

CURRENT
AFFAIRS

16 JUNE
2025

▶ Eminent scientist and former chairman of the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) who is appointed as the Chancellor of Chanakya University, Bengaluru

S. Somanath



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▶ First joint military exercise between the Garud Special Forces of the Indian Air Force and the United States Air Force (USAF) Special Forces

Tiger Claw



▶ Rank of India as per the Global Gender Gap Report 2025 published by the World Economic Forum

131

- 1st rank - Iceland
- 2nd rank - Finland
- 3rd rank - Norway
- India's rank as per the Global Gender Gap Report 2024 - 129



▶ State that celebrates the Raja Parba festival, also known as Mithuna Sankranti

Odisha



Leena Nair

▶ Malayali who received the highest British honor, the Commander of the Order of the British Empire, in June 2025

Leena Nair

- Leena Nair is the Chief Executive Officer of French fashion brand Chanel.
- The award is given in recognition of outstanding contributions in the field of consumer goods.

▶ Writer who won the Herman Gundert Education Foundation's first Herman Gundert Award

Dr. Vallikkav Mohandas



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