

Highlights of 11 May 2026 Current Affairs

- Actor-turned-politician **Chandrasekar Joseph Vijay** has become the new Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu and founder of the Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK) party.
- **Q. Manivannan**, a queer Indian migrant and anthropologist, has been elected to the devolved Scottish Parliament.
- The **Threads of Indian Tradition festival** was held in the **Nee Soon** public housing estate in **Singapore**, where mangoes from different states were presented to performers. Through such community events, the Indian government promotes the export of the fruit.
- **Marilyn Monroe**, a Hollywood star, will have her belongings—such as **wardrobe, jewelry, letters, handwritten notes, paintings, and poetry**—auctioned at Heritage Auctions.
- The **Indian women’s archery** team won the **recurve World Cup gold** after defeating the home team, China. The Indian team included a mix of experience with four-time Olympian **Deepika Kumari**, **teenager Kumkum Mohod**, and **Ankita Bhakat**. Thus, India ended its campaign with two medals, the second being a bronze won by Sahil Jadhav in the men’s individual category.
- **Neeru Dhanda** and **Vivaan Kapoor** won the bronze medal in the trap mixed team event at the **ISSF World Cup Shotgun** in **Almaty, Kazakhstan**.
- The central government has notified a one percent cess on the cost of construction, which will be incurred by employers under the **Code on Social Security, 2020**. The collected cess will be utilised for various welfare initiatives, including health benefits, financial assistance, insurance coverage, support for the education of workers’ children, and other labour welfare schemes in India.
- Solicitor General of India **Tushar Mehta** released his new books ***The Bench, the Bar, and the Bizarre*** and ***The Lawful and the Awful*** at an event where Union Minister of Home Affairs **Amit Shah** and Chief Justice of India Justice **Surya Kant** were also present.
- Foreign Minister of India S. Jaishankar signed an MoU between the **National Archives of India** and **Trinidad and Tobago** for an outreach initiative in Trinidad and Tobago to support the restoration of Nelson Island and to continue assistance for the new Jaipur Foot-backed prosthetics and rehabilitation centre in Penal.
- Lieutenant General **N. S. Raja Subramani** will be the third Chief of Defence Staff, taking charge after the retirement of the current Chief of Defence Staff, General **Anil Chauhan**. Lieutenant General **N. S. Raja Subramani** will also be the first four-star officer from the Garhwal Rifles, as he is currently serving as a military adviser at the National Security Council Secretariat.
- **Himanta Biswa Sarma** became the Chief Minister of Assam after the results showed a clear majority in the Assam Assembly. He staked his claim before the Governor of Assam, **Lakshman Prasad Acharya**, to form the government for his second term as Chief Minister.
- The new initiative **‘AI Literacy for Teachers’** programme, a national-scale effort, was launched by **Bodhan AI** with the aim of training more than one million teachers in artificial intelligence for everyday teaching by 2027.
- Lieutenant General **N. S. Raja Subramani** will be the next Chief of Naval Staff, succeeding the current Chief of Naval Staff, Admiral **Dinesh Kumar Tripathi**.

- Vice Admiral **Sanjay Vatsayan** has been appointed as the next Chief of the Western Naval Command.
- The Punjab government emerged as the top-performing state, surpassing **Kerala**, in the new **NITI Aayog Education Quality Report 2026**.