

Highlights of 2 June 2026 Current Affairs

- India has become the world's largest rice producer after surpassing China with record output, as announced by Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan. According to the advance estimates released by the Ministry of Agriculture, rice production for the 2025–26 crop year is a record **154.02 million tonnes (MT)**, which is **3.84 million tonnes higher** than the previous year's production of **150.18 million tonnes**.
- Veteran singer **Suman Kalyanpur** has died at the age of **89**.
- The Supreme Court has appointed **five new judges**, increasing its strength to **37**, which is one short of the upgraded total strength of **38** (recently raised from 34). **Punjab & Haryana High Court Chief Justice Sheel Nagu** and **senior advocate V. Mohana** have also been elevated as judges of the Supreme Court.
- The **New Egerton Woollen Mills**, also known as **Dhariwal Woollen Mills**, a **152-year-old unit**, is set to close down following the recommendation of **NITI Aayog**. Established in **1874**, the mill was renowned for its **"My Fair Lady"** brand of knitting wool and woollen products.
- Malaysia has enforced rules banning children under **16 years of age** from using social media accounts in an effort to tighten online safety. The regulations make it compulsory for social media platforms to implement **age-verification systems** and block users under 16. Firms that fail to comply with these norms will face penalties of up to **2.5 million dollars**.
- South Korea has overtaken **India** to become the world's **sixth-largest equity market** by total market capitalization.
- India and Oman have signed a **Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA)** under the leadership of **Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal**, providing **duty-free access to 99.38% of Indian goods** in the Omani market.
- Motorola has entered the list of **India's top five smartphone brands**, with its market share rising to **8.9% in Q1 2026**.
- The **Inaugural North India Tourism Expo and Conclave 2026** has opened in **Chandigarh**.
- India's **Index of Industrial Production (IIP)** recorded a growth of **4.9% in April 2026**, compared to the same month in the previous year.
- The government is shutting down the **old mAadhaar app**, which will be replaced by the **new Aadhaar app** with enhanced features.