

Important Weekly Current Affairs PDF 01 to 07 December

Dear Readers, Here we have given the list of Important Weekly Current Affairs 1st week of December 2020. Candidates those who are preparing for Upcoming IBPS, SBI and other competitive exams can make use of it.

CURRENT AFFAIRS: DAYS

- The **10-day-long Áadi Mahotsav'**, a festival of tribes will be launched by Union Minister for Tribal Affairs Arjun Munda in a virtual format
- **Border Security Force** is celebrating its 56th raising day on December 1
- World AIDS day observed on **December 1**. The theme of World AIDS Day, to be observed on December 1 is 'Ending the HIV/AIDS epidemic: resilience and impact.'
- International Day of Persons with Disabilities Celebrated on **December 3**. Theme of the day is **Not all Disabilities are Visible**.
- Indian Council of Agricultural Research has designated on **3rd December** as **Agricultural Education Day** to commemorate the birth anniversary of first President Union Minister of Agriculture, Bharat Ratna, **Rajendra Prasad**.
- **December 2** is observed as National Pollution Control Day every year. The day is observed in the memory of those who have lost their lives in the **Bhopal Gas tragedy** on the night of December 2nd and 3rd, 1984
- World Computer Literacy Day is observed on December 2 to create awareness and drive digital literacy in underserved communities worldwide.
- International Day for the Abolition of Slavery Obsrved on December 2
- Lieutenant General Rajeev Chaudhry assumes the charge as Director General Border Roads
- DRI celebrates 63rd Founding Day
- **Indian Navy Day** Celebrated on Dec 4
- **December 4th** is **International Bank Day** to recognize the important role of the banking system in improving living standards.
- United Nations General Assembly designating **December 4** as **International Banking Day**.
- **World Soil Day** Observed on Dec 5 and The theme for World Soil Day 2020 is **Keep soil alive, protect soil biodiversity**.
- International Volunteer Day 2020 Observed on Dec 05 Theme of IVD 2020 - **Together We Can Through Volunteering**.
- The International Civil Aviation Day 2020 will be observed all over the world on December 7.
- International Armed Forces Flag Day Observed on Dec 7

CURRENT AFFAIRS: NATIONAL

- Narendra Modi participated in the **Dev Deepawali Mahotsav** in Varanasi and The festival is also observed as Tripura Purnima Snan or Worship of Shiva
- The government has recently **implemented new farm Acts** in this direction which include **Farmers' Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Act, 2020** and the **Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement on Price Assurance and Farm Services Act, 2020**.

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- India, which has the highest average monthly mobile data traffic per smartphone, is expected to surpass **350 million** 5G subscriptions by 2026
- Cabinet Secretary **Rajiv Gauba** chaired a **National Crisis Management Committee (NCMC)** meeting through video conferencing.
- Board of Meeting Chaired By **Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal** through a Video Conference
- Board of Meeting will focus on the **new Foreign Trade Policy (FTP)** (2021-26)
- **First Mobile CNG Dispensing Unit** Launched by Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas Dharmendra Pradhan
- Global Terrorism Index 2020 India 8th most affected country and Afghanistan ranked in first position.
- Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) launched the nation's first **100 Octane petrol**.
- Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah addressed inaugural session of Annual DGsP/IGsP Conference
- Vocal for Local - Hunar Haat Invites artisans and craftsmen organised at Rampur and Lucknow
- 9 th edition of **International Sand Art Festival** begins in Odisha's Puri
- Prime Minister to virtually inaugurate **Agra Metro Rail** project on December 7
- The Union Ministry of Ayush has recently announced that the upcoming new campus of the National Institute of Naturopathy (NIN), Pune will be called Nisarg Gram.
- Government Announces List of 10 best performing police stations in india 2020: NongpokSekmai, Manipur First in Position
- Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Telangana Participated in a 3 day virtual 7 th edition of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene conclave 2020 started in Hyderabad from Dec 2 to Dec 4. With the Theme - of Hygiene Matters

CURRENT AFFAIRS: INTERNATIONAL

- Us President Elect Joe Biden names **Jenett Yellen** as Treasury Secretary and **Neera Tanden** as Director of Office of Management & Budget
- **Moderna Inc** will apply for U.S. and European emergency authorization of its COVID-19 vaccine. Moderna stated it was on track to have about 20 million doses of its vaccine ready to ship in the United States by the end of 2020, enough to inoculate 10 million people.
- The resolution plan proposed by **Kalrock Capital and Jalan**, which was approved by the lenders of Jet Airways in October, is currently awaiting approval from the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT).
- **Singapore** Becomes First Country In World To Give Approval For Sale Of Lab-created Meat
- The United States has imposed sanctions on **Chinese firm China National Electronics Import & Export Corporation (CEIEC)**, accusing it of supporting President Nicolas Maduro's efforts to undermine democracy in Venezuela
- India, US hold talks on **counternarcotics**, agree to boost collaboration on regulation
- The Special Session of the **United Nations General Assembly in Response** to the Coronavirus Disease (Covid-19) Pandemic will take place on December 3 and 4 at the UN Headquarters.
- The 7th India-Suriname Joint Commission Meeting held virtually co-chaired by the Minister of state for External Affairs, V. Muraleedharan

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- **Dr Harsh Vardhan**, Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare chaired the inaugural session of the annual conference of the **India Sweden Healthcare Innovation Centre**
- Bangladesh Signs Preferential Trade agreement with bhutan to boost bilateral trade between the two countries.
- In this PTA 100 Bangladeshi products will get duty-free access to Bhutan. Meanwhile, 34 Bhutanese products that will get duty-free access to the Bangladeshi market.
- Debendranath Sarangi, President Squash Rackets Federation of India, was elected as one of the three vice presidents of the World Squash Federation and its annual general body meeting On Dec 5.

CURRENT AFFAIRS: BANKING AND FINANCE

- **Indian Bank** has entered into an agreement with **Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)** to use the latter's asset restructuring module for MSME borrowers.
- Mahagram has decided to deploy **12 lakh wireless Bharat ATMs** by March 2021
- S&P retains India's GDP forecast at **9%** contraction in current fiscal Year
- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Government of India signed a **\$132.8 million loan** to strengthen and modernize the distribution network and improve the quality of power supplied to households, industries, and businesses in India's northeastern state of **Meghalaya**
- Goods and services tax collections hovered around **Rs 1.05 lakh crore** for the second month with the mop-up in November, 2020, estimated to be 1.4% higher than the corresponding period last year.
- RBI tells HDFC Bank to stop new digital launches
- RBI decides to keep benchmark interest rate unchanged at **4%**
- Asian Development Bank approves \$190 million loan to upgrade power distribution system in Bengaluru
- Reserve Bank of India introduces Liquidity Adjustment Facility (LAF) and Marginal Standing Facility (MSF) for Regional Rural Banks (RRBs)
- RTGS To be Made 24X7 from December 14
- Axis Bank and Rupifi launch credit card for MSMEs

CURRENT AFFAIRS: STATES

- The beneficiaries of the **National Food Security Act (NFSA)**, as covered under the Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) and the priority household (PHH) cards, totalling around one crore cards, will be given 5 kg of 'chana'.
- Chief Minister **Mamata Banerjee** named the newly-built **Majerhat bridge** in Kolkata as Jai Hind bridge to commemorate the 125th birth anniversary of **Subhas Chandra Bose**.
- **Andhra Pradesh** Passes Gaming Amendment Bill To Ban Online Games
- The Union Minister of State for Communication **Sanjay Dhotre** launched a five star village postal Scheme in **Uttarakhand**.
- The President of India, in exercise of the power conferred by clause (I) of **Article 224** of the Constitution of India, appointed **10** additional Judges.
- Karnataka Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa laid the foundation stone for a 11.5 megawatt power plant run on municipal waste.

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- Assam Chief Minister **Sarbananda Sonowal** on Tuesday launched **Orunodoi** Scheme To Provide **Rs 830** Per Month
- ADB, India sign **50 million** loan to **boost West Bengal's digital platforms** for public finance reforms
- Maharashtra First Child Friendly Police Station in Pune
- **Nitin Gadkari** to inaugurate & lay foundation stones of 15 National Highway projects of Nagaland
- West Bengal govt launches '**Duare Sarkar**' programme for doorstep delivery of govt schemes
- **Telangana Rastra Samithi (TRS)** emerges as single largest party in GHMC polls

CURRENT AFFAIRS: APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

- Ajit Pai's determination to step down on January 20, Biden's inauguration day
- First Indian head to Global Business Bata CEO **Sandeep Kataria**, Kataria becomes the first Indian to head Bata globally.
- **Varsha Joshi** appointed as the interim head of NDDDB
- **AR Rahman** is the ambassador for BAFTA
- **Kuldeep Handoo** from J&K, Appointed as Fit India Movement Ambassador
- The Indian Navy is undertaking a Passage Exercise with Russian Federation Navy in the Eastern Indian Ocean Region (IOR) from 4 to 5 December 2020.

CURRENT AFFAIRS: DEFENCE

- Indian Navy successfully test fires **BrahMos Supersonic Cruise Missile** in Anti-Ship mode

CURRENT AFFAIRS: SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

- **Instagram** rolled out the Live Rooms feature that allows up to three additional users to go live in the same session
- **Britain** became the first country in the world to approve the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine for use and said that it will be rolled out from early next week.
- China unfurls flag on Moon, becomes second country to achieve this feat after America
- Pixxel, a private satellite-imaging company, will launch its first remote-sensing satellite on the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) workhorse rocket Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) in early 2021.
- Joe Biden picks Vivek Murthy as Surgeon General

CURRENT AFFAIRS: AWARDS AND HONORS

- **No Dorai** and **Fagun Haway** win Bangladesh best films award of 2019
- **Roshni Nadar Malhotra**, chairperson of IT major HCL Technologies, topped the list of the richest women in the country with a net worth of Rs 54,850 crore.
- The fifteen-year-old Indian-American **Gitanjali Rao** has been selected as first-ever kid of the year by the TIME magazine, This is the first time that the TIME magazine launched the **Kid of The Year award**.
- **Greta Thunberg** was named Time's Person Of The Year last year. Greta Thunberg became the youngest ever Person Of The Year when she was given the honour at age 16.
- **Ranjitsinh Disale**, a teacher at Zilla Parishad Primary School has been awarded the 2020 Global Teacher Prize \$1 million (Rs.7.4 Crore).
- Serum Institute's Adar Poonawalla Named As 1 Of 6 Asians Of The Year
- Anita Anand's 'The Patient Assassin' wins PEN Hessell-Tiltman history prize

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- **Pandemic** chosen as Word of the Year 2020 by Dictionary.com and Merriam Webster

CURRENT AFFAIRS: BUSINESS NEWS

- com Inc. is in exclusive talks to acquire podcasting company **Wondery Inc.** for more than **\$300 million**.
- Dairy giant Amul enters milk procurement business in Andhra Pradesh

CURRENT AFFAIRS: SUMMITS AND CONFERENCE

- PM Modi to deliver keynote address at **IIT-2020 Global Summit**.
- Phase 8 of the Vande Bharat Mission extended till 31st December.

CURRENT AFFAIRS: MOU

- India and the US sign MoU on **Intellectual Property cooperation**

CURRENT AFFAIRS: RANKING

- RIL tops '**Fortune India 500**' list of India's largest companies

CURRENT AFFAIRS: BOOKS AND AUTHORS

- Vice President Venkaiah Naidu has released The Book Titled 40 Years with Abdul Kalam - Untold Stories by scientist A. Sivathanu Pillai,
- 40 Years with Abdul Kalam book is published by Pentagon Press LLP and Book foreword was written by Pranab Mukherjee, former president of India.

CURRENT AFFAIRS: SPORTS

- India captain **Virat Kohli** became the fastest cricketer to score 12,000 ODI runs, breaking a record held by legendary compatriot Sachin Tendulkar.

CURRENT AFFAIRS: OBITUARY

- Footballer **Papa Bouba Diop** passed away recently played for Senegal Country.
- Rajya Sabha **MP Abhay Bhardwaj** passes away due to Covid19
- **MDH owner Mahashay Dharampal Gulati passed away**
- **Former French President Giscard d'Estaing dies** of COVID-19 complications
- Iconic Entrepreneur **Dharampal Gulati**, owner of MDH Dies At 97, He was awarded the Padma Bhushan, India's third-highest civilian award in 2019
- French President **Valéry Giscard d'Estaing** Dies of Coronavirus
- Olympic Gold **Medalist Rafer Johnson** Passes away
- Former prime minister **Mir Zafarullah Khan Jamali** passed away at a hospital in Rawalpindi at the age of 76, he is the country's first and only elected prime minister from Balochistan
- Lakshadweep Administrator **Dineshwar Sharma**, who earlier headed the Intelligence Bureau and was also the Interlocutor for Jammu and Kashmir, has passed away.
- Gujarat High Court sitting Judge **R Udhwani** passes away of COVID-19
- Veteran Bengali actor Manu Mukherjee passes away at 90 on Dec 6
- Ravi Patwardhan, veteran Marathi actor, passes away at 84 on Dec 6



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- New Zealand all-rounder Corey Anderson retires from international cricket, signs up with MLC in the USA.