

## January 2025 Tit Bits

- **Under whose chairmanship has the RBI constituted a committee for the ethical use of Artificial Intelligence in the financial sector?**

Pushpak Bhattacharya

- **How many Medals did India win in Asian Youth & Junior Weightlifting Championship 2024?**

33 (7 gold, 16 silver, and 10 bronze)

- **Maia Sandu has recently been sworn-in-as the President of which country?**



- **Which state has recently become India's 5<sup>th</sup> 'Har Ghar Jal Rajya' with 100% tap water connection?**

Punjab

*Goa has become the first state in the country*

- **On which river is the world's largest dam being built by China?**

Brahmaputra

- **Which Indian cricketer has recently been given the *Honorary Life Membership of the Melbourne Cricket Club*?**



Sachin Tendulkar

### Awards of Sachin Tendulkar

- Arjuna Award: 1994
- Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award: 1997
- Padma Shri: 1998
- Padma Vibhushan: 2008
- Bharat Ratna: 2013
- Most Effective Swachhata Ambassador award: 2019
- Honorary Member of the Order of Australia: 2012
- Laureus World Sports Awards: 2020
- ICC Cricket Hall of Fame in 2019.

- **Osamu Suzuki-the former chairman of Suzuki Motor Corporation has passed away recently was awarded Padma Bhushan by GoI in which year?**



2007

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- Who has recently been appointed as the MD & CEO of J&K Bank?



- Who has recently been appointed as the Chairman of National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL)?

Dr. Sandeep Shah

- Which organization has observed its **67<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025?**

**DRDO (Defence Research & Development Organization)**

*DRDO was established in 1958.*

- **Coringa Wildlife Sanctuary** recently in the news is located in which state?

Andhra Pradesh

*Wild Cat (*Prionylurus Viverinus*) species found*

- **An agreement has recently been signed between Manipur & which state for the 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' program?**

Uttar Pradesh

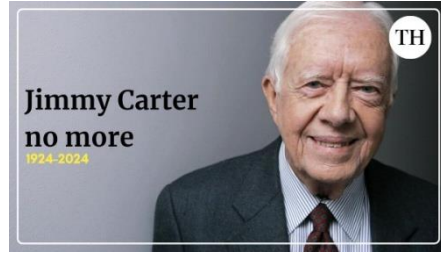
*The Hon'ble Prime Minister had announced the 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' initiative on the occasion of the 140th birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel on 31st October, 2015.*

- **Which Indian woman chess player has recently won the World Rapid Women's Chess Championship 2024?**



- **Former US 39<sup>th</sup> President Jimmy Carter has recently passed away was awarded the Nobel Prize in 2002 in which field?**

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Peace

- Who has become the youngest woman in the world to climb the highest peaks of 7 continents of the world?



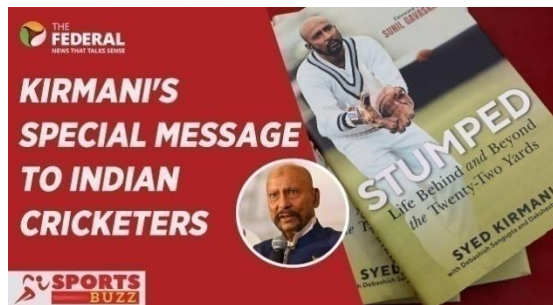
*Africa (Mt. Kilimanjaro), Europe (Mt. Elbrus), Australia (Mt. Kosciuszko), South America (Mt. Aconcagua), North America (Mt. Denali), Asia (Mt. Everest) & culminating with the current climb in Antarctica.”*

- Which team has won the 11<sup>th</sup> season of Pro Kabaddi League?  
Haryana Steelers
- Which day observed on 3<sup>rd</sup> January this year?

### Women Teacher's Day

*(The Telangana government decided to celebrate the birth anniversary of Savitribai Phule)*

- An autobiography titled “**Stumped**” is associated with which Indian cricketer recently in the news?



- Which state government has recently launched the **SWAR (Speech and Written Analysis Resource) Platform** to overcome language barriers?  
Gujarat
- Which state has won the 53<sup>rd</sup> Senior National Men's Handball Championship 2024?  
Kerala
- Who is the fastest bowler to take 200 Test wickets from India ?

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- **India's first Glass Bridge has been inaugurated in which state recently?**  
Tamil Nadu
- **Who has become the richest Chief Minister of India as per report of Association for Democratic Reforms?**



- **Which Indian cricketer has been recently nominated for ICC Player of the Year 2024?**



- **Who has won the title of National Motorcycle Drag Racing Championship 2024?**



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Hemant Muddappa

- Which Indian player won Bronze medal in the King's Cup International Badminton Open 2024?



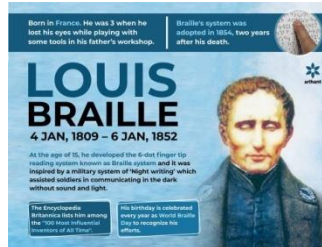
Lakshya Sen

- Which country will host the World Audio Visual & Entertainment Summit (WAVES) 2025?

India

- Which day is observed on **4<sup>th</sup> January** every year?

### World Braille Day



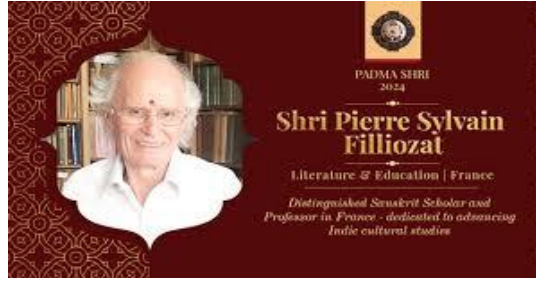
*(to mark the birth anniversary of Louis Braille- Inventor of Braille)*

- Which team has recently won the Santosh Trophy 2024 by defeating Kerala team?



- French-Indian scholar & Padma Shri awardee (2024) Dr. Pierre-Sylvain Filiojet has passed away recently was related with which language?

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Sanskrit

- **Which Indian public sector company has been awarded the 'Great Place to Work' certificate?**  
Steel Authority of India Limited
- **Researchers from which Institution have developed a shockwave based needle less syringe?**  
IIT Bombay
- **In which neighboring country of India, the Tamu Lhosar festival mainly celebrated as the New Year?**  
Nepal
- **Vitul Kumar has recently been appointed as Director General of which Institution?**



Central Reserve Police Force

- **Indian Army has recently unveiled the statue of Chhatrapati Shivaji on the banks of Pangong lake is located in which state?**  
Ladakh
- **Which day is observed on 6<sup>th</sup> January every year?**

**World Day of War Orphans**

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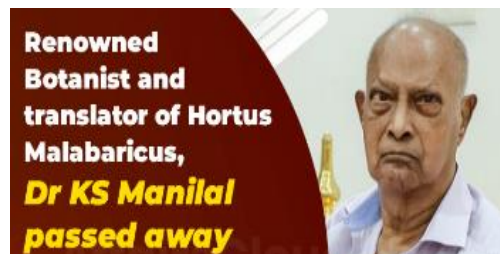
- Who has recently been appointed as the new CEO of Unique Identification Authority of India?



- Who has recently taken over as the Secretary General of ASSOCHAM (Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India)?



- Padma Shri awardee (2020) Dr. K.S. Manilal has passed away recently was related with which field?



- Which Ministry has declared 2025 as the 'Year of Reforms'?  
Ministry of Defence

## SPORTS AWARDS 2024

### Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award 2024

Awarded for outstanding performance in sports.

1. **Shri Gukesh D** - Chess

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| <p>2. <b>Shri Harmanpreet Singh</b> - Hockey</p> <p>3. <b>Shri Praveen Kumar</b> - Para-Athletics</p> <p>4. <b>Ms. Manu Bhaker</b> – Shooting</p>   |  |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Arjuna Awards for Outstanding Performance in Sports and Games 2024</u></b></p>   |  |
| <p><b><i>Athletics</i></b></p> <p><b>Ms. Jyothi Yarraji</b></p> <p><b>Ms. Annu Rani</b></p> <p><b><i>Boxing</i></b></p> <p><b>Ms. Nitu</b></p> <p><b>Ms. Saweety</b></p> <p><b><i>Chess</i></b></p> <p><b>Ms. Vantika Agrawal</b></p> <p><b><i>Hockey</i></b></p> <p><b>Ms. Salima Tete</b></p> <p><b>Shri Abhishek</b></p> <p><b>Shri Sanjay</b></p> <p><b>Shri Jarmanpreet Singh</b></p> <p><b>Shri Sukhjeet Singh</b></p> <p><b><i>Para-Athletics</i></b></p> <p><b>Ms. Preeti Pal</b></p> <p><b>Ms. Jeevanji Deepthi</b></p> <p><b>Shri Ajeet Singh</b></p> <p><b>Shri Sachin Sarjerao Khilari</b></p> <p><b>Shri Dharambir</b></p> <p><b>Shri Pranav Soorma</b></p> <p><b>Shri H Hokato Sema</b></p> <p><b>Ms. Simran</b></p> <p><b>Shri Navdeep</b></p> | <p><b><i>Para-Badminton</i></b></p> <p><b>Shri Nitesh Kumar</b></p> <p><b>Ms. Thulasimathi Murugesan</b></p> <p><b>Ms. Nithya Sre Sumathy Sivan</b></p> <p><b>Ms. Manisha Ramadass</b></p> <p><b><i>Para-Judo</i></b></p> <p><b>Shri Kapil Parmar</b></p> <p><b><i>Para-Shooting</i></b></p> <p><b>Ms. Mona Agarwal</b></p> <p><b>Ms. Rubina Francis</b></p> <p><b><i>Shooting</i></b></p> <p><b>Shri Swapnil Suresh Kusale</b></p> <p><b>Shri Sarabjot Singh</b></p> <p><b><i>Squash</i></b></p> <p><b>Shri Abhay Singh</b></p> <p><b><i>Swimming</i></b></p> <p><b>Shri Sajan Prakash</b></p> <p><b><i>Wrestling</i></b></p> <p><b>Shri Aman</b></p> <p><b><i>Para-Archery</i></b></p> <p><b>Shri Rakesh Kumar</b></p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Arjuna Awards (Lifetime) for Outstanding Performance in Sports and Games 2024</u></b></p>  |  |



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| 1. <b>Shri Sucha Singh</b> - Athletics  |  |
| 2. <b>Shri Murlikant Rajaram Petkar</b> - Para-Swimming   |  |
| <b><u>Dronacharya Award for Outstanding Coaches in Sports and Games 2024</u></b>  |  |
| <b>Regular Category</b><br><b>Shri Subhash Rana</b> - Para-Shooting<br><b>Ms. Deepali Deshpande</b> - Shooting<br><b>Shri Sandeep Sangwan</b> - Hockey  | <b>Lifetime Category</b><br><b>Shri S Muralidharan</b> - Badminton<br><b>Shri Armando Agnelo Colaco</b> - Football |
| <b><u>Maulana Abul Kalam Azad (MAKA) Trophy 2024</u></b><br>Awarded to universities excelling in sports.<br><b>Chandigarh University</b> - Overall Winner<br><b>Lovely Professional University (Punjab)</b> - 1st Runner-Up<br><b>Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar</b> - 2nd Runner-Up |  |

- **In which Indian state country's first coastal aquatic bird census has been started?**  
Gujarat
- **Which state has recently become the first state in the country to evaluate the ecosystem for green GDP?**  
Uttarakhand  
*Green GDP, or Green Gross Domestic Product, is a measure of a country's economic growth that takes into account environmental factors.*
- **Indian Prime Minister paid tribute to Rani Velu Nachiyar on her birth anniversary on 3<sup>rd</sup> January who was the queen of which Indian state?**  
Tamil Nadu



*Born in 1730, Rani Velu Nachiyar, the queen of the Sivaganga estate from 1780-1790, was the first Indian queen to wage war against the East India Company in India. She is known as Veeramangai by Tamils.*

- **Where is the 8<sup>th</sup> edition of Kautik International Film Festival being held?**  
Madhya Pradesh
- **Which day is observed on 9<sup>th</sup> January every year?**

**NRI Day/Pravasi Bharatiya Divas**

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(18<sup>th</sup> edition in this year)

**THEME 2025: “Diaspora's Contribution to a Viksit Bharat”**

- Who has taken charge of the Western Command of Indian Air Force?



Jitendra Mishra

- Padma Vibhushan awardee (1999) Dr. Rajagopal Chidambaram has passed away recently was related to which field?



Scientist

- Which revised portal has recently been launched by Union government for e-auction of properties recently?  
Bank net
- Who has become the fastest batsman to score half-century from India in the BGT 202-25 held in Australia?



Rishabh Pant

*The **Border-Gavaskar Trophy (BGT)** is an International Test cricket trophy played between India and Australia. The series is named after distinguished former captains, Australia's Allan Border and India's Sunil Gavaskar. It is played via Test series*

- Who has recently been appointed as the Head of the Directorate General of Civil Aviation in the year 2025?



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- **Who has been declared the Mascot for the Kho Kho World Cup 2025 to be held in India?**



- **Who has recently been awarded Gangadhar National Poetry Award?**  
Pratibha Satpathy

- **Which day is observed on 10<sup>th</sup> January every year?**

### World Hindi Day

- **What is the rank of India in the terms of Metro Rail Network?**  
3<sup>rd</sup> (After US & China)

- **In which Indian state, Modhavath festival is being celebrated as New Year in Toda tribe?**

Tamil Nadu

# ICC AWARDS 2024

The 2024 ICC Awards celebrated outstanding cricketing achievements over five days, from January 24 to January 28, 2025. Key winners included Jasprit Bumrah as Men's Test Cricketer of the Year and Smriti Mandhana as Women's ODI Cricketer of the Year.



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| Award  | Winner              |
|--|---------------------|
| <i>Rachael Heyhoe Flint Trophy for ICC Women's Cricketer of the Year</i> | Melie Kerr          |
| <i>Sir Garfield Sobers Trophy for ICC Men's Cricketer of the Year</i>    | Jasprit Bumrah      |
| <i>ICC Men's Test Cricketer of the Year</i>                              | Jasprit Bumrah      |
| <i>ICC Women's ODI Cricketer of the Year</i>                             | Smriti Mandhana     |
| <i>ICC Men's ODI Cricketer of the Year</i>                               | Azmatullah Omarzai  |
| <i>ICC Emerging Women's Cricketer of the Year</i>                        | Annerie Dercksen    |
| <i>ICC Emerging Men's Cricketer of the Year</i>                          | Kamindu Mendis      |
| <i>ICC Women's Associate Cricketer of the Year</i>                       | Esha Oza            |
| <i>ICC Men's Associate Cricketer of the Year</i>                         | Gerhard Erasmus     |
| <i>ICC Umpire of the Year</i>  | Richard Illingworth |
| <i>ICC Men's T20I Cricketer of the Year</i>                              | Arshdeep Singh      |
| <i>ICC Women's T20I Cricketer of the Year</i>                            | Melie Kerr          |

- **Who will be given the Padmapani Lifetime Achievement Award at the 10<sup>th</sup> Ajanta Ellora Film Festival 2025?**



Sai Paranjape

- **Which state government has inaugurated the Shaheed Madho Singh Haath Kharcha Yojana?**

Odisha

*this scheme provides Rs.5,000 financial assistance to Scheduled Tribe (ST) students enrolling in Class IX and XI, aiming to reduce dropout rates and promote education*

- **Which country has recently won Border Gavaskar Trophy 2024-25?**



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**Australia beats India 3-1 to claim Border Gavaskar Trophy after 10 years**



- **India's first organic fisheries cluster has been launched in which state?**  
Sikkim

- **Which day is observed on 11<sup>th</sup> January every year?**

**National Human Trafficking Awareness Day**

- **Which country has officially become the 11<sup>th</sup> full member of BRICS?**  
Indonesia

**BRICS is an intergovernmental organization consisting of ten countries—  
Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa**

- **Founded:** 16 June 2009
- **The headquarters of BRICS:** in Shanghai, China

*The organization expanded on 1 January 2024, with **Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates** attending the 16th BRICS summit as official members.*

- **Who has recently been appointed as the Secretary of BCCI?**



- **Due to large crowd of devotees, the Makaravilakku festival was in the news is celebrated in which state?**

Kerala

- **India's Home Minister Amit Shah has inaugurated the. developed by?**  
Central Bureau of Investigation

**BHARATPOL** streamlines international assistance to tackle rising transnational crimes like cybercrime, drug trafficking, and human trafficking

- **Which state government has recently announced Million-dollar prize for decoding the script of Indus Valley Civilization?**

Tamil Nadu

- **Who has recently been appointed as the new Chairman of ISRO?**



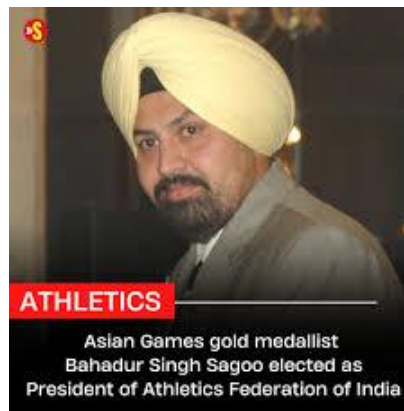
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- **Who has won U-17 Girls singles title at the British Junior Open in Birmingham England?**



- **Who has recently been appointed as the President of the Athletics Federation of India?**



- **The Union government has approved the construction of memorial of which former President of India is the Rajghat Complex?**

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- **Which state government has announced the Parth Scheme?**

Madhya Pradesh

*The PARTH Yojana (Police Army Recruitment Training & Hunar) is an innovative scheme launched in Madhya Pradesh with the objective of providing pre-recruitment training to the state's youth for entry into the Indian Army, Police, and Para-Military forces*

- **Martin Guptill announced his retirement from International Cricket belong to which country?**



- **John Dramani Mahama has been sworn-in as the President of which country?**



- **The 'Gurudakshi' online FIR system has been launched by the Forest Department of which state?**

Karnataka

*It aims to curb forest encroachments, illegal tree-felling, poaching, and unauthorised entry into forest areas.*

# GOLDEN GLOBE AWARDS 2024

## January 2025 Tit Bits

The 82nd Annual Golden Globe Awards, held on January 5, 2025, at The Beverly Hilton in California, celebrated outstanding achievements in film and television



| Category  | Winner                                       | Nominations   |
|---|--|---|
| <b>Best Film – Musical or Comedy</b>              | <i>Emilia Pérez</i>                          | <i>Anora, Challengers, A Real Pain, The Substance, Wicked</i>   |
| <b>Best Film – Drama</b>                          | <i>The Brutalist</i>                         | <i>A Complete Unknown, Conclave, Dune: Part Two, Nickel Boys, September 5</i>   |
| <b>Best Male Actor in a Film – Drama</b>          | Adrien Brody<br>( <i>The Brutalist</i> )     | <i>Timothée Chalamet (A Complete Unknown), Daniel Craig (Queer), Colman Domingo (Sing Sing), Ralph Fiennes (Conclave), Sebastian Stan (The Apprentice)</i>          |
| <b>Best Female Actor in a Film – Drama</b>        | Fernanda Torres<br>( <i>I'm Still Here</i> ) | <i>Pamela Anderson (The Last Showgirl), Angelina Jolie (Maria), Nicole Kidman (Babygirl), Tilda Swinton (The Room Next Door), Kate Winslet (Lee)</i>                |
| <b>Best Television Series – Drama</b>             | <i>Shōgun</i>                                | <i>The Day of the Jackal, The Diplomat, Mr and Mrs Smith, Slow Horses, Squid Game</i>   |
| <b>Best Female Actor in a TV Series – Drama</b>   | Anna Sawai<br>( <i>Shōgun</i> )              | <i>Kathy Bates (Matlock), Emma D'Arcy (House of the Dragon), Maya Erskine (Mr and Mrs Smith), Keira Knightley (Black Doves), Keri Russell (The Diplomat)</i>        |
| <b>Best Television Series – Musical or Comedy</b> | <i>Hacks</i>                                 | <i>Abbott Elementary, The Bear, The Gentlemen, Nobody Wants This, Only Murders in the Building</i>  |
| <b>Best TV Limited Series or Film</b>             | <i>Baby Reindeer</i>                         | <i>Disclaimer, Monsters: The Lyle and Erik Menendez Story, The Penguin, Ripley, True Detective: Night Country</i>   |
| <b>Best Cinematic and Box Office Achievement</b>  | <i>Wicked</i>                                | <i>Alien: Romulus, Beetlejuice Beetlejuice, Deadpool &amp; Wolverine, Gladiator II, Inside Out 2, Twisters, The Wild Robot</i>                                      |
| <b>Best Original Song – Film</b>                  | <i>El Mal (Emilia Pérez)</i>                 | <i>Beautiful That Way (The Last Showgirl), Compress/Repress (Challengers), Forbidden Road (Better Man), Kiss the Sky (The Wild Robot), Mi Camino (Emilia Pérez)</i> |
| <b>Best Original Score – Film</b>                 | <i>Challengers</i>                           | <i>The Brutalist, Conclave, Dune: Part Two, Emilia Pérez, The Wild Robot</i>  |
| <b>Best Director – Film</b>                       | Brady Corbet<br>( <i>The Brutalist</i> )     | <i>Jacques Audiard (Emilia Pérez), Sean Baker (Anora), Edward Berger (Conclave), Coralie Fargeat (The Substance), Payal Kapadia (All</i>                            |

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|   |   | <i>We Imagine As Light</i> )   |
| <b>Best Film – Animated</b>                               | <i>Flow</i>   | <i>Inside Out 2, Memoir of a Snail, Moana 2, Wallace &amp; Gromit: Vengeance Most Fowl, The Wild Robot</i>   |
| <b>Best Male Actor in a Film – Musical or Comedy</b>      | Sebastian Stan ( <i>A Different Man</i> )             | <i>Jesse Eisenberg (A Real Pain), Hugh Grant (Heretic), Gabriel LaBelle (Saturday Night), Jesse Plemons (Kinds of Kindness), Glen Powell (Hit Man)</i>                                     |
| <b>Best Female Actor in a Film – Musical or Comedy</b>    | Demi Moore ( <i>The Substance</i> )                   | <i>Amy Adams (Nightbitch), Cynthia Erivo (Wicked), Karla Sofía Gascón (Emilia Pérez), Mikey Madison (Anora), Zendaya (Challengers)</i>   |
| <b>Best Female Actor in a TV Limited Series or Film</b>   | Jodie Foster ( <i>True Detective: Night Country</i> ) | <i>Cate Blanchett (Disclaimer), Cristin Milioti (The Penguin), Sofia Vergara (Griselda), Naomi Watts (Feud: Capote vs the Swans), Kate Winslet (The Regime)</i>                            |
| <b>Best Male Actor in a TV Limited Series or Film</b>     | Colin Farrell ( <i>The Penguin</i> )                  | <i>Richard Gadd (Baby Reindeer), Kevin Kline (Disclaimer), Cooper Koch (Monsters: The Lyle and Erik Menendez Story), Ewan McGregor (A Gentleman in Moscow), Andrew Scott (Ripley)</i>      |
| <b>Best Film – Non-English Language</b>                   | <i>Emilia Pérez</i>                                   | <i>All We Imagine As Light, The Girl With the Needle, I’m Still Here, The Seed of the Sacred Fig, Vermiglio</i>  |
| <b>Best Standup Comedy on TV</b>                          | Ali Wong ( <i>Single Lady</i> )                       | <i>Jamie Foxx (What Had Happened Was), Nikki Glaser (Someday You’ll Die), Seth Meyers (Dad Man Walking), Adam Sandler (Love You), Ramy Youssef (More Feelings)</i>                         |
| <b>Best Screenplay – Film</b>                             | Peter Straughan ( <i>Conclave</i> )                   | <i>Jacques Audiard (Emilia Pérez), Sean Baker (Anora), Brady Corbet, Mona Fastvold (The Brutalist), Jesse Eisenberg (A Real Pain), Coralie Fargeat (The Substance)</i>                     |
| <b>Best Male Actor in a TV Series – Musical or Comedy</b> | Jeremy Allen White ( <i>The Bear</i> )                | <i>Adam Brody (Nobody Wants This), Ted Danson (A Man on the Inside), Steve Martin (Only Murders in the Building), Jason Segel (Shrinking), Martin Short (Only Murders in the Building)</i> |
| <b>Best Supporting Male Actor on TV</b>                   | Tadanobu Asano ( <i>Shōgun</i> )                      | <i>Javier Bardem (Monsters: The Lyle and Erik Menendez Story), Harrison Ford (Shrinking), Jack Lowden (Slow Horses), Diego Luna (La Máquina), Ebon Moss-Bachrach (The Bear)</i>            |
| <b>Best Supporting Female Actor on TV</b>                 | Jessica Gunning ( <i>Baby Reindeer</i> )              | <i>Liza Colón-Zayas (The Bear), Hannah Einbinder (Hacks), Dakota Fanning (Ripley), Allison Janney (The Diplomat), Kali Reis (True Detective: Night Country)</i>                            |
| <b>Best Male Actor in a TV Series – Drama</b>             | Hiroiyuki Sanada ( <i>Shōgun</i> )                    | <i>Donald Glover (Mr and Mrs Smith), Jake Gyllenhaal (Presumed Innocent), Gary Oldman (Slow Horses), Eddie Redmayne (The Day of the Jackal), Billy Bob Thornton (Landman)</i>              |



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| <b>Best Male Actor in a Supporting Role in a Film</b>       | Kieran Culkin ( <i>A Real Pain</i> ) | <i>Yura Borisov (Anora), Edward Norton (A Complete Unknown), Guy Pearce (The Brutalist), Jeremy Strong (The Apprentice), Denzel Washington (Gladiator II)</i>                     |
| <b>Best Female Actor in a Supporting Role in a Film</b>     | Zoe Saldña ( <i>Emilia Pérez</i> )   | <i>Selena Gomez (Emilia Pérez), Ariana Grande (Wicked), Felicity Jones (The Brutalist), Margaret Qualley (The Substance), Isabella Rossellini (Conclave)</i>                      |
| <b>Best Female Actor in a TV Series – Musical or Comedy</b> | Jean Smart ( <i>Hacks</i> )          | <i>Kristen Bell (Nobody Wants This), Quinta Brunson (Abbott Elementary), Ayo Edebiri (The Bear), Selena Gomez (Only Murders in the Building), Kathryn Hahn (Agatha All Along)</i> |

- **Prithish Nandy has recently passed away was related to which field?**



Film Industry

- **The flamingo festival will be celebrated in which state?**

Andhra Pradesh

*This annual festival aims to attract tourists from the world over and bring people close to nature.*

- **What is the rank of India in 'Henley Passport Index 2025'?**

85<sup>th</sup> (Top-Singapore)

- Which week is observed every year from **January 11 to 17** of every year to raise awareness to prevent death and injuries worldwide?

### National Road Safety Week

#### **THEME 2025: "Sadak Suraksha Jeevan Raksha"**

- **Which state government has recently launched the 'Bima Sakhi Yojana'?**

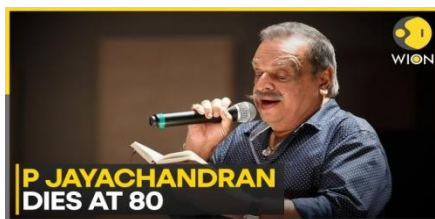
Goa

*The Bima Sakhi Yojana initiative of Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) is designed to empower women aged 18-70 years, who are Class X pass*

- **The Union government has recently issued the Sankalp Patra which has been officially given the status of which classical language?**

Marathi

- **P Jayachandran has passed away recently was related to which field?**



Singing



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- **Indian PM laid the foundation stone of the first Green Hydrogen Hub in which state?**

Andhra Pradesh

- **Which day is observed on *12<sup>th</sup> January* every year?**

### **National Youth Day**

*(The day is observed to commemorate the birth anniversary-162<sup>nd</sup> in 2025 of Swami Vivekananda)*

### **THEME 2025: “Youth for a Sustainable Future: Shaping the Nation with Resilience and Responsibility”**

- **Who has recently been awarded the ‘Parvasi Bhartiya Award 2025’?**



Dr. Syed Anwar Khursheed

- **The Multi-layering clothing system ‘HIMKAVACH’ has been designed by?**

DRDO

*It aims to protect soldiers operating in extreme cold conditions. The system, designed to function in temperatures ranging from 20°C to -60°C*

- **Which player has recently been named as the ‘Best Male Javelin Thrower’ in the World 2024 by Track & Field News?**



## January 2025 Tit Bits

- **Who has become the first Indian woman player to score the fastest 4000 runs in ODIs?**



- **The Artificial Intelligence Action Summit will be held in which country?**  
France
- **Who has recently been awarded the *Indian National Science Academy Fellowship*?**  
Krishna Ella
- **Which day is observed on *14<sup>th</sup> January* every year?**

### **Armed Forces Veterans Day**

- **Which organization has released the ‘World Economic Situation & Prospects 2025’ report?**  
United Nations
- **Ira Jadhav recently in the news is related to which sports?**



*Fourteen-year-old Mumbai opener Ira Jadhav became the first Indian to score a triple hundred in Under-19 Women's One Day Trophy*

- **Where is India’s first Women’s Hockey India League being organized?**  
Jharkhand
- **Who is the author of the book titled “*How India Scaled Mount G20: The Inside Story of the G20 Presidency*”?**  
Amitabh Kant
- **Which space agency will launch the LEXI Mission to study the Earth’s magnetic shield from the moon?**  
NASA
- **Which country has sent nuclear reactor ship to India’s Kudankulam Nuclear Plant, Tamil Nadu?**  
Russia
- **Which day is observed on *15<sup>th</sup> January* every year?**

### **Indian Army Day**

# January 2025 Tit Bits

*(This year 2025 marks 77<sup>th</sup> Indian Army Day)*

- **By what name is Makar Sankranti celebrated in Tamil Nadu?**  
Pongal
- **Which state has launched the Swami Vivekananda Yuva Shakti Mission on his birth anniversary?**  
Madhya Pradesh
- **Who has recently launched the India Clean Technology Manufacturing platform- *an initiative designed to enhance India's cleantech value chains in the solar, wind, hydrogen, and battery storage sectors?***  
Piyush Goyal

## **ICC PLAYERS OF THE MONTH FOR DECEMBER** **2024**



- **Which organization has developed the Nag MK-2 Missile?**  
DRDO
- **Which day is observed on 19<sup>th</sup> January every year?**  
**Raising Day (20<sup>th</sup> edition in 2025) of The National Disaster Response Force (NDRF)**

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**Kokborok Day, also known as the Tripuri Language Day**  
*(It is annually celebrated across the Indian State of Tripura on 19th January with an aim to develop the Kokborok Language)*

- **Where is the Headquarter of National Turmeric Board established?**  
**Ministry of Commerce & Industry** launched the **National Turmeric Board (NTB)** with its headquarters at **Nizamabad, Telangana**.  
It has been established to promote the **cultivation, production, processing, and marketing** of turmeric in India and enhancing the income of turmeric farmers.
- **Who has recently been appointed as the Chairperson of the Athletics Federation of India Athletes Commission?**

## January 2025 Tit Bits



Anju Bobby George

- **Which state has recently set up sports coaching & talent development programme?**

*The Empowering Mizoram Sports (EMS) programme aims to establish sports coaching and talent development programs across Mizoram*

- **Who has recently been appointed as the Chief Justice of Delhi High Court?**  
Justice Devendra Kumar Upadhyay
- **Who has recently been appointed as the Chairman of Atomic Energy Commission?**  
Ajit Kumar Mohanty

## **The United Nations declared 2025 as the International Year of Glaciers' Preservation**

- **Which team has won the Supercopa De Espana 2025?**



FC Barcelona

- **Which Operation has recently been launched by India during the Israel-Hamas war to bring back its citizens?**  
Operation Ajay
- **Sunil Kumar Jha has recently been appointed as the Special Director General of which organization?**



CRPF

## January 2025 Tit Bits

- **Which state has recently launched ‘Samvidhan Gaurav Abhiyan’ highlighting B R Ambedkar's contribution to nation and the constitution?**

Himachal Pradesh

- **Which startup has launched India's first private satellite constellation?**

Pixxel

- **Which tennis player recently set the record for playing the Most Grand Slam matches?**



Serbian player- Novak Djokovic

- **Zoran Milanovic has been re-elected as the President of which country?**



- **Who is the author of the book titled “Parliament: Powers, Functions & Privileges”?**

Dr. K S Chauhan

- **Which indigenously developed micro missile system recently successfully tested?**

Bhargavastra

- **Where has India's 6<sup>th</sup> Astronomical observatory under department of Science & Technology been established?**

Panchet Hill, Purulia (West Bengal)

**1- Ladakh, 2- Nainital(Uttarakhand) 3- Mount Abu (Rajasthan), 4-Girbani Hills (Pune) & 5-Kavalur (Tamil Nadu)**

- **Which state government has launched the SHE (Startups Handholding & Empowerment) Cohort to empower female startups and students in building tech-based ventures?**

Punjab

- **Which country has developed the world's most powerful hydrogen fuel-run engine?**

India

- **Which country will host 28<sup>th</sup> Conference of Speakers & Presiding Officers of Parliaments of Commonwealth Countries (CSPOC) in 2026?**

India

- **Which force is conducting Exercise ‘Devil Shakti- 2025’?**



## January 2025 Tit Bits

Indian Army & Indian Air Force

- **Which organization has recently released the report titled “Global Cyber Security Outlook 2025”?**

The World Economic Forum (WEF)

- **What is the rank of India in ‘QS World Future Skills Index 2025’?**

25<sup>th</sup>

- **Dennis Law(Scotland) who has passed away recently was related to which sports?**



Football

- **Where is the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of Women’s U-19 T20 World Cup being held?**

Malaysia (*1<sup>st</sup> Edition was hosted by South Africa*)

- **Which organization has recently released the report titled “Prospects for Children in 2025-Building Resilient Systems for Children’s Future”?**

UNICEF

- **Which day is observed on 19<sup>th</sup> January every year?**

**Raising Day (20<sup>th</sup> edition in 2025) of The National Disaster Response Force (NDRF)**

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**Kokborok Day, also known as the Tripuri Language Day**

*(It is annually celebrated across the Indian State of Tripura on 19th January with an aim to develop the Kokborok Language)*

- **Recently in the news T.V. Gopalakrishnan is associated with which musical instrument?**



*Mridangist TV Gopalakrishnan will be honoured by the RK Srikantan Trust during the Sankranti Music Fest*

- **Department of Telecommunication has recently launched which mobile app?**

*Sanchar Saathi is a citizen centric initiative to empower mobile subscribers, strengthen their security and increase awareness about citizen centric initiatives of the Government.*

## January 2025 Tit Bits

- **Multilateral naval exercise 'La Perouse' to strengthen maritime security of participated navies conducted by which country?**  
France
- **Who has recently been appointed as the new batting coach of Indian cricket team?**



- **Who has recently been appointed as the Director General of CRPF?**  
Gyanendra Pratap Singh
- **Which country has won Men's & Women's title in Kho Kho World Cup 2025?**



- **Who has recently won Men's Singles India Open 2025?**



*Viktor Axelsen of Denmark and Republic of Korea's An Se-young*

## January 2025 Tit Bits

- Recently discussed **Trajan gun** has been developed with the collaboration of which countries?

India & France

- Which state's statehood day is observed on **21<sup>st</sup> January** every year?

**Tripura, Manipur & Meghalaya**

*(These states got full-fledged status of statehood on 21<sup>st</sup> January, 1972)*

- Which Heritage site from India has recently been included in the World Monuments Watch List 2025?



**Historic Buildings along with Musi River (in Hyderabad)**

- Who has recently been awarded the 'Gates- Cambridge Impact Prize 2025'?
- Prof. Urvashi Sinha
- Which country recently became partner state of the BRICS?
- Nigeria
- Which state has recently won Vijay Hazara Trophy 2024-25 by defeating Vidarbha?



- Which state has been awarded the *Prime Minister's Award for Innovative use of solar energy in the Jal Jeevan Mission*?

Uttar Pradesh

- Which day is observed on **23<sup>rd</sup> January** every year?

*The Indian government has decided to celebrate January 23<sup>rd</sup> as 'Parakram Diwas' to commemorate the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose. This year 2025 is the 128th Birth Anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose. Netaji was born on January 23, 1897)*

## January 2025 Tit Bits

- **Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology has recently launched which digital platform?**

***The Entity Locker is a digital cloud-based platform that provides for storing, sharing and verifying digital documents and certificates of a defined entity.***

***Entity means any business organisation whether government or private registered in India***

- **What is the name of the World's largest expressway tunnel recently completed by China?**

Tianshan Shengil Tunnel

- **Which has recently conducted the test of Scramjet Engine?**

DRDO

- **Which state has recently launched the 'KaWaCHam' (one of the world's fastest weather alert systems)?**

*Kerala Warnings, Crisis & Hazard Management System*

- **Which state will host the first Olympic Research Conference?**

Gujarat

- **Which day is observed on *24<sup>th</sup> January* every year?**

**Uttar Pradesh Divas**

**&**

**National Girl Child Day**

**&**

**International Day of Education**

**THEME 2025: "AI and education: Preserving human agency in a world of automation"**

- **What is the rank of India globally in the 'Edelman Trust Barometer 2025'?**

3<sup>rd</sup> (Top: China (1<sup>st</sup>), Indoensia(2<sup>nd</sup>))

- **What is the name of India's first indigenous surgical tele-robotic system?**

SSI Mantra

*This innovative technology aims to transform the landscape of robotic surgery by making advanced, affordable, and accessible surgical procedures*

- **Who has recently been honored with the 'Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabhandan Puraskar 2025'?**

Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS)

- **What is the name of India's first eVTOL air taxi unveiled by Sarla Aviation?**

Shunya



## January 2025 Tit Bits

- **Who has recently become India's highest ranked player in the FIDE Chess rankings?**



- **Who is the author of the book titled "The World After Gaza"?**  
Pankaj Mishra
- **Which country is set to host the FIDE Chess World Cup 2025?**  
India
- **What is the rank of India in the 'Global Firepower Index 2025'?**  
4<sup>th</sup> (US tops the list, followed by Russia and China)
- **6<sup>th</sup> edition of International Millets Festival 2025 is being hosted?**  
Karnataka
- **Michael Martin has recently been elected as the new Prime Minister of which country?**



- **Which organization has presented Crystal Award for Contribution in Social, Environment & Innovation field?**  
World Economic Forum
- **Which has recently developed the 'SANJAY System' launched by Union Defence Minister?**

Indian Army & BEL

Sanjay is an **automated battlefield surveillance system** designed to integrate real-time inputs from ground and aerial sensors to create a **Common Surveillance Picture (CSP)**. This technology allows commanders to make informed decisions swiftly in conventional and sub-conventional warfare scenarios.

## January 2025 Tit Bits

- **Who has recently been honored with the American Meteorological Society's (AMS) 'STAC Outstanding Service Award' for 2025?**



Mrutyunjay Mohapatra

- **What is the name of India's first human underwater mission?**  
Samudrayaan
- **Where has recently been launched Indian Sustainable Natural Rubber initiative?**  
Kerala
- **Which day is observed on *25<sup>th</sup> January* every year?**

### **National Voters' Day**

*(The day has been started from January 25, 2011 to mark the Foundation Day of Election Commission of India)*

**THEME 2025 of NVD: "Nothing Like Voting, I Vote For sure"**

**&**

### **National Tourism Day**

**THEME 2025: "Tourism for Inclusive Growth"**

- **Which state government has recently launched '**Samman Sanjeevani**' app?**  
Haryana  
The app tracks benefits under the 'Mahila Evam Kishori Samman Yojana' by which sanitary napkins are distributed to BPL women and girls aged 10 to 45 years
- **Which Indian Navy ship recently completed hydrographic survey covering an area of 25,000 sq. nautical miles in Mauritius?**  
INS Sarveksha
- **Jitendra Pal Singh has recently been appointed as India's new Ambassador to which country?**



Israel

- **Which Padma Shri awardee & renowned heart surgeon has recently passed away?**

## January 2025 Tit Bits



- **Which state secured top rank in the Fiscal Health Index released by NITI Ayog?**  
Odisha
- **Which two Indian cities have recently been added to the 'Wetland Cities of the World' list by UNESCO?**



- **Which Grandmaster has recently won the 9<sup>th</sup> Johor International Open Chess Tournament held in Malaysia on January 24?**



- **Where was the 'Chief Minister's Mobile Operation Theatre' recently launched?**  
Nagaland
- **Who has recently been appointed as the Director of the Liquid Propulsion System Centre (LPSC) under ISRO?**  
M. Mohan
- **Alexander Lukashenko has recently been elected as the new Prime Minister of which country?**

## January 2025 Tit Bits



- **Which city in Assam has recently been announced to be upgraded to full-fledged city & serve as the second capital?**  
Dibrugarh
- **Which part of body is affected by Guillain-Barre Syndrome recently seen in the news?**  
Nervous System
- **Who founded recently discussed DeepSeek AI company?**



Liang Wenfeng

- **Who is the author of the book titled “Soumitra Chatterjee & His World”?**  
Sanghmitra Chakraborty
- **Which country has recently been declared Malaria-free by WHO?**  
Georgia
- **Which day is observed on *26<sup>th</sup> January* every year?**

### **International Customs Day**

*(ICD was instituted by World Customs Organization HQ: Brussels, Belgium)*

**THEME 2025: “Customs Delivering on its Commitment to Efficiency, Security and Prosperity”**

- ***Etikoppaka Toys, recently in the news are 400-year-old tradition of which state?***  
Andhra Pradesh
- **Which country has recently won the ICC Women’s Championship 2025?**



## January 2025 Tit Bits



Australia

- Which country has recently developed the world's first deep sea radar that can detect high flying aircraft?  
China

- Which day is observed on **27<sup>th</sup> January** every year?

### **International Holocaust Remembrance Day**

*(Genocide occurred during WW-II)*

- Who won Men's & Women's Singles title in the 86<sup>th</sup> Senior National Table Tennis Championship 2025?



**Manush Shah and Diya Chitale won the men's and women's singles titles**

- 'Indiramma Atmiya Bharosa' scheme for those who are agricultural workers and they don't have single piece of cultivable land in the state recently launched by which state?

Telangana

- Which day is observed on **28<sup>th</sup> January** every year?

### **Data Privacy Day**

**THEME 2025: "Take Control of Your Data"**

**&**

***Birth Anniversary of Great Freedom Fighter Lala Lajpat Rai (160<sup>th</sup>)***

- Where is Nagoba Jatara festival recently celebrated in India?

Telangana

- Which has recently launched iSPO portal?

*SEBI Portal for Technical Glitches (iSPOT), a centralized system to streamline the reporting of technical issues by Market Infrastructure Institutions (MIIs) like stock exchanges and clearing corporations.*

## January 2025 Tit Bits

- **Who has recently been appointed as the new Director General of Bureau of Civil Aviation Security?**

Rajesh Nirwan

- **Which day is observed on *30<sup>th</sup> January* every year?**

**World Neglected Tropical Diseases Day (World NTD Day)**

**&**

**World Leprosy (was discovered by G. H. Armauer Hansen) Day**

*World Leprosy Day is observed every year on last Sunday of January.*

**THEME 2025: “Unite, Act, Eliminate”**

**&**

**Martyrs Day**

*(India pays homage to Father of the Nation Mahatma Gandhi to mark his death anniversary on Martyrs Day. 2025 marked his 77<sup>th</sup> death anniversary)*

- **What is full form of ONOT recently in the news?**

One Nation, One Time

*The Indian government has drafted comprehensive rules mandating use of Indian Standard Time (IST) across platforms to streamline timekeeping*

- **Latika Katt who recently passed away was associated with which field?**



Sculpture

- **Which Indian badminton player has been appointed as the Brand Ambassador of Puma India?**



# Australian Open 2025

## January 2025 Tit Bits

The 2025 Australian Open was a Grand Slam level tennis tournament held at Melbourne Park, from 12–26 January 2025. It was the 113th edition of the Australian Open.



**Jannik Sinner & Madison Keys wins  
2025 Australian Open Singles Titles**  
*Jannik Sinner (Italy) & Madison Keys (US) won Men & Women's  
singles title*



**Men's doubles title- Harri Heliövaara (Finland) & Henry Patten (Great  
Britain)**



***Women's doubles title- Katerina Siniakova and Taylor Townsend***



***Mixed Doubles title :Olivia Gadecki and John Peers***

# PADMA AWARDS 2025



The Padma Awards **are one of the highest civilian honours of India** announced annually on the **eve of Republic Day**. The awards are given in three categories: Padma Vibhushan (for exceptional and distinguished service), Padma Bhushan (distinguished service of higher order) and Padma Shri (distinguished service). The award seeks to recognize achievements in all fields of activities or disciplines where an element of public service is involved.

## Padma Vibhushan (7)

| SN | Name                                      | Field                    | State/Country |
|----|---|--------------------------|---------------|
| 1  | Shri Duvvur Nageshwar Reddy               | Medicine                 | Telangana     |
| 2  | Justice (Retd.) Shri Jagdish Singh Khehar | Public Affairs           | Chandigarh    |
| 3  | Smt. Kumudini Rajnikant Lakhia            | Art                      | Gujarat       |
| 4  | Shri Lakshminarayana Subramaniam          | Art                      | Karnataka     |
| 5  | Shri M. T. Vasudevan Nair (Posthumous)    | Literature and Education | Kerala        |
| 6  | Shri Osamu Suzuki (Posthumous)            | Trade and Industry       | Japan         |
| 7  | Smt. Sharda Sinha (Posthumous)            | Art                      | Bihar         |

## Padma Bhushan (19)

| SN | Name                           | Field                                | State/Country |
|----|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| 1  | Shri A Surya Prakash           | Literature and Education- Journalism | Karnataka     |
| 2  | Shri Anant Nag                 | Art                                  | Karnataka     |
| 3  | Shri Bibek Debroy (Posthumous) | Literature and Education             | NCT Delhi     |
| 4  | Shri Jatin Goswami             | Art                                  | Assam         |



## January 2025 Tit Bits

|    |  |   |                |
|----|--|---|----------------|
| 5  | Shri Jose Chacko Periappuram           | Medicine                                | Kerala         |
| 6  | Shri Kailash Nath Dikshit              | Others-Archaeology                      | NCT Delhi      |
| 7  | Shri Manohar Joshi<br>(Posthumous)     | Public Affairs                          | Maharashtra    |
| 8  | Shri Nalli Kuppaswami Chetti           | Trade and Industry                      | Tamil Nadu     |
| 9  | Shri Nandamuri Balakrishna             | Art                                     | Andhra Pradesh |
| 10 | Shri P R Sreejesh                      | Sports                                  | Kerala         |
| 11 | Shri Pankaj Patel                      | Trade and Industry                      | Gujarat        |
| 12 | Shri Pankaj Udhas<br>(Posthumous)      | Art                                     | Maharashtra    |
| 13 | Shri Rambahadur Rai                    | Literature and Education-<br>Journalism | Uttar Pradesh  |
| 14 | Sadhvi Ritambhara                      | Social Work                             | Uttar Pradesh  |
| 15 | Shri S Ajith Kumar                     | Art                                     | Tamil Nadu     |
| 16 | Shri Shekhar Kapur                     | Art                                     | Maharashtra    |
| 17 | Ms. Shobana Chandrakumar               | Art                                     | Tamil Nadu     |
| 18 | Shri Sushil Kumar Modi<br>(Posthumous) | Public Affairs                          | Bihar          |
| 19 | Shri Vinod Dham                        | Science and Engineering                 | USA            |

### Padma Shri (113)

| SN | Name                          | Field                       | State/Country               |
|----|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1  | Shri Adwaita Charan Gadanayak | Art                         | Odisha                      |
| 2  | Shri Achyut Ramchandra Palav  | Art                         | Maharashtra                 |
| 3  | Shri Ajay V Bhatt             | Science and<br>Engineering  | United States of<br>America |
| 4  | Shri Anil Kumar Boro          | Literature and<br>Education | Assam                       |
| 5  | Shri Arijit Singh             | Art                         | West Bengal                 |
| 6  | Smt. Arundhati Bhattacharya   | Trade and Industry          | Maharashtra                 |
| 7  | Shri Arunoday Saha            | Literature and<br>Education | Tripura                     |
| 8  | Shri Arvind Sharma            | Literature and<br>Education | Canada                      |
| 9  | Shri Ashok Kumar Mahapatra    | Medicine                    | Odisha                      |
| 10 | Shri Ashok Laxman Saraf       | Art                         | Maharashtra                 |
| 11 | Shri Ashutosh Sharma          | Science and<br>Engineering  | Uttar Pradesh               |
| 12 | Smt. Ashwini Bhide Deshpande  | Art                         | Maharashtra                 |
| 13 | Shri Baijnath Maharaj         | Others-Spiritualism         | Rajasthan                   |
| 14 | Shri Barry Godfray John       | Art                         | NCT Delhi                   |

## January 2025 Tit Bits

|    |  |                                     |                   |
|----|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 15 | Smt. Begam Batool                          | Art                                 | Rajasthan         |
| 16 | Shri Bharat Gupt                           | Art                                 | NCT Delhi         |
| 17 | Shri Bheru Singh Chouhan                   | Art                                 | Madhya Pradesh    |
| 18 | Shri Bhim Singh Bhavesh                    | Social Work                         | Bihar             |
| 19 | Smt. Bhimavva Doddabalappa Shillekyathara  | Art                                 | Karnataka         |
| 20 | Shri Budhendra Kumar Jain                  | Medicine                            | Madhya Pradesh    |
| 21 | Shri C S Vaidyanathan                      | Public Affairs                      | NCT Delhi         |
| 22 | Shri Chaitram Deochand Pawar               | Social Work                         | Maharashtra       |
| 23 | Shri Chandrakant Sheth (Posthumous)        | Literature and Education            | Gujarat           |
| 24 | Shri Chandrakant Sompura                   | Others-Architecture                 | Gujarat           |
| 25 | Shri Chetan E Chitnis                      | Science and Engineering             | France            |
| 26 | Shri David R Syiemlieh                     | Literature and Education            | Meghalaya         |
| 27 | Shri Durga Charan Ranbir                   | Art                                 | Odisha            |
| 28 | Shri Farooq Ahmad Mir                      | Art                                 | Jammu and Kashmir |
| 29 | Shri Ganeshwar Shastri Dravid              | Literature and Education            | Uttar Pradesh     |
| 30 | Smt. Gita Upadhyay                         | Literature and Education            | Assam             |
| 31 | Shri Gokul Chandra Das                     | Art                                 | West Bengal       |
| 32 | Shri Guruvayur Dorai                       | Art                                 | Tamil Nadu        |
| 33 | Shri Harchandan Singh Bhattu               | Art                                 | Madhya Pradesh    |
| 34 | Shri Hariman Sharma                        | Others-Agriculture                  | Himachal Pradesh  |
| 35 | Shri Harjinder Singh Srinagar Wale         | Art                                 | Punjab            |
| 36 | Shri Harvinder Singh                       | Sports                              | Haryana           |
| 37 | Shri Hassan Raghu                          | Art                                 | Karnataka         |
| 38 | Shri Hemant Kumar                          | Medicine                            | Bihar             |
| 39 | Shri Hriday Narayan Dixit                  | Literature and Education            | Uttar Pradesh     |
| 40 | Shri Hugh and Colleen Gantzer (Posthumous) | Literature and Education-Journalism | Uttarakhand       |
| 41 | Shri Inivalappil Mani Vijayan              | Sports                              | Kerala            |
| 42 | Shri Jagadish Joshila                      | Literature and Education            | Madhya Pradesh    |
| 43 | Smt. Jaspinder Narula                      | Art                                 | Maharashtra       |
| 44 | Shri Jonas Masetti                         | Others-Spiritualism                 | Brazil            |

## January 2025 Tit Bits

|    |   |                                     |                          |
|----|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 45 | Shri Joynacharan Bathari                | Art                                 | Assam                    |
| 46 | Smt. Jumde Yomgam Gamlin                | Social Work                         | Arunachal Pradesh        |
| 47 | Shri K. Damodaran                       | Others-Culinary                     | Tamil Nadu               |
| 48 | Shri K L Krishna                        | Literature and Education            | Andhra Pradesh           |
| 49 | Smt. K Omanakutty Amma                  | Art                                 | Kerala                   |
| 50 | Shri Kishore Kunal (Posthumous)         | Civil Service                       | Bihar                    |
| 51 | Shri L Hangthing                        | Others-Agriculture                  | Nagaland                 |
| 52 | Shri Lakshmipathy Ramasubbaiyer         | Literature and Education-Journalism | Tamil Nadu               |
| 53 | Shri Lalit Kumar Mangotra               | Literature and Education            | Jammu and Kashmir        |
| 54 | Shri Lama Lobzang (Posthumous)          | Others-Spiritualism                 | Ladakh                   |
| 55 | Smt. Libia Lobo Sardesai                | Social Work                         | Goa                      |
| 56 | Shri M D Srinivas                       | Science and Engineering             | Tamil Nadu               |
| 57 | Shri Madugula Nagaphani Sarma           | Art                                 | Andhra Pradesh           |
| 58 | Shri Mahabir Nayak                      | Art                                 | Jharkhand                |
| 59 | Smt. Mamata Shankar                     | Art                                 | West Bengal              |
| 60 | Shri Manda Krishna Madiga               | Public Affairs                      | Telangana                |
| 61 | Shri Maruti Bhujangrao Chitampalli      | Literature and Education            | Maharashtra              |
| 62 | Shri Miriyala Apparao (Posthumous)      | Art                                 | Andhra Pradesh           |
| 63 | Shri Nagendra Nath Roy                  | Literature and Education            | West Bengal              |
| 64 | Shri Narayan (Bhulai Bhai) (Posthumous) | Public Affairs                      | Uttar Pradesh            |
| 65 | Shri Naren Gurung                       | Art                                 | Sikkim                   |
| 66 | Smt. Neerja Bhatla                      | Medicine                            | NCT Delhi                |
| 67 | Smt. Nirmala Devi                       | Art                                 | Bihar                    |
| 68 | Shri Nitin Nohria                       | Literature and Education            | United States of America |
| 69 | Shri Onkar Singh Pahwa                  | Trade and Industry                  | Punjab                   |
| 70 | Shri P Datchanamorthy                   | Art                                 | Puducherry               |
| 71 | Shri Pandi Ram Mandavi                  | Art                                 | Chhattisgarh             |
| 72 | Shri Parmar Lavjibhai Nagjibhai         | Art                                 | Gujarat                  |
| 73 | Shri Pawan Goenka                       | Trade and Industry                  | West Bengal              |
| 74 | Shri Prashanth Prakash                  | Trade and Industry                  | Karnataka                |
| 75 | Smt. Pratibha Satpathy                  | Literature and                      | Odisha                   |

## January 2025 Tit Bits

|     |  |                          |                          |
|-----|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|     |  | Education                |                          |
| 76  | Shri Purisai Kannappa Sambandan            | Art                      | Tamil Nadu               |
| 77  | Shri R Ashwin                              | Sports                   | Tamil Nadu               |
| 78  | Shri R G Chandramogan                      | Trade and Industry       | Tamil Nadu               |
| 79  | Smt. Radha Bahin Bhatt                     | Social Work              | Uttarakhand              |
| 80  | Shri Radhakrishnan Devasenapathy           | Art                      | Tamil Nadu               |
| 81  | Shri Ramdarash Mishra                      | Literature and Education | NCT Delhi                |
| 82  | Shri Ranendra Bhanu Majumdar               | Art                      | Maharashtra              |
| 83  | Shri Ratan Kumar Parimoo                   | Art                      | Gujarat                  |
| 84  | Shri Reba Kanta Mahanta                    | Art                      | Assam                    |
| 85  | Shri Renthlei Lalrawna                     | Literature and Education | Mizoram                  |
| 86  | Shri Ricky Gyan Kej                        | Art                      | Karnataka                |
| 87  | Shri Sajjan Bhajanka                       | Trade and Industry       | West Bengal              |
| 88  | Smt. Sally Holkar                          | Trade and Industry       | Madhya Pradesh           |
| 89  | Shri Sant Ram Deswal                       | Literature and Education | Haryana                  |
| 90  | Shri Satyapal Singh                        | Sports                   | Uttar Pradesh            |
| 91  | Shri Seeni Viswanathan                     | Literature and Education | Tamil Nadu               |
| 92  | Shri Sethuraman Panchanathan               | Science and Engineering  | United States of America |
| 93  | Smt. Sheikha Shaikha Ali Al-Jaber Al-Sabah | Medicine                 | Kuwait                   |
| 94  | Shri Sheen Kaaf Nizam (Shiv Kishan Bissa)  | Literature and Education | Rajasthan                |
| 95  | Shri Shyam Bihari Agrawal                  | Art                      | Uttar Pradesh            |
| 96  | Smt. Soniya Nityanand                      | Medicine                 | Uttar Pradesh            |
| 97  | Shri Stephen Knapp                         | Literature and Education | United States of America |
| 98  | Shri Subhash Khetulal Sharma               | Others-Agriculture       | Maharashtra              |
| 99  | Shri Suresh Harilal Soni                   | Social Work              | Gujarat                  |
| 100 | Shri Surinder Kumar Vasal                  | Science and Engineering  | Delhi                    |
| 101 | Shri Swami Pradiptananda (Kartik Maharaj)  | Others-Spiritualism      | West Bengal              |
| 102 | Shri Syed Ainul Hasan                      | Literature and Education | Uttar Pradesh            |
| 103 | Shri Tejendra Narayan Majumdar             | Art                      | West Bengal              |
| 104 | Smt. Thiyam Suryamukhi Devi                | Art                      | Manipur                  |



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| 105 | Shri Tushar Durgeshbhai Shukla             | Literature and Education | Gujarat        |
| 106 | Shri Vadiraj Raghawendracharya Panchamukhi | Literature and Education | Andhra Pradesh |
| 107 | Shri Vasudeo Kamath                        | Art                      | Maharashtra    |
| 108 | Shri Velu Aasaan                           | Art                      | Tamil Nadu     |
| 109 | Shri Venkappa Ambaji Sugatekar             | Art                      | Karnataka      |
| 110 | Shri Vijay Nityanand Surishwar Ji Maharaj  | Others-Spiritualism      | Bihar          |
| 111 | Smt. Vijayalakshmi Deshamane               | Medicine                 | Karnataka      |
| 112 | Shri Vilas Dangre                          | Medicine                 | Maharashtra    |
| 113 | Shri Vinayak Lohani                        | Social Work              | West Bengal    |

# REPUBLIC DAY 2025



India celebrated its 76<sup>th</sup> **Republic Day** (26<sup>th</sup> January 2025), with the theme '**Swarnim Bharat: Virasat aur Vikas**,' highlighting military strength, development, and cultural diversity, with **Indonesian President Prabowo Subianto** as the chief guest.

- Republic Day in India is a national observance that commemorates the adoption of the **Indian Constitution on 26th January 1950**, which established India as a **republic, reflecting its democratic values and rich heritage**.  
**What are the Key Highlights of the 2025 Republic Day Tableaux?**
- **Tri-Services Tableau:** For the first time, a **Tri-Services Tableau** was featured, underlining the synergy between the **Army, Navy, and Air Force**.

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- The theme **‘Shashakt aur Surakshit Bharat’ (Strong and Secure India)** was exemplified by a display of integrated operations across land, water, and air.
- The tableau included representations of indigenous defense technologies like the **Arjun Main Battle Tank**, **Tejas MKII fighter aircraft**, **Advanced Light Helicopter**, and **INS Visakhapatnam destroyer**.
- **DRDO Tableau:** Themed **‘Raksha Kavach–Multi-layer Protection against Multi-domain Threats’**, displayed cutting-edge innovations for national security.
  - The Tableau showcased key technologies like the **Quick Reaction Surface-to-Air Missile**, Medium Power Radar - Arudhra, Drone Detection System, **Advanced Lightweight Torpedo**, **Dharashakti Electronic Warfare System**, and Indigenous **Unmanned Aerial Systems**, highlighting India's focus on indigenously developed defense technologies for national security.
- **States Tableaux:**

| States/UTs                           | Theme  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Andhra Pradesh                       | <i>“Etikoppaka Bommalu - Eco-Friendly Wooden Toys”</i>   |
| Bihar                                | <i>“Swarnim Bharat: Virasat Aur Vikas (Nalanda Vishwavidyalya)”<br/>Depicted the rich <u>Buddhist</u> heritage of the region.</i>  |
| Chandigarh                           | <i>“Chandigarh: A Harmonious Blend of Heritage, Innovation and Sustainability”<br/>Showcased city's role in film production.</i>   |
| Dadra Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu | <i>“Daman Aviary Bird Park along with Kukri Memorial - A tribute to the valiant sailors of the Indian Navy”</i>  |
| Delhi                                | <i>“Quality Education”</i>   |
| Goa                                  | <i>“Cultural Heritage of Goa”<br/>Showcased Diwija festival and Kaavi art forms blending tourism with local heritage<br/>Goa, known as the 'Pearl of the Orient,' is renowned for its beauty, culture, beaches, and hospitality.</i> |

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| Gujarat        | <i>“Swarnim Bharat: Virasat Aur Vikas”<br/>Showcased 12th-century Kirit Toran (arches) from<br/>Vadnagar and <u>C-295 Transport Aircraft Assembly Unit.</u></i>   |
| Haryana        | <i>Showcasing Bhagwad Gita and Krishna’s teachings</i>  |
| Karnataka      | <i>Lakkundi: Cradle of Stone craft.<br/>Lakkundi in Karnataka's Gadag district is a significant Jain<br/>center. It is a historic site with ancient temples<br/>like Someshwara and Jaina<br/>Basadi, reflecting <u>Chalukya</u> dynasty contributions.<br/>Protected by the State government, it is proposed for<br/>the <u>UNESCO World Heritage Site tentative list.</u></i> |
| Madhya Pradesh | <i>“Madhya Pradesh’s Glory: <u>Kuno National park-</u> The land of<br/>Cheetahs”</i>  |
| Punjab         | <i>“Punjab as the land of knowledge and wisdom”</i>   |
| Tripura        | <i>“ Eternal Reverence: The worship of 14 Deities in Tripura -<br/><u>Kharchi Puja</u>”</i>   |
| Uttar Pradesh  | <i>“Mahakumbh 2025 - Swarnim Bharat Virasat aur Vikas”<br/>Depicted the celebration of the <u>Maha Kumbh in Prayagraj</u> and<br/>the confluence of Ganga, Yamuna, and Saraswati (Triveni<br/>Sangam).</i>  |
| Uttarakhand    | <i>“Uttarakhand: Cultural Heritage and Adventure Sports”</i>  |
| West Bengal    | <i>“ The ‘Lakshmir Bhandar’ &amp; ‘Lok Prasar Prakalpa’ -<br/>Empowering Lives and Fostering Self-Reliance in Bengal”</i>   |

**Awards announced on the eve of Republic Day**

# January 2025 Tit Bits

The infographic is set against a background of several Padma Awards medals. It is divided into three main sections: Civilian Awards, Gallantry Awards, and a comparison of Wartime vs. Peacetime Gallantry Awards.

## CIVILIAN AWARDS

### Bharat Ratna

- India's highest civilian award; instituted in 1954
- Awarded for exceptional service/performance of the highest order in any field of human endeavour
- Award includes certificate & medallion (no monetary grant)
- Recommended to President by the PM
- Can be given (max) thrice per year



### Padma Awards

- Instituted in 1954; announced annually on eve of Republic Day
- Recognises achievements in all fields/disciplines involving public service
- Categories: Padma Vibhushan > Padma Bhushan > Padma Shri
- Recommended by Padma Awards Committee (constituted by PM annually)
- Suspended twice - 1978-79 and 1993-97
- Max no. of awards per year - 120



## GALLANTRY AWARDS

- Wartime Gallantry instituted on 26<sup>th</sup> January 1950
- Peacetime Gallantry instituted on 4<sup>th</sup> January 1952
- Announced twice a year - Republic Day and Independence Day
- Order of Precedence - Param Vir Chakra > Ashoka Chakra > Mahavir Chakra > Kirti Chakra > Vir Chakra > Shaurya Chakra

- Eligibility -
  - All officers of all ranks (Army, Navy, IAF), Reserve forces, Territorial army
  - People providing nursing services under any of the above forces

### Wartime Gallantry Awards



- Param Vir Chakra
- Maha Vir Chakra
- Vir Chakra

### Peacetime Gallantry Awards



- Ashoka Chakra
- Kirti Chakra
- Shaurya Chakra