

# Weekly Current Affairs Digest

Coverage: 27 October – 2 November 2025

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## National Affairs

- **Aurangabad Renamed:** Aurangabad railway station, built in 1900 under the 7th Nizam, is now *Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar*, honouring the legacy of Chhatrapati Sambhaji Maharaj.
- **AI in Schools:** Artificial Intelligence curriculum to be introduced from Class III across all Indian schools.
- **Bhutan Visit:** Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman begins a 4-day diplomatic visit to Bhutan.
- **Political Appointment:** Former cricketer Mohammad Azharuddin sworn in as Telangana minister under CM A. Revanth Reddy.
- **Digital Marine Census:** India's marine fisheries census goes fully digital via MFC 2025, VUAS-Bharat, and VYAS-Sutra apps.
- **New Ramsar Site:** Gogabeel Lake in Bihar designated as India's sixth Ramsar wetland site.
- **Ford's Comeback:** Ford announces ₹3,200 crore investment in Tamil Nadu, marking its return to India.

## Science & Technology

- **NavIC Integration:** India's indigenous GPS system, NavIC, to be integrated into all smartphones. It uses 8 satellites for robust regional coverage.

## International & Global Affairs

- **Tagore in Beijing:** Bust of Rabindranath Tagore unveiled at Indian Embassy in China, sculpted by Yuan Xikum.
- **Nvidia Milestone:** Nvidia becomes the world's first \$5 trillion company—surpassing GDPs of India, Japan, and UK.
- **Hurricane Melissa:** Haiti suffers tragedy with 25 lives lost.
- **Royal Shake-up:** Prince Andrew removed from Britain's "Roll of the Peerage."
- **Art Record:** Mughal miniature by Basawan titled "*A Family of Cheetahs in a Rocky Landscape*" fetches ₹119 crore at Christie's London.
- **India-Fiji Health Aid:** India sends anti-retroviral drugs to Fiji.
- **Egypt's Grand Museum:** World's largest museum opens, featuring Pharaoh Ramesses the Great.
- **Tanzania Election:** President Samia Suluhu Hassan re-elected with 97% votes.

- **UNESCO Honour:** Lucknow declared a “Creative City of Gastronomy”—second Indian city after Hyderabad.

## Sports Highlights

- **Lakshadweep Glory:** Mubassima Mohammad wins silver in long jump (6.07m) at South Asian Athletics Championship.
- **Polo Victory:** India defeats Argentina 10–9 at Jaipur Polo Grounds.
- **Power Slap Champion:** Jujhar “Tiger” Singh wins in Abu Dhabi.
- **Wrestling Wins:**
  - Sujeet Kalkal: Gold in 65kg freestyle at U23 World Championships
  - Yashita: Gold in 61kg at Youth Asian Games
  - Jaiveer Singh: Silver (55kg), Rachana: Bronze (43kg) at Youth Asian Games
- **Junior Hockey Update:** Oman replaces Pakistan in Junior Hockey World Cup hosted in Chennai and Madurai.
- **Cricket Feat:** Indian women’s team defeats Australia with record chase of 338 to reach World Cup finals.
- **Kabaddi Title:** Dabang Delhi wins Pro Kabaddi League Season 12, defeating Puneri Paltan 31–28.
- **Tennis Farewell:** Rohan Bopanna retires—one of only four Indians to win a Grand Slam title.

## Defence & Strategic Affairs

- **Survey Ship Ikshak:** Indigenous ship ‘Ikshak’ to join Indian Navy on 6 November.
- **Milan Exercise 2026:** India to host multinational naval exercise in Visakhapatnam with 55 nations including the US and Russia.

## Summits & Conferences

- **APAC-AIG Meet:** New Delhi hosts Asia-Pacific Accident Investigation Group workshop (20–31 October).
- **Military Literature Festival:** 9th edition to be held in Chandigarh from 7–9 November.

## Punjab Specific Updates

- **Barnala Upgrade:** Barnala becomes Punjab’s 14th municipal corporation.
- **Malwa Canal Project:** ₹2,300 crore allocated for 149 km canal with 2,000 cusecs capacity.
- **State Fish Declared:** Rohu (*Labeo rohita*) named Punjab’s state fish.
- **Punjab Day:** 1st November commemorated as Punjab Reorganisation Day.

## Key Appointments

- **Sansad TV:** Amit Khare gets additional charge as CEO.
- **Power Sector:** Dr. Basant Garg appointed CMD of Punjab State Power Transmission Corporation and Power Corporation Limited.

## Obituary

- **Ben Austin:** 17-year-old Australian athlete tragically passes away after a training accident.