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## WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY 2026 — AZERBAIJAN HOSTS

*World Environment Day is observed today, June 5, 2026, with Azerbaijan hosting the global commemoration in Baku and the UN centring the 2026 observance on climate action (#NowForClimate).*

### Key Data

- First observed: **1973**; mandated by the **Stockholm Conference, 1972**
- Lead agency: **UN Environment Programme (UNEP)**, HQ Nairobi
- 2026 host: **Azerbaijan (Baku)** — chosen on the strength of its COP29 (2024) presidency
- Azerbaijan’s national theme: **“Inspired by Nature. For Climate. For Our Future.”**

### UPSC Angle

India hosted WED 2018 (“Beat Plastic Pollution”); India’s net-zero target is 2070 (COP26). *Full deep-dive article in today’s edition.*

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### WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY:

Date: June 5 (annual); first observed 1973

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## STATE OF INDIA’S ENVIRONMENT 2026 — TIGER HABITAT SATURATION

*The Centre for Science and Environment (CSE), via Down To Earth, released the State of India’s Environment 2026 report, flagging that tiger deaths from territorial infighting have nearly doubled in 15 years.*

### Key Data

- Tiger population: **1,411 (2006) → 3,682 (2022)**

- Invasive **Lantana camara** now covers ~50% of forests/scrublands
- Reserves cited: **Kanha, Ranthambore**

### UPSC Angle

Project Tiger (1973); NTCA is **statutory** under the Wildlife (Protection) Act 1972 (2006 amendment). The challenge has shifted from numbers to landscape management. *Full deep-dive article in today's edition.*

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##### TIGER CONSERVATION:

Project Tiger launched 1973; 57+ reserves

Tiger: Schedule I (WPA 1972); IUCN — Endangered

## CABINET APPROVES ₹9,585-CRORE DELHI-NCR VEHICLE REPLACEMENT SCHEME

*The Union Cabinet on June 3, 2026 approved a two-year ₹9,585-crore scheme to replace old commercial vehicles in Delhi-NCR with cleaner alternatives.*

### Key Data

- Outlay: **₹9,585 crore** (Centre ₹5,041 cr + ~₹1,601 cr state tax concessions)
- Targets: **1.91 lakh trucks + 16,329 buses** (BS-IV/older → BS-VI/EV)
- States/UTs: **Delhi, Haryana, Rajasthan, UP**

### UPSC Angle

Funded via **NCRPB** (under MoHUA); implemented by MoRTH + MoPNG. *Full deep-dive article in today's edition.*

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##### VEHICLE REPLACEMENT SCHEME:

Outlay: ₹9,585 crore

Implementing body: NCRPB; CAQM established 2021

## CABINET APPROVES ₹10,000-CRORE ATF PRICE STABILISATION FUND

The Union Cabinet on June 3, 2026 cleared a ₹10,000-crore one-time fund to cushion airlines after jet fuel prices surged amid the West Asia crisis.

### Key Data

- Fund: **up to ₹10,000 crore**, routed via **Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs)** as interest-free advances
- ATF price: **₹60.50/litre (March 2026) → ₹142/litre (May 2026)**
- Duration: up to **36 months**; recoveries return to the **Consolidated Fund of India**

### UPSC Angle

ATF is ~40% of airline operating costs and is currently outside GST. *Full deep-dive article in today's edition.*

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#### ATF STABILISATION FUND:

Size: ₹10,000 crore; via OMCs (interest-free advances)

Recovery into Consolidated Fund of India (Article 266)

## UNGA ELECTS FIVE NEW UNSC MEMBERS FOR 2027-28

The UN General Assembly on June 3, 2026 elected Austria, Kyrgyzstan, Portugal, Trinidad and Tobago and Zimbabwe as non-permanent members of the UN Security Council, with Kyrgyzstan winning a seat for the first time.

### Key Data

- New members take seats **January 1, 2027**, replacing Denmark, Greece, Pakistan, Panama, Somalia
- UNSC = **15 members** (5 permanent + 10 non-permanent)
- **Kyrgyzstan**: first-ever UNSC seat (after 4 rounds vs Philippines)

### UPSC Angle

India (8 stints, last 2021-22) pursues a permanent seat via the **G4** (India, Brazil, Germany, Japan). *Full deep-dive article in today's edition.*

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### UNSC:

15 members; P5: China, France, Russia, UK, US

Election needs two-thirds UNGA majority

## INDIA-UK LAUNCH CRITICAL MINERALS OBSERVATORY

*India and the UK on June 4, 2026 launched the Critical Minerals Global Supply Chain Observatory in New Delhi to monitor mineral supply chains.*

### Key Data

- Partners: **TEXMiN** (IIT-ISM Dhanbad, under DST) + **University of Cambridge**
- Launched by **G. Kishan Reddy** (Coal & Mines) and UK Foreign Secretary **Yvette Cooper**

### UPSC Angle

Links to the **National Critical Mineral Mission (2025)**, **KABIL**, and the Minerals Security Partnership; China controls ~85% of rare-earth processing. *Full deep-dive article in today's edition.*

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### CRITICAL MINERALS OBSERVATORY:

Partners: **TEXMiN** (IIT-ISM Dhanbad) + Univ. of Cambridge

National Critical Mineral Mission launched 2025

## NEELKANTH MISHRA APPOINTED INDIA'S WORLD BANK EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

*The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) approved the appointment of economist Neelkanth Mishra as India's Executive Director at the World Bank for a three-year term.*

### Key Data

- Currently **Chief Economist, Axis Bank**; member of the **PM's Economic Advisory Council (PMEAC)**
- Succeeds **Parameswaran Iyer** (1981-batch IAS)

- IIT-Kanpur alumnus; ex-Credit Suisse MD

### UPSC Angle

The World Bank's executive board has 25 Executive Directors; India is among the few countries with the right to appoint its own ED (rather than share a constituency).

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##### WORLD BANK:

HQ: Washington DC; comprises IBRD + IDA (and IFC, MIGA, ICSID in the WB Group)

India is a founding member (1944, Bretton Woods)

## NAVACHAR MANTRA LAUNCHED FOR GRASSROOTS INNOVATORS

*The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) launched "Navachar Mantra" on June 3, 2026 to support grassroots innovators, at IIT Delhi.*

### Key Data

- Launched by **MoS Jayant Chaudhary**; implemented by **NIESBUD**; technical partner **FITT, IIT Delhi**
- Sectors: Agritech, HealthTech, EdTech, Climate, Rural Commerce, MSME
- Applications via **Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH)** until **July 5, 2026**

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##### NAVACHAR MANTRA:

Ministry: MSDE; implementer NIESBUD

Platform: Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH)

## OECD RAISES INDIA'S FY27 GROWTH FORECAST TO 6.3%

*In its June 2026 Economic Outlook, the OECD raised India's FY27 GDP growth forecast to 6.3%, up from 6.1%, while warning of a West Asia energy shock.*

### Key Data

- FY27: **6.3%** (up 20 bps); FY28: **6.4%**
- Warns inflation could rise to ~4.8% (FY27); expects a possible RBI repo hike

### UPSC Angle

#### ★ FACTS CORNER — KNOWLEDGEPEDIA

##### OECD:

HQ: Paris; 38 members; India is a Key Partner

Publishes the twice-yearly Economic Outlook

## MOTHER DAIRY UNVEILS SOIL-DEGRADABLE MILK POUCH

*Mother Dairy unveiled India's first naturally soil-degradable milk pouch, with a Delhi-NCR rollout timed to World Environment Day (June 5).*

### Key Data

- Four years of R&D; pouch degrades into bioavailable wax decomposed by soil microbes
- No price hike; begins with the cow-milk variant
- Strong link to plastic pollution and **Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)**

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##### PLASTIC WASTE:

Plastic Waste Management Rules 2016 (amended); EPR mandated

Single-use plastic ban in force since 2022

## NEPAL FOREIGN MINISTER TO VISIT INDIA (JUNE 5-7)

*Nepal's Foreign Minister Shisir Khanal begins a visit to India on June 5, 2026, the first ministerial visit from PM Balendra Shah's new government.*

### Key Data

- Meets **EAM S. Jaishankar**; agenda: trade, connectivity, energy, border dialogue

- **Government of India's stand:** Kalapani-Lipulekh-Limpiyadhura is Indian territory, to be resolved through established bilateral diplomatic mechanisms; India rejects third-party involvement

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##### INDIA-NEPAL:

Treaty of Peace and Friendship, 1950

Open border; Nepal is landlocked, depends on Indian ports

## SUPREME COURT — MINERAL ROYALTY PAYABLE AT DISPATCH-DATE RATE

*The Supreme Court ruled on June 4, 2026 that royalty under the MMDR Act is payable at the rate prevailing on the date of dispatch/removal of the mineral, not the contract rate.*

#### Key Data

- Governing law: **Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957**
- Royalty accrues at the **point of dispatch/removal**

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##### MMDR ACT 1957:

Regulates mining; royalty payable to state governments

Amended 2023 for critical-mineral block auctions

## PERSONS IN NEWS

### Jagannath Prasad Das (J.P. Das) — Odia Litterateur — Passes Away

*Eminent Odia poet, writer and former IAS officer Jagannath Prasad Das (J.P. Das) passed away on June 3, 2026.*

- A celebrated figure in modern Odia literature, recipient of literary honours including the **Sahitya Akademi Award**
- Combined a distinguished civil-service career with a major body of poetry, drama, and art history

**★ FACTS CORNER — KNOWLEDGEPEDIA****J.P. DAS:**

Odia poet, playwright, art historian; ex-IAS

Sahitya Akademi Award recipient

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#### ENVIRONMENT:

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#### SCHEMES & ECONOMY:

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ATF Price Stabilisation Fund: ₹10,000 cr via OMCs; ATF ₹60.50 → ₹142/litre; recovery to Consolidated Fund (Art. 266)

OECD raises India FY27 growth to 6.3%; India is an OECD Key Partner

Navachar Mantra (MSDE/NIESBUD) via Skill India Digital Hub

#### INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS:

New UNSC members 2027-28: Austria, Kyrgyzstan, Portugal, Trinidad & Tobago, Zimbabwe; Kyrgyzstan first-time; term from Jan 1, 2027

UNSC: 15 members; P5 = China, France, Russia, UK, US; India's reform group G4

India-UK Critical Minerals Observatory: TEXMiN (IIT-ISM Dhanbad) + Univ. of Cambridge; National Critical Mineral Mission 2025

Nepal FM Shisir Khanal visits India June 5-7; GoI holds Kalapani-Lipulekh-Limpiyadhura as Indian territory

#### POLITY:

Subhash C. Kashyap (LS Secretary-General 1983-90, Padma Bhushan) dies; member of Kovind Committee on One Nation One Election

SC: mineral royalty (MMDR Act 1957) payable at dispatch-date rate

World Bank ED: Neelkanth Mishra (3-year term), succeeds Parameswaran Iyer

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