

Top 10 Current Affairs Questions of Today - March 14, 2025

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Let's check this news about (150th Anniversary Test at the MCG) Then, we will move ahead.

Australia and England to Compete in Landmark 150th Anniversary Test at the MCG

Australia and England will face off in a one-off day-night Test at the MCG from March 11-15, 2027, marking the 150th anniversary of the first-ever Test match. This historic event pays tribute to the inaugural 1877 Test and celebrates cricket's evolution with the modern day-night format. The match will be significant for its intense Ashes rivalry, featuring top players from both teams, and promises to be a global spectacle, honoring cricket's legacy while providing a thrilling viewing experience.



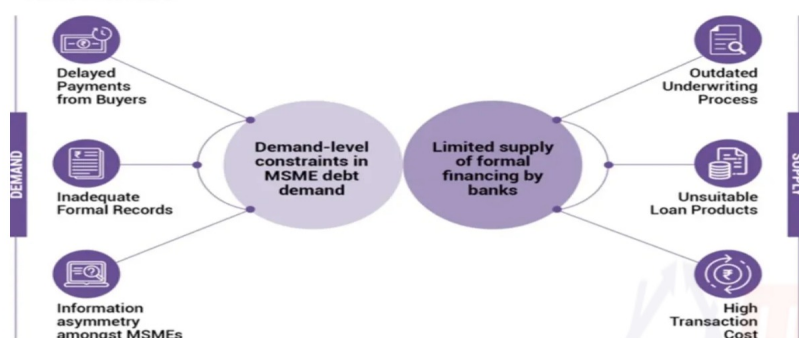
[Image Source: BBC News]

Government Measures to Improve Credit Access and Financial Support for MSMEs

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The Indian government and RBI have implemented various measures to enhance credit access for Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs). These include timely credit decisions, collateral-free loans, and working capital calculations. Key initiatives like the Trade Receivables Discounting System (TReDS), External Benchmarking for loan interest rates, and digital platforms like GST Sahay and Udyam Assist help streamline financing. Additionally, credit guarantee schemes and simplified loan processes through platforms like JanSamarth and PSB Loans in 59 Minutes provide further financial support to MSMEs.

Supply and demand challenges that lead to limited access to formal credit for MSMEs in India



[Image Source: Mint]

Digital Payment Transactions Exceed 18,000 Crore in FY 2024-25

India's digital payment ecosystem has seen significant growth, with over 18,000 crore transactions in FY 2024-25. This surge is driven by UPI adoption, fintech collaborations, and government initiatives. To enhance security, the RBI and NPCI have introduced AI-driven fraud detection systems, including device binding, two-factor authentication, and AI fraud monitoring. Awareness campaigns and cybercrime reporting mechanisms, such as the National Cybercrime Reporting Portal and helpline (1930), have been strengthened to protect users from digital payment frauds.

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[Image Source: Mint]

RBI and NCFE Unveil Nationwide Campaigns to Promote Financial Literacy

The RBI and NCFE have launched nationwide financial literacy campaigns to promote financial awareness and inclusion under the National Strategy for Financial Education (NSFE). Key initiatives include Financial Literacy Centres (FLCs), the 'RBI Kehta Hai' campaign, and mass media outreach on safe banking and fraud prevention. Programs targeting youth and senior citizens, along with the FAME booklet, provide essential financial education. The government and financial regulators aim to enhance financial knowledge, attitudes, and behaviors across India, with a focus on inclusivity and awareness.



[Image Source: Mint]

Atul Kumar Goel Takes Over as Chief Executive of the Indian Banks' Association

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Atul Kumar Goel has been appointed the new Chief Executive of the Indian Banks' Association (IBA). With over 30 years in banking, including leadership roles at Punjab National Bank, UCO Bank, and Union Bank of India, Goel brings extensive expertise in risk management, corporate governance, and digital banking. He succeeds Sunil Mehta and is expected to drive policy advocacy, digital transformation, and stronger banking collaborations. His leadership will focus on enhancing financial stability, modernizing services, and promoting sustainable banking practices.



[Image Source: India Today]

India and Bangladesh Conduct CORAT and BONGOSAGAR Exercises in the BOBP

The 6th edition of CORPAT and 4th edition of BONGOSAGAR between the Indian Navy and Bangladesh Navy commenced on March 10, 2025, in the Bay of Bengal. These joint exercises focus on enhancing maritime security, preventing criminal activities like piracy and smuggling, and strengthening bilateral cooperation. Key activities include joint patrolling, tactical drills, surface gun-shoots, and humanitarian operations. The exercises aim to improve operational interoperability, promote regional security, and enhance India-Bangladesh defense ties in the Indo-Pacific region.



[Image Source: India Today]

Star Health Insurance Unveils 'SheTARA' Campaign

Star Health Insurance launched the SheTARA campaign in Tamil Nadu to mark International Women's Day, promoting preventive healthcare for women and encouraging female participation as insurance agents. The initiative includes over 40 health camps offering subsidized screenings, a webinar on work-life balance, and a flagship event in Chennai. With over 200,000 women agents, Star Health aims to increase female workforce representation by 30%. Women agents have significantly contributed to business volumes, generating ₹420 crore in business and settling ₹250 crore in health claims.



[Image Source: Mint]

CCRH Signs Memorandum of Understanding to Foster Research in Homoeopathy

The Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy (CCRH) and Adamas University, Kolkata, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on March 1, 2025, to enhance academic and research collaboration in homoeopathy. The partnership aims to promote scientific research, knowledge exchange, and evidence-based studies in alternative medicine. The collaboration will help integrate homoeopathy into mainstream healthcare. CCRH, under the Ministry of Ayush, will play a pivotal role in advancing homoeopathy research through joint projects and international collaborations.



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[Image Source: India Today]

National Archives of India Commemorates 135th Foundation Day and Launches the 'Gyan Bharatam Mission'

The National Archives of India (NAI) celebrated its 135th Foundation Day on March 11, 2025, with the inauguration of the "Indian Heritage through Architecture" exhibition by Union Minister Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat. The exhibition highlighted India's diverse architectural legacy. The event also launched the 'Gyan Bharatam Mission,' expanding access to India's knowledge repository, and featured the world's largest digitization program. NAI continues to preserve over 34 crore pages of public records, emphasizing historical conservation and public engagement.



[Image Source: India Today]

Credit Disbursement to Priority Sectors Soars 85 percent

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Priority sector credit in India grew by 85 percent, from Rs. 23.01 lakh crore in 2019 to Rs. 42.73 lakh crore in 2024, with significant increases in agriculture and MSME lending. To improve financial stability, the RBI and government have implemented technology-driven banking enhancements, including AI-powered KYC and digital loan processing. They also focus on strengthening NPA management, improving credit discipline, and preventing fraud. Additionally, banking reforms like EASE and bank mergers aim to enhance efficiency and governance in the sector.



[Image Source: NDTV]

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