

CURRENT AFFAIRS 25 MAY 2016

INTERNATIONAL

1. Prime Minister Modi Visit to Iran Overview

Prime Minister first visit to Iran and the first by an Indian Prime Minister in 15 years

- ❖ PM Modi had discussion with Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei and Iran President Hassan Rouhani.
- ❖ India and Iran sign 12 bilateral agreements including Chabahar port development
- ❖ India, Iran, Afghanistan ink historic trilateral transit pact.
- ❖ The Persian service of All India Radio has launched a multimedia website and mobile app by PM Narendra Modi.

Iran

- ☞ Capital: Tehran
- ☞ Currency: Rial
- ☞ President: Hassan Rouhani

2. India, Thailand, Myanmar to be connected with a 1400-km road

In a bid to give fillip to trade and cultural exchanges between the three countries India, Thailand and Myanmar are working on a 1,400-kilometre highway which will link India with Southeast Asia by land for the first time in decades.

- ❖ There are 73 bridges totally in Myanmar, built more than seven decades ago were being repaired with funding from India for highway safe movement.
- ❖ The repair work will take about 18 months from the commencement of the work. The planned highway starts in the eastern region of India from Moreh to Myanmar's Tamu city.

Thailand

- ☞ Capital: Bangkok
- ☞ Currency: Baht
- ☞ P.M.: Prayut Chan-o-cha

NATIONAL

3. INS Tarmugli Joins the Indian Navy

The Indian Navy commissioned indigenously built Fast Attack Craft INS Tarmugli for deployment of coastal patrol and surveillance operations along the East Coast of India.

- ❖ It was commissioned by the Vice Admiral HCS Bisht AVSM, Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Eastern Naval Command in Visakhapatnam. It was named after a pretty island in the Andaman Islands group.
- ❖ Tarmugli is conceived, designed and built indigenously that measures 48 meters in length, can achieve speeds in excess of 30 knots also weighing 320-tonne

4. Gujarat Government launches Smart Village Program

- ❖ Gujarat Government has launched Smart Village program to improve public facilities in the villages.

5. India, Oman sign 4 bilateral agreements on defence cooperation

- ❖ India and Oman have signed four Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs)/agreements on defence cooperation.

AWARDS

6. Sikkim CM Chamling honoured with Nepal's literary award

Sikkim Chief Minister Pawan Chamling was honoured with 'Yug Kavi Siddhicharan Award'

- ❖ The award is given by the Nepal Prime Minister K P Sharma.
- ❖ On the occasion of 105th birth anniversary of the late poet Shrestha. An event is organised by Siddhicharan Shrestha Academy

IACE – INDIAN ACADEMY OF COMPETITIVE EXAMS

Sikkim

- ☞ Capital: Gangtok
- ☞ Governor: Shrinivas Dadasaheb Patil

APPOINTMENTS

7. AIADMK chief Jayalalithaa sworn-in as Tamil Nadu Chief Minister on the row of Continuous Second Time

AIADMK general secretary Jayalalithaa was sworn in as Tamil Nadu Chief Minister for a record of Sixth Time by Governor K. Rosaiah with Twenty Eight ministers

- ❖ ADMK won 134 seats out of 232 seats
- ❖ Venue: Madras University's Centenary Hall, Chennai

8. Lt General Saini new commandant of Indian Military Academy

Lieutenant General S K Saini assumed the office of commandant of the prestigious Indian Military Academy (IMA) in Dehradun.

- ❖ Prior to his new appointment Saini was earlier a senior directing staff in National Defence College in New Delhi.
- ❖ He is an alumni of National Defence Academy and IMA. In 1981, he was commissioned to the seventh battalion of the Jat regiment.

9. Kiran Bedi Appointed as Puducherry Lt. Governor

- ❖ President Pranab Mukherjee has appointed BJP leader and former IPS officer Kiran Bedi as the Lieutenant Governor of Puducherry as per Article 239 of the Constitution.

SPORTS

10. Pankaj Advani creates history by winning Asian 6-Red Snooker title

Prominent cueist Pankaj Advani made history by clinching the Asian 6-Red Snooker title in Abu Dhabi.

- ❖ Pankaj has become the first in the world to hold both world and continental titles at the same time in 6-red snooker.
- ❖ In the high octane game he defeated top seeded Malaysian Keen Hoh Moh by 7-5 in a match that see-sawed from start to finish

DEATHS

11. Veteran CPI(M) leader K Anirudhan passes away

Former Communist party leader and Member of Parliament K Anirudhan has died due to old age related ailments, He was 92 at his residence in Thiruvananthapuram.

- ❖ Anirudhan, also an active trade union leader, and in 1967 Lok Sabha elections he represented from Attingal constituency

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