



CURRENT AFFAIRS OF FEBRUARY 2026

Awards

The category in which Tenzin Gyatso, the 14th Dalai Lama has been awarded a Grammy award at the 68th Grammy Awards – **Best Audio Book, Narration & Storytelling Recording**

Defence

The joint maritime exercise conducted by the Indian Air Force and the Indian Coast Guard in the Lakshadweep and Minicoy archipelago was named – **Kalari Leap**

The 7th edition of the annual Joint Military Exercise between the Indian Army and the Japan Ground Self-Defense Force (JGSDF) conducted at the Foreign Training Node, Chaubattia in Uttarakhand from 24 February to 9 March 2026 is named – **Ex. DHARMA GUARDIAN**

The 16th edition of the India-US Joint Special Forces Exercise conducted at the Special Forces Training School, Bakloh, Himachal Pradesh, from 24 February to 16 March 2026 – **Ex. VAJRA PRAHAR**

The venue of International Fleet Review 2026 and multilateral naval Exercise Milan with participation of 70 countries held from 15 February to 25 February 2026 – **Visakhapatnam**

The 13th edition of the India-Kyrgyzstan Joint Special Forces Exercise conducted from 04 to 17 February 2026 in Missamari, Assam is named – **Exercise KHANJAR**

Sports

The team which has won the 2025-26 Ranji Trophy for the first time defeating Karnataka in the finals – **Jammu and Kashmir**

Persons

The Chairman of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party who has chosen to be the next Prime Minister of the country after his party won the elections – **Mr. Tarique Rahman**

The new Chief Minister of Manipur who has taken over from 04 February 2026 following revocation of President's rule – **Shri Yumnam Khemchand Singh**

Miscellaneous

The freedom fighter whose bust was unveiled in Rashtrapati Bhavan replacing the bust of Edwin Lutyens (the architect of Rashtrapati Bhavan), by the President Smt Draupadi Murmu – **Shri C. Rajagopalachari**

The theme of India AI Impact Summit 2026 held at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi from 16 to 20 February 2026 – **Sarvajan Hitaya, Sarvajan Sukhaya (Welfare for all, Happiness for all)**

The seventh bridge across river Brahmaputra which was inaugurated by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi is named – **Kumar Bhaskar Varma Setu**

The countries which were severely affected by the tropical cyclone Gezani – **Madagascar and Mozambique**

The place in Canada at which a mass shooting by an 18-year-old left about 10 children dead – **Tumble Ridge, British Columbia**

The airport in Punjab which has been named after Shri Guru Ravi Dasji Maharaj – **Adampur**

BBC Sportswomen Awards

BBC Indian Sportswomen of the Year 2025 Award: Smriti Mandhana (cricket)

BBC Emerging Indian Player of the Year 2025 Award: Divya Deshmukh (chess)

BBC Para Sportswomen of the Year 2025 Award: Preeti Pal

BBC ISWOTY Lifetime Achievement award 2025 Award: Anjali Bhagwat (shooting)

PM - RAHAT

PM RAHAT (Road Accident Victim Hospitalization and Assured Treatment) is a scheme launched by the Government of India to provide cashless treatment to victims of road accidents.

Integration with the Emergency Response Support System (ERSS) 112 helpline ensures that accident victims reach hospitals within the Golden Hour. Road accident victims, Rah-Veer (Good Samaritans), or any person at the accident site may dial 112 to obtain details of the nearest designated hospital and request ambulance assistance, enabling swift coordination between emergency responders, police authorities and hospitals.

Under the Scheme, every eligible road accident victim on any category of road will be entitled to cashless treatment up to ₹1.5 lakh per victim, for period of 7 days from the date of accident. Stabilization treatment will be provided for up to 24 hours in non-life-threatening cases and up

to 48 hours in life-threatening cases, subject to police authentication on an integrated digital system.

PM RAHAT is implemented through a robust, technology-driven framework amalgamating the Electronic Detailed Accident Report (eDAR) platform of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways with the Transaction Management System (TMS 2.0) of the National Health Authority.

Reimbursement to hospitals will be made through the Motor Vehicle Accident Fund (MVAF).

Australian Open 2026

Title	Winner	Runner-up
Men's Singles	Carlos Alcaraz (Spain)	Novak Djokovic (Serbia)
Women's Singles	Elena Rybakina (Kazakhstan)	Aryna Sabalenka (Belarus)
Men's Doubles	Christian Harrison (USA) and Neal Skupski (UK)	Jason Kubler and Marc Polmans (Australia)
Women's Doubles	Elise Mertens (Belgium) and Zhang Shuai (China)	Anna Danilina (Kazakhstan) and Aleksandra Krunic (Serbia)
Mixed Doubles	Olivia Gadecki (Australia) and John Peers (Australia)	Kristina Mladenovic and Manuel Guinard (France)

Important Days of February

<p>World Wetlands Day: 02 February 2026 Designated by: Ramsar Convention Secretariat Theme: Wetlands and traditional knowledge: Celebrating cultural heritage First Observed in: 1997</p>
<p>World Cancer Day: 04 February 2026 Designated by: Union for International Cancer Control (UICC) Theme: United by Unique (2025-27) First Observed in: 2000</p>
<p>International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation: 06 February 2026 Designated by: U.N.O. First Observed in: 2013 Theme: Towards 2030: No end to female genital mutilation without sustained commitment and investment.</p>
<p>World Pulses Day: 10 February 2026 Designated by: U.N.O. First Observed in: 2020 Theme: Pulses of the world: from modesty to excellence</p>

<p>Safer Internet Day: 10 February 2026 Designated by: European Union Theme: Smart tech, safe choices, exploring the safe and responsible use of AI First Observed in: 2004</p>
<p>International Day of Women and Girls in Science: 11 February 2026 Designated by: U.N.O. First Observed in: 2016 Theme: Synergizing AI, Social Science, STEM and Finance: Building Inclusive Futures for Women and Girls</p>
<p>World Radio Day: 13 February 2026 Designated by: UNESCO First Observed in: 2013</p>
<p>World Day of Social Justice: 20 February 2026 Designated by: UN General Assembly First Observed in: 2008 Theme: Renewed Commitment to Social Development and Social Justice</p>
<p>International Mother Language Day: 21 February 2026 Designated by: UN General Assembly Theme: Youth voices on multilingual education UN General Assembly welcomed the proclamation of the day in its resolution of 2002. First Observed in: 2008</p>
<p>Rare Disease Day: 28 February 2026 (Last day of February) Designated by: European Organisation for Rare Diseases (EURORDIS) First Observed in: 2008</p>

79th British Academy Film Awards

Best Film: **One Battle After Another** directed by Paul Thomas Anderson

Best Director: **Paul Thomas Anderson** for One Battle After Another

Best Actor: **Robert Aramayo** for I Swear

Best Actress: **Jessie Buckley** for Hamnet

Best Children's and Family Film: **Manipuri film Boong** directed by Lakshmipriya Devi

Most awards: **One Battle After Another** (6)

Most nominations: **One Battle After Another** (14)

2026 Women's Premier League (cricket)

Held from 09 January 2026 to 05 February 2026

Total teams: 5

Winners: **Royal Challengers Bengaluru**

Runners-up: **Delhi Capitals**

Player of the series: **Sophie Devine** (Gujarat Giants)

Most Runs: **Smriti Mandhana** (Royal Challengers Bengaluru)

Most Wickets: **Sophie Devine** (Gujarat Giants)

2026 Under-19 Men's Cricket World Cup

Held from 15 January 2026 to 06 February 2026

Hosts: **Zimbabwe and Namibia**

Total teams: 16

Winners: **India** (6th title)

Runners-up: **England**

Player of the tournament: **Vaibhav Suryavanshi**