

Current Affairs for 26th and 27th April, 2026

1. The Naval Science and Technological Laboratory functions under which organization?

[A] Hindustan Aeronautics Limited

[B] Defence Research and Development Organisation

[C] Ministry of Shipping

[D] Indian Navy

Correct Answer: B [Defence Research and Development Organisation]

Notes:

Rajnath Singh laid the foundation of the Large Cavitation Tunnel (LCT) at Naval Science and Technological Laboratory (NSTL) in Visakhapatnam. NSTL is a premier lab under the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO). The Large Cavitation Tunnel (LCT) is a strategic facility for advanced hydrodynamic research and testing of naval systems. It will enable indigenous design, development, and testing of ships, submarines, and propulsion systems. It supports stealth, noise reduction, and next-generation underwater technologies. The facility allows both closed-loop (submarine) and free-surface (surface ship) simulations.

2. International Mine Awareness Day is observed every year on which day?

- [A] April 3
- [B] April 4
- [C] April 5
- [D] April 6

Correct Answer: B [April 4]

Notes:

International Mine Awareness Day is observed every year on April 4 to raise awareness about the dangers of landmines and promote demining efforts. The 2026 theme is “Invest in Peace; Invest in Mine Action”. This theme highlights the critical need for funding to accelerate mine clearance, support victims, and secure stability in conflict-affected areas. First observed in 2006, the day emphasizes global efforts in mine clearance, victim support, and the use of new technologies to create a landmine-free world.

3. Juang tribe is primarily found in which state?

- [A] Maharashtra
- [B] Odisha
- [C] Jharkhand
- [D] Bihar

Correct Answer: B [Odisha]

Notes:

A 16-year-old girl from the Juang tribe in Odisha brought significant social change by transforming

village attitudes toward child health and child marriage. The Juang tribe is one of the 13 Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) among the 62 tribes found in Odisha and is mainly concentrated in Keonjhar and Dhenkanal districts. They speak the Juang language, which belongs to the Munda branch of the Austroasiatic language family, and follow a structured clan and kinship system. Traditionally dependent on hunting, gathering, and limited cultivation, they later adapted to basket-weaving and barter trade after forest restrictions during the colonial period.

4.INS Aridhaman, that was recently seen in news, is part of which class of submarines?

- [A] Kalvari class
- [B] Scorpene class
- [C] Chakra class
- [D] Arihant class

Correct Answer: D [Arihant class]

Notes:

India has inducted its third nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarine, INS Aridhaman, into the Indian Navy, strengthening its strategic deterrence capability. INS Aridhaman is the third indigenously built Submersible Ship Ballistic Nuclear (SSBN) and the second submarine of the Arihant class (Submersible Ship Ballistic Nuclear). It has been developed under the Advanced

Technology Vessel project (ATV) at the Ship Building Centre in Visakhapatnam. The submarine has a displacement of about 6,000 tonnes on the surface and 7,000 tonnes when submerged.

5. Which city is the venue of 7th National Sub-Junior (Under-17) Boxing Championship?

[A] Nagpur

[B] Indore

[C] Varanasi

[D] Jaipur

Correct Answer: A [Nagpur]

Notes:

The 7th National Sub-Junior (Under-17) Boxing Championship has started in Nagpur from 4 April. The event was inaugurated by Nitin Gadkari. The week-long tournament has attracted around 600 young boxers from across India, reflecting its growing importance in the national sports calendar. It also serves as a selection platform, where top performers will be chosen for the Indian Under-17 squad. Selected players will represent India at the Asian Boxing Championship to be held in Tashkent later this year.

6. Where was BIRAC-BioNEST Incubation Centre launched in April 2026?

[A] Karnataka

[B] Kerala

[C] Tamil Nadu

[D] Odisha

Correct Answer: A [Karnataka]

Notes:

Dr. Jitendra Singh, Minister of State (Independent Charge), Ministry of Science and Technology launched the BIRAC-BioNEST Incubation Centre at CSIR-Central Food Technological Research Institute in Mysuru, Karnataka. The centre is an initiative of Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council under the Ministry of Science and Technology. It aims to nurture entrepreneurship in food bioprocessing and biotechnology. The facility will help startups transform innovative ideas into commercially viable technologies. It offers infrastructure, mentorship, and funding support to early-stage biotech startups.

7. Which country's airport ranked first in the Skytrax World Airport Awards 2026?

[A] Singapore

[B] China

[C] Japan

[D] South Korea

Correct Answer: A [Singapore]

Notes:

Singapore Changi Airport ranked 1st in the Skytrax World Airport Awards 2026, marking its 14th win

since 2000. It is a major international hub in Southeast Asia, known for world-class passenger experience and advanced infrastructure. The airport features attractions like Jewel Changi Airport, home to the world's tallest indoor waterfall. It consistently scores high in services such as dining, entertainment, and connectivity. The recognition highlights Singapore's leadership in global aviation excellence and airport management.

8. The ECINet platform has been developed by which organization?

- [A] Ministry of Electronics and IT
- [B] Election Commission of India
- [C] NITI Aayog
- [D] National Informatics Centre

Correct Answer: B [Election Commission of India]

Notes:

Recently, the Election Commission of India urged voters to use the "Know Your Candidates" (KYC) module on the ECINet platform to make informed electoral choices. ECINet is a single-point digital platform developed by Election Commission of India (ECI) for voters, election officials, political parties, and civil society. It integrates over 40 existing ECI apps, including Voter Helpline App, cVIGIL, Suvidha 2.0, Saksham, and others. The

platform offers a user-friendly interface (UI/UX) with all electoral services in one place.

9. Which state government has launched a special campaign to create a Farmer Registry to ensure transparent delivery of benefits under agricultural schemes?

- [A] Gujarat
- [B] Himachal Pradesh
- [C] Odisha
- [D] Uttar Pradesh

Correct Answer: D [Uttar Pradesh]

Notes:

The Uttar Pradesh government has launched a special campaign to create a Farmer Registry to ensure transparent delivery of benefits under agricultural schemes. The drive is being conducted through camps at Gram Sachivalayas across the state and will continue till mid-April. It aims to build an accurate digital database of farmers, helping in efficient implementation of schemes like PM Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana. So far, over 1.72 crore farmers have been linked, but efforts are underway to include those still left out.

10. Which port was the top performer in cargo handling among major ports in FY 2025–26?

- [A] Deendayal Port (Gujarat)
- [B] Paradip Port (Odisha)

[C] Mumbai Port

[D] Jawaharlal Nehru Port (Maharashtra)

Correct Answer: A [Deendayal Port (Gujarat)]

Notes:

India's major ports handled a record 915.17 million tonnes (MT) of cargo in FY 2025–26, surpassing the 904 MT target and registering a 7.06% year-on-year growth. Among the top performers, Deendayal Port handled the highest cargo, followed by Paradip Port and Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority. Mormugao Port recorded the highest growth rate of 15.91% among major ports. Operational efficiency improved, with average vessel turnaround time reducing to 48.86 hours, while Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority led the container segment with 23.82 hours turnaround time.

11. The Kalai-II Hydro Electric Project is proposed on which river?

[A] Subansiri

[B] Siang

[C] Lohit

[D] Dibang

Correct Answer: C [Lohit]

Notes:

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, chaired by Narendra Modi, has approved the Kalai-II Hydro Electric Project on the Lohit River in

Anjaw district of Arunachal Pradesh. The total investment for the project is ₹14,105.83 crore, with an estimated completion period of 78 months. The project will have an installed capacity of 1200 MW (6 × 190 MW and 1 × 60 MW) and is expected to generate about 4852.95 million units (MU) of electricity annually. It will be the first hydroelectric project in the Lohit Basin, helping in strengthening regional power supply, managing peak demand, and balancing the national grid.

12. Mohra Power Project, that was recently seen in news, is located in which state/UT?

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

Correct Answer: A [Jammu and Kashmir]

Notes:

The Jammu and Kashmir government is reviving the historic Mohra Power Project to boost hydropower development amid the Indus Waters Treaty remaining in abeyance. The Mohra (Mahura) Power Project is located on the Jhelum River in Uri, Baramulla district, Jammu and Kashmir. It was commissioned in 1905 and is regarded as the first hydroelectric power plant in the Kashmir Valley. The project was originally designed as a run-of-the-river hydropower plant

with a capacity of about 5 MW. It is now being upgraded to a capacity of 10.5 MW to enhance power generation.

13.The Trade Receivables Discounting System (TReDS) platforms are regulated by which authority?

- [A] Reserve Bank of India
- [B] Ministry of Finance
- [C] Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)
- [D] National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)

Correct Answer: A [Reserve Bank of India]

Notes:

Reserve Bank of India proposed removing due diligence for onboarding Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) on Trade Receivables Discounting System (TReDS) platforms to enhance ease of doing business. Trade Receivables Discounting System (TReDS) is an electronic platform enabling financing/discounting of MSME trade receivables via multiple financiers. The platforms are regulated by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). Its objective is to ensure quicker payments and improved working capital for MSMEs.

14.The National Quantum Mission (NQM) was launched by which organization?

- [A] Department of Science and Technology
- [B] Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR)
- [C] Indian Space Research Organisation
- [D] Ministry of Electronics and IT

Correct Answer: A [Department of Science and Technology]

Notes:

India has successfully demonstrated a 1,000-kilometre quantum communication network under the National Quantum Mission, a major breakthrough in secure communication technologies. The National Quantum Mission (NQM) was launched by the Department of Science & Technology with an outlay of Rs.6003 crore for 2023-24 to 2030-31. Its objective is to seed, nurture, and scale up scientific and industrial research and development (R&D) and create an innovative ecosystem in Quantum Technology (QT). It is one of nine initiatives under the Prime Minister's Science Technology Innovation Advisory Council (PM-STIAC).

15. World Homoeopathy Day is observed annually on which day?

- [A] April 8
- [B] April 9
- [C] April 10
- [D] April 11

Correct Answer: C [April 10]

Notes:

World Homoeopathy Day is observed annually on April 10 to commemorate the birth anniversary of Samuel Hahnemann. The theme for 2026 is “Homoeopathy for Sustainable Health.” India has one of the largest homoeopathic workforces in the world. Homoeopathy was introduced in India in 1810 by German missionaries distributing medicines. India currently has about 3.45 lakh registered homoeopathy doctors, 8,593 dispensaries, 277 educational institutions, and 34 research centres.

16.The ‘Watan Ko Jano’ initiative is organized by which ministry?

- [A] Ministry of Culture
- [B] Ministry of Youth Affairs
- [C] Ministry of Home Affairs
- [D] Ministry of Education

Correct Answer: C [Ministry of Home Affairs]

Notes:

A 250-member youth delegation from Jammu and Kashmir met Vice President C. P. Radhakrishnan at Uprashtrapati Bhavan. The delegation was part of the ‘Watan Ko Jano’ initiative organised by the Ministry of Home Affairs to promote national integration and exposure. The programme aims to strengthen the spirit of “Ek Bharat Shreshtha

Bharat” through cultural exchange and awareness among youth.

17. Which company became the first Fast-Moving Consumer Goods (FMCG) company in India to cross ₹1 lakh crore turnover in FY 2025–26?

- [A] Hindustan Unilever (HUL)
- [B] Nestlé India
- [C] Britannia
- [D] Amul

Correct Answer: D [Amul]

Notes:

Amul became the first Fast-Moving Consumer Goods (FMCG) company in India to cross ₹1 lakh crore turnover in FY 2025–26. The company recorded a total group turnover of ₹1,00,000 crore, with around 11% growth over the previous year. Its marketing arm, Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation, reported revenue of ₹73,450 crore in FY26, up from ₹65,911 crore in FY25. The milestone establishes Amul as the largest FMCG organisation in India.

18. The WAVES OTT platform has been developed by which organization?

- [A] Doordarshan
- [B] Prasar Bharati
- [C] Ministry of Information and Broadcasting
- [D] All India Radio

Correct Answer: B [Prasar Bharati]

Notes:

The Publications Division has made its flagship journals Yojana and Kurukshetra available free on the WAVES OTT platform. WAVES (Wireless Access to Virtual Entertainment Services) is a digital streaming platform developed by Prasar Bharati. It aims to meet India's rising demand for Over-The-Top (OTT) streaming services. The platform provides live television, video-on-demand, games, radio streaming, and e-commerce integration via the Open Network for Digital Commerce.

19. Indravati Tiger Reserve is located in which state?

- [A] Karnataka
- [B] Odisha
- [C] Andhra Pradesh
- [D] Chhattisgarh

Correct Answer: D [Chhattisgarh]

Notes:

The Indravati Tiger Reserve in Chhattisgarh is reopening for tourism, marking a shift from conflict to conservation and eco-tourism. The reserve, along with Bhairamgarh and Pamed Wildlife Sanctuaries, forms the larger Indravati landscape. It has ecological connectivity with tiger reserves

like Kawal Tiger Reserve, Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve, and Kanha Tiger Reserve. The Indravati River forms its northern and western boundary and an interstate border with Maharashtra.

20.ELECRAMA 2027 is the world's largest electrical show launched in which city of India?

- [A] Bengaluru
- [B] Hyderabad
- [C] Chennai
- [D] New Delhi

Correct Answer: D [New Delhi]

Notes:

Ghanshyam Prasad, Chairperson of the Central Electricity Authority, launched the 17th edition of ELECRAMA 2027 in New Delhi. ELECRAMA 2027 is the world's largest electrical show, organised by Indian Electrical and Electronics Manufacturers' Association. The event will be held from 20–24 February 2027 in Greater Noida with Germany as the partner country. Focus areas include sustainability, innovation, automation, quality, safety, and reliability. The event is expected to host 1,100+ exhibitors and facilitate around 25,000 Business-to-Business (B2B) meetings. India currently has about 7.5 gigawatt pumped hydro storage capacity, with potential to surpass the United States and Japan in this sector.

