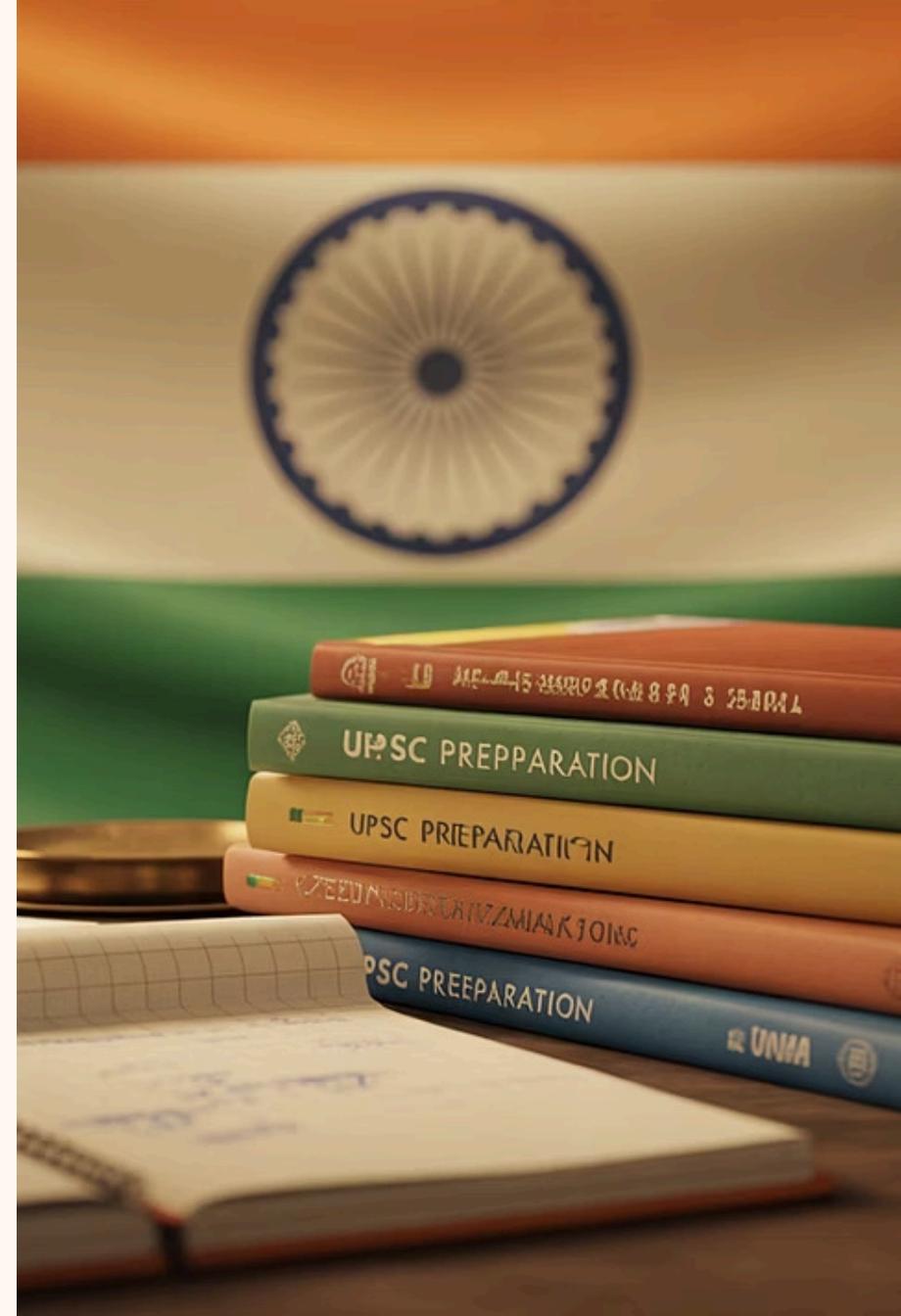


UPSC : Current Affairs Compilation (3rd October 2025)



Economy and Investments - Private Sector Projects

₹9.95L

Total private project announcements

April-September 2025 — 15-year high

94%

Private sector share

₹9.35 lakh crore, up 37.5% YoY

71%

Government decline

₹1.51 lakh crore — 15-year low

Foreign investments: ₹0.6 lakh crore, down 28%, 5-year low.

Source: **CMIE data.**

Global FDI growth (2024): 11%.

Q2 FY26 private projects: ₹4.6 lakh crore, down 24% YoY.

India's FDI attractiveness showing **decline** despite **global rise.**

Delhi Waste Pickers Inclusion and Khadi Promotion

Delhi Waste Pickers (2025)

- **Delhi:** ~1.5 lakh waste pickers recycle 2,000 tonnes/day (≈1/3rd of Delhi's 11,300 tonnes waste)
- **Scheme:** NAMASTE (launched 2023; expanded June 2025 to include waste pickers)
- By Sept 20, 2025: 42,127 waste pickers profiled
- Report: Chintan Environmental Research and Action Group
- Life expectancy of waste pickers: 39 years
- Women comprise ≈80% of workforce
- Recommendation: Integration under EPR (Extended Producer Responsibility) for plastics

Khadi Promotion (2025 Appeal)

- **Home Minister's appeal:** Purchase ₹5,000 worth Khadi annually
- Khadi sales increased 5× in 11 years (since 2014)
- Linked to Swadeshi and Atmanirbhar Bharat
- Khadi sector — significant for rural employment generation

Wintrack Inc. Case and Caste Census Announcement

Wintrack Inc. Harassment Case (Tamil Nadu, Oct 2025)

- Company alleged **customs bribery** in **Chennai** (on charging cables)
- Operations ceased **Oct 1, 2025**
- **Finance Ministry** ordered probe
- Supported by **Shashi Tharoor**
- Highlights issue in **Ease of Doing Business**

Caste Census (Union Announcement 2025)

- **Union Government** announced **national caste census (April 2025)**
- Scheduled to start **March 2027**
- Triggered by **Bihar caste survey (2023)**
- **Bihar survey** conducted under **RJD-led government**

Disaster Relief and RTE Funds

Wayanad Landslide Aid (2024–25)

- Centre allocated ₹260.56 crore to Kerala
- Kerala's demand: ₹2,219 crore
- Comparisons: Maharashtra ₹1,492 crore; Assam ₹1,270 crore
- Relief criticized as inadequate

RTE Funds for Tamil Nadu (2025)

- Central release: ₹538.39 crore
- ₹362 crore (2024–25 share)
- ₹175.59 crore (2025–26 first instalment)
- Released after Supreme Court notice
- Admissions under 25% RTE quota began Oct 9, 2025
- Government Order: Oct 6, 2025
- Resistance from private schools

Governance Issues and Political Updates

01

Odisha Sub-Inspector Exam Leak (2025)

- **114 aspirants** arrested (incl. **8 women**)
- Paper leaked; price per candidate: **₹25 lakh**
- Exam postponed — **4th cancellation** since **July 2025**
- **119 bail pleas** rejected

02

Karur Stampede Case (Tamil Nadu, Sept 27, 2025)

- Deaths: **41**, Injured: **100+**
- Accusations: Selective targeting; case linked to **TVK rally**
- **Supreme Court** reserved order on **SIT probe (Oct 10, 2025)**

03

Gujarat BJP President Election (2025)

- Notification: **Oct 2, 2025**
- Result: **Jagdish Vishwakarma** elected unopposed on **Oct 4, 2025**
- Replaced: **C.R. Paatil**
- Portfolio: **MoS Cooperation (Gujarat)**

Political Personalities and Internal Security

Political Updates

BRS MLAs Disqualification Hearing (Telangana):

Hearing adjourned to **Oct 4, 2025**. Related to **4 defectors** joining **Congress**.

Mallikarjun Kharge Health Update: Underwent **pacemaker surgery** on **Oct 1, 2025**. Discharged **Oct 2**; resumed work **Oct 3**.

Ramreddy Damodar Reddy (Andhra Pradesh): Former IT Minister under **YS Rajasekhara Reddy**. **Five-time MLA**. Died **Oct 1, 2025 (Age 73)**. **State funeral** on **Oct 5, 2025**.

Ladakh Violence (Sept 24, 2025)

- Deaths: **4**, Injured: **100+**
- Organizations: **LAB (Leh Apex Body)**, **KDA (Kargil Democratic Alliance)**
- Rejected **magisterial probe**, demanded **judicial inquiry**
- **26 of 39 arrested** released on **Oct 2**
- **Sonam Wangchuk** detained under **NSA**
- **Judicial probe assurance** by **Centre**

Law and Order Cases and International Relations

1

Kerala Students Assault Case (Delhi, Sept 2025)

Complaint by **Kerala CM** to **Union Home Minister**. Allegation: **Custodial torture** and **₹20,000 bribe demand**. Incident triggered due to **language discrimination (Hindi barrier)**.

2

Zubeen Garg Death Case (Oct 2025 Update)

Charge added under **BNS Section 103 (Murder)**. Victim drowned during **Singapore yacht party**. **5 accused** (incl. manager, cousin). **DSP suspended**. **Singapore coroner's inquiry** ongoing.

3

Uttar Pradesh Dasara Internet Suspension (2025)

Duration: **48 hours** in **Bareilly** (from **Oct 2**). Purpose: Prevent **communal tension** during **festival**. No major incidents reported.

International Relations and Security Operations



Sir Creek Dispute / Operation Sindoor (May 2025)

- Location: **Sir Creek (96 km coastal dispute)**
- Operation Dates: **May 7–10, 2025**
- Objective: Strike **9 terrorist sites** in **Pakistan** after **Pahalgam attack**
- Exposed **Pak air defence vulnerabilities**



India–China Air Connectivity (2025)

- **IndiGo Kolkata–Guangzhou flights** resume **Oct 26, 2025**
- First direct flight after **5 years**
- **Tourist visas** resumed in **July 2025**
- **China** termed move a positive step



Putin's India Visit (Dec 2025)

- **23rd India–Russia Annual Summit**: Scheduled **Dec 5, 2025**
- Focus: **Arctic cooperation, bilateral agreements**
- **PM Modi** greeted **Putin** on **Oct 7** (Birthday)

NIA "Dunki Route" Case (2025): Accused: **Sunny, Shubham**. Charge sheet filed **Oct 2, 2025**. Mastermind: **Gagandeep**, trafficked **100+ victims** to **US** via **Mexico**. Rate: **₹45 lakh/person, hawala-funded operation**.

Social, Cultural Issues and Disasters



Uddhav Thackeray Dasara Rally (Oct 2025)

Criticized **BJP** as "**ideology-less amoeba**". Demanded **farm relief: ₹50,000/ha**. Possible **MNS alliance** hinted.



Muslim Girl's Kathakali Debut (Kerala, Oct 2025)

Performer: **Sabri (16 years old)**. Portrayed **Lord Krishna** at **Kerala Kalamandalam**. **First Muslim Kathakali performer** since **1930**. **Women participation in Kathakali permitted** since **2020-21**. **Kalamandalam founded in 1930**.



Mysuru Dasara 2025

Ended **Oct 2, 2025**. **Jumbo Savari** led by elephant **Abhimanyu** (carried **750 kg howdah**). **59 tableaux, 90 cultural troupes** participated. Inaugurated by **CM Siddaramaiah**. Known as "**Nada Habba**" (**State Festival of Karnataka**).

Khandwa Accident (Madhya Pradesh, Oct 2, 2025)

Vehicle: Tractor-trolley carrying devotees for **Durga immersion**. **Casualties: 11 dead, incl. 8 children**. **Cause:** Vehicle overturned into pond. **Driver arrested**. **CM announced ₹4 lakh ex-gratia** to each victim's family.