



## **Important Weekly Current Affairs PDF Download 23rd to 30th April**

Dear Readers, Here we have given the list of Important Weekly Current Affairs 4<sup>th</sup> week of April 2018. Candidates those who are preparing for Upcoming LIC AAO/SBI PO/Clerk and other competitive exams can make use of it.

### **Current Affairs: Important Days**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Important days</b>	<b>Theme</b>
April 23	World Book and Copyright Day	-
April 24	National Panchayati Raj Day	-
April 24	International Day of Multilateralism and Diplomacy for Peace	-
April 25	World Malaria Day	Zero malaria starts with me
April 26	World Intellectual Property Day	“Reach for Gold: IP and Sports.”
April 24 - 30	World Immunization Week 2019	Protected Together: Vaccines Work
April 28	World Day for Safety and Health at Work	Safety and Health and the future of work
April 28	International Workers Memorial Day	Dangerous substances – get them out of the workplace
April 29	International Dance Day	-
April 30	Ayushman Bharat Diwas	-

### **Current Affairs: National**

1. Deposits in Jan Dhan bank accounts set to cross Rs. 1 lakh crore
2. The Finance Ministry has approved 8.65 per cent rate of interest on Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) for 2018-19
3. ICMR launches 'MERA India' to eliminate malaria from India by 2030
4. Government has hiked the customs duty on Wheat to 40 percent from 30 percent
5. Environmental Ministry forms panel under the chairmanship of its Secretary, C K Mishra for effective implementation of NCAP

### **Current Affairs: International**

1. The UAE's Cabinet has adopted a new 'National Artificial Intelligence Strategy 2031
2. The Foundation Stone Laying Ceremony (Shilanyas Vidhi) of the first traditional Hindu Mandir in Abu Dhabi

USEFUL INFO	
UAE Capital	Abu Dhabi
UAE Currency	Dirham
UAE Prime Minister	Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashed al-Maktoum

3. The world's first malaria vaccine has been launched in Malawi

USEFUL INFO	
Malawi Capital	Lilongwe



Malawi Currency	Malawian kwacha
Malawi President	Peter Mutharika

4. Indonesia released a special commemorative stamp on the theme of Ramayana

USEFUL INFO	
Indonesia Capital	Jakarta
Indonesia Currency	Indonesian rupiah
Indonesia President	Joko Widodo

5. Russia has successfully tested the world's first floating nuclear power plant

USEFUL INFO	
Russia Capital	Moscow
Russia Currency	Russian Rouble
Russia President	Vladimir Putin

6. Etihad becomes first major airline to fly plastic-free

USEFUL INFO	
UAE Capital	Abu Dhabi
UAE Currency	Dirham
UAE Prime Minister	Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashed al-Maktoum

7. Iran and Pakistan to set up joint border 'Reaction Force'

USEFUL INFO	
Iran Capital	Tehran
Currency	Iranian rial
President	Hassan Rouhani

8. World Health Organization issues first-ever screen time guidelines for young kids

USEFUL INFO	
World Health Organization Headquarters	Geneva, Switzerland
World Health Organization Director General	Tedros Adhanom

9. The second edition of Belt and Road Forum (BRF) was held in Beijing, China

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

## Current Affairs: Banking and Finance

- Kotak Bank launches debit card-based e-mandate on NPCI's API platform
- SBI General launches cyber defence insurance for businesses
- Government raises authorised capital of Allahabad Bank to Rs. 8,000 crore

USEFUL INFO	
Allahabad Bank Headquarters	Kolkata SS
Allahabad Bank CEO	Mallikarjuna Rao
Allahabad Bank Tagline	A Tradition of Trust

4. SBI announced the country's first 'Green Car Loan' (Electric Vehicle) to buy electric vehicles

USEFUL INFO	
State Bank of India Headquarters	Mumbai



State Bank of India Tagline	The Banker to every Indian
State Bank of India Chairperson	Rajnish Kumar

- RBI sells entire stake in NHB, NABARD to government for Rs. 1,470 crore
- RBI became the first APAC central bank to begin interest rate easing cycle
- Reserve Bank of India to introduce new Rs. 20 banknote
- RBI extends ombudsman scheme to non-deposit taking NBFCs

USEFUL INFO	
RBI Headquarters	Mumbai
RBI Governor	Shaktikant Das
RBI Deputy Governors	BP Kanungo, N S Vishwanathan, Viral Acharya and Mahesh Kumar Jain

- Canara Bank and Canara HSBC OBC Life launched 'Webassurance'

USEFUL INFO	
Canara Bank Headquarters	Bengaluru
Canara Bank Tagline	Together We Can
Canara Bank CEO	R. A. Shankara Narayan

## Current Affairs: Business

- Reliance retail has become the first Indian retail company to clock more than Rs. 1 lakh crore in annual revenues
- NCLT approves merger of IndusInd Bank with Bharat Financial Inclusion

USEFUL INFO	
IndusInd Bank Headquarters	Mumbai
IndusInd Bank CEO	Romesh Sobti
IndusInd Bank Tagline	We make you feel richer

- BuyUcoin Introduces first Indian platform for wholesale Cryptocurrency trading
- Microsoft becomes world's third company to be worth \$1 trillion
- Wipro acquires Philippines largest personal care company Splash Corporation

## Current Affairs: Ranking

- India was ranked at 19 out of 28 countries in Index of Cancer Preparedness (ICP) released by the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU)
- Arunachalam Muruganantham, the maker of low-cost sanitary napkins, in Fortune's list of world's greatest leaders

## Current Affairs: Appointments

Manish Maheshwari	Managing Director of Twitter, India
Volodymyr Zelensky	Ukrainian president
Ravi Shastri	Ras Al Khaimah Economic Zone (RAKEZ) Corporate Ambassador
Ex-army chief Dalbir Singh	India high commissioner to Seychelles



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Mini Ipe	First woman Zonal Manager of LIC
Javier Perez-Tasso	CEO of SWIFT
Dilip Kumar	Officer on Special Duty (OSD) in the office of Lokpal
Mr. Isac Doru	New Technical Director of All India Football Federation
Air Marshal Rakesh Kumar Singh Bhadauria	Vice Chief of Indian Air Force

### Current Affairs: Resignation

U K Varma	Assocham Secretary General
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### Current Affairs: Awards and Honours

Sunil Kumar	"Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant Award" for the year 2018-19 for his book "Samvidhan Kavya"
Cyril Almeida (Pakistani journalist)	World Press Freedom Hero award of The International Press Institute (IPI)
Benny Antony	National Intellectual Property Award for 2019 in the category of Top Individual for Patents and Commercialization
Rana Dasgupta	Rabindranath Tagore Literary Prize for his 2010 novel "Solo", a tale of estrangement and the ultimate failure of material existence
Jacques Kallis	Order of Ikhamanga in the Silver Division

### Helen, Salim Khan and Madhur Bhandarkar get Deenanath Mangeshkar award

- National Award-winning filmmaker Madhur Bhandarkar, popular scriptwriter Salim Khan and yesteryears dancing diva Helen were honoured with the prestigious Master Deenanath Mangeshkar Award at a ceremony
- For music and art - Classical dancer, Smt. Sucheta Bhide-Chapekar
  - Lifetime award (Jeevan Gaurav Puraskar) - Salim Khan
  - Special Award - Madhur Bhandarkar (for his contribution to Indian Cinema)
  - Special Award - Helen (for her contribution to Indian Cinema)
  - The Vagvilasini Award - Vasant Abaji Dahake (for Literature)
  - Mohan Wagh Award - Bhadrakali Productions "Soyare Sakal" (for Best Drama of the Year)
  - Anandmayee Puraskar - Pandit Suresh Talwalkar of Taalyogi Ashram (for espousing a social cause)

### Current Affairs: Summit and Conference

- India nominated as Guest of Honour at 29th Abu Dhabi International Book Fair
- ABU Media Summit on Climate Action and Disaster Preparedness began in Kathmandu
- Nirmala Sitharaman attends SCO conclave in Kyrgyzstan

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1. France launched government only chat app 'Tchap'

SEFUL INFO	
France Capital	Paris
France Currency	Euro, cfp franc
France President	Emmanuel Macron

### **Current Affairs: MOU**

1. TCS modernises 1.5 lakh post offices under multi-year deal with India Post
2. BSE ties up with Network Intelligence to provide security services

USEFUL INFO	
Bombay Stock Exchange Headquarters	Mumbai
Bombay Stock Exchange Chairperson	S. Ravi

3. Ministry of AYUSH was signed a MoU with Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR)
4. BEML ties-up with Syndicate Bank for financing of equipment

USEFUL INFO	
Syndicate Bank Headquarters	Manipal, Karnataka,
Syndicate Bank Tagline	Faithful Friendly.
Syndicate Bank MD & CEO	Mrutyunjay Mahapatra

5. Huawei and Infosys ink partnership pact for cloud computing business
6. Wirecard expands partnership with India's RBL Bank to promote financial inclusion
7. Aegon Life and MobiKwik launched a smart digital insurance product
8. HDFC Bank and Max Bupa launch AnyTimeHealth machines to distribute health insurance products

USEFUL INFO	
HDFC Bank Headquarters	Mumbai
HDFC Bank CEO	Aditya Puri

9. Indian Army signs MoU with NHPC for construction of tunnels on China, Pakistan borders
10. UNICEF and NITI Aayog tie up for children empowerment

### **Current Affairs: Defence**

1. INS Kolkata and Shakti are scheduled to participate in the International Fleet Review (IFR) in Qingdao, China
2. India hands over 100 motorized wheelchairs to Afghan National Army

USEFUL INFO	
Afghanistan Capital	Kabul
Afghanistan Currency	Afghani
Afghanistan President	Ashraf Ghani

3. INS Kolkata and INS Shakti reaches South Korea to participate in ADMM-Plus Maritime Security Exercise

### **Current Affairs: Sports**

1. International Association of Athletics Federation has banned former Olympic and World 1,500m champion Asbel Kiprop for four years
2. Fabio Fognini became the first Italian to win an ATP Masters 1000 title at the Rolex Monte



3. India's Bajrang Punia wins Gold in Asian Wrestling Championship
4. Jhulan Goswami was awarded the 'Best Sportsperson' award by the Calcutta Sports Journalists' Club
5. The 23rd edition of the Asian Athletics Championship concluded in Doha, Qatar.
6. The Badminton Asia Championships began at Wuhan in China
7. Pankaj Advani wins inaugural Asian Snooker Tour title
8. Stéphanie Frappart to become first female referee in France's top football league
9. Mercedes Valtteri Bottas won the Azerbaijan Grand Prix
10. Lionel Messi Becomes 1st Barcelona player to win 10 La Liga titles
11. Australia's Claire Polosak set to become first woman umpire to stand in men's ODI
12. Gaganjeet Bhullar won the outstanding achievement as a player award at the annual India Golf Industry Association (GIA) awards
13. Abhishek Verma wins Gold in 10m Air Pistol at ISSF World Cup event
14. Bajrang Punia to become first Indian wrestler to fight at New York's iconic Madison Square Garden
15. Dominic Thiem defeats Medvedev to win Barcelona Open
16. Petra Kvitova beats Anett Kontaveit to win Porsche Grand Prix

### Sharath Kamal wins sportsperson of year award

- Ace table tennis player A Sharath Kamal was honoured with the Sportsperson of the Year Award at the annual awards and scholarships function organised by the Tamil Nadu Sports Journalists' Association (TNSJA) and the India Cements.
- Legendary Indian tennis player Vijay Amritraj, former India leg-spinner V V Kumar and Asian Games gold medallist (200m) R Gnanasekaran were felicitated with the India Cements-TNSJA Lifetime Achievement awards.
- Coach of the year : R B RAMESH (chess coach)
- India Cements -TNSJA Team of the year 2018-19 : Tamil Nadu Women's Football team.
- India Cements -TNSJA Young Achiever of the year 2018-19 : P M Tabitha( athlete)
- India Cements -TNSJA Young Achiever of the year 2018-19 : D.Gukesh (world's second youngest Grand Master).

### Current Affairs: Obituaries

Person	Field
S. Muthiah	Writer, journalist and teacher
Terry Rawling	British film and sound editor
Negasso Gidada	Former Ethiopian president
Pungam Kannan	'Pele of Asia' Former Indian footballer
Chaudhary Vidyasagar	Former Himachal Pradesh minister