



## **EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – MARCH 10, 2026**

### **TAMILNADU**

- **Tamilnadu Women Entrepreneur Empowerment Scheme (TWEES)**
- ✓ Initiative by the MSME Department aimed at fostering women-led entrepreneurship, advancing gender justice, and enabling equal economic participation for women across the state.
- ✓ Scheme for women/Transgender entrepreneurs, especially from economically and socially disadvantaged backgrounds.
- ✓ Implemented to develop one lakh women as entrepreneurs over the next five years.
- ✓ Under this scheme, women will receive bank loans up to ₹10 lakh with a 25% subsidy (up to a maximum of ₹2.00 lakh).
- ✓ They will also be provided with appropriate skill-development training and marketing guidance to help them start various enterprises.
- ✓ KKT women beneficiary intended to avail loan for expansion can top up under this scheme.

### **NATIONAL**

- **'SHINE' App**
- ✓ The Indian Railways launched the SHINE app (Sexual Harassment Incident Notification for Empowerment) on March 8, 2026, to enhance workplace safety and empower women employees.

- ✓ Integrated with the HRMS, the app allows women staff, visitors, and contractual workers to confidentially report sexual harassment complaints directly to designated committees.
- ✓ It ensures faster, secure, and efficient handling of complaints, strengthening protection mechanisms across railway workplaces.
- ✓ This initiative aligns with Visakha Guidelines and represents a significant step toward creating a safe and supportive environment for all women associated with Indian Railways.

#### ➤ **India's Cheetah Population Reaches 53**

- ✓ Cheetah population in India has reached 53 after Namibian cheetah Jwala gave birth to five cubs at Kuno National Park.
- ✓ The announcement was made by Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav on March 9, 2026, calling it a major milestone for Project Cheetah.
- ✓ With this birth, the number of Indian-born cheetah cubs has risen to 33, marking the 10th successful litter since the project began.
- ✓ The development highlights growing success in restoring cheetahs to India's grassland ecosystem through conservation and monitoring efforts.

#### ➤ **NABARD Announces National Climate Stack Innovation Challenge**

- ✓ National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development has launched the National Climate Stack Innovation Challenge to strengthen climate resilience in rural India. The initiative is being implemented with support from the Gates Foundation and Dalberg Advisors.
- ✓ The challenge aims to build a National Climate Stack, a digital framework that integrates climate data to improve forecasting of hazards such as floods, droughts, heatwaves and cyclones.
- ✓ Innovators, scientists and startups are invited to develop climate forecasting models and interactive dashboards to help manage climate risks, especially in agriculture.
- ✓ Winners will receive cash prizes of ₹15 lakh, ₹10 lakh and ₹5 lakh, and the initiative will also expand NABARD's DiCRA climate data platform.

#### ➤ **Assam Woman Becomes First to Receive Indian Citizenship Under CAA**

- ✓ A 60-year-old woman, Dipali Das from Cachar district, Assam, became the first person in the state to receive Indian citizenship under the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA), receiving her certificate on March 6.

- ✓ She migrated from Bangladesh to India in 1988 and settled in Assam, but due to lack of proper documents, the authorities in 2013 investigated her nationality and later declared her a foreigner.
- ✓ Dipali Das was detained in Silchar detention camp in 2019, but was released in April 2020 following a Supreme Court order during the COVID-19 pandemic; her citizenship was finally granted under the CAA, ending years of legal uncertainty.

## STATE

### ➤ **MeHEALTH Mobile App**

- ✓ The Kerala Health Department has officially launched MeHEALTH, a user-friendly mobile application designed to help citizens quickly locate and access nearby government health facilities.
- ✓ The app serves as a comprehensive digital directory and booking platform, bringing critical healthcare information to people's fingertips and reducing the need for physical visits or phone inquiries in the initial stages of seeking care.
- ✓ Shows all government health facilities within a 10 km radius of the user's location.
- ✓ Users can book slots directly with government doctors.

## MEETINGS/ CONFERENCES/ SUMMITS

### ➤ **International Malaria Conference 2026**

- ✓ The International Malaria Conference concluded in New Delhi after three days (March 7-9) of global discussions on accelerating malaria elimination. It was organized by the ICMR-National Institute of Malaria Research under the Indian Council of Medical Research.
- ✓ The conference theme was "Discovery, Development and Delivery: Driving Malaria Elimination and Beyond." It emphasized scientific research, innovation and effective implementation of malaria control strategies.
- ✓ Experts discussed parasite biology, drug resistance, advanced diagnostics and surveillance technologies to improve malaria detection and prevention.

- ✓ The event supported India's goal to eliminate malaria by 2030 by strengthening research collaboration, healthcare systems and public health interventions.

## SPORTS

### ➤ World Para Athletics Grand Prix 2026

- ✓ The 2nd edition of the World Para Athletics Grand Prix will be held in New Delhi from March 11-13, 2026, featuring 257 athletes from eight countries.
- ✓ India will field the largest contingent with 219 athletes, alongside participants from Russia, Nepal, Bhutan, Hong Kong, Serbia, Bosnia and Egypt.
- ✓ Top Indian para-athletes including Mariyappan Thangavelu, Sumit Antil, and Praveen Kumar are expected to compete.
- ✓ The event will also provide 74 international classification slots, helping athletes qualify for major global para athletics competitions.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

### ➤ International Day of Women Judges - March 10

- ✓ International Day of Women Judges is observed annually across the globe on 10th March to promote the full and equal participation of women in judicial systems and recognise the contributions of women judges in strengthening justice, rule of law and gender equality.
- ✓ Theme: "Women Judges on the Bench and Beyond: Protecting Access to Justice."
- ✓ The first International Day of Women Judges was observed on 10 March 2022.

