



Important Weekly Current Affairs PDF Download 22nd to 31st December 2018

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Current Affairs: Important Days

Date	Important days	Theme
December 22	National Mathematics Day	-
December 23	Kisan Diwas or Farmer's Day	-
December 24	National Consumer Day	Timely Disposal of Consumer Complaints

Current Affairs: State

- The Karnataka State Cabinet approved a grant of Rs.8,037.87 crore for the development works in the city under the Chief Minister's Nava Bengaluru Scheme.

USEFUL INFO	
Karnataka CM	H.D.Kumarasamy
Governor	Vajubhaivala

- Odisha government today announced KrushakAssistanceforLivelihoodandIncomeAugmentation (KALIA) scheme for supporting small and marginal farmers and landless agricultural labourers in the state.

USEFUL INFO	
Odisha Capital	Bhubaneswar
CM	Naveen Patnaik
Governor	Ganeshi Lal

- Jharkhand Announces Rs. 2,250 Crore Scheme (MukhyaMantriKrishiYojana) to Help Farmers, The state government will give Rs. 5,000 per acre to 22.76 lakh medium and marginal farmers from the next financial year.

USEFUL INFO	
Jharkhand Capital	Ranchi
CM	Raghubar Das
Governor	Draupadi Murmu

- The President of India, Ram Nath Kovind, inaugurated the Centre of Excellence for Sickle Cell Anaemia, Thalassemia and Other Genetic Blood Disorders at the Prathima Institute of Medical Sciences in Karimnagar, Telangana

USEFUL INFO	
Telangana Capital	Hyderabad
CM	Chandrasekhar Rao
Governor	ESL Narashiman

- The Manipur Assembly has passed a bill which recommends life imprisonment for those involved in mob violence,

USEFUL INFO	
Manipur Capital	Imphal



CM	N Biren Singh
Governor	Najma Heptulla

6. Ross Island, Neil Island and Havelock Island in the Andaman and Nicobar, will be renamed as Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Island, ShaheedDweep and SwarajDweep respectively.

USEFUL INFO	
Andaman And Nicobar Capital	Port Blair
Governor	Admiral D K Joshi

7. PM Modi inaugurated India's longest rail-road bridge (Bogibeel Bridge) in Assam

USEFUL INFO	
Assam Capital	Dishpur
CM	Sarbananda Sonowal
Governor	Jagdish Mukhi

8. Uttar Pradesh Government to constitute board to discuss issues related to GST

USEFUL INFO	
Uttar Pradesh Capital	Lucknow
CM	Yogi Adithyanath
Governor	Ram Naik

9. The 5th Rajasthan International Film Festival organized by RIFF Film Club is going to be held from January 19th to 23rd, 2019 at Inox, Jaipur.

USEFUL INFO	
Rajasthan Capital	Jaipur
CM	Ashok Gehlot
Governor	Kalyan Singh

10. Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar announced to name all the Child Care Institutes being run in the state as 'Jagannath Ashrams.

USEFUL INFO	
Haryana Capital	Chandigarh
CM	Manohar lal Kathar
Governor	Satyadev Narayan Arya

11. Atal Ayushman Uttarakhand Yojana launched in Uttarakhand

USEFUL INFO	
Uttarakhand Capital	Dehradun
CM	Trivendra Singh Rawat
Governor	Baby Rani Maurya

12. Madhya Pradesh notified Kuno Wildlife Sanctuary as national park

USEFUL INFO	
Madhya Pradesh Capital	Bhopal
CM	Kamal Nath
Governor	Anandibenpatel

13. Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis launched the Bharat Ratna Atal Bihari Vajpayee International School on the occasion of 94th birth anniversary of the late prime minister



USEFUL INFO	
Maharashtra Capital	Mumbai
CM	Devendra Fadnavis
Governor	Chinamani Vidyasagar Rao

14. The unique Chapparam (Chariot) festival was celebrated with traditional rituals and festivities in the famous Madurai Meenakshi temple, in Tamil Nadu.

USEFUL INFO	
Tamil Nadu Capital	Chennai
CM	E. Palanisamy
Governor	Banwarilal Purohit

Current Affairs: National

1. The Centre has earmarked Rs. 300 crore for implementation of the upcoming National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) for financial year 2018-19 and 2019-20.
2. The government is considering an additional soft loan of Rs 7,400 crore to sugar mills for creating ethanol capacity under a recently launched scheme.
3. The government has mandated the use of smart prepaid electricity meters in the country beginning April next year, as it looks to complete the transition over the next three years.
4. Bhutan Prime Minister Lotay Tshering will be on a three-day visit to India

USEFUL INFO	
Bhutan Capital	Thimbu
Currency	Bhutanese ngultrum
PM	Lotay Tshering

4. All Indian airports set to install body scanners from 2019, The Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) is soon going to come out with technical specifications of these scanners.
5. The Centre has given an extension of six months to complete the ongoing exercise for updating the National Register of Citizens (NRC) in Assam by June 30.
6. The country's milk production is expected to surpass the 180-million tonne mark in the current financial year
7. The Union Cabinet approved Rs 10,000 crore budget for the proposed human spaceflight mission (Gaganyaan), ISRO's Gaganyaan will help India become the fourth nation to independently send humans to space.
8. Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced Rs. 4,500 crore financial assistance to Bhutan, for its 12th five year plan.
9. The mechanical branch of Central Railways' Nagpur division has introduced a new state-of-the-art technology called Automated Train Examination System (ATES) for the enhancement of train safety.
10. Prime Minister inaugurated the International Rice Research Institute's South Asia Regional Centre (ISARC) campus in Varanasi.
11. Union Petroleum Minister Dharmendra Pradhan launched the Ujjwala Sanitary Napkin initiative in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.

Current Affairs: International

1. The UAE will deposit \$3 billion (Dh11 billion) in the State Bank of Pakistan to support the country's financial and monetary policy.
2. Burundi declared the small central city of Gitega the country's new political capital

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USEFUL INFO	
Burundi Capital	Gitega and Bujumbura
Currency	Burundian franc
President	Pierre Nkurunziza

- China launched its first satellite as part of the Hongyun Project, a low-orbit broadband communication satellite system.
- Government extends ban on import of milk products from China for 4 months

USEFUL INFO	
China Capital	Beijing
Currency	Renminbi, Yuan
President	Xi Jinping

- The first meeting of the Follow-up Committee between India, Afghanistan and Iran held at the port city of Chabahar in Iran,
- Nepal imposed a monthly limit on the amount of Indian currency its citizen can spend in India, Nepali citizen would be unable to spend more than Rs.1 lakh per month.

USEFUL INFO	
Nepal Capital	Kathmandu
Currency	Nepalese rupee
PM	Khadga Prasad Oli

- Russia has successfully conducted its final test of a hypersonic glider capable of carrying nuclear warheads

USEFUL INFO	
Russia Capital	Moscow
Currency	Russian ruble
President	Vladimir Putin

- A Chinese space probe Chang'e-4 is moving into position to land on the dark side of the moon for the first time

USEFUL INFO	
China Capital	Beijing
Currency	Renminbi, Yuan
President	Xi Jinping

- Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina wins third straight term

USEFUL INFO	
Bangladesh Capital	Dhaka
Currency	Taka
Prime Minister	Sheikh Hasina

Current Affairs: Banking and Finance

- RBI has been decided in consultation with the Government of India to have a rule-based dynamic limit for outstanding stock of ECB at 6.5 per cent of GDP at current market prices,
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) launched 'Survey on Retail Payment Habits of Individuals (SRPHi) to capture payment habits of individuals in six cities, including four metropolitan towns.



3. According to the RBI Annual Report Trends and Progress of Banking in 2017-18, Banks have recovered Rs. 40,400 crore worth of bad loans through IBC, SARFAESI Act, debt recovery tribunals (DRTs) and LokAdalats in the fiscal ended 31 March 2018.

USEFUL INFO	
Reserve Bank of India Governor	Shaktikanta Das
Headquarters	Mumbai

4. Finance Minister Arun Jaitley said the government will infuse Rs 83,000 crore in public sector banks in the next few months of the current fiscal
5. Bandhan Bank is in talks with HDFC Ltd to buy its subsidiary GruhFinances, The deal will take Bandhan Bank's market capitalisation from Rs 63,000 crore to Rs 88,000 crore.
6. According to the RBI data The country's foreign exchange reserves declined by \$613.9 million to \$393.12 billion on account of a fall in foreign currency assets
7. Telecom regulator TRAI has imposed penalty of Rs 56 lakh on telecom operators in the first half of this year for failing to meet call drop benchmark
8. The Goods & Services Tax (GST) Council cut rates of 33 items from 18 per cent to 12 per cent and 5 per cent
9. The Reserve Bank of India has shortlisted six major IT companies, including TCS, Wipro and IBM India, to set up a wide-based digital Public Credit Registry (PCR) for capturing details of all borrowers and wilful defaulters
10. National Company Law Tribunal helps recover Rs. 800 bn in 2018
11. Prime Minister Narendra Modi released a Rs. 100 commemorative coin in the memory of the former premier Atal Bihari Vajpayee
12. State owned Punjab National Bank (PNB) has launched a special card for Kumbh Mela 2019

USEFUL INFO	
Punjab National Bank CEO	Sunil Mehta
Headquarters	New Delhi

13. Corporation Bank, Bank of India to resume lending from FY20 on pick-up in liquidity
14. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) will soon introduce Rs. 20 notes with additional features
15. The government is likely to infuse Rs 28,615 crore into seven public sector banks (PSBs) through recapitalisation bonds
16. According to the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion Foreign Direct Investment in the non-conventional energy sector totalled \$ 3,217.43 million in the April 2015 to June 2018 period.
17. Reserve Bank of India cleared a proposal to give existing Rs 1000-crore corpus to Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) for funding micro finance institutions (MFIs).
18. ICICI topped in list of banks penalising staff for fraud in 2015-2017

USEFUL INFO	
ICICI bank CEO	Sandeep Bakhshi
Headquarters	Mumbai

19. HDFC group surpassed Tata group in m-cap, becomes most valuable business house
20. ESAF Small Finance Bank Ltd has received the RBI's approval for inclusion in the second schedule of the RBI Act,

USEFUL INFO	
ESAF Small Finance Bank MD&CEO	K Paul Thomas



Headquarters	Thrissur , Kerala
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Current Affairs: Appointments

- Infosys announced that its Board of Directors has appointed Bharti Airtel Ltd's global CFO Nilanjan Roy as the chief financial officer (CFO) of the company, effective March 1, 2019

USEFUL INFO	
Infosys CEO	Salil Parekh
Headquarters	Bengaluru

- WV Raman, former India opener, has been appointed as the coach of the Indian women's team, He will take over the role from Ramesh Powar, who served on an interim basis

USEFUL INFO	
BCCI Chairman	Vinod Rai
Headquarters	Mumbai

- Harsh Vardhan Shringla appointed new Indian Ambassador to US, Shringla, a 1984-batch Indian Foreign Service diplomat will succeed Navtej Sarna. At present, Shringla is serving as Indian High Commissioner to Bangladesh.
- BVP Rao Elected as president of Archery Association of India, Earlier he served as vice president of the archery association of the northeastern state.
- Tata Coffee Executive Director and Deputy CEO Chacko Purackal Thomas has been promoted as the managing director and chief executive officer.
- Sangeeta Verma, a previous Indian Economic Service (IES) officer has joined the Competition Commission of India (CCI) as a member.
- P.V. Bharathi Appointed as MD & CEO Corporation Bank

USEFUL INFO	
Corporation Bank CEO	Jai Kumar Garg
Tagline	A Premier Public Sector Bank, Prosperity for all
Headquarters	Mangalore

- Dronacharya awardee C A Kuttappa has taken over as India's chief boxing coach
- Rajesh Subramaniam, an IIT-Bombay graduate from Thiruvananthapuram, has been named as the president and chief executive officer of US multinational courier delivery giant FedEx Express.
- Madagascar ex-leader Andry Rajoelina wins presidential Election

USEFUL INFO	
Madagascar Capital	Antananarivo
Currency	Malagasy ariary
President	Andry Rajoelina

- Air Marshal Rajeev Sachdeva takes over as Deputy Chief of Integrated Defence Staff
- Ambika Prasad Panda has been appointed as Chairman and Managing Director of South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL).

SECL Headquarters	Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh
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- Government has appointed Sudhir Bhargava as new Chief Information Commissioner

Current Affairs: Resignation

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1. United States Defence Secretary James Mattis resigned

USEFUL INFO	
US Capital	Washington DC
Currency	Dollar
President	Donald Trump

Current Affairs: Ranking

1. NITI Aayog to release SDG India Index - Baseline Report 2018, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala and Tamil Nadu and the Union Territories of Chandigarh and Pondicherry, are among the front-runners.
2. Andhra Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh were the top three performing states under the maternity benefit programme PradhanMantriMatruVandanaYojana.
3. Indian aviation sector retains highest Safety Audit Standard in 2018
4. Olympic silver medallist PV Sindhu has climbed 3 spots to Number 3 in the latest world badminton rankings
5. NITI Aayog released second Delta Ranking of Aspirational districts

Sector	Most improved district	Least improved district
Education	Virudhunagar (Tamil Nadu)	Pakur (Jharkhand)
Health and nutrition	Chitrakoot (Uttar Pradesh)	Chatra (Jharkhand)
Agriculture and water resources	Sitamarhi (Bihar)	Giridih (Jharkhand)

6. According to Gallup survey former President Barack Obama was named the Most Admired Man in America For the 11th year in a row,
7. According to the Public Enterprises Survey 2017-18 Indian Oil Corporation, ONGC and NTPC emerged as the top three most profitable PSUs in 2017-18.
8. FIFA rankings have been released;Belgiumwill end the year as No. 1 ahead of world champions France in the global rankings.

USEFUL INFO	
FIFA Headquarters	Zurich, Switzerland
President	Gianni Infantino

9. Union Minister Suresh Prabhu confers Skoch Golden Jubilee Challenger Award at the 55th Skoch Summit in New Delhi.

Current Affairs: Awards and Honours

1. Indian Railways bags 17 awards at the 'National Energy Conservation awards 2018,Transport category10 awards,Building category3 awards, Institution category4 award,
2. Rafi Award conferred to late music composer Laxmikant and singer Usha Timothy
3. Sitar player Manju Mehta has been conferred with the 'TansenSamman' for 2018 by the Madhya Pradesh government
4. Madhya Pradesh's DivyaPatidar Joshi crowned Mrs. India 2018 title
5. Croatia and Real Madrid midfielder Luka Modric has been named Balkan athlete of the year.
6. Manipur Chief Minister N Biren Singh conferred with the 'Champions of Change' award by Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu
7. Indian opener Smriti Mandhana was named the ICC Women's Cricketer of the Year as well as the ICC Women's ODI Player of the Year by the International Cricket Council (ICC)

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Current Affairs: MOU

1. The National Film Archives of India (NFAI) and the Film & Television Institute of India (FTII) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for transfer of three acres of land for the construction of a storage facility for films and film material.
2. The Minister of State (I/C) for Tourism K J Alphons handed over a Memorandum of Understanding to Resbird Technologies under the 'Adopt a Heritage' project for the development of a mobile audio guide application for five iconic sites.

Current Affairs: Summit and Conference

1. Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the 106th Indian Science Congress, The theme of the Summit is FUTURE INDIA – Science and Technology.
2. 12th Annual Indian Subcontinent Decision Sciences Institute (ISDSI) conference commenced in SPJIMR, Mumbai, The theme of Conference 'Data Driven Decision Making at the Digital Age'
3. 26th National Children's Science Congress held in Bhubaneswar, The theme of the NCSC this year — Science, Technology and Innovation for a Clean, Green and Healthy Nation.
4. 42nd Indian Social Science Congress Inaugurated At in Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology, Odisha

Current Affairs: Committee

1. BimalJalan to head expert panel on Economic Capital Framework

Current Affairs: Mobile App and Portal

1. The civil aviation ministry along with the Airport Authority of India launched an official mobile app named 'GAS2019'

Current Affairs: Defence

1. The Indian Coast Guard Ship (ICGS) Vikram is on a goodwill visit to the UAE, and will be conducting joint training exercises with the UAE Coast Guard.
2. Indian and Chinese troops concluded the seventh round of counter-terrorism military exercises 'Hand-in-Hand'

USEFUL INFO	
China Capital	Beijing
Currency	Renminbi, Yuan
President	Xi Jinping

3. India successfully test-fired its nuclear capable long range ballistic missile Agni-IV, with a strike range of 4,000km,
4. Indian Navy launched Information Fusion Centre to boost maritime security in the Indian Ocean Region (IOR)
5. A naval hospital ship, the INHS Sandhani, has been commissioned at Naval station Karanja in the Raigad district of Maharashtra.
6. Coast Guard deploys faster vessels for enhanced security in Sir Creek with Pakistan

Current Affairs: Sports

1. Real Madrid Defeated the Al Ain in the Club World Cup final to lift their third consecutive title.
2. Former Australian captain Ricky Ponting became the 25th player from his country to be inducted into the ICC hall of fame
3. Third edition of women's national boxing championships begins in Vijayanagara, Karnataka

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Current Affairs: Obituaries

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1.	DipaliBorthakur	
2.	NirupamSen	Veteran CPI(M) leader
3.	Jai Narain Prasad Nishad	Former Union minister and Janata Dal (United) leader
4.	NirendranathChakraborty	Bengali poet
5.	SulagittiNarasamma	social worker and Padma Shri awardee
6.	Hamidi Kashmiri	Urdu poet and former vice-chancellor of the University of Kashmir
7.	Amos Oz	Israel's most famous author
8.	MrinalSen	Bengali filmmaker
9.	Norman Gimbel	Oscar, Grammy-winning lyricist