

Highlights of 12 June 2026 Current Affairs

- Dr. Rabindra Narayan, Founder and Managing Director of GTC Network, has offered the SGPC to set up a Gurbani Channel free of cost, as the SGPC is unable to launch its own independent satellite channel due to restrictions imposed by the Union Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, which bars religious bodies or trusts from holding broadcasting licences in India.
- The Union Cabinet has approved Phase 2A of the Ahmedabad Metro Rail Project, involving the construction of a 6.03 km corridor connecting Koteshwar Road to the city airport, with an estimated cost of ₹2,169.04 crore.
- Reliance Industries has signed an agreement with Meta to lease India's first AI-enabled data centre in Jamnagar, Gujarat.
- The Ministry of Defence (MoD) has signed a ₹449-crore contract with Bengaluru-based Accord Software and Systems Private Limited for the procurement of 20 Enhanced Capability Global Navigation Satellite System (ECGNSS) jammers for the Navy.
- The 11th Governing Council meeting of NITI Aayog was held in New Delhi with the theme *Inclusive Human Development for Viksit Bharat @2047*.
- Home Minister Amit Shah has signed a tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Governments of Assam and Nagaland to enable mineral oil operations in boundary areas claimed by both states.
- The World Bank has estimated India's growth at 6.6% for FY27.
- India and Nepal have launched the UPI–NPI linkage, under which India's Unified Payments Interface (UPI) and Nepal's Payments Interface (NPI) have officially introduced a peer-to-peer (P2P) cross-border remittance mechanism.
- The Government of Canada has introduced a bill to ban social media use for children under 16 years of age.
- Bangladesh recorded their maiden ODI series victory against Australia in cricket history.
- Indian-born youngster Nikhil Choudhary has been featured in Australia's T20 cricket team, replacing Travis Head.
- The Football World Cup has kicked off with a grand opening ceremony at Mexico's Azteca Stadium.
- National Award-winning director Bharathi Raja has passed away at the age of 84.
- Union Minister Amit Shah has launched the Land Port Management System (VINIMAY), a digitalized platform aimed at transforming the management of cargo, passengers, and vehicles at India's land ports through real-time coordination and technology-driven operations.
- Rapido has partnered with the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) to promote the Rakshaveer Scheme, designed by the Government of India to encourage citizens to assist road accident victims during the critical golden hour.
- The Andaman and Nicobar Islands have created a Guinness World Record by forming the tallest underwater human tower with 73 divers at Swaraj Dweep (Havelock Island).
- Savitha Shri Bhaskar won the Asian Women's Individual Chess Championship 2026 title, held in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia.
- India has achieved another milestone with the Bhadla Solar Park, located in the Thar Desert near Phalodi in Jodhpur district, Rajasthan. It is the largest operational solar power

plant in India, with an installed capacity of 2,245 megawatts (MW), spread across approximately 14,000 acres.

- In a first-of-its-kind achievement, the Made-in-India Airbus C-295 military transport aircraft successfully completed its maiden test flight from the Final Assembly Line (FAL) in Vadodara, Gujarat.
- The Government of India has introduced zero excise duty on high-ethanol blended petrol.
- The International Labour Conference (ILC), organized by the International Labour Organization (ILO), is being held in Geneva, Switzerland. India is represented by Union Minister of State for Labour and Employment and MSME, Shobha Karandlaje. This marks the 114th International Labour Conference organized by the ILO.
- The Government of Kerala has approved the Priyadarshini Scheme, which provides free travel for women and transgender persons on Kerala State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) buses.
- The President of India has approved the merger of two power companies, REC Limited and Power Finance Corporation (PFC). Under this merger, PFC will acquire the Government of India's 52.63% stake in REC for ₹14,500 crore.
- The Gujarat Information Commission (GIC) has directed the Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (AMC) to require street food vendors to display QR codes for hygiene checks.
- The Indian Council of Agricultural Research – Indian Institute of Oilseeds Research, Hyderabad, has launched *Oilseeds Kisaan Mitra*, India's first nationwide WhatsApp-based AI advisory services platform, which provides free, multilingual, and research-based guidance to farmers.
- Jaspal Rana, India's shooting legend, Asian Games gold medallist, and Dronacharya Awardee, has passed away at the age of 49.
- The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) has released IS 20201:2026, a new standard for Community Seed Bank Management.
- The Supreme Court of India has fixed a monthly value of ₹30,000 for homemakers in its new ruling, to be considered while calculating compensation in motor accident cases.
- The Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA), in partnership with Mitsubishi Heavy Industries (MHI), has launched the highly anticipated low-cost H3-30 configuration rocket.
- Scientists have discovered the world's largest whale graveyard in the Diamantina Fracture Zone, nearly 7,000 metres below sea level in the southeastern Indian Ocean, containing more than 485 fossil sites.
- Rudra Gourav Shresth has been appointed as the new Ambassador of India to the Republic of Türkiye.
- The Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority (JNPA) has emerged as the best-performing Indian port in the latest Container Port Performance Index (CPPI) 2025, published by the World Bank and S&P Global. At the same time, JNPA has achieved a global ranking of 22.
- The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bhubaneswar has developed *ArenSafe*, a device for detecting arsenic contamination in drinking water without requiring any laboratory facilities.
- rate has fallen below the replacement level, standing at around 1.9. This is lower than the replacement threshold of 2.1, which is generally considered necessary to maintain a stable population in the long run.

- achieved a major milestone by exporting its first shipment of fresh mangoes to the United Kingdom, facilitated by the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA).