

The week from 10 Feb 2025 to 16 Feb 2025

National Women's Day was observed on February 13 to honour Sarojini Naidu's legacy in independence, women's rights, and **empowerment**. Also known as the 'Nightingale of India' or 'Bharat Kokila', Naidu was the first woman to serve as a Governor of a state, when she was appointed Governor of the United Provinces in 1947.

PM Modi and French President Emmanuel Macron jointly co-chaired the 3rd AI Summit held at Paris. The summit ended with a statement on inclusive and sustainable artificial intelligence for people and the planet, which called for promoting AI accessibility to reduce digital divides and the launch of a Coalition for Environmentally Sustainable AI.

The 3rd edition of the Women's Premier League got underway at the Kotambi Stadium in Vadodara. Defending champions Royal Challengers Bengaluru beat Gujarat Giants by 6 wickets in the highest successful run-chase in WPL history. Star Indian batter Richa Ghosh scored a blistering 64 in just 26 balls to guide RCB home while chasing 202.

World number one tennis player Jannik Sinner, 23, has accepted an immediate three-month ban from tennis after two positive drugs tests last year. The 23-year-old Italian, who won the Australian Open last month, is suspended from 9 February until 4 May. He tested positive for the banned substance clostebol in March 2024.

PM Modi visited USA on a short business-first tour, where he met US President Trump. Trump announced expanded US military sales to India, including F-35 jets, along with increased oil and gas exports to narrow the trade deficit. He confirmed the extradition to India of Tahawwur Rana, who is accused of playing a role in the 2008 terror attack in Mumbai.

United Nations climate chief Simon Stiell has praised India as a "solar superpower", highlighting the country's rapid expansion in renewable energy. He noted that India was one of only four countries to have installed more than 100 gigawatts (GW) of solar power, and that India electrified all its villages by 2018, ahead of schedule.

As part of his mammoth 4-year long $+-=÷\times$ Tour (pronounced The Mathematics Tour), English singer-songwriter Ed Sheeran, 34, performed at concerts in Pune, Hyderabad, Chennai, Bengaluru, Shillong and Gurugram.



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