



IBT INSTITUTE PVT. LTD.



Current Affairs

07 July, 2025

Jennifer Geerlings-Simons Becomes Suriname's First Woman President



1. Jennifer Geerlings-Simons Becomes Suriname's First Woman President

- **Historic Election:** Jennifer Geerlings-Simons was elected as Suriname's first woman president on July 6, 2025, marking a significant milestone in the country's history. She will be sworn into office on July 16.
- **Party Affiliation:** Geerlings-Simons represents the National Democratic Party (NDP), which won 18 of the 51 seats in the National Assembly. The party formed an alliance with five other parties, securing a two-thirds majority needed to claim the presidency.
- **Background:** The 71-year-old former opposition leader and doctor has previously served as the chairperson of the National Assembly.



2. World Bank ranks India 4th among the world's Most Equal Societies

- **Ranking and Gini Index:** India has secured the 4th position globally in terms of income equality, with a Gini Index score of 25.5. This places India behind only the Slovak Republic, Slovenia, and Belarus.
- **Significant Progress:** India's Gini Index score has improved from 28.8 in 2011 to 25.5, indicating a notable reduction in income inequality over the years. This progress is attributed to the government's focus on poverty reduction, financial inclusion, and direct welfare support.



- **Poverty Reduction:** Between 2011 and 2023, India lifted 171 million people out of extreme poverty, resulting in a significant decline in the national poverty rate from 16.2% to 2.3%.
- **Comparison with Other Countries:** India's Gini Index score is better than that of many advanced economies, including China (35.7) and the United States (41.8), as well as all G7 and G20 nations.

Foot notes:

About World Bank-

- **CFO:** Anshula Kant
- **Headquarters:** Washington
- **Founded:** 1944

3. Mr Nehru Singh B to take charge as Chief Risk Officer of South Indian Bank

- **Appointment:** Mr. Nehru Singh B is appointed as the General Manager and Chief Risk Officer of South Indian Bank, as per the bank's official website.
- **Current Role:** Although specific details about his current role aren't available, his appointment as Chief Risk Officer indicates his expertise in risk management.
- **Responsibilities:** As Chief Risk Officer, Mr. Nehru Singh B will oversee and manage various risks associated with the bank's operations, including credit, market, and operational risks.
- **South Indian Bank Overview:** South Indian Bank is a reputable bank that has received several awards, including the UiPath Automation Excellence Award and the Best MSME Bank Award.



Foot notes:

About South Indian Bank-

- **Founded:** 1929
- **Headquarters:** Thrissur
- **Chairman:** V J Kurian

4. Harvinder Singh Wins Gold in Recurve Men's Open at Asian Para-Archery Championships

- **Double Gold Medalist:** Harvinder Singh won two gold medals at the championships, one in the Recurve Men's Open and another in the Recurve Open Mixed Team event with teammate Bhawna.
- **New Competition Record:** Singh set a new competition record and personal best score of 663 points in the Recurve Men's qualifying round, showcasing his exceptional skill.
- **Dominant Performance:** In the Recurve Men's Open final, Singh outclassed Thailand's Hanreuchai Netsiri with a commanding 7-1 victory, demonstrating his dominance in the sport.
- **India's Medal Haul:** Singh's efforts contributed significantly to India's second-place finish in the overall medal standings, with a total of nine medals - three gold, three silver, and three bronze.



5. India secures AFC Women's Asian Cup Qualification for the first time

- **Historic Qualification:** India qualified for the AFC Women's Asian Cup 2026 for the first time through the qualification route, marking a significant milestone in Indian women's football.
- **Winning Performance:** The Indian women's team defeated hosts Thailand 2-1 in the final group match, with Sangita Basfore scoring both goals, to top Group B with a perfect record of four wins from four matches.
- **Perfect Record:** India's campaign included impressive wins against Mongolia (13-0), Timor Leste (4-0), and Iraq (5-0), showcasing the team's growing strength in women's football.
- **Tournament Details:** The 2026 AFC Women's Asian Cup will be held in Australia, and India's qualification marks their first appearance since 2022, when they participated as hosts but withdrew due to a COVID-19 outbreak.



6. India Launches National Biobank for Health Research

- **Launch and Purpose:** The National Biobank was launched on July 6, 2025, by Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh at the CSIR-Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology (IGIB) in New Delhi.
- **Personalized Healthcare:** The biobank aims to enable personalized healthcare by generating high-



resolution data that can power AI-driven diagnostics and gene-guided therapies. This will help doctors tailor treatments to an individual's genetic makeup, lifestyle, and environment.

- **India-Specific Health Challenges:** The biobank will help decode complex diseases like diabetes, cancer, and cardiovascular conditions, which are prevalent in India.
- **Technologies Used:** The biobank will utilize advanced technologies like genomic sequencing, CRISPR-based genome editing, AI, and machine learning to analyze data and identify genetic variants linked to diseases.

7. ICC appoints Sanjog Gupta as its new CEO

- **Appointment:** Sanjog Gupta has been appointed as the new CEO of the ICC, effective July 7, 2025, becoming the seventh CEO in the history of the global governing body. He succeeds Geoff Allardice.
- **Background:** Gupta brings over two decades of experience in the sports and media industry. He currently serves as CEO of Sports & Live Experiences at JioStar and has held multiple leadership roles in content, programming, and strategy.
- **Key Objectives:** Gupta's goals include expanding cricket's global presence, establishing the sport in the Olympics, and leveraging technology to enhance the fan experience. He aims to work closely with ICC Member Boards to build on the sport's strong foundations.
- **Global Recruitment Process:** Gupta's appointment follows a global recruitment process launched by the ICC in March, which attracted over 2,500 applications from candidates across 25 countries. The Nominations Committee unanimously recommended Gupta for the role.



Foot notes:

About ICC-

- **Chairman:** Jay Shah
- **Headquarters:** Dubai
- **Founded:** 1909

8. Sukanya Sonowal Becomes Commonwealth Youth Peace Ambassador

- **Historic Achievement:** Sukanya Sonowal, a fourth-year BTech student in Biosciences and Bioengineering at IIT Guwahati, has been selected as the Commonwealth Youth Peace Ambassador, a leadership position in the Commonwealth Youth Peace Ambassadors Network (CYPAN) Executive Committee.
- **Leadership Role:** Sukanya will serve as Lead - Communications & Public Relations for the 2025-2027 term, promoting peace, respect, and understanding among young people across 56 Commonwealth countries.
- **Background:** Sukanya is from Lakhimpur district in Assam and has demonstrated exceptional leadership skills through her involvement in various initiatives, including STEMvibe, a STEM outreach program she co-founded, and The Integral Cup, a national mathematics competition.
- **Selection Process:** Sukanya was chosen after a rigorous three-stage selection process, which included an initial application and two rounds of interviews, evaluating her commitment to peacebuilding, community service, and leadership experience.



9. Sahil Kini Named New CEO of RBI Innovation Hub

- **Appointment:** Sahil Kini has been appointed as the new CEO of the Reserve Bank Innovation Hub (RBIH), effective July 2, 2025. He succeeds Rajesh Bansal, who completed his four-year term in April 2025.
- **Background:** Kini is the co-founder of Setu, a Bengaluru-based API FinTech that was acquired by Pine Labs in 2022. He has also worked with McKinsey, Aspada Investments, and Titan Industries, showcasing his expertise in finance and technology.
- **Key Objectives:** As CEO, Kini will drive innovation in the finance sector, build next-level leadership, shape organizational excellence, and focus on research and execution. He will also prioritize consumer protection, financial inclusion, and public engagement.
- **RBIH's Role:** The Reserve Bank Innovation Hub is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Reserve Bank of India, established to promote innovation in financial services and support public-private collaboration.



Foot notes:
About RBI-

- **Headquarters:** Mumbai
- **Established:** 1935
- **Governor:** Sanjay Malhotra

10. Former MP and father of MoS Kirti Vardhan Singh passed away

- **Passed Away:** Kunwar Anand Singh passed away at the age of 87 in Lucknow due to sudden health deterioration. He was rushed to the hospital but was declared dead.
- **Political Legacy:** Singh was a four-time MP from Gonda and held significant influence in eastern Uttar Pradesh politics. He was known as the "UP Tiger" due to his strong presence in the region.
- **Early Life and Education:** Born on January 4, 1939, Singh hailed from the erstwhile royal family of Mankapur. He completed his schooling at Colvin Taluqedar College in Lucknow and earned a BSc in Agriculture from the Agriculture Institute in Prayagraj.
- **Political Career:** Singh entered politics after his father's death and was elected to the Uttar Pradesh Assembly in 1964, 1967, and 1969.



India's No.1 App
for
Bank | SSC | Railways
Competitive Exams

- Job Alerts
- Daily Quiz • Free PDF's
- Videos • Test Series • Current Affairs

Download Now

Make My Exam

Powered by IBT