
WEEKLY CURRENT AFFAIRS DECEMBER: WEEK II

BANKING AND FINANCIAL AWARENESS:

- India International Exchange (India INX) has received approval from SEBI for the listing of debt securities.
- RBI Imposes Restrictions on Corporation Bank for its Bad Loans Crosses 10%.
- RBI Imposes Rs 3 crore Penalty on IndusInd Bank for break rules on income classification norms.
- SBI Starts State Bank Rewards Scheme.
- RBI Raises FPI Limit Rs 6,400 crore in Central Government Securities (G-Secs) and Rs 5,800 crore in State development loans (SDLs).
- ADB Lowers India's GDP forecast for FY18 to 6.7%.
- WPI Inflation at 8-month High of 3.93% in November.

APPOINTMENTS

- Uma Shankar Appointed RBI Executive Director.
- Rahul Gandhi Elected Indian National Congress President.
- Nakul Chopra Elected as BARC India Chairman.
- Pradeep Singh Kharola Takes Over as Air India CMD.
- Dhammapiya from Tripura has been elected as the new secretary general of the International Buddhist Confederation (IBC).

OBITUARIES

- Pioneer of DNA Fingerprinting Lalji Singh Passes Away.
- Actor-Director Neeraj Vora Passes Away.
- Journalist Batuk Gathani passes away.
- Congress leader Chaudhary Prem Singh passes away.

HONOUR AND AWARDS

- Jitesh Singh Deo Wins Mr India World 2017.
- The School Bag' Wins Best Short Film Award.
- Priyanka Chopra Honoured with Mother Teresa Memorial Award.
- Dr Mahesh Sharma Inaugurates the 'Bodhi Parva'.
- India Wins 5 Medals at 10th Asian Airgun Shooting Championship.
- Vice President Confers 'Yeraringan' Award to M.S. Swaminathan.
- J.K. Rowling Honoured With Royal Companion Of Honour Award.

IMPORTANT DAYS

- International Mountain Day – December 11
- National Energy Conservation Day: December 14
- Human Rights Day- 10 December, The Campaign is named as #standup4humanrights.

MOUS AND PARTNERSHIPS:

- Various MoUs Signed between India and Morocco, for corporation in road transport, water resources and the marine sector, enhanced cooperation in healthcare.
- Finance Minister Holds 5th Pre-Budget Consultation Meeting.
- Russia-India-China Foreign Ministers Meet Begins in Delhi.
- 14th Inclusive Finance India Summit Begins in New Delhi.
- ASEAN–India Connectivity Summit held in New Delhi.
- 4th India-Australia-Japan Trilateral Dialogue Held in New Delhi.
- India Signs Loan Agreement with World Bank for \$250 Million for SANKALP Project.
- 7th International Ground Water Conference held in New Delhi.

IMPORTANT NEWS- WORLD

- 'Youth quake' Oxford Dictionary's World of the Year.
- Norway Shuts National Broadcasts on FM.
- World Bank to stop funding oil, gas projects from 2019.
- Sri Lanka Hands Over Hambantota Port to China on 99-Year Lease.
- China Starts world's Biggest Floating Solar Project.
- Saudi Arabia Lifts Ban on Movie Theatres after 35 Years.
- AIIB Grants 1st loan to China to Reduce Dependence on Coal.
- 2nd UNWTO/UNESCO World Conference on Tourism and Culture Held in Muscat.
- 11th WTO Ministerial Conference Held in Argentina.
- MIT scientists create plants that can glow in dark.

IMPORTANT NEWS- INDIA

- New Delhi Hosts ICOMOS at 19th Triennial General Assembly. The Theme of ICOMOS is "Heritage and Democracy".
- The 14th Inclusive Finance India Summit began in New Delhi.
- Global Prosperity Index: India Ranks 100.
- India ranks 109th in mobile internet speed by Ookla.
- Govt. Launches Door-to-door Campaign against T.B.
- India to Host 3rd Annual Meeting of Board of Governors of AIIB.
- Railways has introduced Indian Railways E-Procurement System (IREPS), an online bill tracking system for vendors and contractors.

BUSINESS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

- Maruti Suzuki Replaces SBI as 6th Most Valuable Indian Firm.
- OBOPAY Gets Pre-Paid Instrument Licence from RBI.
- Ministry Launched First NIC-CERT a setup of National Informatics Centre to prevent and predict cyber-attacks on government utilities in New Delhi.
- ISRO is developing small satellite launch vehicles to launch low-cost small satellites.

DEFENCE

- INS Kalvari: First Scorpene-class submarines inducted in Indian Navy.
- PM Narendra Modi Inducts Scorpene-Class Submarine Kalvari into Indian Navy.
- Exercise Ekuverin 2017: India-Maldives bilateral military exercise held in Belagavi.

IMPORTANT NEWS- STATES

- Rajasthan Becomes First State to Offer e-mail IDs in Hindi.
- Jammu and Kashmir govt. launches Saubhagya Scheme.
- ADB approved USD 346 million to Karnataka to upgradation project of highways to the state government.
- Bihar Government launches Safe City Surveillance scheme for Women Safety.
- Adivasi Mahotsav 2017: Tribal Festival organised in Chhattisgarh.
- India's first Electronic Manufacturing Cluster set up in Andhra Pradesh.

SPORTS NEWS

- Roger Federer named BBC Overseas Sports Personality of the Year.
- India to Host 2021 Champions Trophy, 2023 World Cup.
- India Becomes 1st Ever Team to Register Hundred 300+ ODI Totals.
- India Beat Germany, Win Bronze at Hockey World League Final.
- Jitu Rai and Heena Sidhu Win bronze Medals at Asian Championships.
- Australia Beat Argentina to Win Gold in Hockey World League Final.
- Indian Golfer Shubhankar Sharma claimed his maiden European Tour victory in the Joburg Open, in South Africa.
- BCCI Lifts Ban on Rajasthan Cricket Association.