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FEBRUARY 2025 CURRENT AFFAIRS

- **Tata Steel** becomes '**India's 1st**' to develop **hydrogen transportation pipes**
- **Maharashtra** to establish country's first Artificial Intelligence university
- India's First White Tiger Breeding Centre Approved in **Madhya Pradesh**
- **Zepto** world's second-most-downloaded app in food and drink category
- **Guneri village in Gujarat** declared the first biodiversity heritage site
- **Niger** becomes first African country to eliminate onchocerciasis
- **UK** becomes first nation to outlaw AI tools used to generate child sexual abuse content
- **Justice Harsh Kumar** to head Judicial Commission on Maha Kumbh Stampede
- Rajesh Nirwan appointed as **Director General at Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS)**
- Bart De Wever sworn in as **Belgium's new Prime Minister**
- Airtel's Gopal Vittal named as **acting chair of GSMA board**
- Citibank appoints **K Balasubramanian** as India head
- **Chaman Arora** awarded Sahitya Akademi Award 2024 in Dogri for his book "**Ik Hor Ashwthama**"
- Chandrika Tandon wins **Best New Age Album Award at the 67th Grammy**
- **Noel Tata** awarded honorary doctorate by the University of Sussex
- IAF's Shubhanshu Shukla to Become **First Indian Astronaut** on Private Space Mission to ISS
- **Thomas Cook** India appointed as exclusive partner for National Games 2025
- Govt clears participation of 88-member Indian contingent at **Asian Winter Games 2025**
- **Sachin Tendulkar** received BCCI's Lifetime Achievement Award
- R Praggnanandhaa wins **Tata Steel Chess Masters 2025**
- **India Beats South Africa By 9 Wickets** to Defend **U-19 Women's T20 World Cup Title**
- **Shrachi Rarh Bengal Tigers** win men's Hockey India League 2024-25 Title
- Two-time Grand Slams winner **Simona Halep** announced Retirement

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- **Amit Shah** releases “Indian Renaissance: The Modi Decade” book
- **Zomato** renamed ‘Eternal’, food delivery company unveils new logo
- 38th Surajkund International Crafts Mela kicks off in **Faridabad**
- FICCI and Expo City Dubai Forge Partnership Ahead of 2025 **Asia Pacific Cities Summit**
- **32nd session of Indian Art History Congress** begins in Noida, UP
- India to host first ‘**WAVES summit**’ in Mumbai from 1 to 4 May
- Defence Minister **Rajnath Singh** inaugurates Asia’s biggest Aero India show in Bangalore
- Assam to host **World’s Largest Jhumur Festival**
- **India** launches its **first indigenous Automated Bio Medical Waste Treatment Plant** in New Delhi
- **India** ranks third globally for LEED green building certification in 2024; topped by China
- **BIMSTEC Youth Summit 2025** to kick off in Gandhinagar, Gujarat
- **Singapore** Is World’s Most Powerful Passport of 2025, India at 80th spot
- **Dubai** hosts largest MRO Middle East and AIME 2025 edition
- Logistics Performance Index: **India at 22nd spot**
- **IDFC FIRST Bank** Launches Exclusive Banking Package for Senior Citizens • RBI reduces interest rates for first time in nearly 5 years
- **IDFC FIRST Bank**, Ikonz launch Amitabh Bachchan’s AI avatar
- Decentro Unveils **India’s First Self-Hosted CKYC Solution** to Align with CERSAI’s New Compliance Mandate
- Tamil film ‘**Bad Girl**’ wins NETPAC Award at International Film Festival of Rotterdam
- Indian Students Win Bronze at **Global Best M-Gov Award 2025** in Dubai
- **Joint military exercise ‘Cyclone 2025’ between India and Egypt** began in Rajasthan
- Indian Army and Indian Air Force conducts joint military exercise ‘**Winged Raider**’
- Tarundeep Rai Wins Bronze in Men’s Recurve Archery at **38th National Games**

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- Varun Chakravarthy becomes **2nd oldest cricketer** to make ODI debut for India
- Pankaj Advani wins **36th National Gold** at Indian Snooker Championship
- **Namibia's first President** Sam Nujoma passes away
- Brazil to host BRICS summit in Rio de Janeiro in July 2025
- **Navi Group** has appointed Rajiv Naresh and Abhishek Dwivedi as CEOs; Sachin Bansal to serve as executive chairman
- **Gyanesh Kumar** appointed as new Chief Election Commissioner
- Rekha Gupta sworn in as **9th Chief Minister of Delhi**
- **NTPC Wins Forward Faster Sustainability Award 2025** for Water Resilience
- **Tata Group's N Chandrasekaran honoured** with UK's Most Excellent OBE honour
- Manu Bhaker named BBC **Sportswoman Of The Year After Paris Olympic Triumph**
- India, **Japan to hold 6th edition** of joint military exercise 'Dharma Guardian'
- Third season of **Women's Premier League 2025** begins
- 38th National Games 2025 Concludes with **Grand Ceremony in Uttarakhand**
- **India's Gulveer Singh** breaks 17-year-old National Record in Indoor Men's 3000 m
- Uganda's Jacob Kiplimo Becomes **First to Run Half-Marathon Under 57 Minutes**
- A Book Titled **"The New Icon: Savarkar and the Facts"** by Arun Shourie
- **Indian student** wins memory championship by recalling 80 digits in 13.50 seconds
- **Telangana** to host Miss World pageant in May 2025
- **Datia** becomes Madhya Pradesh's 8th public airport
- India to host **first-ever conference** on women peacekeepers
- **India's First Wildlife Biobank** Inaugurated at Darjeeling Zoo
- **Sunil Bharti Mittal** receives Honorary Knighthood by British High Commission
- Rajnath Singh confers **32 medals on Indian Coast Guard personnel**
- **Mopa Airport** Wins Prestigious 'Sarvashrestha Suraksha Puraskar'

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- **Rohit Sharma** becomes second fastest to complete 11,000 runs in ODI cricket
- **Virat Kohli** Becomes Fastest to 14,000 ODI Runs
- **Gulveer Singh** makes history by becoming first Indian to break 13-minute barrier in Men's 5000 m Indoor Race
- **Top Cleanest Cities in India:** Indore Featured for the 7th Time
- **Swachh Survekshan** is the world's largest urban cleanliness survey, conducted annually by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA).
- The **Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI)** organized the Prani Mitra and Jeev Daya Award Ceremony on 27th February 2025 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi, to honor contributions in animal welfare.
- Namita Gokhale's latest book, **Life on Mars: Collected Stories**, released in January 2025, features 15 short stories exploring themes of love, fate, and human existence.
- **Yes Bank** has been ranked India's highest-rated bank in sustainability for the third consecutive year.
- **Virat Kohli** became the fastest batter to reach 14,000 ODI runs, achieving the milestone in 287 innings, surpassing Sachin Tendulkar (350 innings) and Kumar Sangakkara (378 innings).
- **Pankaj Advani** won the 2025 Asian Snooker Championship men's title, defeating Amir Sarkosh of Iran in the final.
- **Gharials (*Gavialis gangeticus*)**, a unique species of long snouted crocodilians, are critically endangered due to habitat destruction, pollution, and fishing practices.
- **The 31st Screen Actors Guild (SAG) Awards** took place on February 23, 2025, at the Shrine Auditorium & Expo Hall in Los Angeles –
 - a) Best Cast in a Motion Picture: **Conclave (Surprise winner)**
 - b) Best Male Actor in a Leading Role: **Timothée Chalamet (A Complete Unknown, as Bob Dylan)**
 - c) Best Female Actor in a Leading Role: **Demi Moore (The Substance, as Elisabeth)**
 - d) Best Male Actor in a Supporting Role: **Kieran Culkin (A Real Pain, as Benji Kaplan)**

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- e) Best Female Actor in a Supporting Role: **Zoe Saldña (Emilia Pérez, as Rita)**