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WEEKLY CURRENT AFFAIR 11TH – 17TH APR 2022

1. RBI issues guidelines for setting up full day Digital Banking Units: The Reserve Bank of India announced that current banks can open digital banking units to provide products and services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, in both self-serve and assisted modes. The government announced in the Union Budget that at least 75 such units will be established in 75 districts to commemorate the country's 75th anniversary of independence as the Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav. The products and services to be supplied at a DBU, according to the requirements for the formation of Digital Banking Units (DBUs), include account opening, cash withdrawal and deposit, KYC updation, loans, and complaint registrations.

What is DBU?

'DBU' stands for Digital Banking Unit, which is a specialised fixed point business unit/hub that houses specific basic infrastructure for delivering digital banking goods and services to consumers in a simple and cost-effective manner.

2. Union Minister Bhupender Yadav chairs the 20th NTCA meeting: The 20th NTCA in Arunachal Pradesh is chaired by Bhupender Yadav. The 20th Meeting of the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) was held in Pakke tiger reserve in Arunachal Pradesh and was led by Union Minister for Environment, Forest & Climate Change Bhupender Yadav. The first-ever NTCA meeting was held in Arunachal Pradesh, outside of the National Capital. National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) is a statutory body under the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change. Established in 2005 under enabling provisions of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

3. 3) The 15-member Indian boxing contingents ended their campaign at the Thailand Open International Boxing Tournament 2022 in Phuket with 10 medals, including three golds, four silvers, and three bronze. Gold medal winners earned USD 2000 while silver and bronze.

Gold- 1) Govind Sahani (48kg), 2) Ananta Pralhad Chopde (54kg), 3) Sumit (75kg).

Silver- 1) Amit Panghal (52kg), 2) Monika (48kg), 3) Varinder Singh (60kg), 4) Ashish Kumar (81kg)

4. Himachal Pradesh's Kangra Tea will get GI Tag from European Commission: Himachal Pradesh's Kangra Tea will soon get a European Commission Geographical Indication Tag (GI Tag); this tag helps Kangra tea to get an opportunity to enter the European market. Kangra tea received the Indian GI tag in 2005. Since 1999, the cultivation and development of tea have improved constantly in the Kangra region of Himachal Pradesh.

5. Uttarakhand CM Pushkar Singh Dhami launched '1064 Anti-Corruption Mobile App': Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami has launched an anti-corruption mobile app named 1064 Anti-Corruption Mobile App. This mobile application has been developed by the vigilance department, Uttarakhand. It helps the citizens to lodge corruption-related complaints directly with the authorities. **Uttarakhand Capitals:** Dehradun (Winter), Bhararaisain, Gairsain (Summer), Uttarakhand Governor: Lt Gen Gurmit Singh

6. Eminent scholar-academician Manoj Soni new UPSC chairman: Currently a Member of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), Dr Manoj Soni has been appointed the chairman of the country's premier government recruiting agency. Dr Soni has been appointed to replace the previous UPSC chairman Pradip Kumar Joshi. He is the 31st chairman of the UPSC. The chairman and the members of the UPSC hold office for a term of six years or till the age of 65. Sir Ross Barker was the first chairman of UPSC in October 1926 and so far the UPSC has had 30 chairmen.

7. Gol launched the 'Broadcast Seva' platform to increase transparency: The Broadcast Seva Portal was developed by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting to improve the convenience of doing business in the

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broadcast industry. This will be an online portal option for broadcasters to quickly file and process applications for various types of licences, permissions, registrations, and other things.

- 8. Shehbaz Sharif elected as 23rd Prime Minister of Pakistan: Pakistan's opposition leader, Shehbaz Sharif has been** elected unopposed as the 23rd Prime Minister of the country through voting in the National Assembly. The 70-year old Pakistan Muslim League (PML-N) Chief will succeed Imran Khan, who has been removed by a no-trust vote recently in the National Assembly. Shehbaz Sharif is the brother of former Pakistan Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif.
- 9. National Safe Motherhood Day 2022: In India, the National Safe Motherhood Day is observed every year on April 11** to raise awareness about adequate access to care for women during pregnancy, childbirth and postnatal services. The day also marks the birth anniversary of Kasturba Gandhi, the wife of the father of the Nation Mohan Das Karam Chand Gandhi.
- 10. International Day of Human Space Flight celebrates globally on 12 April: The International Day of Human Space Flight** is celebrated annually on April 12 to mark the anniversary of the first human space flight by Yuri Gagarin on April 12, 1961. The day was proclaimed at the 65th session of the United Nations General Assembly on April 7, 2011, a few days before the 50th anniversary of the flight. In the Soviet Union, the day is observed as the International Day of Aviation and Cosmonautics.'
- 11. PM Modi virtually addressed 14th Foundation Day of Umiya Mata Temple : Prime Minister Narendra Modi stated** that the Umiya Mata Temple, a religious site in Gujarat's Junagadh, has now become a central focus for social consciousness. He explained that the temple helps the underprivileged members of the community by providing free health treatment as well as religious and social activities.
- 12. NITI Aayog's State Energy and Climate Index: Gujarat tops :: NITI Aayog has launched the State Energy & Climate Index (SECI) Round I.** The State Energy & Climate Index (SECI) Round I ranks the states' performance on 6 parameters, namely, (1) DISCOM's Performance (2) Access, Affordability and Reliability of Energy (3) Clean Energy Initiatives (4) Energy Efficiency (5) Environmental Sustainability; and (6) New Initiatives.
Top Three States among Larger States Category= Gujarat, Kerala, Punjab.
Top Three States among Smaller States Category= Goa, Tripura, Manipur.
Top Three UTs = Chandigarh, Delhi, Daman & Diu/Dadra & Nagar Haveli.
- 13. President Ramnath Kovind Inaugurates Madhavpur Ghed Fair:** The President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the five-day long Madhavpur Ghed Fair, at Madhavpur Ghed, Porbandar in Gujarat. The Madhavpur Ghed Fair is being organised by the Government of Gujarat in association with the Ministry of Culture since 2018 every year to celebrate the sacred union of Lord Krishna and Rukmini. The Madhavpur Fair connects Gujarat with the northeast region in an integral bond.
- 14. Ravichandran Ashwin becomes 1st player to get retired out in IPL History:** Rajasthan Royals all-rounder, Ravichandran Ashwin became the first player in IPL history to get retired out during the high-octane clash against Lucknow Super Giants. Ashwin played a crucial knock of 28-run off 23 balls to revive Rajasthan's innings from a tricky stage when they were four down for 67.
- 15. Union Minister Amit Shah inaugurates Seema Darshan Project at Indo-Pak border :** Union Home and Cooperative Minister, Amit Shah has inaugurated the Seema Darshan Project at Nadabet on the Indo-Pak border in Banaskantha District of Gujarat. The project was launched with the aim to provide an opportunity for the citizen to observe the life and work of the BSF personnel on our border. The tourist can see missiles, tanks, aircraft etc which are used by the Indian Army and BSF at Nadabet.

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Headquarters: New Delhi, Border Security Force Founded: 1 December 1965, Director General: Pankaj Kumar Singh.

- 16. Fourth US-India 2+2 Ministerial Dialogue in Washington DC:** Secretary of State Antony J. Blinken and Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III welcomed Ministers of Defense Rajnath Singh and External Affairs Dr S. Jaishankar to Washington, D.C. for the fourth US-India 2+2 Ministerial Dialogue. A virtual conference between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President Joseph Biden preceded the Dialogue.
- 17. 38th Siachen Day celebrates on 13 April 2022:** Indian Army marks Siachen Day on April 13 every year. The day is observed to commemorate the courage of the Indian Army under "Operation Meghdoot". The Day also honours Siachen Warriors serving their motherland successfully from the enemy. Every year this day is observed to pay solemn tributes to the soldiers who laid down their lives to capture the icy heights of Siachen 38 years ago. The day commemorates the courage and fortitude displayed by Indian Army troops in securing the highest and coldest battlefield in the world.
- 18. UN-FAO: Mumbai and Hyderabad recognised as '2021 Tree City of the World':** The United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) and Arbor Day Foundation have jointly recognised Mumbai and Hyderabad as the '2021 Tree City of the World. The two Indian cities have won the recognition for their "commitment to growing and maintaining urban trees and greenery in building healthy, resilient and happy cities". In 2021, Hyderabad was the only city in India to be recognised as a '2020 Tree City of the World'. The United Nations' 'Tree City of the World' programme provides direction, assistance, and worldwide recognition for communities' dedication to its urban forest, and provides a framework for a healthy, sustainable urban forestry.
- 19. Ecuador became 1st country to give legal rights to wild animals:** Ecuador, a South American Country, became the first country in the world to give legal rights to wild animals. The highest court in the country has ruled in favour of the case that focused on a woolly monkey named "Estrellita" who was taken from her home to a zoo, where she passed just a week later.
- 20. Harsh Vardhan Shringla named India's G20 chief coordinator:** Foreign secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla will take over next month as G20 chief coordinator, the government officially announced. The appointment is significant as India will assume the G20 presidency on December 1, 2022, from Indonesia, and will convene the G20 Leaders Summit for the first time in India in 2023. G20 Bali Summit 2022 is the 17th meeting of the G20 Heads of State and Government Summit which is scheduled to take place in Bali, Indonesia from November 15-16, 2022 under the Presidency of Indonesia with the overall theme of "Recover Together Recover Stronger".
- 21. PM Narendra Modi to be honoured with 1st Lata Deenanath Mangeshkar Award:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi will be honoured with the inaugural Lata Deenanath Mangeshkar Award which is instituted in the memory of the veteran singer of Lata Mangeshkar. PM Modi will receive the award for selfless service to the nation and society. The award ceremony will be held on April 24 which marks the 80th death anniversary of Master Deenanath Mangeshkar (singing legend's father).
- 22. ADB to approve \$2 million loan to support urban development in Nagaland :** The Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Government of India signed an agreement to provide a \$2 million project readiness financing (PRF) loan to Nagaland for the design of climate-resilient urban infrastructure, strengthening institutional capacity, and improving municipal resource mobilisation.
- 23. 1st Khelo India National Ranking Women Archery Tournament held in Jamshedpur:** The first Khelo India National Ranking Women Archery will be held in Tata Archery Academy, Jamshedpur, Jharkhand. The Sports Authority of India (SAI) has approved Rs 75 Lakh to host the Khelo India National Ranking Women Archery Tournament over six phases.

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- 24. Ambedkar Jayanti 2022- 14 April:** Dr Ambedkar is known as the Father (chief architect) of the Indian Constitution. He was the first Law and Justice Minister of the country after the independence. Dr Bhim has been bestowed with the country's highest civilian honour, Bharat Ratna in 1990 posthumously. He authored three books: "The Problem of the Rupee: Its Origin and its Solution," "Administration and Finance of East India Company," and "The Evolution of Provincial Finance in British India."
- 25. Falguni Nayar Crowned EY Entrepreneur of the Year Award 2021:** Falguni Nayar has been named as the EY Entrepreneur of the Year 2021, at the 23rd edition of the EY Entrepreneur of The Year India awards. She is the founder and chief executive officer (CEO) of beauty supply company Nykaa (FSN E-commerce). She will now represent India at the EY World Entrepreneur of the Year Award (WEOY) on June 9, 2022, at Monaco. The Lifetime Achievement was given to A. M. Naik, Group Chairman of Larsen & Toubro.
- 26. NMDC Wins Gold and Silver Awards at 80th SKOCH Summit 2022:** In the 80th SKOCH Summit and SKOCH Awards, held recently in New Delhi, India's largest iron ore producer, National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC), under the Ministry of Steel, received one gold and one silver medal. The SKOCH Summit's subject was 'State of BFSI & PSUs.'
- 27. The Jallianwala Bagh massacre, also known as the Amritsar massacre, took place on 13 April 1919.** This year we commemorate the 103rd anniversary of the terror that shook the entire country to a standstill. The Jallianwalabagh garden has been converted into a memorial. And thousands of people on this day come to pay their respects to the martyred men, and women, who were killed on that fateful day for the nation.
- 28. UNDP Declares Grants of \$2.2 Million in Climate Action for Innovators:** The UNDP and partners of the Adaptation Innovation Marketplace (AIM) have announced \$2.2 million in climate action funding for 22 local innovators from 19 countries, including India. The Adaptation Fund Climate Innovation Accelerator (AFCIA) window's first round of funding will improve local climate action and speed the achievement of the Paris Agreement's and Sustainable Development Goals' ambitions.
- 29. India's Retail Inflation Rose to 6.95% in March:** India's retail inflation surged to a 17-month high of 6.95% in March from 6.07% in the previous month due to a sharp increase in food prices, the National Statistical Office (NSO) data showed. Retail inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) has remained above the upper limit of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) tolerance band for the third consecutive month. The retail inflation stood at 6.01 per cent in January 2022. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation data is released monthly by the National Statistical Office (NSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.
- 30. World Art Day observed on 15th April:** World Art Day is observed every year on 15 April globally. This day is being celebrated all over the world to emphasize the importance of art that nurtures creativity, innovation and cultural diversity for all peoples across the globe. The day was declared by the International Association of Art (IAA), an NGO working in official partnership with UNESCO.
- 31. Himachal Pradesh Day 2022 15th April:** Himachal Day is observed on the 15th of April in Himachal Pradesh. Four districts of Mandi, Chamba, Mahasu and Sirmour were integrated with over two dozen princely states, leading to the formation of Himachal Pradesh in 1948. Decades later, in 1971, Himachal Pradesh became the 18th state in India with Shimla as its capital.
- 32. World Bank cuts India's GDP Growth Forecast for FY22-23 to 8 % :** The World Bank has slashed the GDP growth forecast for India in FY2022/23 to 8 per cent in its bi-annual "South Asia Economic Focus" report, due to the negative impact of the war in Ukraine on FY23 growth. Earlier in January 2022, the growth forecast for FY23 was estimated at 8.7 per cent.

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- 33. India will host Street Child Cricket World Cup in 2023:** India is ready to host the Street Child Cricket World Cup in 2023. This world is organized by Street Child United and Save the Children India, the Street Child Cricket World Cup 2023 will welcome 22 teams from 16 countries to India next year. The Street Child Cricket World Cup 2023 will welcome 22 teams from 16 countries to India next year.
- 34. Assamese New Year 2022, Rongali Bohag Bihu Festival:** Bohag Bihu or Rongali Bihu, one of the biggest festivals of Assam, falls in the second week of April every year, marking the beginning of the harvest period. This year Bohag Bihu is being observed from April 14 to April 16. Rongali means joy in Assamese and the festival indeed is the time to rejoice and make merry with family and community.
- 35. Uttarakhand to launch "Him Prahari" scheme for ex-servicemen & youngsters:** The Government of Uttarakhand is set to implement the 'Him Prahari' Scheme which is meant for ex-servicemen and youngsters. The Uttarakhand Govt is seeking the cooperation of the Union Government to implement the scheme in areas bordering the Uttarakhand. The scheme will also prioritise settling ex-servicemen in areas bordering the state.
- 36. SVANidhi se Samridhhi' introduced by MoHUA:** Shri Manoj Joshi, Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, launched the SVANidhi se Samridhhi programme in additional 126 cities across 14 States/UTs. PMSVANidhi's extra initiative, 'SVANidhi se Samridhhi,' was launched in 125 cities in Phase 1 in 2021, covering around 35 lakh street vendors and their families. They have been given 22.5 lakh scheme sanctions, which include 16 lakh insurance benefits under the Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Jeeban Jyoti Yojana, and 2.7 lakh pension benefits under the Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan Yojana, among other things.
- 37. Tamil Nadu Chief Minister announced to Celebrate April 14 As 'Equality Day':** Chief Minister MK Stalin announced in the Assembly that the birth anniversary of BR Ambedkar (April 14) will be commemorated as 'Samathuva Naal' (Equality Day).
- 38. Prabhat Patnaik named for Malcolm Adiseshiah Award 2022:** Well-known Indian economist and political commentator, Prabhat Patnaik has been selected for the Malcolm Adiseshiah Award 2022. The award is annually given by the Malcolm and Elizabeth Adiseshiah Trust to an outstanding social scientist selected from nominations received by a specially constituted national jury.
- 39. 128th Foundation Day of Punjab National Bank:** Punjab National Bank, India's second-largest bank has celebrated its 128th Foundation Day on April 12, 2022. On the occasion of foundation day, MD & CEO of PNB, Atul Kumar Goel has launched a cardless cash withdrawal service and a virtual debit card for its customers. Bank also launched various services on its mobile app named PNB One for safe banking transactions. PNB was established by the great freedom fighter Lala Lajpat Rai, proudly known as Sher-e-Punjab (Lion of Punjab) in 1894 as the First Swadeshi Bank.
- 40. World Hemophilia Day 2022 observed on 17th April: World Hemophilia Day is observed globally on 17 April every year.** This day is observed to raise awareness for hemophilia and other bleeding disorders. The date was chosen in honour of the World Federation of Hemophilia founder Frank Schnabel birthday. This year is the 31st edition of World Haemophilia Day. This year, the theme of the day has been kept as 'Access for All: Partnership. Policy. Progress. Engaging your government, integrating inherited bleeding disorders into national policy.'

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- 1.** Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) has completed its.....years.
A. 7 B. 4 C. 3 D. 5 E. 2
- 2.** As per RBI Monetary Policy, 8th April 2022, RBI has projected India's GDP Forecast for FY23 at
A. 7.2% B. 7.8% C. 8.5% D. 9.0% E. 9.2%
- 3.** The Airport Authority of India (AAI) has launched an initiative "AVSAR" to encourage the talent of women, artisans and craftsmen and provide them with the right opportunities. Who is the present chairman of Airports Authority of India?
A. Sanjeev Kumar B. Vikram Dutta C. Jyoti Sharma D. Arvind Singh E. Vijay Singh
- 4.** Which of the following novel has become the first Hindi language work of fiction to be shortlisted for the prestigious International Booker Prize?
A. A New Name: Septology VI-VII B. Heaven C. Tomb of Sand
D. Elena Knows E. The Books of Jacob
- 5.** Which of the following regulator has recently announced the launch of 'Manthan' an Ideathon?
A. SIDBI B. PFRDA C. CIRDA D. SEBI E. RBI
- 6.** The Reserve bank of India has fixed the limit for Ways and Means Advances (WMA) for states and Union Territories at
A. Rs. 25,000 crores B. Rs. 47,010 crores C. Rs. 50,000 crores D. Rs. 75,000 crores E. Rs. 1 lakh crores
- 7.** What was the Revenue collected from Goods and Services Tax (GST) in March 2022?
A. Rs 1.23 lakh crore B. Rs 1.16 lakh crore C. Rs 1.03 lakh crore
D. Rs 1.33 lakh crore E. Rs 1.42 lakh crore
- 8.** Which bank has been adjudged Best Performing Bank in Self Help Group (SHG) Linkage by Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihood Mission (DAY-NRLM)?
A. ICICI Bank B. Axis Bank C. HDFC Bank D. RBL Bank E. Yes Bank
- 9.** Which state/UT government has launched a scheme to set up 'Hobby Hubs' in government schools to promote extra-curricular activities?
A. Chandigarh B. Ladakh C. Jammu and Kashmir D. Puducherry E. Delhi
- 10.** In India, the National Maritime Day is observed on
A. 5 April B. 4 April C. 3 April D. 2 April E. 1 April
- 11.** Which state witnessed lowest unemployment rate in March 2022?
A. Chhattisgarh B. Uttar Pradesh C. Uttarakhand D. Punjab E. Gujarat
- 12.** Which state police department has launched 'She Auto' recently?
A. Madhya Pradesh B. Odisha C. Kerala D. Andhra Pradesh E. Goa
- 13.** Who among the following has been appointed to High Level Expert Group on Net-Zero Emissions Commitments of Non-State Entities?
A. Arunabha Ghosh B. Raj Subramaniam C. CS Rajan D. Renu Singh E. Vishwas Patel
- 14.** Recently, the Minister of State for Culture & External Affairs launched the website 'Temple 360'. Who is the minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs?
A. Narendra Singh Tomar B. Dr Subrahmanyam Jaishankar C. Smriti Zubin Irani
D. Pralhad Joshi E. Meenakshi Lekhi

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- 15.** The Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI) has estimated India's GDP to grow at year 2022-23 in the financial
- A. 7.1 percent B. 7.2 percent C. 7.3 percent D. 7.4 percent E. 7.5 percent
- 16.** Recently, Vikas Kumar took charge as new Managing Director of
- A. Digital India Corporation B. Maharashtra Metro Rail Corporation C. Chennai Metro Rail Corporation
D. Delhi Metro Rail Corporation E. Kolkata Metro Rail Corporation
- 17.** Which of the following team has won the 2022 ICC Women's Cricket World Cup?
- A. Australia B. New Zealand C. England D. India E. West Indies
- 18.** The United Nations' International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action is celebrated every year on
- A. 1st April B. 2nd April C. 3rd April D. 4th April E. 5th April

ANSWERS

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| 1) A | 4) C | 7) E | 10) A | 13) A | 16) D |
| 2) A | 5) D | 8) C | 11) A | 14) E | 17) A |
| 3) A | 6) B | 9) E | 12) D | 15) D | 18) D |

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