

1. SARTHAK PDS Umbrella Scheme Approved

- Aims to modernise the Public Distribution System (PDS) in India.
- SARTHAK-PDS stands for “Scheme for Assistance in Ration Transport and Handling-Income with Automation in PDS”.
- The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA), chaired by PM Narendra Modi, approved the continuation of the SARTHAK PDS umbrella scheme.
- Handles ration transport and modernization in the PDS.
- Central outlay / budget: ₹25,530 crore, to be spent over the next 5 years (up to March 31, 2031).

2. PM AJAY Portal & Mobile App Launched

- PM AJAY (Pradhan Mantri Anusuchit Jaati Abhyudaya Yojana) is a centrally sponsored scheme launched in FY 2022.
- It merged three existing programs: Pradhan Mantri Adarsh Gram Yojana, Special Central Assistance to SC Sub Plan, and Babu Jagjivan Ram Chhatrawas Yojana.
- Dr. Virendra Kumar, Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment, launched the PM AJAY portal and the Ajay mobile app to seamlessly digitize and implement the scheme.

3. 51st PRAGATI Meeting Chaired by PM Modi

- PRAGATI = Pro-Active Governance and Timely Implementation – a platform to review state and central government projects.
- PM Narendra Modi chaired the 51st PRAGATI meeting at New Delhi.

4. 10 Years of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC)

- The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) was introduced in 2016 to resolve corporate distress and non-performing assets (NPAs) in a time-bound manner.
- Regulator: Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI), headquartered in New Delhi, headed by Ravi Mittal.

5. The Government of India formed a high-level committee to study demographic changes arising from illegal immigration headed by retired Supreme Court Justice Prakash Prabhakar Naolekar.

6. Atal Bhujal Yojana

- Launched in 2019, implemented from April 2020 to promote decentralized groundwater management.
- Covers 29 blocks in 7 states: Gujarat, Haryana, Karnataka, MP, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, and UP.
- Budget: ₹6,000 crore, supported equally by the Government of India and the World Bank.

7. 3rd Advance Estimates of Agricultural Crops (FY26)

- India's total food grain production hit a record high of 376.563 million tons.
- Includes 154.02 million tons of rice and 120.65 million tons of wheat.

8. India–USA Critical Minerals Framework

- Aimed at securing the supply chain, mining, processing, and recycling of critical minerals and rare earth metals.

9. RBI Forms Q-SAFE Expert Committee

- The RBI formed an 8-member expert committee named Quantum Secure and Adaptive Financial Ecosystem (Q-SAFE).
- Purpose: to evaluate the risks and benefits of quantum applications in the financial sector.
- Convened by Prof. Anil Prabhakar of IIT Madras.

10. China is the largest shareholder in the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB).

11. Hong Kong Overtakes Switzerland as Top Offshore Wealth Hub

- Hong Kong has officially bypassed Switzerland to become the world's largest cross-border offshore wealth hub.
- Holds around \$2.9 trillion in offshore assets.

12. Germany and the Netherlands are establishing a joint NATO tactical command center called the “1st German-Netherlands Corps” (1GNC).

13. INS Sudarshini Crosses the Atlantic

- Under the Lokayan-26 expedition, naval ship INS Sudarshini arrived in Antigua.
- Marked its first successful crossing of the Atlantic Ocean.

14. Tripura – Mission Queen Pineapple

- Union Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia launched the ₹236 crore Mission Queen Pineapple.
- Aims to develop a premium export-oriented value chain for the GI-tagged fruit.
- The Tripura Queen Pineapple Festival is celebrated on June 27th.
- **15. Janez Janša has been appointed for a fourth term as the Prime Minister of Slovenia by their parliament.**
- Slovenia – Capital: Ljubljana; Currency: Euro.

16. Elias George – Chairperson of Federal Bank

17. Vice President and Rajya Sabha Chairman CP Radhakrishnan formed a 10-member panel to examine public grievances and infrastructure deficits.

- Chaired by AAP's Punjab MP Raghav Chadha, the youngest RS MP.

18. President Droupadi Murmu awarded the prestigious President's Police Colour to the Sikkim Police in Gangtok.

19. 79th Cannes Film Festival

- Director Cristian Mungiu received an award for the movie “George”, making history.
- Grand Prix awarded to “Minato”.
- Best Actress: Virginie Efira / Tao Okamoto.
- Palme d'Or honor for Barbra Streisand.

20. India's Border Lengths

- Bangladesh: 4096 km | China: 3488 km | Pakistan: 3323 km.
- Nepal: 1751 km | Myanmar: 1643 km | Bhutan: 699 km | Afghanistan: 106 km.

21. India to Host Asian Athletics Events

- India won the rights to host two major events.
- 2027 Asian Relays – to be held in Chandigarh.
- 2028 Asian Indoor Athletics Championships – to be held at the Kalinga Stadium in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.

22. Para Athletics

- Sumit Antil, a two-time Paralympic champion from Haryana, broke his own world record in the Men's Javelin Throw (F64 category) with a 74.82 meters throw.

23. Important Days

- International Day of UN Peacekeepers (May 29) ; Theme: one source lists “The Future of Peacekeeping”, while another lists “Invest in Peace”.
- May 28 Observances
 - (i) World Hunger Day – Theme: “The end of hunger is in our hands”.
 - (ii) International Day of Action for Women's Health – promotes comprehensive healthcare access.
 - (iii) World Menstrual Hygiene Day – Theme: “Together for a #PeriodFriendlyWorld”.
- May 25 Observances : UN World Football Day, International Missing Children's Day, and World Thyroid Day (Theme: “Thyroid and Nutrition”).

24. Books & Authors

- “India's Olympic gold hockey triumph at Amsterdam” – authored by historian K. Arumugam, released by PT Usha and Dilip Tirkey.
- “Better Never Stop” – released by veteran banker Shyam Srinivasan.
- “Bazaar” – a novel authored by Niranjana Dev Sharma, released by the Himachal Pradesh CM.

25. Obituaries

- Raja Randhir Singh – five-time Olympian shooter and Arjuna awardee, passed away at 79 in New Delhi.

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- Abdrabbuh Mansur Hadi – former President of Yemen (served 2012–2022). Yemen – Capital: Sana'a, Currency: Rial.
- Shyam Lal Meena – India's first Olympic archery team member (1988 Seoul) and 1989 Arjuna awardee.
- Bashir Badr – renowned Urdu poet and Padma Shri awardee; won the 1999 Urdu Sahitya Akademi Award for his ghazal collection “Aas”.