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Current Affairs From 1 st May to 7 th May 2025

1. Supreme Court judge, Justice B.R. Gavai, was appointed as the next Chief Justice of India (CJI) on 29 April 2025. He succeeded incumbent CJI Sanjiv Khanna, who will retire on May 13.

Justice Gavai, in line to be the 52nd CJI, will have a tenure of over 6 months, and he will demit office on November 23, 2025.

2. Gunjan Soni was appointed as the Country Managing Director for YouTube India on 28 April 2025. She succeeded Ishan Chatterjee, who exited the firm last year (2024) to become the Chief revenue officer (CRO) at JioCinema.
3. India and Bhutan have reaffirmed their strong bilateral trade relationship during the 6th Joint Group of Customs (JGC) Meeting held in Thimphu, Bhutan. The meeting aimed to deepen cooperation on customs processes, streamline cross-border trade, and ensure efficient and secure border management.

The meeting was co-chaired by Surjit Bhujabal, Special Secretary and Member (Customs), Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC),

Government of India, and Mr. Sonam Jamtsho, Director General, Department of Revenue and Customs, Royal Government of Bhutan.

4. Kamla Persad-Bissessar (73) will be the next Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago. Her party United National Congress has won the parliamentary election of the twin-island Caribbean nation. Persad-Bissessar previously served as Prime Minister from 2010-2015.
5. Yoga practitioner, a Padma Shri awardee, Baba Sivanand passed away in Varanasi on 4 May 2025. He was 128 years old. He was born on August 8, 1896, in the Sylhet district of present day Bangladesh.
6. Prime Minister Narendra Modi held bilateral talks with Angolan President Joao Manuel Goncalves Lourenco at Hyderabad House in New Delhi on 3 May 2025. India has announced a defence credit line of 200 million dollars to support the modernisation of Angola's armed forces.
7. Prime Minister Lawrence Wong's People's Action Party (PAP) won the Singapore General Election on 3 May 2025. PAP secured 87 of the 97 parliamentary seats. Wong was sworn-in in 2024, May as the new Prime Minister in 20 years after Lee Hsien Loong stepped down after almost two decades.
8. The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) successfully carried out maiden flight-trials of its Stratospheric Airship

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Platform from Sheopur Trial site at Madhya Pradesh on 3 May 2025.
Developed by Aerial Delivery Research and Development Establishment
at Agra in Uttar Pradesh.

9. Prime Minister Narendra Modi formally inaugurated India's first deepwater transshipment port, named Vizhinjam International Seaport in Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram, on 2 May 2025. The port was built by Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone Ltd (APSEZ) in partnership with the government under a public-private model at a cost of around Rs.8,900 crore.
10. Global Alliance for Mass Entrepreneurship (GAME) and NITI Aayog have announced a strategic partnership aimed at fostering vibrant entrepreneurship ecosystems across multiple states in India on 2 May 2025. This collaboration will focus on advancing place-based interventions, starting with pilot sites in Nagpur, Visakhapatnam and Uttar Pradesh.
11. India and Denmark have reinforced their long-standing energy cooperation by signing a renewed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 2 May 2025. This agreement reflects both countries' continued commitment to accelerating clean energy transitions.

The renewed MoU supports India's ambitious target of achieving net-zero emissions by 2070. It aims to foster knowledge exchange and technological collaboration between the two countries, particularly in the area of clean and sustainable energy solutions.

Senior bureaucrat Arvind Shrivastava took charge as the Secretary of the Department of Revenue under the Ministry of Finance on 1 May 2025. He is a

1994-batch Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer of the Karnataka cadre. He served as Joint Secretary and then Additional Secretary in the Prime Minister's Office.

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