

# THE DAILY GK DOSE

## SEBI DEPLOYS IN-HOUSE AI SYSTEM 'SUDARSHAN'

- Multilingual Digital Surveillance:** Sudarshan is designed to scan and monitor vast amounts of digital content, including audio, video, and text, across various social media platforms. It operates on a multilingual basis, allowing the regulator to pinpoint misleading investment advice and "get-rich-quick" schemes shared in regional Indian languages.
- Massive Crackdown on 'Finfluencers':** In its initial phase, the AI system has already facilitated the removal of over 1.2 lakh (120,000) misleading social media posts. The tool helps SEBI draw a firm line between legitimate financial education and unauthorized, actionable investment advice provided by unregistered entities.
- Targeting Derivatives & Fraud:** A major focus of the project is curbing the aggressive promotion of options trading and leveraged instruments to retail investors.

**Footnotes:** SEBI's Chairperson: Tuhin Kanta Pandey, HQ: Mumbai, Estd: 1988

## INDIA'S IIP RECORDED A YEAR-ON-YEAR GROWTH OF 4.8% IN JANUARY

- Manufacturing Momentum:** The manufacturing sector, which carries the heaviest weight in the index (roughly 77.6%), was the primary engine behind this growth. It saw a solid uptick compared to previous months, signaling that factory-floor activity remains robust despite global headwinds.
- Mining and Electricity Support:** While manufacturing led the way, significant contributions also came from the Mining and Electricity sectors.

Mining output remained steady, while electricity generation saw a jump to meet the rising demand from both industrial clusters and domestic consumers.

- Consumer Goods Divergence:** There is a noticeable split in consumption patterns. Consumer Durables showed a strong recovery, indicating confidence among urban spenders.

## SCOTLAND BECOMES 1ST UK NATION TO LEGALISE WATER CREMATIONS



- The Process:** Also known as "resomation" or "aquamation," the process involves placing the body in a pressurized vessel with a mixture of 95% water and 5% alkaline solution. It is heated to around 150°C, dissolving soft tissue over 3–4 hours and leaving only bone fragments, which are processed into a fine white powder and returned to the family in an urn.
- Environmental Impact:** It is being hailed as a "green" alternative because it produces roughly one-seventh of the carbon emissions associated with traditional flame cremation. It avoids the release of toxic gases and mercury into the atmosphere and uses significantly less energy than the gas-powered furnaces required for traditional methods.
- A UK First:** While already legal in several US states, Canada, and South Africa, Scotland is the first nation in the UK to pass these regulations.

## IMPORTANT FACTS

### INDIA'S CHIEF MINISTERS 2026

- Andhra Pradesh:** N. Chandrababu Naidu
- Arunachal Pradesh:** Pema Khandu
- Assam:** Himanta Biswa Sarma
- Bihar:** Nitish Kumar
- Chhattisgarh:** Vishnu Deo Sai
- Goa:** Pramod Sawant
- Gujarat:** Bhupendra Patel
- Haryana:** Nayab Singh Saini

## ANDHRA PRADESH LAUNCHES 'HANUMAN' PROJECT

- Technology & Rapid Response:** The project deploys 100 specialized, GPS-enabled vehicles—comprising 93 Rapid Response units and 7 Wildlife Ambulances. These are supported by an AI-based early warning system and a dedicated mobile app to track animal movements and alert forest-fringe villages in real-time.
- Community-Led "Vajra" Teams:** A key feature is the formation of village-level "Vajra" (Wildlife Rakshak) teams.
- Enhanced Compensation:** To support victims of wildlife attacks, the state has doubled the ex-gratia compensation for deaths from ₹5 lakh to ₹10 lakh. Compensation for injuries has been raised to ₹2 lakh, and livestock losses are now covered based on current market values.

**Footnotes:** AP's Governor: Syed Abdul Nazeer, CM: N. Chandrababu Naidu, Capital: Amaravathi

## INDIAN ARMY & LADAKH FOREST DEPARTMENT SIGN MOU

- **Joint Snow Leopard Conservation Cell:** The centerpiece of the MoU is the establishment of a specialized conservation cell. This unit will coordinate between military and civil authorities to monitor snow leopard populations, conduct scientific research, and protect critical habitats in sensitive border areas that are often inaccessible to civilians.
- **Flagship Species Protection:** While the Snow Leopard is the primary focus, the agreement extends protection to other vital Himalayan wildlife, including the Himalayan Wolf, Black-necked Crane, Ibex, Bharal (blue sheep), and Marmot. It aligns local efforts with the Global Snow Leopard and Ecosystem Protection (GSLEP) program.
- **Eco-Friendly Border Stewardship:** The Indian Army has committed to integrating "green" practices into its regional operations.

## SABA SHAWL APPOINTED 1<sup>ST</sup> WOMAN SUPERINTENDENT OF SRINAGAR CENTRAL JAIL

- **A Historic First:** Saba Shawl has become the first Kashmiri woman to head the Srinagar Central Jail, the Union Territory's oldest and largest high-security correctional

facility. This facility is particularly sensitive, housing over 900 inmates, including high-profile political prisoners and convicts.

- **Merit-Driven Career:** A 2012-batch officer, Shawl was the only candidate to secure an open-merit position for Superintendent of Police (Prisons) in her qualifying year. She holds a Master's degree in Social Work, which informs her approach to prisoner welfare, recreational programming, and correctional policy.
- **Vast Operational Experience:** Before this role, she served in various capacities across the UT, including as a Staff Officer to the Director General of Prisons and in field postings at Kot Bhalwal Jail (Jammu) and Kupwara Jail. Her appointment is seen as a strategic move to bring both administrative expertise and a reform-oriented perspective to a high-pressure environment.

## JIO PLATFORMS APPOINTS DAN BAILEY AS PRESIDENT



- **Global Expansion Mandate:** Based in London, Bailey will spearhead Jio's international business initiatives. He will report directly to Akash Ambani, Chairman of Reliance Jio Infocomm, and join the company's

Executive Committee to lead the export of Jio's 5G, AI, and digital platform capabilities beyond India.

- **Deep Industry Pedigree:** Bailey is a veteran with over 35 years of experience in investment banking and consulting. He previously held senior leadership roles at Schroders, Citigroup, Morgan Stanley, and HSBC, and most recently served as the Chairman of Deutsche Bank's TMT (Technology, Media, and Telecom) practice.

**Footnotes:** Jio's MD: Isha Ambani, HQ: Mumbai, Estd: 2007

## INDIAN WOMEN'S CRICKET TEAM SHORTLISTED FOR LAUREUS WORLD TEAM OF YEAR AWARD 2026

- **Maiden World Cup Triumph:** The nomination is a direct result of the team's historic victory at the 2025 ICC Women's ODI World Cup. Led by Harmanpreet Kaur, India clinched their first-ever title by defeating South Africa in the final, a victory that prompted the BCCI to announce a landmark ₹51 crore reward for the squad.
- **A Global First for Cricket:** India has become the first-ever women's cricket team to be shortlisted for this prestigious category in the 26-year history of the Laureus Awards. Their campaign was highlighted by a record-breaking semi-final performance where they pulled off the highest successful run chase in women's ODI history (339 runs) to eliminate Australia.

## WHAT HAPPENED TODAY?

06.03.2026 / FRIDAY

- **1957 – Ghana gains independence from Britain.**
- **On March 6, 1957, Ghana became the first country in Sub-Saharan Africa to gain independence from European colonial rule in the 20th century.**