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Greetings from ReadingRoomz! Another week has passed with significant developments in international affairs, national governance, science, defence, and sports — all of which matter for your APPSC journey. This Weekly Current Affairs digest is structured for quick revision, connecting dynamic current events with static GK you already know.

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1. International Current Affairs

Teesta River - India Monitors Bangladesh-China Discussions on TRCMRP

India stated it will factor all related developments while formulating its approach to the **Teesta River issue** after Bangladesh and China discussed the **Teesta River Comprehensive Management and Restoration Project (TRCMRP)** during Bangladesh Chief Adviser-designate Tarique Rahman's visit to China.

Key Points: India reaffirmed its development cooperation with Bangladesh is based on a mutually agreed roadmap | Teesta water-sharing agreement pending since 2011. Ganga Water Treaty (signed 1996) is due for renewal by 31 December 2026.

Keiko Fujimori Wins Peru's Presidential Election - First Woman President by Popular Vote

Keiko Fujimori (Popular Force/Fuerza Popular party) was declared the winner of Peru's 2026 Presidential Election with **50.135%** of the vote — becoming the **first woman elected by popular vote as President of Peru**, on her **fourth attempt** at the presidency.

About Peru: Capital - Lima | Currency - Peruvian Sol (PEN) | UNESCO World Heritage Site - Machu Picchu.

PM Modi's Visit to Indonesia - 14 MoUs, BrahMos Cooperation, ONDC Architecture

India and Indonesia signed **14 MoUs/Agreements** and announced six major initiatives deepening cooperation in defence, space, technology, healthcare, education, and digital connectivity, further strengthening the **Comprehensive Strategic Partnership**.

Area	Outcome
Defence	BrahMos Missile System Cooperation Air-to-Air Missile Cooperation Agreement
Culture & Heritage	India to assist in conservation of Prambanan Temple Complex, Yogyakarta "Tagore-Dewantara Year of Cultural and Educational Diplomacy" announced
Education	IIM Bangalore to establish branch campus at Singhasari SEZ, Indonesia
Digital Commerce	Indonesia will launch Indonesia Open Network (ION) based on India's ONDC architecture (powered by Bechn Protocol — open-source decentralised protocol)
Agriculture	India to supply 100 tonnes of DWR-162 wheat seeds to Indonesia

PM Modi's Visit to Australia - Civil Nuclear Agreement Operationalised, 3 Antiquities Returned

India and Australia strengthened their **Comprehensive Strategic Partnership** with wide-ranging agreements in defence, maritime security, energy, critical technologies, education, mining, and cyber security.

Outcome	Detail
Defence & Security	Signed JDDSC (Joint Declaration on Defence and Security Cooperation) replacing the 2009 declaration
Maritime	Maritime Security Collaboration Roadmap (MSCR) adopted MoU between ICG and Australia's Maritime Border Command (MBC)
Nuclear	India-Australia Civil Nuclear Agreement (2014) operationalised — enables supply of uranium from Australia to India
Cyber & Tech	PACTS (Australia-India Partnership for Cyber, Critical Technologies and Supply Chains) launched
Mining	Centre of Excellence in Mining and METS at NSTI, Bhubaneswar
Education	Flinders University campus in Bengaluru Victoria University campus in Gurugram
Antiquities Returned	Nandi (vehicle of Lord Shiva) Trident with Bhadrakali Six-headed Skanda (Kartikeya)

2. National Current Affairs

Assam Produces and Auctions India's First Commercial Matcha Tea

Chota Tingrai Tea Estate, Tinsukia district, Assam produced and auctioned India's **first commercially produced matcha tea**. The inaugural batch of **5 kg** was sold at the **Guwahati Tea Auction Centre** for **₹3,000 per kg**, marking India's entry into the premium matcha tea market.

CG Semi OSAT Inaugurated at Sanand, Gujarat - India Becomes 2nd Largest Mobile Phone Manufacturer

PM Modi inaugurated the **CG Semi OSAT (Outsourced Semiconductor Assembly and Test)** facility at **Sanand, Gujarat** — a collaboration between **Indian, Japanese, and Thai companies**. Initial capacity: **20 crore chips annually**; target: **500 crore chips per year**. India has become the **world's second-largest mobile phone manufacturer**.

Rajasthan Refinery Dedicated - India Becomes 4th Largest Refining Nation

PM Modi visited **Balotra, Rajasthan** and dedicated the **Rajasthan Refinery** to the nation, along with projects worth approximately **₹1.06 lakh crore**. India has become the **world's fourth-largest refining nation**, with refining capacity expected to expand further.

Assam Assembly Introduces Hindi as an Official Language of the House

The **Assam Legislative Assembly** introduced **Hindi as an official language** from the Budget Session beginning **6 July 2026** (approved by the General Purpose Committee). The Assembly now has **four official languages: Assamese, English, Bodo, and Hindi**.

AP Context: Telugu is the primary official language of the AP Legislative Assembly, while Urdu is the second official language. Through the AP Official Languages (Amendment) Act, 2022, Urdu was granted second official language status across the entire State (earlier restricted to Anantapur, Guntur, and Kurnool districts).

Gujarat Launches Data Centre Policy 2026-29 - ₹6 Lakh Crore, 7.5 GW

The **Gujarat government** launched its first-ever **Data Centre Policy 2026-29** in Gandhinagar, aiming to attract investments worth **₹6 lakh crore** and create **7.5 GW of data centre capacity**. Incentives include capital and interest subsidies, power tariff assistance, State GST reimbursement, and stamp duty exemptions.

3. Andhra Pradesh Current Affairs

Nethanna Bharosa - AP Announces Early Rollout of Handloom Weavers Welfare Scheme

The AP government announced the early rollout of **Nethanna Bharosa** to strengthen handloom weavers' livelihoods, announced at APCO's golden jubilee celebrations in Mangalagiri.

Detail	Fact
Previous Scheme	Replaces YSR Nethanna Nestham (₹24,000 annually)
Annual Assistance	₹25,000 per year to eligible handloom weavers
Free Electricity	200 units for handlooms 500 units for power looms
Policy Announced	First announced on National Handloom Day (7 August 2025)
APCO Recognition	APCO recently received the SKOCH Award for its digitalisation initiatives

Mee Mart Initiative - Transforming PDS Fair Price Shops into Community Retail Centres

The AP government launched the **Mee Mart** initiative to modernise the **Public Distribution System (PDS)** by transforming fair price shops into **community retail centres**. The first Mee Mart was inaugurated by Food and Civil Supplies Minister **Nadendla Manohar** at **Lalupuram, Guntur district**. Aims to provide quality consumer goods at below open-market prices while creating additional income for dealers.

Srikakulam District to Get Airport under UDAN Scheme - Mandasa, Uddanam

Srikakulam district will receive a full-fledged airport under the **UDAN (Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik) scheme**, to be developed in **Mandasa mandal, Uddanam region**. Part of the Union government's plan to develop **100 new airports between 2026 and 2036** under UDAN.

4. Polity & Governance

Supreme Court - Every Accused Has the Right to Legal Representation

Following the Faizabad Bar Association's resolution refusing to represent the accused in the Ayodhya Ram Temple embezzlement case, the Supreme Court reiterated that such collective resolutions are **illegal, unconstitutional, and against professional ethics**.

Legal Reference	Provision
Article 22(1)	Guarantees every arrested person the right to consult and be defended by a legal practitioner of their choice
Article 21	Right to a fair trial is part of the Right to Life and Personal Liberty
Article 39A	Directs the State to promote equal access to justice and provide free legal aid where necessary
A.S. Mohammed Rafi v. State of Tamil Nadu (2010)	SC declared that Bar Association resolutions refusing legal representation are null and void

Delhi HC Recognises 'Right to be Forgotten' Under Article 21

In **Laksh Vir Singh Yadav v. Union of India (2026)**, the Delhi High Court held that the **Right to be Forgotten (RTBF)** flows from the fundamental right to privacy under **Article 21**, protecting individuals from continued harm caused by outdated digital information.

Key Principles: Masking or redacting names preferred over deleting entire judicial records | Proportionality test: balancing individual privacy, public interest, open justice, and freedom of speech | Legal databases must comply within two weeks. Legal Evolution: RTBF globally – Mario Costeja González v. Google Spain (ECJ, 2014) | India – K.S. Puttaswamy v. UoI (2017) | Limited statutory right in DPDP Act, 2023.

'Hummus Trail' and India's Geneva Conventions Act, 1960 - Universal Jurisdiction

The **Hind Rajab Foundation (HRF)** (Belgium-based Palestinian rights organisation) sought the arrest of an Israeli soldier in Himachal Pradesh over alleged war crimes in Gaza, invoking India's **Geneva Conventions Act, 1960**. The case highlights the concept of **universal jurisdiction** — allowing countries to prosecute certain serious international crimes regardless of where they were committed.

Hummus Trail Destinations: Kasol, Manali, Goa, Hampi, Gokarna, Rishikesh, Varanasi, Pushkar, Kerala, Kodaikanal, and Andaman & Nicobar Islands. The trail derives its name from the popularity of Middle Eastern cuisine among Israeli travellers after completing mandatory military service.

Draft National Food Security (Amendment) Bill, 2026 - AAY Per-Capita Entitlement Proposed

The Union Department of Food and Public Distribution released the **Draft NFSA Amendment Bill, 2026** proposing changes to entitlements under **Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY)** (the "poorest of the poor" category).

Aspect	Current System	Proposed System
Basis	Per household	Per capita
Entitlement	35 kg per household per month	7 kg per person per month (max 35 kg per household)
Impact on 3-Member Family	35 kg per month	Only 21 kg per month
Opposing States	Tamil Nadu and Kerala	Argue smaller families (common in South India) will lose allocation; risk of North-South disparity

5. Science & Technology

ISRO Successfully Tests SOLVE Platform for Gaganyaan Mission

ISRO successfully conducted the first ground test of the **Sub-Orbital Launch Vehicle for Experiments (SOLVE)** at **Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota**. SOLVE is being developed to validate the crew module's parachute-based deceleration system for India's **Gaganyaan Human Spaceflight Mission**.

White Gut Disease (WGD) Alert in AP Shrimp Ponds - West Godavari

The **AP Fisheries Department** issued an alert following detection of **White Gut Disease (WGD)**, also known as **White Feces Disease (WFD)**, in shrimp ponds in **West Godavari district** (Mahadevapatnam, Tokatippa, and Undi mandal villages). Farmers advised to maintain proper pond hygiene and water quality.

Mizoram University's NHM Becomes India's 21st Designated Repository - Biological Diversity Act

The **MoEFCC** notified the **Natural History Museum (NHM), Mizoram University, Aizawl** as India's **21st Designated Repository** under **Section 39 of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002**. The designation strengthens conservation in the **Indo-Burma Biodiversity Hotspot**.

What is a Designated Repository? An institution officially notified by the Central Government under Section 39 of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 to preserve and maintain authenticated biological specimens collected or accessed under the Act.

6. Environment

IoT-Based Smart Health Tracker Developed for High-Altitude Yaks - Arunachal Pradesh

Scientists from **ICAR-NRC on Yak (NRC-Y), Dirang, Arunachal Pradesh**, in collaboration with **Assam Don Bosco University**, developed an **IoT-based smart monitoring system** using a smart collar device to track health, stress levels, and movement (geo-fencing) of high-altitude yaks.

About Yaks: Indian yak – *Bos grunniens* | Popularly known as the "Ship of the Himalayas" | Important source of meat, milk, wool, and transportation. Scale: India has about 58,000 yaks (20th Livestock Census), with nearly half in Ladakh.

7. Defence

DRDO Successfully Flight-Tests Pinaka Long Range Guided Rocket (LRGR) - 60 km Range

DRDO successfully flight-tested the **Pinaka Long Range Guided Rocket (LRGR)** from the **Integrated Test Range (ITR), Chandipur, Odisha**, on **8 July 2026**. Tested for a user-defined minimum range of **60 km**; accurately struck its target while demonstrating all planned in-flight manoeuvres.

8. Schemes

Viksit UDAN Scheme - ₹28,840 Crore, 100 New Aerodromes, 200 Helipads

PM Modi launched the **Modified UDAN Scheme (Viksit UDAN)** from **Jodhpur Airport**. Union Cabinet approved on **25 March 2026** with an outlay of **₹28,840 crore for 10 years**.

Viksit UDAN Target	Detail
New Aerodromes	100 new aerodromes from existing unserved airstrips
Helipads	200 modern helipads
VGF	Continue Viability Gap Funding for regional airlines
Indigenous Aircraft	Promote HAL Dhruv and Dornier for regional connectivity

Original UDAN Scheme Achievements (since October 2016): 669 routes operationalised | 95 airports, heliports, and water aerodromes connected | Over 1.66 crore passengers benefited.

White Revolution 2.0 - 75,000 New Dairy Cooperatives; 1,007 Lakh kg/Day Milk Target

White Revolution 2.0 — launched **19 September 2024** under the **Ministry of Cooperation** — builds on the success of **Operation Flood (White Revolution, 1970)**.

Target	Detail
Milk Procurement	Increase from 660 lakh kg/day → 1,007 lakh kg/day by 2028-29
New Cooperatives	75,000 new Dairy Cooperative Societies (DCSs) in unconnected village panchayats
Upgradation	46,422 existing DCSs upgraded with modern infrastructure and equipment
Technologies	AMCUs, BMCs, AI, IVF, and sex-sorted semen for improved productivity and quality
Implementation	Under the National Programme for Dairy Development (NPDD) 2.0

9. Awards & Honours

PM Modi Conferred Indonesia's Highest Civilian Honour - 'Bintang Adipurna'

PM Modi was conferred the '**Bintang Adipurna of the Republic of Indonesia**' — Indonesia's **highest civilian honour** — by **President Prabowo Subianto**, in recognition of his leadership in strengthening India-Indonesia relations.

DoT's 'Samriddh Gram' Wins WSIS Prize 2026 - Action Line C6

The **Department of Telecommunications (DoT)** won the **WSIS (World Summit on the Information Society) Prize 2026** under **Action Line C6 - Enabling Environment** for the project "**Samriddh Gram: Integrated Phygital Service Delivery Model Enabled by BharatNet.**" Award presented at the **WSIS Forum 2026** in Geneva.

10. Ranks & Reports

Ministry of Education Releases AISHE Reports 2022-23 and 2023-24

The Ministry of Education released the **All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE)** reports for 2022-23 and 2023-24. Key highlights of **AISHE 2023-24**:

Indicator	Data
Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER)	29.5 (2022-23) → 30.0 (2023-24)
Female GER	31.2 — higher than overall GER
Gender Parity Index (GPI)	1.08 — above 1.0 for seventh consecutive year
Total Enrolment	4.50 crore in 2023-24
STEM Enrolment	Crossed 1.02 crore; women account for 44% of STEM students
Faculty	17.32 lakh total, including 7.78 lakh female faculty members

11. Committees & Conferences

2026 NATO Summit - Ankara, Türkiye (7-8 July); 5% GDP Defence Spending

The **2026 NATO Summit** was held at the **Beştepe Presidential Complex, Ankara, Türkiye** — the **first NATO Summit hosted by Türkiye since the 2004 Istanbul Summit**. Chaired by **NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte**.

Key Detail	Fact
Defence Spending Target	5% of GDP (adopted at 2025 Hague Summit, replacing earlier 2% benchmark)
Focus Areas	Integrated air defence, counter-drone capabilities, transatlantic cooperation, Ukraine security assistance
NATO Established	4 April 1949 Washington Treaty HQ: Brussels, Belgium
Article 5	Collective Defence Clause — invoked only once, after 9/11 terrorist attacks
Current Membership	32 countries — Finland (2023) and Sweden (2024) as latest members

BRICS Women Ministerial Meeting - Kochi; Women-Led Panchayati Raj Model Showcased

Held in **Kochi, Kerala** under India's **BRICS Chairship 2026**. India showcased its **women-led Panchayati Raj model** as a global example of inclusive grassroots governance.

Key Data: 25 of 42 Gram Panchayats under National Panchayat Awards were led by women | Sashakt Panchayat Netri Abhiyan (March 2025) trained ~1.5 lakh elected women representatives | 744 Model Women-Friendly Gram Panchayats being developed with UNFPA support | India has localised SDGs into 9 citizen-centric themes for Gram Panchayat implementation.

Bhubaneswar Declaration - National Workshop on Strengthening Tribal Research Institutes

The **Ministry of Tribal Affairs** and the Government of Odisha concluded the National Workshop on Strengthening TRIs in Bhubaneswar with the adoption of the **Bhubaneswar Declaration** — a national roadmap to transform **Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs)** into centres of excellence for research, innovation, and tribal heritage preservation.

Key Proposals: Model TRI Framework 2030 — standards for governance, staffing, research quality, and technology integration | National TRI Research Agenda (2027-2032) — common research priorities for tribal development across India.

12. Person in News

‘Bridge Man of India’ Girish Bharadwaj Passes Away - Padma Shri 2017

Girish Bharadwaj, popularly known as the “**Bridge Man of India**”, passed away at the age of **76** in **Sullia, Dakshina Kannada district, Karnataka**. He designed and constructed over **140 low-cost hanging footbridges across India** to improve rural connectivity. He was awarded the **Padma Shri in 2017**.

13. Sports

Charles Leclerc Wins 2026 British Grand Prix - Ferrari’s 250th F1 Victory

Charles Leclerc (Ferrari) won the **2026 British Grand Prix at Silverstone Circuit**, giving Ferrari its **250th Formula One Grand Prix victory**. The race concluded under a Safety Car.

Grand Prix	Winner
Australian GP	George Russell (Mercedes)
Chinese GP	Kimi Antonelli (Mercedes)
Japanese GP	Kimi Antonelli (Mercedes)
Miami GP	Kimi Antonelli (Mercedes)
Canadian GP	Kimi Antonelli (Mercedes)
Monaco GP	Kimi Antonelli (Mercedes)
Barcelona-Catalunya GP	Lewis Hamilton (Ferrari)
Austrian GP	George Russell (Mercedes)
British GP	Charles Leclerc (Ferrari) — Ferrari’s 250th F1 victory

Australia Wins ICC Women’s T20 World Cup 2026 - 7th Title; Beth Mooney Player of Tournament

Australia won the **2026 ICC Women’s T20 World Cup** by defeating **England by 7 wickets** in the final at **Lord’s Cricket Ground, London**, remaining unbeaten throughout the tournament.

Australia's 7th Women's T20 World Cup title — highest by any team. Beth Mooney: 64 runs, Player of the Match and Player of the Tournament. Phoebe Litchfield: 48 runs; shared a 100-run partnership with Mooney. Australia chased 151 in 17.1 overs (153/3).

Aswath S. Becomes India’s 98th Chess Grandmaster

Seventeen-year-old Aswath S. became **India’s 98th Chess Grandmaster (GM)** after securing his final GM norm at the **Pune International Round-Robin Chess Tournament**. Coached by **GM M. Shyam Sundar at the Chess Thulir Academy, Chennai**.

Sourav Ganguly Inducted into ICC Hall of Fame - 12th Indian Cricketer

Sourav Ganguly was inducted into the **ICC Hall of Fame on 8 July 2026**, becoming the **12th Indian cricketer** to receive the honour. He represented India from **1992 to 2008** as a left-handed batter and captain during a transformative period.

14. Miscellaneous

LokOS - Digital Backbone for Rural Livelihoods under DAY-NRLM

LokOS (Lok Operating System) is a web and mobile platform developed under **DAY-NRLM** for end-to-end digitisation of **Self-Help Groups (SHGs)** and **Community-Based Organizations (CBOs)**.

Scale: Digitally connects 94.16 lakh SHGs and 10.03 crore SHG members | Records financial transactions of nearly ₹2 lakh crore annually. Recent Addition: SHE-LEAPS (launched 29 June 2026) operates under LokOS to promote women entrepreneurship and the Lakhpati Didi Mission.

Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) and APAAR - 'One Nation, One Student ID'

Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) is a digital platform developed by the **Ministry of Education** and regulated by the **UGC**. **APAAR (Automated Permanent Academic Account Registry)** is the "**One Nation, One Student ID**" initiative — a unique **12-digit student identification number** linked with the ABC.

Syama Prasad Mookerjee's 125th Birth Anniversary

PM Modi paid tribute to **Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee** on his **125th birth anniversary**, highlighting his contributions to education, industrial development, and national integration. He coined the landmark slogan: "*Ek desh mein do vidhan, do pradhan aur do nishan nahi challenge*" (One country cannot have two Constitutions, two Prime Ministers, and two national emblems). PM noted the **abrogation of Articles 370 and 35A in 2019** as a tribute to his vision.