

## Current Affairs April 2016

### 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016

- Name of Asia's largest optical telescope unveiled by PM Narendra Modi in Nainital - ARIES
- First indigenously developed sonar dome of India was flagged off by - Defence Minister Manohar Parrikar
- Who has been appointed as PAC Chairperson of Telangana - J Geetha Reddy
- Which Minister has launched Phase I of Green Delhi initiative - Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal
- Which state assembly cleared amendments in Land Acquisition Act – Gujarat Assembly
- Which two countries signed MoU to provide 150 boats & fishing equipment to Mullaithivu fishermen – India & Sri Lanka

### 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2016

- Autism Awareness Day was observed across the globe on - 2nd April 2016
- Babu Bharadwaj passed away, he was a - Well-known writer and journalist
- What is the name of the Egyptian author-journalist who is going to receive PEN Award – Ahmed Naji
- Union Government notifies which new rules in 2016 – Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules

### 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2016

- Which organization signed MoU to strengthen business ties with FICCI - AIBC
- Who has won Silver at Asian/Oceania Qualifying event in China – Shiva Thapa
- Which organization acquired UPI-based payments start-up PhonePe – Flipkart

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#### 4<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- PM Narendra Modi returns after visit of which three Nation tour – Belgium, United States and Saudi Arabia
- Who has won 2016 Bahrain Grand Prix - Nico Rosberg
- Which Two UN Agencies have released Global Report on Urban Health – WHO & UN-Habitat
- Who took oath as first woman Chief Minister of Jammu & Kashmir - Mehbooba Mufti

#### 5<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- Who presented National Geoscience Awards 2014 - President Pranab Mukherjee
- Who says keeping a criminal caspending is violation of Article 21 of Constitution - Delhi HC
- Which fastest train of India flagged off - Gatimaan Express
- World T20 men and women teams of the tournament announced by – ICC
- Who is elevated as a new Managing Director of GoAir - Wolfgang Prock-Schauer
- India's first Aadhar enabled ATM launched by which bank – DCB Bank

#### 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- First Bi-Monthly Monetary Policy Statement 2016-17 released by – RBI
- Using a DNA Molecule who made the smallest diode – Researchers
- Eco-friendly nanotechnology for water purification developed by - Indian scientists
- Which country launched SJ-10 retrievable space science probe – China
- Myanmar Parliament approved Bill to grant PM-like role to whom - Aung San Suu Kyi
- Which state of India imposed complete ban on alcohol sales - Bihar

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### 7<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- Which project Union Cabinet approved to implement - National Hydrology Project
- WHO released Global Report on – Diabetes
- Who is appointed as Chairman for NASSCOM for 2016-2017 - CP Gurnani
- Who is named as Iceland Prime Minister - Sigurdur Ingi Johannsson
- Odisha Government has launched which project - Adarsh Vidyalaya Project

### 8<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- Which day is celebrated on 8th April - International Roma Day
- In which country 400-year-old Shakespeare's 'First Folio' has been found – Scotland
- Who took over as Chairman of Central Administrative Tribunal - Justice (retd) Permod Kohli
- Asia's 50 Power Businesswomen 2016 list released by – Forbes
- Who has been approved by Vietnam Parliament as Prime Minister - Nguyen Xuan Phuc
- Which actor of bollywood launched a book "The Kiss of Life" - Emraan Hashmi

### 9<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- Mother Teresa conferred with which award posthumously in UK - Founders Award
- Which company successfully landed its rocket on a floating drone ship for the first time – SpaceX
- In which state North East-ASEAN Business Summit concluded – Imphal
- Which two countries agreed to build a bridge across Red Sea - Saudi Arabia & Egypt
- Coca-Cola World Rankings 2016 released by – FIFA

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### 10<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- Which state government appointed two-member inquiry panel to probe into Jat quota stir - Haryana Government
- Sajibu Cheiraoba celebrated with religious fervor in which state – Manipur
- Which state became the first state to bring and pass a land title bill – Rajasthan
- Union Government approved which project for Gurgaon - Metro Pod Taxi

### 11<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- Which Government announced to reserve 2 percent employment for meritorious sportspersons - Jharkhand Government
- In which country UN-backed ceasefire came into force - Yemen
- Who won 2016 US Masters golf championship - Danny Willett
- Lamborghini appointed whom as Head of India Operations - Sharad Agarwal
- In which place of Kerala fire accident took place - Puttingal Temple

### 12<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- According to Wildlife Groups which animal population has gone up worldwide: Tiger Population
- Union Government signed which player to endorse 'I Support Skill India' campaign - Sachin Tendulkar
- Scientists discovered way to forecast what – Earthquakes
- Chinese researchers introduced what to develop all-weather solar cell – Graphene
- India celebrates which day on 10 April 2016 - World Homoeopathy Day
- Indus Towers appoints whom as CFO – Hemant Kumar Ruia

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### 13<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- Which company in India became first to implement 85% pictorial health warnings - Golden Tobacco Ltd
- Who approved India to sign MoU with UAE to prevent and combat of Human Trafficking - Union Cabinet
- Which poet is selected for Saraswati Samman 2015 - Padma Sachdev
- Who won Hilton Asian Tour Golfer of the Month for March - Shiv Chawrasia
- Which bank gave in-principle approval to Airtel payments bank – RBI
- Haryana government renames Gurgaon as - Gurugram

### 14<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- PM Modi launched which campaign on Dr. Ambedkar's birth anniversary - Gram Uday Se Bharat Uday Abhiyan
- Who took over Tapti gas field infrastructure to boost Daman gas Production – ONGC
- Which undersea ballistic missile successfully test fired from INS Arihant - Nuclear-capable K-4
- Which mission is launched by Maharashtra CM Fadnavis – Mission Drinking Water

### 15<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- Maritime India Summit 2016 was inaugurated by - PM Narendra Modi
- Who was appointed as new President of IGNCA Trust - Ram Bahadur Rai
- Who was appointed as chairperson of National Monument Authority - Susmita Pande
- National Agriculture Market portal eNAM was launched by - PM Narendra Modi
- India signed MoU with which country for cooperation and mutual assistance in development of Ports - South Korea

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## 16<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- G20 Countries seek to crackdown on - Tax Havens & Terror
- Which state ranked 44th among world's 50 Future-ready Cities – Delhi
- Which state government launched Bhimrao Ambedkar Awas Yojana for widows - Jharkhand Government
- Panagarh airbase renamed after which former IAF chief - Arjan Singh
- What is the name of the Malian photographer who died recently - Malick Sidibe

## 17<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- Who launched free WiFi service at Bhubaneswar Railway station - Google, RailTel
- Delhi Government launches Phase 2 of which scheme - Odd-Even
- Who revoked accreditation of Moscow Antidoping Center – WADA
- In which state Indian Army conducted Shatrujeet battle exercise – Rajasthan

## 18<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- Who became first Indian woman gymnast to qualify for Olympics - Dipa Karmakar
- Which three countries finalize draft of Chabahar Trilateral Agreement on Transport and Transit Corridors - India, Afghanistan and Iran
- Which country won 2016 Sultan Azlan Shah Hockey Tournament – Australia
- Which New Development Bank approves first loans for renewable energy projects – The BRICS
- Who won 2016 Formula 1 Pirelli Chinese Grand Prix - Nico Rosberg

## 19<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- Name of two players who won Laureus World Sportsman and Sportswoman of the Year award - Novak Djokovic, Serena Williams
- Which bank group is going to Invest 2.5 Billion US Dollars in Education Projects benefiting Adolescent Girls - World Bank Group
- Union Government released Commemorative Coin and Circulation Coin on - Tatya Tope

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- In which country the 13th Islamic Summit Conference concluded – Istanbul
- Who is appointed as Pakistan chief selector - Inzamam-ul-Haq
- Maharashtra to use which to check spurious liquor - Hologram Technique

#### 20<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- Author of "The Making of India: The Untold Story of British Enterprises" - Kartar Lalvani
- Name of Chinese professor who was honoured with George Grierson prize for promoting Hindi - Ge Fuping
- Rank of India in World Press Freedom Index is - 133rd
- Which two companies signed agreement to install energy storage project in Haryana - Panasonic and US-based AES
- From India who was promoted as International Umpire by International Hockey Federation - Durga Thakur

#### 21<sup>st</sup> April 2016

- Union Government merged which Abhiyan with Khelo India - Rajiv Gandhi Khel Abhiyaan
- UN, IMF, World Bank and OECD formed Platform for Collaboration on – Tax
- Which bank became first private sector bank to open dedicated branch for Start-ups in India - RBL Bank
- Between which two countries Union Cabinet approved MoU on Technical Cooperation - India and Bhutan

#### 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2016

- Who inaugurated 10th Civil Services Day - PM Narendra Modi
- On 22 April 2016 which day is observed across the world - International Mother Earth Day

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- According to WHO which country has become world's first region to end malaria – Europe
- Union Commerce Ministry launches what for Start-Ups - Twitter Seva
- ISRO Scientists made what to keep soldiers warm in Siachen - Silica Aerogel
- BCCI appointed whom as its CEO – Rahul Johri

### 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2016

- Who nominated 6 eminent members to Rajya Sabha – President Pranab Mukherjee
- 175 nations sign which historic agreement on Earth Day - Paris Climate Agreement
- Who is appointed as FTII Director - Bhupendra Kainthola
- Which company became first Indian company to join EP100 campaign – Mahindra
- India ratified Trade Facilitation Agreement of - WTO
- Who released list of 100 most influential people in the world - Time Magazine
- Which Hollywood movie director died - Guy Hamilton
- Uttarakhand High Court quashed imposition of which rule in the State - President' Rule
- Who is elected as Chadian President for the fifth time - Idriss Deby
- Which anti-slavery activist become first African-American to appear on US paper currency - Harriet Tubman

### 24<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- By which year Union Government constituted panel to double farmers' income – 2022
- Which country successfully tested its first stealth fighter X-2 jet – Japan
- Which bollywood actress won best actress award for 'Madly' at Tribeca Film Fest 2016 - Radhika Apte
- Which two countries launch \$1 Trillion Potential Solar Programme under ISA - India, France

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- India's which first online interactive heritage portal has been launched – Sahapedia
- Union Government notifies new rules to revamp which act - SC/ST Act

#### 25<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- World Malaria Day 2016 observed with what theme - End Malaria For Good
- Which tennis player won 2016 Barcelona Open – Rafael Nadal
- Andhra Pradesh CM inaugurated interim Secretariat complex in - Amaravat
- Full Pink Moon seen across the skies of which country - North America
- World Immunization Week 2016 organised which campaign - Close the immunization gap

#### 26<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- Union Government to provide 1 lakh Rupees per month to - Rio-bound Athletes
- On 26 April 2016 which day is observed globally - World Intellectual Property Day
- Union Government constitutes which committee for doubling farmers' income by 2022 - Ashok Dalwai Committee
- Which two player named FPAI Player of the Year - Mohun Bagan, Jeje Lalpekhlua
- Which country will host 2018 Commonwealth Judo Championships - India
- Banharn Silpa-archa who died recently was the former Prime Minister of which country – Thailand
- In which state BPCL got environmental clearance for 694 crore rupees LPG project - West Bengal

#### 27<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- Who is re-elected as PM of Tibetan Government-in-exile - Lobsang Sangey
- Union Government makes what compulsory in all mobiles - Panic Button, GPS
- Fire destroyed Delhi's National Museum of - Natural History
- Who suggests fine/jail for Celebrities of Misleading Ads - Parliament Panel
- According to Nomura, which country may surpass China in attracting FDI – India

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- In which state of India Heart of Asia conference begins - New Delhi
- Who became first non-cricketer to become a member of CCI's Legend Club - Nandu Natekar

#### 28<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- ISRO's which seventh navigational satellite has been launched - IRNSS 1G
- Which player equals world record in recurve event at Archery World Cup - Deepika Kumari
- On 28 April 2016 which day is observed globally - World Day for Safety and Health at Work
- Union Cabinet approved Investment enhancement by BPCL in - Bharat Oman Refineries Limited
- Who recalled as Sri Lanka's cricket chief selector – Sanath Jayasurya
- Which country has successfully launched Kunpeng-1B Sounding Rocket - China
- Which Aayog launched urban management programme for capacity building of states and urban local bodies - NITI Aayog
- What is the name of the Kerala cartoonist who passed away recently - V T Thomas

#### 29<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- Which senior IPS officer has been appointed as DG of Railways Protection Force - Surender Kumar Bhagat
- Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order (Amendment) Bill, 2016 was passed by - Rajya Sabha
- Mobile app e-voter for Kerala assembly polls was launched by – Election Commission
- Which two Indian Naval Ships decommissioned – Veer, Nipat
- Who passed the Industries (Development and Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2015 - Rajya Sabha
- Which player is confirmed as New Zealand test cricket captain - Kane Williamson
- Which Chief Minister inaugurated 100 rural drinking water projects - Naveen Patnaik

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30<sup>th</sup> April 2016

- Union Power Minister Piyush Goyal launched which scheme in Madhya Pradesh - UJALA Scheme
- World's first graphene electronic paper is developed by - China
- Which state government announced 10 percent reservation for EBCs in general category - Gujarat government
- Who partners with Germany for food security initiative – NABARD

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