program.
- Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Science & Technology; Minister of State (Independent Charge) Earth Sciences; Dr Jitendra Singh launched the Web Portal for PM's Awards for Excellence in Public Administration for the year 2021-22.
- Issues around gender equality in trade and women's economic empowerment are likely to feature for the first time in a bilateral trade agreement being negotiated by India.

- Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways, Nitin Gadkari has inaugurated and laid foundation stone for 821 km of National Highways worth Rs 26778 crore in Uttar Pradesh.
- Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated the New Integrated Terminal Building of Maharaja Bir Bikram (MBB) Airport and launched key initiatives like Mukhyamantri Tripura Gram Samriddhi Yojana and Project Mission 100 of Vidyajyoti Schools.
- Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi will inaugurate the second campus of Chittaranjan National Cancer Institute (CNCI) in Kolkata via video conferencing.
- The 19th Meeting of National Tiger
   Conservation Authority (NTCA) was held
   here under the chairmanship of Union
   Minister for Environment, Forest &
   Climate Change Shri Bhupender Yadav.
- Union Minister for Ministry of Food
   Processing Industries, Shri Pashupati
   Kumar Paras and Minister of State, Shri
   Prahlad Singh Patel and senior officials
   of NAFED has launched six, One District
   One Product (ODOP).
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi and
   Federal Chancellor of Germany Olaf

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Scholz have agreed on further diversifying cooperation and exchanges in new areas including Climate Action and Green Energy.

### January 2<sup>nd</sup> week Current Affairs One Liners

#### **IMPORTANT DAYS**

- Pravasi Bharatiya Diwas (PBD) or Non-Resident Indian (NRI) Day is annually celebrated on 9th January to mark the contribution of the Overseas Indian community to the development of India.
- January 10 is celebrated as World Hindi
   Day every year to spread awareness
   about Hindi as an international language
   across the world.
- To commemorate 75th years of progressive India 'Azadi Ka Amrit
   Mahotsav', Ministry of Education (MoE),
   AICTE and Ministry of Commerce&
   Industry (DPIIT) are jointly organising
   'National Innovation Week' from 10th –
   16th Jan 2022.
- National Human Trafficking Awareness
   Day on January 11 raises awareness of the persistent issue of human trafficking.
- In India, the National Youth Day is celebrated on 12 January annually to

- commemorate the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda
- On January 14, 2022, India observed 6th Armed Forces Veterans Day to recognize the sacrifice of our veterans in serving the nation.

- The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime
   Minister Shri Narendra Modi has
   approved the signing of Memorandum of
   Understanding (MoU) between India and
   Turkmenistan on Cooperation in the field
   of Disaster Management
- Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh
  has flagged-in the India's 1st multidimensional adventure sports expedition
  of India, which was conducted by the
  National Institute of Mountaineering and
  Allied Sports (NIMAS) in France.
- The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime
   Minister Shri Narendra Modi has
   approved the signing of Agreement

- between India and Spain on Cooperation and Mutual Assistance in Customs

  Matters.
- Ministry of Culture has partnered with the Common Services Centres (CSC), a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) under the Ministry of Electronics & IT (MeitY) to undertake India's first-ever cultural survey of its villages named 'Mera Gaon, Meri Dharohar' through a mobile application (app).
- Kerala Arts and Crafts Village
   Organization (KACV) from Kovalam,
   Kerala was awarded with the
   'International Craft Award for the
   year2021' for the best craft village in the
   world by the World Crafts Council

   International.
- The Union Cabinet, chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, has approved the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between India and Nepal for construction of bridge over Mahakali River at Dharchula (India)-Dharchula (Nepal).
- The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, chaired by the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, has approved the scheme on Green Energy Corridor

- (GEC) Phase-II for Intra-State

  Transmission System (InSTS) for
  addition of approximately 10,750 circuit
  kilometres (ckm) of transmission lines
  and approx.
- The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT),
   Ministry of Commerce and Industry is set to organize the Startup India Innovation
   Week from January 10th to 16th, 2022.
- The Department of Administrative
  Reforms & Public Grievances (DARPG)
  and Ministry of Electronics & Information
  Technology (MeitY), Government of
  India, in association with the State
  Government of Telangana organized the
  24th Conference on e-Governance
  (NCeG) 2021 on 7th 8th February 2022
  at Hyderabad, Telangana.
- IndianOil has committed to support the
   National TB elimination Program (NTEP)
   in India by providing an enabling
   environment through integrated and
   prioritised intervention with City

   Coordination Committees, District Health
   Societies, Technical support groups, etc.,
   in each of the 75 districts of Uttar
   Pradesh and 23 districts in Punjab.



- As part of its efforts to promote Indian
   Ayurveda and herbal products in South
   China, the Consulate General of India
   (CGI), Guangzhou organized a Webinar
   on "Promotion of Herbal/ Ayurveda/
   Beauty Products in China".
- 12th India USA TPF meeting held, Department of Agriculture and farmer's welfare (DAC&FW) and US Department of Agriculture (USDA) have signed a framework agreement for implementing the 2 Vs 2 Agri market access issues i.e inspection / oversight transfer for Indian mangoes & pomegranate and market access for pomegranate arils from India and market access for US cherries and U.S Alfalfa hay.
- The 19th Meeting of National Tiger
   Conservation Authority (NTCA) was held
   under the chairmanship of Union Minister
   for Environment, Forest & Climate
   Change Shri Bhupender Yadav.
- On Jan 07, 2021, The Union Minister of Science and Technology Dr Jitendra
   Singh inaugurated the 24th National
   Conference on e-Governance in
   Hyderabad, Telangana.
- Union Minister for Chemicals and
   Fertilizers Shri Mansukh Mandaviya has

- chaired a high-level meeting to make
  Atmanirbhar Bharat in **Urea and DAP Production** by using **'Green Hydogen'**.
- Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi will inaugurate the 25th National Youth
   Festival on 12th January, 2022 in
   Puducherry, via video conferencing.
- The 82nd Indian Public Schools'
   Conference Principals' Conclave,
   Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan
   has urged all schools attending the
   conclave to reflect how inclusive our
   leading schools.
- UNESCO's World Heritage Centre has agreed to publish Hindi descriptions of India's UNESCO World Heritage Sites on its website.
- India stressed the need for fast-tracking
  the upgradation process of the
  Comprehensive Economic Partnership
  Agreement (CEPA) with South Korea
  and raised issues of concern such as the
  large trade deficit and industry's demand
  for greater market access and lower nontariff barriers.
- Subhas Sarkar, Minister of State for
   Education has virtually launched Swachh
   Vidyalaya Puraskar (SVP) 2021 2022.



- Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI
   Aayog declared the results of the 'ATL
   Space Challenge 2021'.
- Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated a Technology Centre of the MSME Ministry, established at Puducherry, on the occasion of National youth day.
- The Senior Officers Meeting of the India-US Homeland Security Dialogue was held in virtual mode.
- The Minister of Commerce and Industry,
   Consumer Affairs, Food and Public
   Distribution and Textiles, Shri Piyush
   Goyal launched the Free Trade
   Agreement negotiations with the United
   Kingdom along with Rt. Hon. Anne-Marie
   Trevelyan, UK Secretary of State for
   International Trade in New Delhi.

- Union Minister Jitendra Singh has
   chaired the first meeting with Sectoral
   Experts to have suggestions on
   structural and institutional reforms
   necessary to attain the envisaged Vision
   India@2047 on Governance.
- Ministry of Road Transport and
   Highways (MoRTH) is going to organize
   a conference on PM-Gati Shakti for the
   South Zone on 17 January 2022 to
   deliberate on its action plans and
   projects.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi, that 2022
   has brought several possibilities for the
   Start-up ecosystem in the country.

# January 3rd week Current Affairs One Liners

#### **IMPORTANT DAYS**

 Every year 15 January is observed as Indian Army Day because on this day in 1949 Field Marshal Kodandera M Cariappa took over as the first Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Army from General Sir Francis Butcher, the last British Commander-in-Chief.

17<sup>th</sup> National Disaster Response Force
 (NDRF) celebrates its Raising Day every
 year on January 19 to mark the formation
 of NDRF, under the Ministry of Home
 Affairs on 19th January 2006.



- Union Education and Skill Development
   Minister Dharmendra Pradhan invited
   students, teachers and parents to
   participate in the 5th edition of "Pariksha
   Pe Charcha 2022".
- Chairman of Khadi and Village Industries
   Commission (KVIC), Vinay Kumar Saxena
   launched the country's first Mobile Honey
   Processing Van at Village Sirora in
   Ghaziabad, UP.
- The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
   (MoHUA) has announced the initiation of
   the Open Data Week to encourage
   adoption of open data and promote
   innovation across India's urban
   ecosystem.
- Union Minister of Coal, Mines and Parliamentary Affairs Shri Pralhad Joshi that NLC India Ltd, a Navratna public sector enterprise under the Ministry of Coal has been playing a pivotal role in ensuring India's energy security during the last six decades of performance.

- The Ministry of Railways has approved the renaming of the Kevadiya railway station under the Vadodara division of Narmada district in gujarat, as Ekta Nagar railway station.
- Minister of Social Justice and
   Empowerment Dr Virendra Kumar will
   launch the first bi-monthly E-Newsletter of
   the Department of Empowerment of

   Persons with Disabilities.
- University Grants Commission has organised an online workshop for Universities and Colleges on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) under the iconic week of the Ministry of Education.
- The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology is organising 26th CISO Deep Dive Training program under Cyber Surakshit Bharat initiative.

# January 4th week Current Affairs One Liners

### **IMPORTANT DAYS**

 The United Nations General Assembly proclaimed 24 January as International Day of Education, in celebration of the role of education for peace and development & the theme of 4th International Day of



- Education in 2022 is Changing Course, Transforming Education.
- India is celebrating 125th Birth
   anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra
   Bose on January 23 & It is also marked as
   "Parakram Diwas" (Courage Day), Modi
   government had announced in 2021.
- India is celebrating National Girl Child Day on January 24 & it is celebrated to raise awareness among people regarding inequalities, discrimination, exploitation faced by the girls in society.
- The National Voters' Day is celebrated on 25 January every year in India to encourage the country's voters to participate in the electoral process & 2022 marks the 12th National Voters' Day (NVD) & The theme of 2022 NVD is, 'Making Elections Inclusive, Accessible and Participative'.
- Every year, 25th January is observed in India as the National Tourism Day, an incredible practice to spread awareness of the importance for traveling and protecting nature & the theme for National Tourism Day 2022 is "Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav."
- India marks January 26 as its Republic
   Day every year & in 2022, the country is
   celebrating its 73rd Republic Day.

- January 26 is celebrated as the
   International Customs Day (ICD) & the
   theme chosen by WCO for ICD is 'Scaling up Customs Digital Transformation by
   Embracing a Data Culture and Building a Data Ecosystem'.
- On 28 January 2022, the 16th edition of Data Protection Day will be celebrated globally.

- The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has announced that a grand statue of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose will be installed at India Gate.
- NITI Aayog, Rocky Mountain Institute
   (RMI), and RMI India today released a
   report, titled 'Banking on Electric Vehicles
   in India', which outlines the importance of
   priority-sector recognition for retail lending
   in the electric mobility ecosystem.
- India to host 5 events this year as part of
  15th BRICS STI Steering Committee.
  BRICS 2022 Theme: "Foster High-Quality
  BRICS Partnership Usher in a New Era for
  Global Development".
- Health Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya today released a commemorative Postal Stamp on COVID-19 Vaccine to mark the



- first anniversary of India's National Covid-19 Vaccination program.
- Union Environment Minister Bhupender
   Yadav released the India State of Forest
   Report (ISFR) 2021 prepared by Forest
   Survey of India (FSI). As per the report
   forest and tree cover in India has risen by
   2,261 square Kilometers (sq km) in 2
   years as compared to 2019.
- The Union Ministry of Agriculture and
   Farmers Welfare has issued guidelines to make drone technology affordable to the stakeholders of this sector.
- Content creator and actress Prajakta Koli
  has become India's first UN Development
  Programme (UNDP) Youth Climate
  Champion under her partnership with the
  organization & the title has been conferred
  to her following her contribution towards
  mental health, women's rights and girl
  child education through various global
  social campaigns.
- The Railway Protection Force (RPF) of the Western Railways zone of Indian Railways has launched a new initiative called "Operation Mission Amanat" which will help in getting back the lost luggage.
- The Ministry of Tourism in collaboration
   with the Association of Indian Universities

- (AIU) held a webinar and during the webinar, a series of 12 episodes was launched that will take the participants on a virtual journey of Incredible India & the 6th episode of the series titled "Role of Bengal in the Freedom Movement of India" was held.
- The Ministry of New and Renewable
   Ministry (MNRE) will infuse ₹1,000 crore in
   state-run Solar Energy Corporation of
   India (SECI) as it eyes financing
   renewable energy (RE) capacity of 3,300
   megawatt (MW).
- India's POWERGRID has inked a Joint
  Development Agreement with Africa50, a
  pan-African infrastructure investment
  platform, to continue developing the
  Kenya Transmission Project on a publicprivate partnership basis.
- The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, in association with India Cellular & Electronics Association (ICEA) released a 5-year roadmap and Vision Document for the electronics sector, titled "\$300 bn Sustainable Electronics Manufacturing & Exports by 2026.
- On the Occasion of National Girl Child
   Day, the Ministry of Culture organized the

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- 'Umang Rangoli Utsav' on 24th January 2022.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi conferred
  the Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal
   Puraskar (PMRBR) award to 29 children
  from across the country ahead of Republic
  Day.
- The President of India has approved the conferment of Jeevan Raksha Padak Series of Awards - 2021 on 51 persons which includes Sarvottam Jeevan Raksha Padak to 06, Uttam Jeevan Raksha Padak to 16 and Jeevan Raksha Padak to 29 persons.
- The Competition Commission of India (CCI) passed a final order against four maritime transport companies namely Nippon Yusen Kabushiki Kaisha ('NYK Line'), Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha Ltd. ('K-Line'), Mitsui O.S.K. Lines Ltd. ('MOL') and Nissan Motor Car Carrier Company ('NMCC') for indulging in cartelization in the provision of maritime motor vehicle transport services to automobile Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) for various trade routes.
- Padma Awards one of the highest civilian Awards of the country, are conferred in three categories, namely,

- Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan and Padma Shri & this year the President has approved conferment of 128 Padma

  Awards including 2 cases (in a duo case, the Award is counted as one) as per list below, it comprises 4 Padma Vibhushan, 17 Padma Bhushan and 107 Padma Shri Awards.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will be hosting the first meeting of the India-Central Asia Summit in a virtual format & Presidents of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan will participate.
- Union Agriculture Minister Shri Narendra Kumar Tomar addresses 4th National Conference on Agriculture for Summer Campaign 2021-22
- Abdul Khader Nadakattin, a serial grassroots innovator from Dharwad,
   Karnataka, is amongst the 107 Padma
   Shri awardees announced for the year 2022 in the Others (Grassroots Innovation) category.
- The Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) has notified a drone certification scheme to ensure minimum safety and quality requirements so as to boost indigenous manufacturing.



- Union Budget 2022-23 will be presented by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on 1st of next month in paperless form.
- Air India has been officially handed over to the Tata Sons Limited & the transaction covers three entities, Air India, Air India
   Express and AI SATS.
- Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) signs a \$73 million contract with Hyperion Global Group, LLC, a United States based infrastructure telecommunication distribution company, to develop, manufacture and supply Internet of Things (IoT) devices for the US market.
- Google to invest up to \$1 billion in a
   partnership with Airtel as part of its Google
   for India Digitization Fund
- The Bangladesh government will make the Unique Business ID (UBID) mandatory for all e-commerce entities in the country.
- Indonesia names new capital Nusantara, replacing sinking Jakarta.
- India has announced two lakh US dollar immediate relief assistance to Tonga in the wake of the tsunami.
- The Indian Embassy in Berlin celebrated
   Parakram Diwas by opening a special
   exhibition titled "Bose 125" marking 125th

- birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose.
- India and Israel have launched a
   commemorative logo to mark the 30th
   anniversary of the establishment of
   diplomatic ties between the two countries.
- India and France have signed an MoU with a scope for cooperation in health research.
- A \$150-million India-UAE venture capital fund to fuel growth of start-ups in India and the UAE was launched from the India Pavilion at EXPO2020 Dubai.
- India and Philippines have signed a 375
  million dollar deal for the sale of BrahMos
  supersonic anti-ship cruise missiles to the
  Philippines Navy.
- India-ASEAN Digital Work Plan 2022 approved at 2nd ASEAN Digital Ministers (ADGMIN) meeting.
- Israeli Ambassador to India Shri Naor
   Gilon called on the Union Minister of
   Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Shri
   Narendra Singh Tomar at Krishi Bhawan
   on 27th January 2022.
- The world's largest canal lock was inaugurated by Dutch King Willen-Alexander on January 26, 2022 at Ijmuiden, The Netherlands & it is 500-

<b>meter (</b> 1,640-feet) long and 70-n	neter
wide.	