

Top 10 Current Affairs Questions of Today - March 25, 2025

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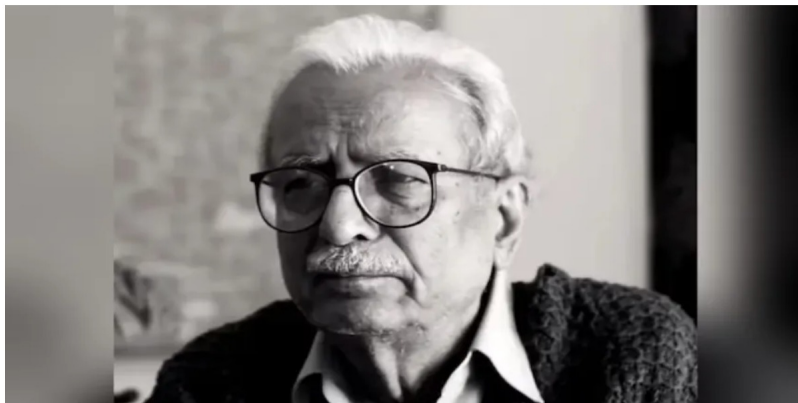
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Today's blog will be on the current affairs of 25th March 2025. So, check out the current affairs and stay up-to-date. You can download PDF also for current affairs today.

Let's check this news about (Vinod Kumar Shukla) Then, we will move ahead.

Vinod Kumar Shukla has been chosen for the 59th Jnanpith Award

Eminent Hindi writer Vinod Kumar Shukla, at 88 years old, has been awarded the 59th Jnanpith Award for his exceptional contribution to Hindi literature. He is the first author from Chhattisgarh and the 12th Hindi writer to receive this prestigious honor. Known for his unique style blending creativity and emotional depth, Shukla's notable works include *Deewar Mein Ek Khirkee Rahati Thi*, *Naukar Ki Kameez*, and *Sab Kuch Hona Bacha Rahega*. The award includes Rs. 11 lakh, a bronze Saraswati statue, and a citation.



[Image Source: Wikipedia]

Shaheed Diwas 2025

Shaheed Diwas, observed on March 23 each year, honors the sacrifices of revolutionaries Bhagat Singh, Shivaram Rajguru, and Sukhdev Thapar, who were executed by the British in 1931. Their martyrdom, following their role in the assassination of J.P. Saunders, intensified India's freedom struggle. The day is marked with floral tributes, educational programs, cultural events, and public marches. Their legacy continues to inspire modern India, shaping discussions on freedom, justice, and equality, especially among youth and activists.

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[Image Source: Mint]

Purple Fest 2025

The Purple Fest 2025, held at Rashtrapati Bhavan, aimed to promote inclusivity and empowerment for persons with disabilities. With 23,500 attendees, including President Droupadi Murmu and key officials, the event featured cultural performances, literary discussions, and adaptive sports like Blind Cricket and Wheelchair Basketball. Corporate collaborations with organizations like Tata Power and Tech Mahindra Foundation focused on education, skilling, and employment. MoUs were signed to enhance accessibility and foster inclusive growth, emphasizing economic empowerment for Divyangjan.



[Image Source: Mint]

C-DOT Introduces 'Samarth' A State-of-the-Art Incubation Program for Startups

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The Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DOT) has launched the 'Samarth' incubation program to support startups in telecommunications and IT sectors, including Telecom Software, Cybersecurity, 5G/6G, AI, IoT, and Quantum Technologies. Implemented with Software Technology Parks of India (STPI), the program will host two six-month cohorts annually, each with 18 startups. Benefits include up to Rs. 5 lakh funding, office space, mentorship, and access to C-DOT labs. Eligible DPIIT-recognized startups can apply via the C-DOT portal.



[Image Source: India Today]

Thinning of Glaciers in the Hindu Kush Himalayas

The United Nations report highlights alarming glacier thinning in the Hindu Kush Himalaya (HKH) region, where glaciers are retreating 65 per cent faster from 2011 to 2020. This region, vital for water supply to nearly two billion people, faces significant risks as global temperatures rise. Glacier loss could reach 30-50 per cent by 2100, exacerbating water scarcity. Melting glaciers also increase hazards like flash floods. The report urges stronger cooperation, climate action, and enhanced data-sharing to address these challenges and protect local communities.



[Image Source: Mint]

Migrant Deaths Reach Record Levels in 2024

In 2024, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) reported 8,938 migrant deaths, the highest toll in five years. Asia recorded the most deaths (2,788), followed by the Mediterranean (2,452), Africa (2,242), and the Americas (1,233). Contributing factors include conflict, stricter border policies, and dangerous migration routes. Cuts in aid, especially from the U.S., have worsened conditions for vulnerable migrants. IOM calls for comprehensive solutions addressing migration's root causes, including peacebuilding, economic opportunities, and safer migration pathways.



[Image Source: BBC News]

Conservation of African Penguins in South Africa

The African penguin, facing a 60 per cent population decline since the 1980s, is endangered due to overfishing, oil pollution, and predation. A South African court ruling on March 18, 2025, banned commercial fishing around key breeding colonies for 10 years to protect their food supply. This decision, supported by conservation organizations, aims to ensure the penguins' survival. With their numbers plummeting, this measure offers hope for reversing their decline and safeguarding marine biodiversity.

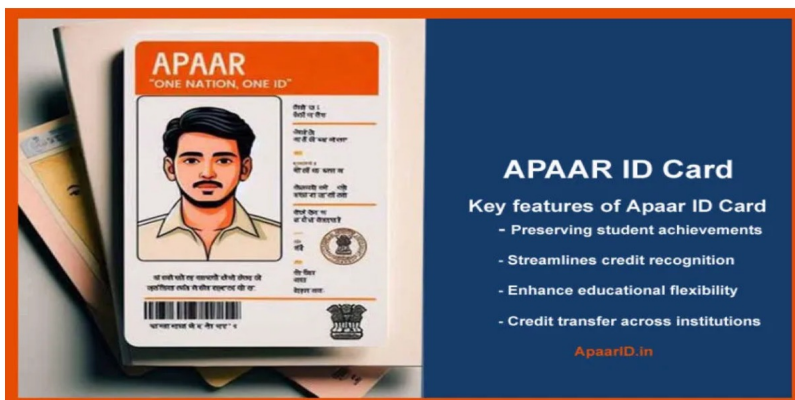
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Implementation of APAAR ID

The Automated Permanent Academic Account Registry (APAAR) ID, part of India's National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, aims to streamline student data management. While described as voluntary, its adoption is being encouraged by authorities, leading to confusion among parents. Linked to Aadhaar and stored in DigiLocker, it tracks academic records. Concerns about data security and privacy have been raised, with critics arguing it may violate children's rights. Parents can opt out, but local pressures may complicate this decision.



[Image Source: Mint]

BPCL signs a quadripartite MoU to establish India's first hydrogen-powered VTOL ecosystem

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Bharat Petroleum Corporation (BPCL), BluJ Aerospace, ANERT, and Cochin International Airport (CIAL) have signed a quadripartite MoU to create India's first hydrogen-powered vertical take-off and landing (VTOL) aircraft ecosystem. This initiative supports India's goal of achieving net-zero emissions by 2070, improving air travel efficiency, reducing noise, and lowering carbon emissions. BPCL will develop hydrogen refueling stations in Kochi and Trivandrum and fund the creation of a high-power density proton exchange membrane (PEM) hydrogen fuel cell for the VTOL aircraft.



[Image Source: Mint]

Cabinet Approves Rs. 1,500 Crore Incentive Scheme for Banks under UPI

The Union Cabinet has approved a Rs. 1,500 crore incentive scheme to promote UPI transactions below Rs. 2,000 in FY 2024–25. Banks will earn a 0.15 percent incentive on such transactions made by small merchants, with 20 percent linked to UPI infrastructure performance. The scheme encourages UPI adoption by small businesses without imposing merchant fees, unlike card transactions. Payments over Rs. 2,000 are excluded, and the government aims for Rs. 20,000 crore in total transaction volumes. In FY 2023-24, banks received Rs. 3,631 crore in incentives.



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