

Top 10 Current Affairs Questions of Today - March 2, 2025

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Let's check this news about GDP (Hariman Sharma) Then, we will move ahead.

Hariman Sharma, Apple Man of India, Awarded Padma Shri

Hariman Sharma, a farmer from Himachal Pradesh, has been awarded the Padma Shri for revolutionizing apple cultivation with his innovative 'HRMN 99' variety. This low-chilling, disease-resistant apple thrives in warmer climates at altitudes as low as 1,800 feet, benefiting over a lakh horticulturists in India and abroad. The National Innovation Foundation has adopted the variety for further research. Sharma, also known as 'Seb Samrat,' cultivates mangoes, kiwis, and pomegranates, further contributing to Indian horticulture.



[Image Source: PIB]

India to Launch Its First Human Submersible Under Deep Ocean Mission

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India will launch its first human underwater submersible as part of the Deep Ocean Mission, initially reaching 500 meters and aiming for 6,000 meters by next year. Announced by Earth Sciences Minister Jitendra Singh, the mission focuses on deep-sea exploration, unlocking resources like critical minerals and rare metals while supporting a blue economy. Developed with indigenous technology, it also aims to enhance deep-sea ecosystem research for sustainable fisheries and biodiversity conservation, contributing to India's scientific and economic growth.



[Image Source: India Today]

Melie Kerr Wins ICC Women's Player of the Year Award

New Zealand's Melie Kerr won the Rachael Heyhoe Flint Trophy for ICC Women's Cricketer of the Year 2024, becoming the first Kiwi to achieve this honor. She surpassed Laura Wolvaardt, Chamari Athapaththu, and Annabel Sutherland to claim the title. Kerr excelled as an all-rounder, delivering strong performances with both bat and ball. She follows past winners Ellyse Perry, Smriti Mandhana, and Nat Sciver-Brunt in earning this prestigious award. The trophy, introduced in 2017, recognizes the best female cricketer annually.



[Image Source: BBC News]



160th Birth Anniversary of Lala Lajpat Rai

Prime Minister Narendra Modi paid tribute to Lala Lajpat Rai on his birth anniversary, honoring his contributions to India's independence struggle. Known as 'Punjab Kesari', Lajpat Rai played a key role in the freedom movement and was fatally injured in a lathi charge during a protest against the Simon Commission in 1928. His legacy continues to inspire generations. Born in 1865, he was also the founder of the influential newspaper Punjab Kesari. His dedication to the nation remains deeply revered.



[Image Source: Wikipedia]

Kathmandu Hosts First-Ever Pashmina Festival

The first-ever International Pashmina Festival was held in Kathmandu, Nepal, highlighting the quality and craftsmanship of "Chyangra Pashmina." Organized by the Nepal Pashmina Industries Association and the Confederation of Nepalese Industries, the event featured over 150 domestic stalls. Nepal's Industry Minister, Damodar Bhandari, emphasized Nepal's global presence in the Pashmina market. Challenges include securing raw materials and addressing fake products. In India, Pashmina is traditionally crafted in Ladakh, Jammu, and Kashmir, with machine-woven varieties produced in Amritsar.

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[Image Source: India Today]

Lukashenko Secures Seventh Term in Disputed Belarus Election

Belarusian President Alexander Lukashenko secured his seventh consecutive term in a disputed election, winning 86.8% of the vote. Critics, including Western governments, labeled the election a "sham" due to the lack of independent media and jailed opposition figures. Russian President Vladimir Putin and Chinese leader Xi Jinping congratulated Lukashenko, highlighting Belarus' close ties with Russia. The opposition, led by exiled leader Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya, condemned the election as undemocratic, recalling past protests and government crackdowns on dissenters.



[Image Source: BBC News]

India Becomes Observer in Eurodrone Programme

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India has been granted observer status in the Eurodrone program, joining Japan in overseeing the European initiative led by Italy, France, Germany, and Spain. Developed by Airbus, Dassault Aviation, and Leonardo, the Eurodrone is designed for long-endurance ISTAR missions with a 26-meter wingspan, 40-hour flight capability, and a 2.3-ton payload. The drone can operate in non-segregated airspace and perform electronic warfare. Initially launched in 2015, the program aims for service entry in 2029 after delays in joint EU drone development.



[Image Source: BBC News]

Government Sanctions 500 Crore Capital Infusion into IFCI for FY 2024-25

The government has approved a 500 crore capital infusion into IFCI Ltd through a preferential issue of shares, increasing its stake beyond 71.72%. A board meeting on January 29, 2025, will finalize the issuance, pending shareholder and regulatory approvals. This infusion was sanctioned under the first Supplementary Demand for Grants for 2024-25. Additionally, the Finance Ministry has approved the consolidation of IFCI Group, involving mergers with its subsidiaries, including StockHolding Corporation of India Ltd, to streamline operations and improve financial health.



[Image Source: Mint]



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IDBI Bank Extends Rakesh Sharma's Term as MD & CEO for Three Years

IDBI Bank's board has approved the re-appointment of Rakesh Sharma as MD & CEO for three years, starting March 19, 2025, following RBI's approval. Sharma has led the bank since October 2018 and previously served as MD & CEO of Canara Bank. The re-appointment comes amid the ongoing disinvestment process by IDBI Bank's promoters, Life Insurance Corporation of India (49.24% stake) and the Government of India (45.48% stake), which began in October 2022 through a strategic disinvestment plan.



[Image Source: India Today]

City Union Bank Wins Consecutive IBA Banking Technology Awards

City Union Bank (CUB) won seven awards at the 20th Annual Technology Conference, Expo, & Citations 2024 in Mumbai on January 24. This marks the second consecutive year the bank has received awards in all seven categories. CUB was recognized in four categories, named runner-up in one, and received Special Awards in two. These awards acknowledge the best technology providers in the banking industry, highlighting CUB's commitment to technological advancements and innovation. The achievement reinforces CUB's position as a leader in banking technology.

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