

Current Affairs for 1st & 2nd March, 2026

1. NAMASTE scheme is a joint initiative of which two ministries?

[A] Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment and Ministry of Finance

[B] Ministry of Rural Development and Ministry of Agriculture

[C] Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment and Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs

[D] Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of Agriculture

Correct Answer: C [Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment and Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs]

2. Which state government has launched the AI-based digital learning initiative 'Padhai with AI'?

[A] Punjab

[B] Haryana

[C] Gujarat

[D] Himachal Pradesh

Correct Answer: D [Himachal Pradesh]

3. Recently, the world's longest measured snake was confirmed by Guinness World Records from which country?

- [A] India
- [B] Philippines
- [C] Indonesia
- [D] Malaysia

Correct Answer: C [Indonesia]

4. Which state has become the second in India to publish a comprehensive state-level Bird Atlas?

- [A] Goa
- [B] Tamil Nadu
- [C] Karnataka
- [D] Maharashtra

Correct Answer: A [Goa]

5. Which country won the South Asian Football Federation (SAFF) Under-19 Women's Championship title 2026?

- [A] India
- [B] Bangladesh
- [C] Nepal
- [D] Sri Lanka

Correct Answer: A [India]

6. A new ant species named *Polyrhachis garbhangaensis* was discovered in which state?

- [A] Assam
- [B] Manipur
- [C] Nagaland
- [D] Mizoram

Correct Answer: A [Assam]

7. Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS) was established under which ministry?

- [A] Ministry of Science and Technology
- [B] Ministry of Earth Sciences
- [C] Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- [D] Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

Correct Answer: B [Ministry of Earth Sciences]

8. What is the name of the fellowship programme launched to strengthen India–Netherlands cooperation in hydrogen technologies?

- [A] Indo-Dutch Green Energy Mission
- [B] National Hydrogen Research Fellowship

[C] Global Hydrogen Academic Exchange Scheme

[D] India–Netherlands Hydrogen Fellowship Programme

Correct Answer: D [India–Netherlands Hydrogen Fellowship Programme]

19. Bastar Pandum festival is celebrated in which state?

[A] Chhattisgarh

[B] Himachal Pradesh

[C] Odisha

[D] Jharkhand

Correct Answer: A [Chhattisgarh]

10. What is the primary objective of the Kimberley Process?

[A] Eliminate trade in conflict diamonds

[B] Regulate global trade practices under the United Nations framework

[C] Promote sustainable mining standards across resource-rich countries

[D] None of the Above

Correct Answer: A [Eliminate trade in conflict diamonds]

11. Anganwadi Services, Poshan Abhiyaan and Scheme for Adolescent Girls have been subsumed under which umbrella mission?

- [A] Mission Shakti and Mission Vatsalya
- [B] Mission Poshan 2.0 and Mission Saksham
- [C] National Nutrition Mission and Mission Vatsalya
- [D] Mission Ayushman Bharat and Mission Shakti

Correct Answer: B [Mission Poshan 2.0 and Mission Saksham]

12. Which district of Uttar Pradesh has been selected for the construction of India's first dedicated Glass Museum?

- [A] Moradabad
- [B] Firozabad
- [C] Saharanpur
- [D] Aligarh

Correct Answer: B [Firozabad]

13. National Women's Day in India is observed every year on which day?

- [A] February 12
- [B] February 13

[C] February 14

[D] February 15

Correct Answer: B [February 13]

14. Which armed force is the host of International Military Adventure Challenge Cup (IMACC) 2026?

[A] Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP)

[B] Indian Coast Guard

[C] Indian Army

[D] Indian Air Force

Correct Answer: C [Indian Army]

15. Which organisation selected Astrome Technologies, Azista Industries and Dhruva Space to develop and test indigenous small satellite bus platforms?

[A] Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC)

[B] Indian National Space Promotion and Authorisation Centre (IN-SPACe)

[C] Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)

[D] Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)

Correct Answer: B [Indian National Space Promotion and Authorisation Centre (IN-SPACe)]

16. Papikonda National Park is located in which state?

- [A] Karnataka
- [B] Andhra Pradesh
- [C] Maharashtra
- [D] Gujarat

Correct Answer: B [Andhra Pradesh]

17. What is the IUCN conservation status of 'White-rumped vulture' that was recently seen in news?

- [A] Critically Endangered
- [B] Endangered
- [C] Vulnerable
- [D] Least concern

Correct Answer: A [Critically Endangered]

18. What is the rank of India in Henley Passport Index 2026?

- [A] 65th
- [B] 75th
- [C] 85th
- [D] 89th

Correct Answer: B [75th]

19. Where was inaugural United Nations Fellowship Training Programme on Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) Control held?

- [A] Pune, Maharashtra
- [B] Dehradun, Uttarakhand
- [C] Secunderabad, Telangana
- [D] Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh

Correct Answer: D [Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh]

20. Tulbul Navigation Barrage Project, that was recently seen in news, is located in which state/UT?

- [A] Uttarakhand
- [B] Jammu and Kashmir
- [C] Himachal Pradesh
- [D] Ladakh

Correct Answer: B [Jammu and Kashmir]