



EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – MAY 04, 2026

NATIONAL

Childhood Diabetes Care Framework

- The Union Health Ministry has released a national framework for managing childhood diabetes, aiming to improve early detection, treatment, and long-term care for children aged 0–18 years across India.
- The guideline introduces universal screening through community and school-based programmes, supported by the “4Ts” awareness model – Toilet, Thirsty, Tired, Thinner – to help identify Type 1 diabetes symptoms early.
- It also ensures free treatment, including insulin therapy, glucose monitoring tools, and regular follow-ups, while strengthening an integrated healthcare system linking community centres, district hospitals, and medical colleges.
- Overall, the initiative marks a major shift in tackling non-communicable diseases in children and strengthens India’s public health response to childhood diabetes.

India Introduces First Barrier-Free Tolling System on Major Highway in Gujarat

- India has launched its first Multi-Lane Free Flow (MLFF) tolling system in Gujarat at the Chorayasi Toll Plaza on the Surat–Bharuch stretch of National Highway 48, implemented by the National Highways Authority of India.
- The system allows vehicles to pass without stopping, using Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) and FASTag integration for fully automated, contactless toll collection. On its first day, around 41,500 vehicles

passed smoothly, marking a major shift toward faster and smarter highway travel.

- The MLFF system reduces congestion, saves travel time, improves fuel efficiency, and lowers emissions, while enhancing transparency in toll operations. It also introduces stricter FASTag compliance, including electronic notices, penalties for non-payment, and possible account restrictions.

Chief Justice Surya Kant Declares Sikkim First Paperless Judiciary in India

- The announcement claims that Sikkim has become India's first fully paperless judiciary, marking a major step toward digital justice delivery where court processes no longer rely on physical paperwork, improving speed and accessibility.
- It was stated by Surya Kant during a national conclave in Gangtok, where he highlighted the shift toward technology-driven judicial reforms.
- The transition is described as part of broader efforts to modernize courts and make legal processes more efficient and transparent.
- This development reflects India's ongoing push to digitize governance systems, though Surya Kant is a Supreme Court judge rather than the Chief Justice of India as mentioned in the report.

DEFENSE NEWS

India and Cambodia Kick Off 2nd Edition of CINBAX-II Military Drill

- India and Cambodia will begin the second edition of the CINBAX-II joint military exercise on May 4, 2026, in Kampong Speu Province, strengthening bilateral defense ties and cooperation.
- Around 120 Indian Army personnel, mainly from the Maratha Light Infantry Regiment, and 160 Cambodian troops will participate, focusing on improving joint operational capabilities over two weeks.
- The exercise emphasizes counter-terrorism, including tactical combat drills, drone operations, and sniper and mortar training, reflecting modern warfare needs and real-world peacekeeping scenarios.

- CINBAX-II aims to enhance interoperability, coordination, and strategic understanding while addressing evolving global security challenges and promoting regional stability and international peace.

Science & Technology

India's Private Sector Launches 'Mission Drishti' Earth Observation Satellite

- India marked a major milestone in its private space journey with the launch of Mission Drishti, the country's largest privately developed Earth observation satellite by GalaxEye. It was launched aboard Falcon 9 from Vandenberg Space Force Base, successfully entering orbit.
- Weighing around 190 kg, the satellite features advanced OptoSAR technology, combining Electro-Optical and Synthetic Aperture Radar systems to enable high-quality imaging in all weather and lighting conditions.
- Mission Drishti supports diverse applications including defence, agriculture, disaster management, maritime monitoring, and urban planning, offering reliable real-time data.
- The mission highlights India's growing private space ecosystem, supported by IN-SPACe, and strengthens the country's position in the global satellite and geospatial services market.

APPOINTMENTS

Prasoon Joshi Named Chairman of Prasar Bharati in Media Leadership Shift

- The Government of India has appointed Prasoon Joshi as the new Chairman of Prasar Bharati, with the announcement made on May 2, 2026.
- Joshi, known for his work in literature, advertising, and cinema, is expected to bring creative innovation to India's public broadcasting system during a major digital transformation phase.
- His appointment has been welcomed as a move to blend traditional media with modern digital expansion.

- His career includes serving as Chairperson of the Central Board of Film Certification, leadership roles in McCann Worldgroup India, and recognition as a prominent lyricist deeply rooted in Indian cultural storytelling.
- Prasar Bharati, India's statutory broadcaster operating through All India Radio and Doordarshan, is now expanding into digital platforms like OTT services, and Joshi is expected to guide this evolution.

