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### IMPORTANT DAYS:

- International Workers' Day observed on May 1
- Maharashtra Day and Gujarat Day is observed on May 1
- World Press Freedom Day observed across the world on May 3
- International Energy Day is observed on May 3
- International Sun Day is observed on May 3
- World Asthma Day is observed on May 3
- Coal Miners Day is observed on May 4
- International Fire fighters day is observed on May 4
- International No Diet Day is observed on May 6
- PM greets all personnel of Border Road Organisation (BRO) on its foundation day May 7
- World Aids Orphans Day is observed on May 7
- World Red Cross Day is observed on May 8
- Mother's Day is observed on May 8
- Time of Remembrance and Reconciliation for Those Who Lost Their Lives during the Second World War on May 8
- Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) Raising Day is observed on May 9
- World Thalassaemia Day is observed on May 9
- 10 May 2016: World Migratory Bird Day
- National Technology Day is observed on May 11
- International Nurses Day is observed on May 12
- Director General Naval Projects (DGNP) Visakhapatnam celebrates Golden Jubilee on May 12
- International Criminal Court Day observed on May 13
- World Fair Trade Day is observed on May 14
- International Day of Families is observed on May 15
- 2016 World Telecommunication and Information Society Day observed on May 17 with theme "ICT entrepreneurship for social impact"
- International Day against Homophobia and Transphobia is observed on May 17
- World AIDS Vaccination Day is observed on May 17
- World Hypertension Day is observed on May 17

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUICK RECAP – May 2016

- International Museum Day is observed on May 18
- World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development is observed on May 21
- National Anti Terrorism Day is observed on May 21
- Buddha Purnima on May 21
- National Day for Cultural Development is observed on May 21
- International Day for Biological Diversity - 22 May
- National maritime day –USA – 22 May
- World Turtle Day is observed on 23<sup>rd</sup> May
- World Durian Festival is celebrated every year on 23<sup>rd</sup> May.
- Menstrual hygiene day observed on 28<sup>th</sup> May
- International Day of UN Peacekeepers: 29 May
- HINDI JOURNALISM DAY: May 30<sup>th</sup>
- 'World No Tobacco Day' observed: May 31<sup>st</sup>

### NATIONAL:

- PM launches Pradhanmantri Ujjwala Yojana at Ballia in UP
- Karnataka government clears projects worth 3,028 crore
- Union Urban Development Minister Venkaih Naidu, Karnataka Chief Minister
- Siddaramaiah flag off South India's First Underground Metro in Karnataka
- Mobile App namely "Indian Customs- Guide to Travellers" launch
- Andhra Pradesh first state in the country to become Open Defecation Free in urban areas
- Maharashtra government to develop textile park at Amravati
- Telecom panel approves sale of all spectrum
- World Gold Council urges govt to increase supply India gold coin
- Brazil major Gerdau Steel plans 1,000-crore investment in Andhra Pradesh plant
- Government creates online traffic violators database
- Odisha inducts 1,370 constables into newly-raised OISF
- Tamil, Telugu, Kannada, Malayalam & Odia now classical languages of India
- Andhra Pradesh CM launched Chandranna Bima Yojana

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUICK RECAP – May 2016

- Jammu & Kashmir Government signs MoU to set up IIT in Jammu
- World's largest telescope may be set up in Ladakh
- Asian Defence Ministers Meeting (ADMM) plus Exercise on Maritime Security and Counter Terrorism at Brunei and Singapore
- Parliament approves Mines and Minerals Amendment Bill, 2016
- Modi launches solar-powered e-boats in Varanasi
- Golden Temple to provide free WiFi to devotees
- Jammu & Kashmir: Free medicine in government hospitals from June 1
- Swachh Bharat Mission funds released in Punjab to achieve clean India Mission
- Madhya Pradesh High Court terms reservation in promotions in the State as unconstitutional
- Government launches MICE initiative for upgradation of tourism sector
- NHAI to raise 55k crore in 2016-17 via bonds
- India third largest e-learning market: Coursera
- Government to monitor illegal mining via satellite
- Supreme Court banned all diesel cabs in NCR-Delhi from May 1
- Indian Railways signed MoU with Haryana & Punjab to plant trees alongside Railway Track
- National Action Plan to boost jobs opportunities for disabled people: Gehlot
- Over hundred villages electrified last week under Gram Jyoti Yojna
- Telangana to set up Spices Park in Nizamabad
- Kaleshwaram irrigation project launched in Telangana
- 7.5k crore allocated for space dept in FY17 budget
- Supreme Court appointed RM Lodha-panel to reform Medical Council of India
- Railway Ministry launched e-enabled application, PMIS to monitor Railway projects
- Piyush Goyal to unveil portal on payment to contract workers
- NRDC signed agreements for commercialization of Ghar Sodhon
- Union Commerce Ministry launched EXIM Analytics Dashboard for export, import data
- Madhya Pradesh government to launch Nagaroday Abhiyan on lines of Gramoday Se Bharat Uday

- Arun Jaitley to leave for Frankfurt today to attend ADB meet
- Telengana to set up memorial for statehood martyrs
- India ranks 137 of 210 in access to electricity
- Clean energy body IREDA may turn into green bank
- Mumbai world's most crowded airport: Reports
- Government relaxes coal supply policy for power firms
- Government proposes to amend divorce laws
- Rajnath Singh chairs meeting on internal security in Delhi
- Odisha government to provide loan to farmers during Kharif season
- SC Collegium recommended transfer of Uttarakhand Chief Justice to Andhra Pradesh
- Lok Sabha passes the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code Bill 2016
- Indian Government has ratified the Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA) of the WTO
- India's Supreme Court has upheld new federal rules which require tobacco firms to put bigger pictorial health warnings on cigarette packets.
- DRDO and Ayush Join Hands to Impart Yoga Training to Defence Wing Staff.
- Wi-Fi Service at Vijayawada, Kachiguda, Raipur rail stations.
- Indian Railways creates Non-Fare Revenue Directorate to explore advertising in train coaches:
- CAIPEEX a process to understand Rain Formation in Clouds & impact of Randomized Cloud Seeding:
- Odisha govt to dig one lakh deep bore wells for farmers of the drought-hit areas are able to save their crops at the time of drought.
- Haryana to enact Act to accord statutory status to Sports Council
- BSNL has registered the highest growth rate in providing new wireless connections during February this year, beating all private operators.
- The Finance Bill, 2016 has been passed in the Lok Sabha.
- H R Nagendra Committee on Yoga Education in Universities submitted its recommendations:
- Goa-based defence shipyard, Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL), launched Indian Coast Guard Ship (ICGS) Shaurya at Vasco.
- 4th SAIEVAC Ministerial Meeting to be held in New Delhi

- Bombay High Court decriminalises beef possession, upholds ban on slaughter of bulls, bullocks in Maharashtra
- Finance Ministry gives clearance to government e-marketplace
- Government releases Rs 9,367 crore under MGNREGA to drought-hit states
- Number of gram panchayats in Odisha to increase by 500 to 600
- BHEL commissions 500 MW thermal power unit in Jharkhand
- Haryana to enact Sports Council Act
- Union government approves proposal of Infosys to set up IT SEZ
- Uttar Pradesh Governor refers Lokayukta Bill to President
- Railways launch Bharat Darshan Tourist train for pilgrims
- Gangavati to get Asia's first Rice Technology Park
- Negative marking system reintroduced in Odisha Joint Entrance Examination (OJEE)
- Banks in Telangana to provide Rs 6000 crore loans to poor under Mudra Yojana
- Gujarat government accords minority status to Jain community
- Sulabh group to set up 'hybrid toilet complexes' in 9 Odisha cities
- Election Commission to send postcards to 3 lakh Puducherry voters
- IRCTC to sell Kashmiri cuisine, handicrafts
- Telangana to set up monkey rescue, rehab centre
- Kalraj Mishra Inaugurates Khadi Spinning and Weaving Centre in Srinagar
- Government Of India starts Unique Business Identification Number (UBIN) drive for budding entrepreneurs
- India's single emergency number '112' to be active from January 1
- Manamadurai-Rameswaram rail track to become first green corridor
- Uma Bharti launches first trash skimmer for River Yamuna for skimming of solid waste material
- Mahesh Babu adopts villages in Andhra, Telangana
- 55,669 villages to have mobile connectivity by 2019
- Government proposes compulsory health card for women
- Indian Army conducts 'Chakravyuh-II' training exercise in Rajasthan
- Ministry of Environment & Forests launches web-based application on Integrated Waste Management System

- Uma Bharti Launches Rural Sanitation Initiatives for Ganga Rejuvenation in Jharkhand
- Railways sets up directorate to generate funds via advertisements
- Mahesh Sharma Releases Commemorative Coin on Maharana Pratap
- Gujarat Government to kick-start solar rooftop project for citizens
- HAL completes Rs.4.77 crore Kumudvathi rejuvenation project
- Odisha Government launches DBT scheme for farmers
- Chhattisgarh relaxes labour laws
- India emerges as world's biggest renewable energy lab: Richard Verma
- Government to start campaign to inform about its schemes, achievements
- Government forms committee to prepare policy framework for taxi
- Parliament Passes Anti-Hijacking Bill, 2016
- Gujarat announces 'Agri Business Policy-2016'
- India, Mauritius sign pact to curb tax evasion
- Government to set up AIIMS-like institute for Ayurveda
- Delhi Police to set up 'deradicalisation' centre
- Nagaland to teach financial literacy in schools
- Government amending Act to check false medicine ads
- Jammu & Kashmir bans non-biodegradable items in government offices
- Indian Navy decommissions fighter planes Sea Harriers
- Indian Navy launches underwater vigil system in Visakhapatnam
- Harish Rawat wins Uttarakhand floor test
- Government approves Gilead's Hepatitis C drug patent
- India developing \$5 billion infra projects in South Asia
- Telecom project for Lakshadweep, Andaman
- Kendriya Vidyalayas to include PETA programme
- Government allows 100% FDI in ARCs via automatic route
- Government distributes 61k crore through DBT scheme
- 3-day international Vichaar Mahakumbh to begin in Madhya Pradesh today
- Uttar Pradesh government approves 200-km 'Bicycle Highway'
- Centre lifts President's Rule in Uttarakhand
- Parliament passes bill on potable alcohol

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUICK RECAP – May 2016

- Government sets up panel to draft national policy on marine fishery
- Rajasthan Universities to adopt rainwater harvesting
- Government fixes ceiling price of 54 drug formulations
- I-T Dept's PAN-Aadhaar linkage crosses 50 lakh
- Gujarat BJP to celebrate Vikas Parva to mark completion of 2 years of Modi government
- Delhi no longer world's most polluted city: WHO
- India introduces Military Tourism
- Committee on Estimates recommends PM-headed authority on Ganga Rejuvenation
- Railways to spend 80k crore on laying new tracks
- India, 5 others sign pact on sharing tax info
- Research wing now compulsory in dental colleges
- Mumbai: Now apply for character certificate online
- Bihar government to build over 7 lakh toilets in 4 yrs
- Maharashtra declares drought in 29000 villages
- UIDAI launches special enrolment drive in 4 states, UTs
- Cabinet nod for Rs 1,984-cr Delhi-Meerut Expressway stretch
- Polls for 57 Rajya Sabha seats including 3 from Odisha on June 11
- Prakash Singh panel submits report on Jat quota stir
- Railway Minister to inaugurate number of amenities through remote control from Dadar East station
- Uttar Pradesh: Amethi gets 1st Open Defecation Free village
- NDA framed NITI Aayog to replace 5-year plans with 15 year vision document
- Cabinet approves country's first Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) policy
- Cabinet approves pact between SEBI and FSRA Abu Dhabi
- India's first solar train set for trial run in Jodhpur
- Indo-US Brain Trust formed to deepen scientific collaboration
- Dial-100 emergency service set to be launched in UP on Oct 2
- Government increases Leave Travel Concession (LTC) withdrawal time to 125 days
- Haryana notifies backward classes quota Act



- India's first spice museum to open in Kochi
- Modi, Maithripala Sirisena released 'Simhastha Declaration' in Ujjain
- Amit Shah inaugurates 2nd phase of Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana in Gujarat
- Union Health Minister Nadda lays foundation stone of medical college in Rajouri
- Railways to lay test track for high speed trains
- Rajasthan to be 1st state to issue ads to appoint V-Cs
- Black money declaration window opens June 1
- The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) launched a unique initiative to enroll left over population for Aadhaar, in four States and Union Territories, viz., Haryana, Goa, Chandigarh and Puducherry.
- The Supreme Court has upheld the constitutional validity of penal provisions on defamation law, observing that the right to freedom of speech is “not an absolute right”.
- Drugmaker Aurobindo Pharma has received final approval from the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to manufacture and market an aesthetic injection in the American market.
- Sikkim was annexed into India on May 16, 1975 as the 22nd state of the country.
- Section 144 was imposed in Chandigarh today as a precautionary measure ahead of an AAP protest against the Punjab government at CM Prakash Singh Badal's residence.
- Minister of State Jitendra Singh has written to all ministers to implement the 'e-Office' initiative and move to paperless office functioning in a timely efficient manner.
- Alleging that National Investigation Agency has become 'Namo Investigation Agency', Congress leader Anand Sharma on Sunday demanded a Supreme Court monitored probe into the 2008 Malegaon blast case.
- Union Minister Ram Vilas Paswan on Sunday said it was the "appropriate time" to impose President's rule in Bihar.
- PM Modi to visit Iran for two days in May
- Center to come up with new bill to improve present law for disabilities: Gehlot
- World Bank okays \$625 million loan for Indian solar programme
- DeitY to build first social security platform
- Shri Nitin Gadkari Launched INFRACON, ePACE and up-Scaled INAM PRO

- Global conference on women empowerment held in New Delhi
- 15 days Swachh Office drive launched across the country
- Maharashtra asks UN arm to train cops in cyber security
- I-T Department launches new grievance redressal tool
- Maneka releases draft National Policy for Women
- Punjab gets world's largest rooftop solar plant
- Union Government opened Tatkal Window to expedite examination of patent applications
- Delhi government releases full statehood bill online
- National Conference on 'Gaushalas' Inaugurated
- Odisha to launch Green Passage Scheme for orphan students
- NK Singh committee formed to review and give recommendations on FRBM roadmap
- Assembly results: BJP heads for mega win in Assam, TMC retains power in WB, AIADMK in TN, LDF wins in Kerala
- 5 Member Committee to give recommendations on Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management
- Joint issue between Department of Posts and UN Postal Administration on UN Women HeForShe postage stamp
- Government to launch IIT-JEE preparation app
- Indian Navy warships deployed in South China Sea
- Indian Army mountaineers summit Mount Everest
- Jharkhand to add regional languages in state exams
- Engineers set solar cell efficiency world record
- JP Nadda launches Centre for Environmental Health to assess environmental impact on health
- President of India inaugurated IOC in Rashtrapati Bhavan
- India and Slovenia have signed Protocol amending the India-Slovenia Double Taxation Avoidance Convention
- BHEL Commissions 250 Mw Thermal Unit In Maharashtra
- India sends 2 Naval ships to cyclone-hit SL
- Government takes measures to set up science cities, science centres
- PM Narendra Modi to address nation through 'Mann ki Baat' on May 22

- Virbhadra Singh launches PEHAL in Shimla
- Delhi's Presidential Estate is now a smart city
- Kayakalp Fortnight initiative launched at AIIMS New Delhi by JP Nadda
- Cyclone Roanu heads towards B'desh; No imminent danger to Odhisha coast
- Anti-militancy operation underway in Kashmir's Drugmulla area
- e-Municipality building to come up in Rajasthan
- Punjab to set up regulatory body for school fees
- Union government urges states to make pulses tax-free
- Jayalalithaa to be sworn in as Tamil Nadu CM on May 23
- Cloud Burst In Rudraprayag; Rudraprayag-Badrinath Highway Severly Affected
- Mann Ki Baat 20th Edition: PM Modi Stresses on Cashless Society, Water-Forest Conservation
- PM Modi's First Iran Visit: Chabahar Port, Gas High on Agenda
- President Seeks Legal Advice on Ordinance on Medical Entrance Exam
- After liquor, Nitish govt now bans gutka, pan masala in Bihar
- Government sets up panel to relook defence expenditure
- Mizoram's fresh initiative to take back tribal refugees from Tripura
- Gujarat Government launches Smart Village program
- Only 1% water remains in Marathwada dams
- Global warming to impact milk production: National Dairy Development Board
- Earthquake of 4.3 magnitude hits J&K
- French firm to help Railways for safety measures
- Govt electrifies 108 villages across the country
- Amid Amma chants, Jayalalithaa sworn-in as Tamil Nadu Chief Minister for the sixth time
- More than two crore LPG consumers join PAHAL scheme: Assam
- IndiGo plane flew close to road; DGCA suspends license of two pilots
- Himachal Pradesh begins artificial propagation programme of Golden Mahseer fish for conservation
- Government bans Indians from travelling to Libya until further orders
- Chhattisgarh government aims to dig about 50,000 small ponds
- Sikkim bans disposable foam food containers

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUICK RECAP – May 2016

- Jammu Kashmir government to develop app to enhance tourism
- 13 new cities announced for Smart-Cities project
- Draft rules for Juvenile Justice Act released
- Andhra Pradesh to introduce e-Office system in all districts
- Railways to launch programme to mark its success
- HRD Ministry to launch student tracking system
- \$100-m World Bank aid for Karnataka
- DARPA PLANS TO DEVELOP EXPERIMENTAL SPACE PLANE XS-1
- 179 Kashmiri youth join Indian Army
- Union Cabinet approves MoU between ISRO and United Arab Emirates Space Agency
- Cabinet gives ex-post facto approval to India-Maldives MoU on tourism
- HC Stays 10 % Reservation For Jats, Five Other Communities
- Union HRD Minister Launches Bharatavani Portal
- Now dial 139 to cancel waitlisted, RAC tickets
- Gadkari launches safety feature-rich Nirbhaya buses
- Cabinet clears Railway projects worth Rs 11,000 crore
- Union Cabinet gives approval to 6 new IITs
- T S R Subramanian panel submits report on New Education Policy
- 1st bullet train to run in India in 2023: Prabhu
- SC refuses to stay President's NEET ordinance
- Govt to spend Rs5.5k crore on infra in 111 cities
- Banks distributed Rs 1.32 lakh crore under Mudra Yojana: Bandaru Dattatreya
- V Narayanasamy to be new Puducherry Chief Minister
- The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and ministry of power launch portal to promote net zero energy buildings
- Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) equity inflow in 2015-16 at \$40 billion
- 25 Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose files declassified
- Lakshadweep inks pact for energy efficiency measures
- Government formulates guidelines for website ads
- The Income Tax Department said the provisions of the General Anti-Avoidance Rules (GAAR) will be effective from the financial year 2017-18

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUICK RECAP – May 2016

- '40% of electricity from renewables by 2030'
- Indian Museum makes replica artefacts for blind
- Jammu & Kashmir government spent Rs.322 crore on assistance to migrants
- Railway conducts trial for high-speed Talgo trains
- 30% Driving licenses in India bogus: Gadkari
- J&K bans sale of loose cigarettes, tobacco
- Himachal granted proposals worth ₹12k crore in 3yrs
- J&K only Indian state to have a state flag
- Vice President Hamid Ansari to leave on a 5-day visit to Morocco and Tunisia
- Section 144 Imposed in 8 Districts of Haryana As Jats Threaten To Relaunch Quota Agitation
- Sushma launches PMO's website in 6 languages
- Betting rackets busted by Hyderabad Police
- All gram panchayats to have WiFi by 2018: Govt
- Turning FTII into a Digital Media University proposed
- With 4 new vaccines, govt to revamp immunisation drive
- 15 jawans killed in fire at Army depot in Maharashtra
- Maharashtra central jails get community radio stations
- Assam bans smoking in public transport vehicles
- Maneka Gandhi to release Draft Trafficking of Persons Bill on 31<sup>st</sup> May
- India has the world's largest postal network

### INTERNATIONAL:

- China, Japan on US trade monitoring list
- Venezuela hikes minimum wage 30% amid inflation
- Iraq declares state of emergency as protestors storm into Parliament
- Wipro inaugurates Saudi's 1st all-women IT park
- India, New Zealand signed Air Services Agreement
- First cruise ship sailing from US to Cuba in over 50 years
- 80 countries to attend World Humanitarian Summit
- Craig Wright revealed as Bitcoin creator Satoshi Nakamoto

- ISIS developing Google-style driverless cars for attacks
- Japan announces \$7 billion plan to develop Mekong region
- WWF released report titled Protecting People through Nature
- Donald Trump wins Indiana primary; Cruz drops out of Republican race
- South Korea, Japan, China agree to put joint efforts to ensure financial stability
- China deploys 1st military corruption inspectors
- US state introduces unwanted baby drop-off box
- Russia to add military divisions to counter NATO
- European Central Bank decided to end production and issuance of 500 euro banknote
- Zimbabwe is set to print its own version of the US dollar in order to ease a cash shortage in the country.
- Alberta Wildfire: State of Emergency declared by Canada Government.
- India and Iran reached an agreement for the former to pay Iran \$6.4 billion in pending oil payments using European banks, India's Oil Minister Dharmendra Pradhan said.
- Brazil is set to get the world's first strictly adults-only sex-themed amusement park.
- India and Japan to sign MOU for Cooperation in Sports
- 8000-year-old paddy discovered in China
- Nepal recalls its Ambassador to India Deep Kumar Upadhyaya over charges of non-cooperation
- Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines to conduct joint water patrols to curb kidnappings
- Australian university to provide medical technology to India
- Saudi Arabia Oil Minister replaced after 21 yrs
- United Nations launches Multi-Partner Trust Fund for Zika virus response
- Chinese economy: exports fall by 2% and imports by 11% in April
- Cultural festival in Egypt inaugurated to observe Tagore's birth anniversary
- Luxembourg to launch asteroid-mining spacecraft
- Iran successfully tests missile
- Greece passes pension, tax reform bill
- Urgent action needed to end the AIDS epidemic by 2030: UN Report

- Rodrigo Duterte wins Philippines Presidential polls
- Austrian Chancellor Werner Faymann resigns
- 37,000 India files in new Panama papers released
- Obama signs into law new restrictions on Syrian antiquities
- Airport Show opens in Dubai
- Obama signs National Bison Legacy Act making Bison the First National Mammal
- Rodrigo "Digong" Duterte wins the Philippines Presidential Election
- Norway sets up Panama Papers hotline
- Obama 1st serving US President to visit Hiroshima
- France to set up deradicalisation centres
- US India Defence Cooperation Act introduced in Senate
- SAARC nations to set up uniform child helpline
- Brazil President Rousseff suspended for six months
- Azerbaijan worst in Europe for LGBTI
- Islamic State releases app for children
- Kenya to close World's biggest refugee camp in Dadaab
- Social fridges scheme of Europe adopted by Argentina as poverty rises
- SL President Maithribala Sirisena on two-day India visit from today
- Brazil new interim President Michel Tomer calls for trust in values for Brazil's recover
- Myanmar plans to keep free speech restrictions
- Largest cargo plane Antonov An-225 Mriya lands 1st time in India
- WHO proposes faster test for superbug form of TB
- Pakistan set to get \$510 million from IMF
- British climber's first foreigners to scale Everest after quake
- Singapore terms join Oxford English Dictionary
- China's embassy in Libya shuts temporarily
- India, Bangladesh hold border talks in Dhaka
- Solar Impulse lands in Oklahoma
- US plans to renew bulk of its sanctions against Myanmar
- UK banks close 600 branches in one year
- Venezuela declares emergency citing US threat

- US activates missile defence site near Russia
- 2016 Red Flag Aerial combat exercises concludes in US
- Venezuelan President orders seizure of non-functional factories
- China launches a remote sensing satellite to carry out land surveys
- African and Western powers hold summit in Nigerian capital Abuja
- White House launches project to study microbes
- New York-based law firm hires 1st ever AI lawyer
- UNWTO and China to organize First World Conference on Tourism
- United States has activated a land-based missile defence station (Aegis Ashore Missile Defence System) in Deveselu, Romania.
- President Barack Obama criticises Trump's Muslims & wall policy
- Suicide bombing, claimed by IS, kills 37 police recruits in Yemen
- US Secretary of State John Kerry met Sunday with Saudi Arabia's King Salman for talks on the conflicts in Syria, Libya and Yemen.
- World-First Scanning Helium Microscope Built In Australia
- China launches Yaogan-30 remote sensing satellite to carry out land surveys
- India, US held first Maritime Security Dialogue
- British Royals launched Heads Together campaign to tackle stigma of mental health
- Apple CEO Tim Cook starts his much-anticipated India tour
- World's 'tallest' roller coaster opens in US
- Panama signs OECD tax information pact
- Italian Parliament approves same-sex civil unions
- United Nations released World Cities Report 2016 – Urbanisation and Development: Emerging Futures' report
- UNICEF and EU Launch #Emergency Lessons Campaign on Education in Crisis Zones
- Taj Mahal in top 5 tourist attractions in the world and Second position in Asia: Survey
- International Buddhist conference begins in Nepal to remember the Buddha Birthday Anniversary
- Beijing-New Delhi Yoga Conference opens in China
- World Bank announces pandemic insurance plan



- 27th India-Indonesia CORPAT concludes in Belawan
- India, Iran plan to revive age old friendship during PM Modi's visit to Tehran
- 6.1 magnitude earthquake hits Australia Mexican government approves extradition of drug lord Guzman to US
- G-7 summit 2016: Finance ministers discuss Chinese economy, oil prices
- US House of Representatives gave nod to bolster defence ties with India on par with NATO
- Taliban leader Mullah Akhtar Mansour killed in US drone attack in Pakistan
- 7 dead after volcano erupts in western Indonesia
- India pledges \$1 million for Afghan school
- India Hits Back China, Says No Need to Sign NPT for NSG membership
- First Metro Line to the Sea Opens in Los Angeles
- New poll shows Trump beating Clinton in general election
- Seoul calls for Pyongyang's denuclearisation stance before talks
- India, Thailand, Myanmar to be linked by highway
- Barack Obama announces full lifting of Vietnam arms embargo
- US lifts arms ban on old foe Vietnam as regional tensions simmer
- Switzerland to open world's longest and deepest train tunnel after 17 years
- EU releases \$28 million to help Greece handle refugee crisis
- World leaders join calls for improving global humanitarian situation
- London's Night Tube to start running from August
- Euro zone unlocks €10.3bn bailout loan for Greece
- Renewable energy employed 8.1 million in 2015: IRENA
- Murder of Congolese national: African countries want 'Africa Day' put off
- US lists 2 Pak-based groups as global terrorists
- World economy, terrorism take centre stage as G7 leaders meet in Japan
- UN chief Ban Ki-moon urges dialogue between North and South Korea
- China's service trade deficit narrows to \$20.3 bn in April
- G-7 leaders discuss terrorism, refugees and women related issues among others
- Donald Trump wins Republican nomination for US President
- Soft Bank president Nikesh Arora receives salary package of \$73 million in FY16
- SC Allows Italian Marine Salvatore Girone to go Home

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUICK RECAP – May 2016

- G7 nations to end fossil fuel subsidies by 2025
- India 2nd in initiating anti-dumping probes: WTO
- Sadhguru to lead yoga session at UN on 2nd International Yoga Day
- Australia removed from UN climate change report
- India, Australia sign MoU to enhance R&D capabilities in biotech
- Pakistan bans advertisements for contraceptives
- Maldives to achieve 3.5 per cent GDP growth this year, says IMF
- Former Argentine dictator jailed for 20 years
- Swiss mark the opening of the world's longest and deepest rail tunnel
- Iranians not to attend hajj in Saudi Arabia
- China to spend \$725 billion on rural connectivity
- Swiss town votes to pay \$292k to avoid refugees
- Taiwan's Problem Is the Economy, Not China
- Pakistani Singer Salma Agha to Get Overseas Citizen of India Card
- UK is world's most corrupt country: Mafia expert

### APPOINTMENTS:

- Ram Kumar leaves ICICI; Vijay Chandok made Executive Director
- Dilip Tuli appointed as Senior Vice President of Housing.com
- Ajay Mittal takes charge as I&B Secretary
- Rohit Sharma Signs as Brand Ambassador for Hublot Watches
- Vijay Mallya resigns from Rajya Sabha
- Practo hires former InMobi CFO Manish Dugar
- Indian American Sikh woman, Harmeet Kaur Dhillon, elected to key Republican position
- Sachin becomes Rio Olympics Goodwill Ambassador
- Kishore Biyani appointed as Managing Director of Bharti Retail
- Sameer Chadha appointed as Partner and CEO of KPMG India
- Ferrari names Fiat Chrysler's Sergio Marchionne chief as its CEO
- Ex-Villareal manager Jose Francisco Molina Jimenez appointed as Kolkata coach
- Vice Admiral Sunil Lanba to be Indian Navy chief

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUICK RECAP – May 2016

- Former TCS CFO Mahalingam is non-executive chairman of City Union Bank
- Oculus hires Fitbit's Hans Hartmann as new COO
- Mexican diplomat Patricia Espinosa selected as executive secretary of UNFCCC
- Turkish PM Ahmet Davutoglu to announce his resignation
- Dr. Radha Binod Barman Nominated as Chairperson of the National Statistical Commission
- Kumar Rajesh Chandra appointed Chief of Bureau of Civil Aviation Security
- Sudhir Yadav appointed as Tihar DG
- Enda Kenny re-elected as Prime Minister of Ireland
- Pakistan: Mickey Arthur succeeds Waqar Younis as head coach
- Sadiq Khan elected as first Muslim Mayor of London
- Indian-origin man Murali Pillai elected to Singapore Parliament
- Intex GM Deepak Kabu joins Ziox Mobiles as CEO
- Apple elevates Sanjay Kaul as new India head
- Ranglal Jamuda appointed Odisha food commission chairman
- Mrugank Paranjape took charge as MD and CEO of Multi Commodity Exchange
- Pondicherry University VC Chandra Krishnamurthy sends her resignation
- Senior advocate Atma Ram Nadkarni appointed Additional Solicitor General
- ICICI Prudential appoints Sankaran Naren as executive director
- Manohar elected first independent ICC Chairman
- Zidane named ambassador for Mumbai-based realtor
- New chief justices in Tripura, Chhattisgarh, Rajasthan
- AR Rahman named Goodwill Ambassador for Olympics
- Indian-American, Manjit Singh, appointed as member of President's Advisory Council on Faith-Based
- Government appoints four Supreme Court judges
- Pranav Pandya resigns from Rajya Sabha
- Anil Kumble retained ICC Cricket Committee head, Rahul Dravid made member
- Axis Bank appoints Sanjiv Misra as Non-Executive Chairman
- Justice Naveen Sinha sworn-in as CJ of Rajasthan HC
- Fatma Samoura named first female secretary general of FIFA
- Michel Temer takes over as Brazil interim Prez

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUICK RECAP – May 2016

- Google for Work head Amit Singh moves to VR unit
- SEBI approves appointment of Ashok Chawla as NSE chairman
- Hindupur Pradeep Rao appointed as Deputy Controller and Auditor General(CAG)
- Anil Kumble re-appointed ICC Cricket Committee chairman
- Justice Navin Sinha sworn in as Chief Justice of Rajasthan High Court
- Vaiphei sworn in as Chief Justice of Tripura HC
- Professor Dilip Chandra Nath assumed office as 6th VC of Assam University
- Tala Marandi appointed Jharkhand BJP chief
- Samajwadi Party nominates Amar Singh for Rajya Sabha
- 'Lady Singham' Manzil Saini becomes first woman SSP of Lucknow
- UN Secretary-General appoints Patricia Espinosa Cantellano Executive Secretary of UNFCCC
- Shell India Announces Nitin Prasad as New Head
- Barco Appoints Rajiv Bhalla as MD for India
- Nirankari mission gets its 1st woman head
- A V S Ramesh Chandra appointed as the next Ambassador of India to Romania
- Indian journalist Philip Abraham elected as Deputy Mayor in United Kingdom
- Wary China watches as Taiwan inaugurates first woman president
- Binali Yildirim set to be Turkey's new prime minister
- Sujoy Bose likely to be NIIF chief executive officer
- UN appoints Mary Robinson, Macharia Kamau as special envoys for El Nino, climate
- Ratan P Watal appointed as Niti Aayog's Principal Adviser
- Recep Erdogan loyalist to be appointed as Turkish Prime Minister
- Kumar Mishra Appointed as CCMB director
- Kiran Bedi appointed Lt Governor of Puducherry
- Anurag Thakur Becomes Youngest BCCI President, Shirke Is Secretary
- SarbanandaSonowal to Be Sworn in as Assam Chief Minister
- S K Sharma appointed CMD of Nuclear Power Corporation of India
- Pinarayi to take oath as Kerala CM
- Afghan Taliban appoint Mullah Haibatullah Akhundzada as new leader

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUICK RECAP – May 2016

- FreeCharge names Govind Rajan as CEO
- Lt General Saini new commandant of IMA
- Indian-American Appointed To Democratic Party's Policy Panel
- Mamata Banerjee sworn in as West Bengal CM 2nd consecutive time
- Baciro Dja was named as Guinea-Bissau's new prime minister
- Bangar appointed India coach for Zimbabwe tour
- Anantha Radhakrishnan is new MD of Infosys BPO
- Vice Admiral AR Karve takes charge of Southern Naval Command
- UIDAI SBI promotes eight CGMs to DMD rank ahead of merger with associate banks
- SurajitKarPurkayastha appointed new DGP in West Bengal
- Ashok Lavasa named the new Finance Secretary
- Sunil Lanba takes over as Chief of Naval Staff

### AWARDS AND HONOURS:

- Indian-American journalist Neela Banerjee felicitated with Edgar A Poe award
- IISc professor Sriram Ramaswamy became Royal Society Fellow
- Dharmendra, Jeetendra felicitated by Maharashtra NavNirman Sena (MNS)
- Vardy named Football Writers' Player of the Year
- BCCI nominates Virat Kohli for Khel Ratna award
- Amitabh, Kangana receive National Awards
- Pankaj Parakh from Maharashtra sets record for costliest gold shirt
- Agriculture project in Andhra Pradesh wins WSIS 2016 prize
- Swiss government honours Yash Chopra with statue
- The scientists and engineers of the LIGO Scientific Collaboration, who detected gravitational waves and reported their discovery in February, have been awarded a \$3 million Special Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics.
- Musician Angélique Kidjo and three African youth activist movements have been given Ambassador of Conscience Award 2016.
- President Pranab Mukherjee conferred the 15th set of Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO) Niryat Shree and Niryat Bandhu Awards in New Delhi.

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUICK RECAP – May 2016

- Indian Parashar Kulkarni in the first week of May 2016 won the Commonwealth Short Story Prize for 2016, for the Asia region.
- Corporation Bank gets “Excellence Award on Empowering MSMEs 2016”
- President presents Gallantry Awards and Distinguished Service Decorations to Defence personnel
- Nagaland police bags Smart Policing Award
- Mark Rylance and Suranne Jones received the leading actor and actress awards in BAFTA AWARDS 2016
- Indian scientist bags SGD 3 million grant from Singapore's NRF
- Priyanka in Millennial Leaders list by U.S. News
- NK Singh gets Japan's 2nd highest civilian award
- Priyanka most desirable woman of 2015: TOI poll
- Madhya Pradesh Tourism wins Best Indian Destination for Wildlife Award
- Obama honours Indian-American Teacher Revathi Balakrishnan
- Uttar Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir among Lonely Planet Travel Award winners
- Kerala bags LPMI's best family destination award
- Pizza Hut sets highest altitude delivery record
- Real Madrid most valuable football team: Forbes
- President gives away National Florence Nightingale Awards 2016
- Indian artist Anjali Chandrashekar wins award at UN poster contest on N-disarmament
- Rwanda cricket team captain, Eric Dusingizimana sets longest net session Guinness
- Guinness names 30-yr-old cat Scooter as 'Oldest living cat' Record
- Indian short film 'Beti' to be screened at Seattle International Film Festival
- UN to honour 4 Indian peacekeepers posthumously
- 1st Academy Awards ceremony was held 87 yrs ago
- Actress Celina Jaitley has been honoured with the Harvey Milk Award.
- Anjali Chandrashekar, an Indian comes 3rd in UN Poster for Peace contest
- S Korea's Han Kang wins Man Booker International
- Four Indian Peacekeepers, civilian to be honoured posthumously
- 'Prem Ratan Dhan Payo' (PRDP) named worst film at 2016 Ghanta Awards

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUICK RECAP – May 2016

- IIT-Kgp student bags European Materials Research Society Award
- Sonakshi Sinha gets 'The Angries' award
- Indian Based American scientist to receive National Medal of Science award from US President Barack Obama
- Indian-American Teen Syamantak Payra Wins Intel Young Scientist Award
- JK Rowling receives highest French civilian honour
- 116-yr-old Italian named oldest living person
- Baba Ramdev listed in most creative biz people
- Chinese policeman sets planking world record
- Indian-American Rakesh K Jain received US National Medal of Science 2015 from Barack Obama
- Indian-American Rupa Iyer awarded with Highest Teaching Award in US
- Sikkim CM PawanChamling conferred with Nepal's literary award
- Romanian CristianMungiu & France's Olivier Assayas share best director prize at Cannes
- Billboard Music Awards were presented at the T-Mobile Arena in Las Vegas:
- I, Daniel Blake won Palme d'Or at Cannes Film Festival
- Sikkim CM Pawan Chamling conferred with Nepal's Yugkavi Siddhicharan Prize
- Indian-American students sweep National Geographic Bee contest
- US biochemical engineer wins \$1.2 million technology prize
- 56 Indian companies on Forbes 'Global 2000' list
- Sunil Mittal gets highest Harvard B-School award
- Pakke Tiger Reserve in Arunachal Pradesh wins 2016 India Biodiversity Award
- Amateur Indian author's manuscript wins \$10,000 book award
- Telangana govt enters Limca Book of Records
- Indian-American scientist wins Springer Theses Award
- President Pranab Mukherjee to present MaltiGyanPeethPuraskars
- Ashrita Furman holds most Guinness World Records
- Virat Kohli named T20 Player of the year, Ashwin best bowler at Ceat Award event
- AR Rahman conferred Japan's Fukuoka Grand Prize

### BOOKS AND AUTHORS:

- Book on Param Vir Chakra winners launched
- The Drowned Detective by Neil Jordan
- No Time to Pause – book by Pavithra Ramesh
- Sania Mirza's autobiography to release in July
- Shashi Kapoor - the Householder, the Star authored by Aseem Chhabra released
- Chaos and Caliphate: Jihadis and the West in the Struggle for the Middle East by Patrick Cockburn
- President of India receives first copies of books “Tagore’s Vision of the Contemporary World” and “Tagore and Russia”

### BANKING:

- SIDBI signs MoU with SAARC Development Fund
- Government raises EPF interest rate to 8.8 pc for 2015-16
- SBI lowers lending rates by 5 bps to 9.15%
- Australia central bank cuts rates to record low
- The country’s largest bank State Bank of India has now launched ‘mVisa’, a mobile-based payments solution.
- ICICI Bank signed a MoU to establish a strategic partnership with the New Development Bank (NDB), a multilateral development bank established by the BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa) nations.
- Kotak Bank opens international unit in Gujarat’s GIFT City
- YES Bank gets SEBI nod to provide custodial services
- Federal Bank ties up with US based Payments Company for faster international remittances
- Asian Development Bank keen to raise lending to India to USD 3 billion
- Banks likely to cut loan rates by 0.5%
- IDBI Bank first state-run bank to open branch at IFSC
- RBI working on new system to make public the list of wilful defaulters, says Raghuram Rajan
- Saraswat Bank donates Rs 1 crore relief for drought in Maharashtra



## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUICK RECAP – May 2016

- SEBI plans training police on financial crimes
- Inoperative EPF accounts contain 43k crore
- South Indian Bank announces tie up with National Australian Bank
- Axis Bank may see Rs 9,000-cr provisioning over FY17-18
- RBI released draft guidelines for licensing of Universal Banks in Private Sector
- RBI to issue 1000 banknotes with inset letter R
- RBI cancelled Certificate of Registration of four NBFCs
- Kotak Mahindra Bank Chief Uday Kotak sole Indian on Forbes' most powerful list
- SEBI to tighten KYC, transfer norms for P-Notes
- RBI issues norms for branch offices by foreign entities
- ICICI launches country's 1st contactless credit card for SMEs
- Income Declaration Scheme for domestic black money to commence from June 01
- 5 banks led by Bank of Baroda post Rs 6,751-crore loss as bad loans mount
- Royal Bank of Scotland (RBS) to close retail banking operations in India
- HDFC Bank Ltd. launched SmartUp, a first-of-its-kind dedicated solution for start-ups in Kolkata.
- Tax disputes worth Rs.5.6L crore pending till Oct '15
- Indonesia bank allows loan repayment in trash
- RBI authorises 29 agency banks to accept payments of I-T dues
- IDFC Bank launches #IDFC Twitter Resume campaign on Twitter to find prospective employees, attract millennials
- DBS Bank to set up new technology hub in Hyderabad
- Nepal SBI Bank launches payment gateway
- SEBI tightens P-Note norms to check money laundering
- China policy bank to lend around \$458 billion for poverty reduction
- Andhra Bank to launch Bharat Bill Payment Service soon
- Bank plans to open 500 branches this fiscal
- India Post Payments Bank To Be Functional By March 2017
- Axis Bank ends 1%; to raise US\$ 500 million via green bonds
- AXA plans to stop investment in tobacco sector
- City Union Bank net profit rises 13 per cent

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUICK RECAP – May 2016

- Saudi Arabia to join Turkey, Indonesia to found Islamic finance infrastructure bank
- Bad loans drop further for Andhra Pradesh Grameena Vikas Bank
- US court tosses out \$1.3-billion penalty on Bank of America
- Modi's government's fix for banking: Cut number of public banks from 27 now to 6
- IndusInd Bank out, Bank of India to now settle tea e-auctions
- Mahindra drops plans to start payments bank
- Bank of India reports Rs.3,587 crore loss in Q4
- SEBI likely to delist 4,200 firms; warns erring promoters
- SBI net profit drops 66% to Rs1,264 crore in Q4
- HDFC among world's top 10 consumer financial services company
- The merger of State Bank of India and its five associate banks, along with the BharatiyaMahila Bank (BMB), will cost State Bank of India around Rs 3,000 crore
- IOB posts net loss of Rs.936 crore
- 'RBI to lower rates by another 50 bps in FY17'
- Public sector banks install 14k ATMs in 2015-16
- Central Bank posts Rs.898 crore loss
- SBI now also has the largest PoS network in India
- National Payments Corporation of India to launch credit card by year-end
- Yes Bank ties up with online payment solutions startup Click&pay
- 'GDP can rise by \$1tn over 100% internet access'
- No TDS for PF withdrawals up to Rs. 50k from June 1

### BUSINESS AND ECONOMY:

- ePaisa spins its digital wallets business into a new mobile application Master-Wallets
- Reliance Defence inks pact with 3 Ukrainian state firms
- India ranks on 5th Place in forge goods trade, China on Top in the list
- Paytm partners Wipro for Payments Bank
- Airtel, GBI announce partnership for West Asia
- Halliburton, Baker Hughes end \$28 billion merger deal

- IMF retains India growth forecast at 7.5% for 2016-17
- Zone Startups to launch accelerator for women entrepreneurs
- Apollo Hospitals signs MoU with Osler Health for research in chronic disease
- Reliance Defence gets 15 new defence licences
- Dell-EMC merger to be called Dell Technologies
- Realty firms to build IT-SEZ in Pune with 1k crore
- Uber lets Chinese users pay via Alipay globally
- Amazon surprises with new reef system
- Google to partner Fiat Chrysler for self-driving
- Reliance gets approval for Bangladesh power plant
- Jindal brothers sign 6,500 crore power deal
- CarDekho acquires virtual reality start up Volob Technologies
- India has secured ninth position in the 2016 Foreign Direct Investment Confidence Index.
- The National Stock Exchange (NSE) is all set to launch a new trade receivable and credit exchange platform for micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs).
- USFDA approves Aurobindo Pharma cholesterol drug
- Snapdeal acquires Targeting Mantra
- Titan to acquire e-jewellery store Carat Lane
- Flipkart to launch its own map services
- India ranks ninth among crony capitalist nations
- Snapdeal ties up with Urban Clap to offer personal services on its Android app
- Food grain output seen flat at 252.23 million tonnes this year
- Bombardier plans to invest Rs 230 crore in Gujarat unit
- Walmart sues Visa on PIN-based transactions
- Quikr acquires on-demand beauty startup Salosa
- On-demand truck platform Moovo acquires GoGoods
- Malaysian firm to buy 30% stake in GMR Energy
- Reliance Jio launches wallet service JioMoney
- Nalco signs MoU with BARC for research and development
- Gold-plated car worth \$1 Million displayed in Dubai
- On-demand driver startup DriversKart buys Driven

- Airtel launches 'Platinum 3G' in Assam
- Hero MotoCorp enters into motorcycle racing
- Retail inflation rises to 5.39% in April
- India's e-commerce tripled from 2010 to 2014
- India's 1st startup hostel launched in Bengaluru
- Alibaba, Softbank form cloud-computing venture "SB Cloud"
- India's GDP likely to expand by 7.7% in FY17: NCAER
- India 3rd in renewable energy attractiveness
- The Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) disbursed Rs.8, 200 crore as monthly pension and Rs.47,630 crore as member benefits in 2015-16.
- Reliance Communications makes payments easy
- Amazon may expand its new private-label goods
- Google may face record \$3.4 billion EU antitrust fine
- Nintendo CEO TatsumiKimishima has said that the video game company will release feature-length films in the near future.
- 8 Asia-Pacific low-cost airlines form alliance
- The Wholesale Price Index (WPI)inflation positive for 1st time in 18 months
- Facebook Messenger blocked in Saudi Arabia
- Mphasis partners Tone Tag for digital banking solutions
- Capgemini launches digital literacy centre in Navi Mumbai
- NTPC forms joint venture with Coal India
- Oracle's Catz becomes top-paid female exec in US
- Penguin brings mobile bookstore to India
- MakeMyTrip allows users to buy foreign currency
- Pfizer to buy Anacor Pharma in \$5.2 billion deal
- Ola signs MoU with govt. to benefit 'Safai Karamcharis'
- Oppenheimer Blue diamond sells for world record
- Dell raises \$20B in 2016's 2nd biggest bond sale
- Honda partners with IndusInd Bank for two wheeler financing
- Nomura exits mutual fund JV with LIC
- Ratan Tata invests in chatbot startup Niki.ai
- SEBI tightens P-Note norms to check money laundering

- ITC aims for 8 new food plants, to invest Rs 4,000 crore
- Samsung Electronics ties up with Alibaba Group holding to automate Alipay gateway
- Government to auction 2,000 megahertz of spectrum
- Nokia name to return to mobile phones after licensing deal
- GMR to invest Rs 471 crore to set up LNG terminal on east coast
- Pune is best value-for-money destination for five-star hotels in India: Report
- FPIs invest Rs.1.8k crore in equity markets in May
- Reliance Communications extends merger talks with Aircel
- Apple Opens Development Office for digital maps in Hyderabad:
- Google to set up Startup Incubator within Premises
- RBI Should Be Allowed To Take Its Own Decision: Raghuram Rajan
- 3D CAD firm Onshape launches its operations in India
- P2P lending website Faircent launches eSign facility with eMudhra
- PM Modi In Iran: 12 Agreements Signed, Including Chabahar Port
- US House of Representatives passes bill for greater defence ties with India
- India, Oman signed 4 MoUs/Agreements on defence cooperation
- Infosys bags 5-year deal from Commerce bank
- TinyOwl shuts operations in all cities except Mumbai
- Anand Mahindra invests in women's platform SheThePeople.TV
- Indian Economic Growth Seen At 7.8% In 2017: Deutsche Bank
- Facebook acquires VR audio startup Two Big Ears
- Mobile wallet companies Paytm, MobiKwik and Oxigen diversifying to combat UPI threat
- FDA cancels licences of 181 food joints in Thane
- NALCO signs MoU with Iran to set up smelter plant in Chabahar
- India, Iran and Afghanistan sign historic land transit trade agreement
- Electric announces deals worth over \$1.4 billion with Saudi Arabia
- Toyota invests in Uber to explore ride-sharing
- Lohia Auto Industries ties up with IndusInd Bank
- Auto posts 29% rise in profit to Rs.803 crore
- Amazon refunds policy change: Returns no longer possible for electronics

- HAL signs pact with BEL to develop airborne communication
- BHEL commissions 800 MW supercritical thermal unit in Karnataka
- EPFO doubles insurance for subscribers to Rs 6 lakh
- HFCL gets government loan waiver of over Rs 9,000 crore
- Cabinet approves 1st ever Capital Goods Policy
- Intel unveils new 'Digital India' initiatives
- Morgan Stanley cuts Flipkart valuation to \$9.4bn
- Fitch projects India's GDP growth at 8% by FY19
- Wipro CEO Neemuchwala earns Rs12 crore in first year
- RBL Bank to launch scheme for fintech entrepreneurs
- Ola launches luxury cars category in Mumbai
- Tata Group launches e-commerce platform
- Google wins \$9bn Java copyright case with Oracle
- Complaints against Snapdeal, Amazon ads upheld
- Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) pull out Rs.6k crore from debt markets in May
- Intel buys self-driving car tech startup Itseez
- Hyderabad Angels invests Rs 15 crore in 12 start-ups in 2015-16
- Freshdesk opens new office in Berlin
- Coal India increases coal prices by 6.29%
- Saudi best emerging market for deals: Citigroup
- Government to sell off 14 ITDC hotels
- ".game" domain officially opens for registration
- Sachin launches his clothing brand 'True Blue'
- FDI inflows rise 29 %
- SandeepGoyal raises Rs.100 crore for tech startups
- Flipkart starts zero-interest EMI on electronics
- DLF to sell 32 screens to PVR for Rs.433 crore
- BSE plans to sell up to 30% stake within 2016-17
- Snapdeal opens data sciences centre in the US
- ONGC Videsh Ltd (OVL) signs pact with SOCAR Trading for oil trading
- Railways to set up KalpanaChawla Chair with PEC university
- Homeland security dialogue: India, US likely to sign key agreements in July

- JICA extends Rs.1,548 cr loan for healthcare in TN

### SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY:

- Giant duck-billed dinosaur fossil in China sets world record
- Tech accelerator programme launched for women
- World's smallest thermometer created from DNA
- Astronomers discovered 3 Earth like planets using TRAPPIST telescope
- Myntra to relaunch desktop site on June 1
- US Navy tested world's largest unmanned surface vessel, Sea Hunter
- Scientists create world's smallest thermometer from DNA
- IBM starts free quantum computing cloud service
- Twitter launches first APAC business leadership summit in India:
- Gmail, Yahoo data among 'hundreds of millions' of hacked accounts on sale for \$1
- Google entered into a partnership with telecommunications major Idea Cellular to offer direct carrier billing in India.
- NASSCOM inks MoU with Facebook to develop a product design initiative
- Scientists launch tools to analyze online trends
- World's longest insect discovered in China
- Paytm now allows payment for vehicle parking
- MIT team creates paper-based test for Zika virus
- UK conducts 1st successful HIV organs transplant
- Robot to compete with Chinese students in exam
- NASA detects atomic oxygen in martian atmosphere
- SpaceX successfully launches Japanese JCSAT-14 Satellite
- Nike develops recovery chair for athletes
- Scientists develop second skin to reduce wrinkles, eye bags
- Flying Observatory SOFIA detects Atomic Oxygen in Martian Atmosphere
- Amazon launches its online video service
- Google launches free WiFi at 5 railway stations
- Infosys Foundation signs pact with IISER
- NASA's Kepler telescope finds largest trove of exoplanets

- Scientists develop second skin to reduce wrinkles, eye bags
- Google Translate enables translations in any app
- Samsung creates smart surfboard with LED display
- Instagram debuts new logo, redesigns app
- WhatsApp launches desktop app for Mac, Windows
- Opera launches power-saving mode for computers
- Scientists identify 12 million-year-old dog species
- World's oldest ground-edge stone axe found in Australia
- Google launches keyboard app with inbuilt search
- Indian Air Force (IAF) launches Electronic Maintenance Management System (e-MMS) Project
- IBM creates chemical to fight viral infections
- ISRO ex-chairman UR Rao becomes first Indian in International Astronautical Federation's 'Hall of Fame'
- ISRO set to undertake maiden launch of its own version of 'space shuttle'
- EasyJet launches GPS-enabled shoes
- Samsung launches 256 GB micro SD card at Rs.16,740
- Stable, synchronized 4-planet system discovered
- According to the latest data released by NASA, April 2016 is the hottest April ever on record.
- Turkey will help Pakistan to modernize its F-16 fleet at a cost of \$75 million, a senior Pakistan official claimed.
- India successfully tests Advanced Air Defence interceptor missile, Ashwin
- Ebola can persist 9 months after recovery: Study
- China launches remote sensing satellite
- Google launches group sharing app Spaces
- NASA launches super pressure balloon from New Zealand
- Twitter character limit may exclude photos, link
- India successfully test-fires Prithvi-II missile
- Apple announces startup accelerator in Bengaluru
- Google develops gigapixel 'Art Camera'
- IBM demonstrates improved Phase Change Memory



- World's first Zika virus clone developed
- Google announces Android VR platform 'Daydream'
- Google unveils communication apps Allo, Duo
- Google announces Android Wear 2.0
- HIFIRE hypersonic superjet technology successfully tested in Australia
- New method can generate electricity from seawater
- Impulse plane lands in Ohio
- Brazil startup makes face-controlled wheelchair
- US startup makes smart tea brewer 'Chime'
- Smart device turns any surface to remote control
- Jacket by Levi's, Google lets you Control Smartphones
- ISRO to test Reusable Launch Vehicle on Monday
- Nano-carrier can deliver drug to kill deadly brain tumour
- New findings to boost space weather forecast
- India Successfully Launches Its Own Space Shuttle
- India will produce supercomputers by 2017
- Indian Museum Galleries to Be Available Online via Google Cultural Institute
- Indigenously built INS Tarmugli commissioned in Indian Navy
- Scientist develops flying microrobots 'RoboBees' to help build better drones
- World's first 3D-printed building opens in Dubai
- Google aims to kill passwords by the end of this year
- India fifth largest producer of e-waste: study
- India and Russia agree to export Brahmos missile
- IAF successfully test fires unique Brahmos supersonic cruise missile
- New clock measures the second more accurately
- Indian Air Force successfully test fires Brahmos missile at Pokaran
- SpaceX completes 3rd successful landing at sea
- Microsoft, FB to build submarine cable system
- Doctors in Mathura perform first successful heart surgery on 9-month-old
- Government to cancel defence tenders of Finmeccanica
- UK based startup makes alarm clock that brews coffee
- ISRO to launch record 22 satellites in a mission

- Bengaluru launches 'Intelligent' app for buses
- World's fastest wearable circuits created
- New tech captures brain's activity in a snapshot
- China to launch world's 1st quantum satellite
- NASA successfully deploys BEAM, first inflatable room attached to International Space Station
- Manohar Parrikar inaugurates submarine assembly workshop in Mazgaon
- International Space Station's inflatable room successfully installed
- Manohar Parrikar inaugurates submarine assembly workshop in Mazgaon
- NASA successfully deploys space station's inflatable room

### SPORTS:

- Nico Rosberg takes pole at Russian Grand Prix
- Vijender Singh wins 5th straight pro boxing bout
- Indian team win one silver, two bronze in Archery World Cup
- BCCI announces resumption of bilateral cricket ties with West Indies
- Indian shooters bag 3 gold, 1 bronze ISSF Junior World Cup
- Nico Rosberg wins Russian Grand Prix
- Vikram Malhotra wins PSA 2016 Charlotte Open
- Pakistan Cricket Board to establish biomechanics facility in Pakistan
- Longest ever Snooker World Cup frame played
- Leicester City crowned Premier League champions
- India earn two Olympic weightlifting berths
- UK born New Zealand-based freediver William Trubridge creates 122 m freedive record on 1 breath
- Mark Selby of England won World Snooker Championship
- Seven Indian shuttlers qualify for Rio Olympics
- New Zealand top ICC T20I Rankings
- India slips to 4th spot in ICC ODI Rankings
- Indian batsman Rohit Sharma inaugurated India's first sports expo in Pune.
- Retired South African gloveman, Mark Boucher is all set to join the Kolkata Knight Riders as their new wicket-keeping consultant.

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUICK RECAP – May 2016

- Amoj pips Beant for 800m gold; Kiran, Subha win in 200m in 14<sup>th</sup> junior federation cup.
- Srikanth slips to World No. 12, Jwala-Ashwini rises to 14<sup>th</sup> in the latest BWF rankings.
- India finish fourth in junior shooting World Cup
- Cameroon Footballer Patrick Ekeng dies after collapsing on pitch
- Pakistan won 2016 Asia Kabaddi Championship Cup
- America's Tori Bowie runs fastest 100m of 2016 in Doha
- Indian women win bronze at Junior Shooting World Cup
- Sania Mirza-Martina Hingis to play for doubles title of Madrid Open
- India women wrestlers Vinesh Phogat, Sakshi Malik grab Rio 2016 berths
- Bayern Munich wins 4th straight Bundesliga title
- Djokovic beats Murray to win Madrid Masters
- Italian sprinter Giorgio Calcaterra wins Wings for Life World Run
- Alvarez knocks Amir out to retain boxing title
- Michel Platini to resign as UEFA President
- Sania-Hingis continue to lead Women's Doubles rankings
- Indian boxers fetch four medals from Asian Youth Championships
- Australian women cricketers raise \$4k for paralympians
- Rio-bound Indian athletes to get 3 lakh bonus
- Shashank Manohar resigns as BCCI President
- Ritu Rani, Raghunath & Dharamvir recommended for Arjuna Award
- Wrestlers Ravinder Khatri, Babita Kumari bag Rio Olympic berths
- Charlotte Edwards, England women's cricket captain, retires from international cricket
- Stephen Curry named NBA's Most Valuable Player for second straight year
- ICC lifts suspension on Sri Lankan wicket-keeper Kusal Perera
- London-based Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC) launches first Official Laws of Cricket app
- Wrestling: Sushil out; Narsingh to compete at Rio
- Vijender Singh registers his 6th successive victory in Super Middleweight contest
- FIFA lifts Indonesia's suspension

- Quadruple amputee to run TCS World 10K marathon
- Kohli launches Futsal talent hunt competition
- FC Barcelona crowned La Liga champions
- FIFA's auditing Head Scala resigns in protest against reforms
- Lewis Hamilton takes Spanish GP pole position
- Indian Women's Squash team won the silver medal at the 18th Asian Squash Championship in Taipei, after suffering a 0-2 defeat at the hands of the Malaysian Women's team.
- Scottish professional tennis player Andy Murray defeated Serbia's World number one Novak Djokovic 6-3, 6-3 to win his first Rome Masters title.
- Eighteen-year-old Max Verstappen became the youngest driver in F1 history to win a Grand Prix as he finished first at the Circuit de Barcelona-Catalunya.
- Top-ranked women's doubles pair of Sania Mirza and Martina Hingis rebounded from their last two final losses to clinch the International BNL d'Italia title in Rome.
- American professional tennis player, Serena Williams defeated compatriot Madison Keys 7-6(7-5), 6-3 on Sunday to win her fourth Rome Masters title and the first title in last nine months.
- Playing against the Kings XI Punjab, Sunrisers Hyderabad captain David Warner registered his 31st 50+ score, to overtake Gautam Gambhir (30) and Rohit Sharma (30) as the player with most 50+ scores in IPL.
- Olympics qualified sprinter, Sudha Singh set a new national record in the 3,000-meter steeplechase category by clocking 9 minutes and 26.55 seconds in the IAAF Diamond League race in Shanghai.
- Women Archers Deepika, Bombayla, Laxmirani named for 2016 Rio Olympics
- Justice Mukul Mudgal in FIFA governance committee
- Sevilla win 3rd consecutive Europa League title
- England cricketer Joe Root bags top three England cricket awards and awarded ODI Cricketer of the Year
- Indian women team to play Thailand in quarterfinals of Uber cup
- Women's relay team sets new national record
- Ella Mae Colbert, a 100-year-old retired South Carolina teacher set a new world record for the fastest 100-meter sprint by a 100-year-old
- Indian reach Uber Cup semis; guarantees medal

- Brother of Brussels bomber wins European Taekwondo title
- Fed Cup: Aizawl Football Club to take on Mohun Bagan in final
- Few Lodha panel recommendations not in the interest of BCCI, said Shashank Manohar
- Ashwin retains No. 2 spot in Test bowlers ranking
- Mohun Bagan win 14th Federation Cup title by thrashing Aizawl 5-0
- IPL 9: Gujarat Lions Outclass Mumbai Indians to Qualify For Play-Offs
- Sushila Chanu Pukhrambam to lead Indian women's hockey team in 4-nation event in Darwin
- Kohli fifty books No. 2 spot for RCB
- Boxer Pooja fails to qualify for Olympics
- Pankaj Advani Wins Asian 6-Red Snooker
- French Open: Australian Open champion Angelique Kerber knocked out in first round
- Chris Gayle Not Signed By Melbourne Renegades For 2016/17 Big Bash League
- Denmark bags Europe's maiden Thomas Cup title
- Rio Olympic medal winners to be considered for Khel Ratna, Arjuna award
- Squash players Dipika Pallikal, Joshna Chinappa enter quarters in Hong Kong
- AB de Villiers singlehandedly takes Royal Challengers Bangalore into IPL final
- 11 yrs since Liverpool's 'Miracle of Istanbul'
- Sonia Lather lone Indian boxer to reach semis of World Championships
- Disciplined Sunrisers Hyderabad knock KKR out, seal Qualifier 2 berth
- 17 years since Manchester United won their 2nd CL title
- Sonia Lather reaches Women's World Boxing final
- India claim silver in Asian Team Snooker Championships
- Rafael Nadal pulls out of French Open with wrist injury
- SRH beat Gujarat Lions to reach IPL final
- Sonia Lather wins silver at World Boxing C'ships
- Indian wins gold at French Open Athletics Championship
- The Board Of Control For Cricket In India (BCCI) to donate Rs.5 cr to disabled cricketers
- Paes-Hingis reach mixed doubles quarters

- Real Madrid wins its 11th Champions League title
- Australian tennis player Nick Kyrgios was handed a \$6,200 fine, the largest ever in French Open history.
- India only country to win 60, 50, 20-over Cricket World Cups
- Ricciardo earns first F1 pole at Monaco Grand Prix
- Mirza-Hingis crash out of French Open Round 3
- Sunrisers Hyderabad win their maiden IPL title
- Warner posts most 50s in a single edition of IPL
- Discus thrower Seema Punia qualifies for 2016 Rio Olympics
- Hamilton wins Monaco F1 Grand Prix
- Gurpreet Singh Sandhu becomes first Indian to play in top flight European League game
- Rajyavardhan's son wins Gold at shotgun event
- Cook youngest player to reach 10,000 Test runs
- Weir sets world record in 1-mile wheelchair race

### OBITUARY:

- Veteran RSS leader Balraj Madhok passes away
- Former J&K Congress minister Romesh Sharma passes away
- Nihal Bitla, who became face of progeria campaign in India, dies at 15
- Veteran politician Lisen passes away in Dimapur
- Australian TV producer Reg Grundy dies
- Pakistan human rights activist Khurram Zaki shot dead
- US actor William Schallert passes away
- Former MLA Rajeshwara Rao passes away
- Cricket commentator Tony Cozier dies aged 75
- Head of Sant Nirankari Mission passes away
- Praveen Rashtrapal, Congress member of Rajya Sabha, dies
- World's oldest person Susannah Mushatt Jones dies in New York aged 116
- Baba Hardev Singh, spiritual head of Sant Nirankari Mission, died in a road accident in Montreal, Canada.

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUICK RECAP – May 2016

- Indian-Origin Tamil Scholar, Author Cundasamy Kuppusami Dies At 103 In South Africa
- Former Test cricketer Deepak Shodhan passes away
- Andre Brahic, discoverer of Neptune's rings, dies
- Gujarat: Popular folk singer passes away at 75
- Morley Safer of "60 Minutes" dies at 84
- Emmy award winning actor Alan Young dies aged 96
- Beastie Boys original member John Berry dead at 52
- Canadian CBS News Reporter Morley Safer passes away
- CPM leader K Anirudhan dies
- Oldest Olympic champion Sandor Tarics dies
- Pink Panther star Burt Kwouk passes away
- Tamil Nadu: Newly elected AIADMK MLA passes away
- Actor Suresh Chatwal passes away in Mumbai
- Kannada writer Javare Gowda popularly known as 'De Ja Go' passes away
- BJP Leader and Former MP Rudra Madhab Ray Dead