

# DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS

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#### **NATIONAL AFFAIRS**

1. Union Minister Dr. Virendra Kumar Khatik Launches Vriddha Mitra Toolkit and 2nd Edition of Shrinkhala Talk Series.



In September 2025, Union Minister Dr. Virendra Kumar Khatik, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (MSJE), recently launched two flagship initiatives of the Department of Social Justice and Empowerment (DoSJE) – the 'Vriddha Mitra Toolkit' under the SAHAJ program and the 2nd edition of the Shrinkhala Talk Series – at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre, New Delhi, to strengthen community-based elder care.

- The Vriddha Mitra Toolkit, a flagship program of the Society of Community Health Oriented Operational Links (SCHOOL), supports Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 3 Good Health and Wellbeing and serves as a comprehensive resource for community-based elder-care.
- It is designed as a user-friendly tool to assist senior citizens, government officials, and social sector representatives in implementing effective community elder-care initiatives.
- The toolkit bridges policy and practice, fostering grassroots action and stakeholder

collaboration to ensure senior citizens' wellbeing is prioritized in community programs.

# **Key Points:-**

- (i) The Supportive Action for Healthy Aging in the Community (SAHAJ), launched by MSJE in 2024, promotes active participation of senior citizens and enhances their overall health and well-being.
- (ii) Launched in 2024 with the theme "Ageing with Dignity," the Shrinkhala Talk Series provides a platform for policymakers, citizens, and thought leaders to discuss challenges faced by senior citizens and share innovative elder-care models.
- (iii) The 2025 edition, themed '(HUM) Anubhav aur Ustaah ka Sangam,' focused on real-life stories and community models of senior citizens, promoting actionable solutions and collective responsibility in elder-care.
- 2. 28th National Conference on e-Governance 2025 Held in Visakhapatnam.



The 28th National Conference on e-Governance (NCeG) 2025 was held from 22–23 September in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh, under the theme "Viksit Bharat: Civil Service and Digital Transformation." The





two-day event highlighted India's digital governance roadmap and concluded with the adoption of the Visakhapatnam Declaration.

- The conference was co-hosted by the Department of Administrative Reforms & Public Grievances (DARPG), Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY), and the Government of Andhra Pradesh.
- The event was inaugurated by Dr. Jitendra Singh, Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for MoPPG&P, along with N. Chandrababu Naidu, Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh.
- The central theme for NCeG 2025 was "Viksit Bharat: Civil Service and Digital Transformation," focusing on strengthening digital governance and future-ready civil services.

### **Key Points:-**

- (i) Union MoS Dr. Jitendra Singh conferred the National Awards for e-Governance (NAeG) 2025, recognizing 19 initiatives with 10 Gold, 6 Silver, and 3 Jury Awards across 6 categories, awarded to central, state, district authorities, gram panchayats, and academic institutions.
- (ii) The conference concluded with the adoption of the Visakhapatnam Declaration, presenting a forward-looking roadmap for India's digital transformation and inclusive e-Governance.
- 3. Union Minister Prahlad Joshi and Maharashtra CM Devendra Fadnavis Inaugurate AIIFA Steelex 2025 and 37th National Conference on Sustainable Steel in Mumbai.



Union Minister Prahlad Joshi, overseeing the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) and Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (MoCAF&PD), with Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis, inaugurated the All India Induction Furnaces Association (AIIFA) Steelex 2025 also known Steel Mahakumbh. and the 37th National Conference on Sustainable Steel at the Exhibition Centre, Bombay Mumbai. Maharashtra. emphasizing sustainable growth in India's steel sector.

- AIIFA Steelex 2025, themed "A STEEL MAHAKUMBH One Industry, One Destination," was held from September 19 to 20, 2025, focusing on uniting the steel industry under sustainable and modern practices.
- The event was organized by the AIIFA Sustainable Steel Manufacturers Association with SMAM, supported by the Ministry of Steel (MoS) and UNDP, highlighting government and international backing for sustainable steel.

#### **Key Points:-**

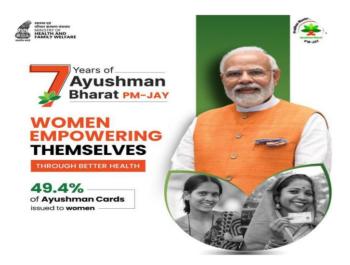
(i) During the inauguration, Union Minister Prahlad Joshi and CM Devendra Fadnavis unveiled the Green Certificate for sustainable steel practices and the official event souvenir, promoting recognition of





environmentally responsible steel production.

- (ii) Maharashtra CM Devendra Fadnavis announced plans to develop Gadchiroli as India's new steel city, focusing on large-scale industrial investments, infrastructure development, and community-centered initiatives to boost regional economic growth.
- (iii) The Government of Maharashtra signed nine Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) worth Rs. 80,962 crores for diverse industrial projects, reinforcing the state's commitment to expanding its steel sector and creating employment opportunities.
- 4. Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana Completes Seven Years, Revolutionizing Healthcare in India.



Ayushman Bharat – Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY), the world's largest government-funded health assurance scheme, recently completed seven years since its launch in September 2018 from Ranchi. The scheme has revolutionized healthcare in India, benefiting over 55 crore individuals and strengthening universal health coverage.

- PMJAY provides ₹5 lakh annual health cover per family, enabling cashless and paperless treatment nationwide. The scheme currently covers 12 crore families, including ASHA (Accredited Social Health Activist) workers, anganwadi workers, senior citizens above 70 years, and nearly one crore gig and platform workers.
- Over 10.30 crore hospital admissions have been authorized under PMJAY, translating into more than ₹1.48 lakh crore worth of cashless care, significantly reducing out-of-pocket expenses for patients across India.
- The beneficiary base was expanded in 2022 to cover 12 crore families. In 2024, ASHA workers, anganwadi workers, and their families were included. From October 2024, senior citizens above 70 years were brought under universal coverage through the Ayushman Vay Vandana Card.

#### **Key Points:-**

- (i) More than 1.8 lakh Ayushman Arogya Mandirs (hospitals) are operational across India, providing safe, reliable, and dignified medical services, enhancing access to healthcare for millions of citizens.
- (ii) Prime Minister Narendra Modi stated that Ayushman Bharat has triggered a revolution in public healthcare, ensuring financial protection, dignity, and universal health coverage. He emphasized the role of scale, compassion, and technology in empowering citizens.
- (iii) Sharing an article by Union Health Minister Jagat Prakash Nadda, Mr Modi highlighted how PMJAY has transformed into a people's movement for universal health coverage, standing as a testament to the government's commitment to providing





top-quality, affordable healthcare and protecting every citizen's health.

5. Goldman Sachs Adds IIM Ahmedabad and IIM Lucknow as Academic Partners for 10,000 Women Programme.



In September 2025, Goldman Sachs, an investment banking company. recently "Goldman Sachs expanded its 10.000 Women" initiative in India by adding Indian Institute of Management (IIM)-Ahmedabad **IIM-Lucknow** (Gujarat) and Enterprise Incubation Centre (IIM-L EIC) (Uttar Pradesh, UP) as new academic partners to strengthen support for women entrepreneurs.

- The Nadathur S Raghavan Centre for Entrepreneurial Learning (NSRCEL), IIM Bangalore (Karnataka), has been a partner of the programme since 2008. With the new additions, the initiative now operates with three academic partners in India.
- The initiative aims to graduate 1,000 women entrepreneurs by 2026 and expand its participants from 3,800 to 10,000 by 2033, aligning with the Government of India (GoI)'s "Viksit Bharat 2047" vision for women's economic empowerment and inclusive growth.

 The initiative provides business education, mentoring, networking, and access to capital to support women entrepreneurs in building sustainable businesses.

#### **Key Points:-**

- (i) In India, training is offered through academic partners such as IIM Ahmedabad, IIM Lucknow, NSRCEL (IIM Bangalore), and online platforms like Coursera, making the programme accessible to participants worldwide.
- (ii) By expanding academic partnerships and offering comprehensive support, the programme seeks to significantly enhance women's participation in entrepreneurship, fostering inclusive growth and economic empowerment across India.
- 6. Union Minister Dharmendra Pradhan Launches Viksit Bharat Buildathon 2025 for School Students.



In September 2025, Union Minister Dharmendra Pradhan, Ministry of Education (MoE), recently launched the 'Viksit Bharat Buildathon 2025', a nationwide innovation movement designed to engage students across schools in India. During the event, he





also unveiled the official jingle and logo of the initiative.

• Viksit Bharat Buildathon 2025 is India's largest school hackathon, promoting grassroots innovation and expanding upon the School Innovation Marathon 2024.

# **Key Points:-**

- (i) The programme is organised by the Department of School Education & Literacy (DoSEL), MoE, in collaboration with the Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), National Institution for Transforming India (NITI) Aayog, and the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE).
- (ii) Students are encouraged to develop products and solutions around four key themes: Vocal for Local, Atmanirbhar Bharat, Swadeshi, and Samriddhi, fostering creativity aligned with national priorities.
- (iii) The Buildathon runs from 23 September to 31 October 2025, with expert evaluation from 1 November to 31 December 2025, and results along with felicitation of over 1,000 winners scheduled for January 2026.

#### **BANKING & FINANCE**

1. Bank of India Partners with Cashinvoice to Launch 'BOI Trade Easy' Digital Credit Platform for MSMEs.



Introduction: In September 2025, Bank of India (BOI) partnered with Cashinvoice, a supply chain finance technology firm, to launch 'BOI Trade Easy', a digital credit platform that provides instant working capital loans to Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) within just 30 minutes of application.

- The platform targets disbursal of ₹1,000 crore in working capital loans within 4–6 months, benefitting over 2 lakh MSMEs across India.
- It leverages digital credit assessment and automated onboarding to ensure a seamless, compliant, and real-time loan approval process.
- MSMEs can initiate applications digitally while also accessing localized, in-person support, ensuring both convenience and personal assistance.
- 2. Paytm Money Partners with JioBlackRock to Launch India's First Systematic Active Equity Fund.







On September 23, 2025, Paytm Money, a subsidiary of One97 Communications Limited (OCL), recently partnered with JioBlackRock, a joint venture (JV) between Jio Financial Services Limited (JFSL) and BlackRock, to launch India's first Systematic Active Equity (SAE) fund for retail investors, named the 'JioBlackRock Flexi Cap Fund'.

- The New Fund Offer (NFO) of JioBlackRock Flexi Cap Fund is available on the Paytm Money application from September 23 to October 7, 2025.
- The fund allows a minimum investment of Rs. 500, which can be made via Lumpsum or Systematic Investment Plan (SIP), making it accessible for retail investors.

# **Key Points:-**

- (i) The fund integrates BlackRock's Artificial Intelligence (AI)-driven investment model with human expertise to identify patterns and trends in the stock market, using the Aladdin platform for risk and portfolio management.
- (ii) The JioBlackRock Flexi Cap Fund offers diversified exposure across large, mid, and small-cap stocks, with a cost-efficient structure, an indicative expense ratio of 0.50%, and no exit load.

#### **ECONOMY & BUSINESS**

1. OECD Raises India's FY26 GDP Growth Forecast to 6.7% in September 2025 Economic Outlook Report.



	2025	2026
ndia	6.7	6.2
anada	1.1	1.2
Germany	0.3	1.1
rance	0.6	0.9
lapan	1.1	0.5
JK	1.4	1.0
JS	1.8	1.5
Brazil	2.3	1.7
hina	4.9	4.4
Russia	1.0	0.7
Africa	1.1	1.3
Norld	3.2	2.9

In September 2025, the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) released its Economic Outlook, Interim Report titled "Finding the Right Balance in Uncertain Times: September 2025." The report revised India's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth forecast upward for FY26 while highlighting inflation trends and global economic projections.

- OECD raised India's GDP growth forecast for FY26 by 40 basis points (bps), from 6.3% to 6.7%, supported by monetary and fiscal policy easing and robust Goods and Services Tax (GST) reforms.
- The report revised India's GDP growth forecast for FY27 downward by 20 bps, reducing it from 6.4% to 6.2%, reflecting moderated expectations for medium-term growth.
- India's Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation for FY26 is expected to decline by 120 bps, from 4.1% to 2.9%, driven by strong domestic supply and export restrictions. The inflation outlook for FY27 remains unchanged at 2.9%.





### **Key Points:-**

- (i) OECD revised the global growth forecast for Calendar Year 2025 (CY25) upward by 30 bps, from 2.9% to 3.2%. However, for CY26, the global growth forecast remains at 2.9%, due to trade uncertainties and tariff impacts led by the United States of America (USA).
- (ii) The report projects global headline inflation at 3.4% in CY25 (down from 3.6%) and 2.9% in CY26. Core inflation in advanced G20 economies is expected to remain stable at 2.6% in CY25 and 2.5% in CY26.
- 2. Cochin Shipyard Signs MoU with HD Korea Shipbuilding for Strategic Shipbuilding Collaboration.



In September 2025, Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with South Korea's HD Korea Shipbuilding & Offshore Engineering (HD KSOE) to strengthen India's shipbuilding sector. The MoU was exchanged at the Samudra se Samriddhi – Transforming India's Maritime Sector event in Bhavnagar, Gujarat, in the presence of Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal and Union Minister of State Shantanu Thakur.

- The collaboration combines CSL's domestic expertise with HD KSOE's advanced global shipbuilding technology. This long-term association is expected to boost India's shipbuilding competitiveness, enabling the country to develop world-class vessels while strengthening maritime self-reliance.
- CSL's 310-metre dry dock will be utilized to construct large commercial vessels such as Suezmax tankers, container ships, and Capesize bulk carriers. The dock will support a production capacity of up to six such vessels annually, positioning CSL as a major global shipbuilding hub.

# **Key Points:-**

- (i) A state-of-the-art Block Fabrication Facility is planned in Kochi, Kerala, covering approximately 80 acres. With an annual fabrication capacity of 1,20,000 metric tonnes (MT), the project involves an investment of about ₹3,700 crore, significantly scaling up CSL's infrastructure.
- (ii) The MoU also includes the development of a greenfield shipyard in Tamil Nadu, with an estimated investment of ₹15,000 crore. This facility is expected to handle advanced and next-generation shipbuilding requirements, enhancing India's maritime industrial ecosystem.
- (iii) The collaboration supports Maritime India Vision (MIV) 2030 and Maritime Amrit Kaal Vision (MAKV) 2047, government blueprints for transforming India into a global shipbuilding and maritime logistics hub.
- 3. L&T Partners with BEL for India's 5th Generation Fighter Jet Programme







In September 2025, Larsen & Toubro (L&T) signed a strategic partnership with Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) to support the development of the Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA), India's fifthgeneration stealth fighter jet for the Indian Air Force (IAF).

- The AMCA programme, led by the Aeronautical Development Agency (ADA) under the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), focuses on developing a twin-engine, stealth multirole fighter aircraft for IAF.
- The collaboration will combine L&T's defence and aerospace manufacturing capabilities with BEL's electronics and avionics expertise, enhancing AMCA development and production.

## **Key Points:-**

- (i) The prototype of the AMCA is expected by 2028–29, with service induction targeted for 2034 and series production by 2035.
- (ii) The initiative aligns with the Atmanirbhar Bharat vision, boosting indigenous defence manufacturing and promoting self-reliance in critical defence technologies.

# **MOUs and Agreement**

1. NCMRWF and NSIL Sign MoU to Establish Two DBNet Stations under Mission Mausam.



On 23 September 2025, the National Centre for Medium Range Weather Forecasting (NCMRWF), under the Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES), signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with New Space India Limited (NSIL), a Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) under the Department of Space (DoS), at Prithvi Bhavan, New Delhi, to establish two Direct Broadcast Network (DBNet) stations in Delhi and Chennai (Tamil Nadu, TN) as part of the Mission Mausam project.

- DBNet is a global operational framework for real-time acquisition of data from Low Earth Orbit (LEO) satellites. It enables swift and efficient satellite data collection, supporting critical applications in weather forecasting and climate research.
- The DBNet stations will receive data from Indian and international Earth Observing System (EOS) satellites, including India's Oceansat, NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, United States of America, USA), and MetOp (Meteorological Operational satellite, European Organisation), ensuring comprehensive Earth observation coverage.





 DBNet plays a crucial role in Numerical Weather Prediction (NWP), cyclone monitoring, and climate research, contributing to improved forecasting and disaster preparedness.

# **Key Points:-**

- (i) The processed satellite data will be shared with international users through the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) Information System 2.0 (WIS 2.0), enhancing global DBNet coverage and collaboration in meteorological sciences.
- (ii) The MoU provides near real-time LEO satellite data, with NCMRWF processing it within 5 minutes of overpass, enabling accurate short- to medium-range forecasts and faster warnings for cyclones, floods, and extreme weather.
- (iii) Approved by the Union Cabinet in September 2024 with a budget of Rs. 2,000 crore, Mission Mausam is a flagship initiative of MoES aimed at positioning India as a global leader in weather and climate sciences. It is implemented by the India Meteorological Department (IMD), NCMRWF, and the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM).

#### **AWARDS**

UK Prime Minister Keir Starmer Awarded
 Living Bridge Award by India Business
 Group.



In September 2025, UK Prime Minister (PM) Keir Starmer was honoured with the "Living Bridge Award" by the India Business Group (IBG) for his pivotal role in strengthening India-UK relations, particularly by advancing the India-UK Free Trade Agreement (FTA). The award ceremony was held at the House of Lords, London, UK.

- The Living Bridge Awards 2025, marking their fourth edition, were received on behalf of PM Keir Starmer by Seema Malhotra, Minister for the Indo-Pacific in the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO).
- The awards are presented annually by IBG to individuals and organizations that have made significant contributions to enhancing India-UK ties, including trade, investment, education, business, cultural, and social domains.
- The Living Bridge Awards serve as a platform to acknowledge and celebrate those acting as bridges between India and the UK, facilitating closer bilateral cooperation across multiple sectors.

#### **Key Points:-**

(i) Alongside PM Keir Starmer, other 2025 honourees include Grandhi Mallikarjuna Rao (GMR) Group for infrastructure and business impact, G.P. Hinduja, Chairperson of the





Hinduja Group, Bina Mehta, Chair of Klynveld Peat Marwick Goerdeler (KPMG) UK, and the University of Southampton for fostering academic and cultural exchanges.

(ii) The recognition highlights the continued emphasis on bilateral engagement, trade promotion, and collaborative initiatives between India and the UK, reinforcing longterm strategic and cultural partnerships.

# SUMMITS & CONFERENCE / COMMITTEES & MEETINGS

1. Ministry of Information and Broadcasting Expands WaveX with Seven New Incubation Centres.



In September 2025, the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting (MIB) recently expanded its startup accelerator WaveX under the WAVES (World Audio Visual & Entertainment Summit) initiative, launching seven new incubation centres across India to support startups in the AVGC (Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming, Comics) and XR (Extended Reality) sectors.

 The seven centres will be established at the Indian Institute of Mass Communication (IIMC) – Delhi, Jammu (Jammu & Kashmir, J&K), Dhenkanal (Odisha), Kottayam (Kerala), Amravati (Maharashtra), Film and Television Institute of India (FTII), Pune (Maharashtra), and Satyajit Ray Film and Television Institute (SRFTI), Kolkata (West Bengal, WB).

- Startups will access advanced production, post-production, game development, editing, and testing infrastructure shared across partner incubators like Indian Institute of Cartoonists and Technologists (IICT), FTII, and SRFTI.
- Facilities include an 8K Red Raptor Vista Vision camera, 4K High Dynamic Range (HDR) preview theatre with Dolby Atmos, virtual production stages with LED walls, and high-performance workstations.

# **Key Points:-**

- (i) Startups will have co-working spaces, high-speed internet, cloud credits from Amazon Web Services (AWS) and Google Cloud, and access to the IndiaAl Compute Portal.
- (ii) Structured mentorship, masterclasses, investor connect sessions, and international exposure opportunities at events like VivaTech (Paris, France) and Game Developers Conference (United States of America, USA) will support startup growth.
- (iii) Fifteen startups per centre will be selected for the first batch. Eligible startups in the Media-Entertainment and AVGC-XR sectors pay a monthly fee of Rs. 8,500 plus Goods and Services Tax (GST). Applications are open on wavesbazaar.com.

#### **IMPORTANT DAYS**

1. United Nations Observes International Day of Sign Languages 2025 on 23 September.







The United Nations (UN) International Day of Sign Languages (IDSL) is observed annually on 23 September to promote the linguistic identity and cultural diversity of deaf people and sign language users worldwide. In 2025, it is celebrated as part of the International Week of Deaf People (IWDP) from 22 to 28 September.

- The theme for IDSL 2025 is "No Human Rights Without Sign Language Rights", emphasizing the recognition of sign language as a fundamental human right essential for equality and inclusion of the deaf community.
- The IDSL was proposed by the World Federation of the Deaf (WFD), which represents 135 national associations of deaf people globally. The UN General Assembly (UNGA) officially adopted Resolution A/RES/72/161 on 19 December 2017, designating 23 September as the International Day of Sign Languages.
- The first IDSL was observed on 23 September 2018, integrated into the International Week of the Deaf (IWDP), which was originally launched in September 1958 to raise awareness about deaf rights, culture, and inclusion. The date also commemorates the founding of the WFD in 1951.

- (i) The Blue Ribbon represents the deaf community's persistent efforts for equality, recognition, and the promotion of national sign languages across the world.
- (ii) Globally, the WFD organized the 'Global Leader Challenges 2025' on 23 September as part of the observance.
- (iii) In India, the Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC), under the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPWD), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (MSJE), celebrated IDSL 2025 at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre, New Delhi.
- 2. National Service Scheme (NSS) Day 2025 Observed on 24 September Across India.



National Service Scheme (NSS) Day is observed every year on 24 September across India to commemorate the launch of the NSS programme under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS). It highlights youth participation in nation-building through voluntary community service.

• The idea of NSS was first proposed by Major General Jagannath Rao Bhonsle, and the scheme was officially launched on 24 September 1969

#### **Key Points:-**





by then Union Education Minister Dr. V.K.R.V. Rao in 37 universities across India.

- The year 1969 was chosen for the launch as it marked the birth centenary of Mahatma Gandhi (1869–1948), symbolizing youth dedication to selfless service in line with Gandhian values.
- The NSS is a Central Sector Scheme under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS), with its core components being students, teachers, and the wider community.

# **Key Points:-**

- (i) The NSS motto is "Not Me, But You", emphasizing the spirit of selflessness, collective responsibility, and community development.
- (ii) The symbol of NSS is derived from the Rath Wheel of the Konark Sun Temple (Odisha), which has 8 bars representing 24 hours of the day, signifying continuous service by youth volunteers.
- (iii) NSS Day serves as a reminder of the role of youth in social development, promoting voluntary service, unity, and active involvement in addressing community needs across India.

#### SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

1. Agnikul Cosmos Launches India's First Large-Format 3D Printing Facility for Rocket Systems at IIT-Madras.



On September 22, 2025, Agnikul Cosmos Private Limited, an Indian aerospace startup, launched the country's first large-format 3D (three-dimensional) printing facility for rocket systems at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)-Madras Research Park in Chennai, Tamil Nadu (TN), marking a major milestone in indigenous space technology development.

• The facility enables the 3D printing of rocket components up to one metre (1 m) in height, making India the first country to produce such large-format, complex rocket parts using additive manufacturing.

### **Key Points:-**

- (i) The facility offers a comprehensive workflow encompassing design, simulation, 3D printing, post-processing, and finishing, allowing complete in-house production of high-precision aerospace components.
- (ii) It features an indigenously designed depowdering machine, a critical postprocessing system that ensures spacegrade quality, superior surface finish, and compliance with stringent aerospace standards.
- (iii) The 3D printing facility enhances product quality, reliability, and supply chain resilience





while reducing manufacturing costs by 50%, significantly improving India's competitiveness in the aerospace manufacturing sector.





# **Static GK**

Organisation for Economic and Development (OECD)	Secretary General : Mathias Cormann	Headquarters : Paris, France
Cochin Shipyard Ltd	Chairman & MD: Madhu S. Nair	Founded: 1972
Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (MSJE)	Union Minister : Dr. Virendra Kumar Khatik	Headquarters: New Delhi
Andhra Pradesh	Chief minister: N. Chandrababu Naidu	Governor: S. Abdul Nazeer
Maharashtra	Chief Minister (CM) : Devendra Fadnavis	Governor : Acharya Devvrat
National Centre for Medium Range Weather Forecasting (NCMRWF)	Head : Dr. V.S. Prasad	Headquarters : Noida, Uttar Pradesh (UP)
Ministry of Education (MoE)	Minister : Dharmendra Pradhan	Headquarters: New Delhi