

# Daily Current Affairs

## 08 June 2026

### World Oceans Day 2026

- Every year on 8th of June, World Oceans Day is observed worldwide. This day raises awareness about the critical role that oceans play in sustaining life on Earth. As oceans cover more than 70% of the planet's surface and it provides oxygen, food, livelihoods and climate regulation.
- The 2026 theme is '**Reimagine: Beyond the World We Know, a New Relationship with Our Ocean**' and it encourages people to rethink how they interact and protect marine ecosystems.
- The idea of World Oceans Day was first proposed during the 1992 Earth Summit in the Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
- The objective was to create awareness about humanity's connection to the ocean and also encourage the efforts to conserve marine resources.
- World Oceans Day is closely linked with the Sustainable Development Goal 14, which put focuses on conserving and sustainable use of the oceans, seas, and marine resources.
- Important Facts Related to SDG 14
- Oceans contain 97% of the Earth's water.
- Oceans account for 99% of the planet's living space in terms of volume.
- Ocean acidity has also increased by 26% since the Industrial Revolution.



## **Praggnanandhaa Becomes First Indian to Win Norway Chess 2026 Title**

- India's young chess prodigy Grandmaster R Praggnanandhaa became the first Indian ever to win the prestigious Norway Chess tournament. The 20 year old Chennai born player produced the brilliant performance in the final round and defeated the Germany's Vincent Keymer to claim the prestigious title.
- His victory is landmark achievement as even the legendary players like Viswanathan Anand and reigning World Champion D Gukesh had never won the tournament.
- He finished with the 18 points
- Won four consecutive games during the later stages
- Defeated the Vincent Keymer in the final round
- Became the first Indian to become Norway Chess champion.



## Kimi Antonelli Wins Monaco Grand Prix 2026

- Italian sensation Kimi Antonelli continued his dominant performance in Formula 1 by winning the Monaco Grand Prix 2026, which is one of the most prestigious races all around the world.
- This Mercedes driver delivered the composed and dominant performance on the streets of Monte Carlo and overcome the late-race drama to secure his fifth consecutive victory of the season and this win has strengthened his lead in the Drivers Championship.
- Lewis Hamilton has also continued his strong form by securing the another podium finish for Ferrari.
- The seven-time world champion made an excellent start and he quickly moved into second place after the Max Verstappen encountered engine problems early in the race.



## India Win SAFF Women's Championship 2026

- Indian women football team has become the champion of SAFF Women's Championship 2026 by defeating the Bangladesh 3-1 in Goa. This victory has ended the seven year wait for the title and it secured the sixth championship for the Blue Tigresses.
- After team India finished runners-up in the previous two editions, India produced the dominant tournament campaign won all the 4 matches and scored 18 goals and just conceded one goal only.
- India produced the strong all-round performance to overcome the defending champions Bangladesh in the final at the Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, Margao in Goa.
- India took the lead through Pyari Xaxa in the 42nd minute before Bangladesh has equalised through the Ritu Porna Chakma in first-half stoppage time.
- Most Valuable Player (MVP): Sanfida Nongrum (India)
- Best Goalkeeper: Panthoi Chanu Elangbam (India)
- Top Scorer: Aveka Singh (India) – 4 Goals
- Fair Play Award: Nepal
- Dominant Tournament Campaign by India
- The SAFF Women's Championship is the the premier international women's football tournament in the South Asia.
- Organized by: South Asian Football Federation (SAFF)
- Region: South Asia
- Participating Teams: India, Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan, Maldives, Pakistan and Sri Lanka
- First Edition: 2010
- Most Successful Team: India



## India Crowned Men's U18 Asia Cup Champions

- India crowned champions of the Men's U18 Asia Cup 2026 after producing the dominant performance against the host nation Japan in the Gold medal Match. The young Indian side has defeated the Japan 4-1 in Kakamigahara to secure the continental title and sign off with the impressive tournament campaign.
- Throughout the tournament India had displayed consistency, attacking flair and resilience and emerged the best team at U18 level.
- India – Gold
- Japan – Silver
- Pakistan – Bronze
- The final standings reflected the India's consistency and the overall dominance throughout the competition.



## India's 7th Regional Meteorological Centre

- Respectable Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh has launched the Regional Meteorological Centre (RMC) in Jammu on 5th of June, 2026. This facility becomes the India's seventh Regional Meteorological Centre and it serve the Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh, and Himachal Pradesh.
- This centre is expected to enhance the weather monitoring, provide specialized forecasts for the mountainous regions and improve the early-warning systems for the natural disasters.
- Srinagar Meteorological Observatory has earned the international recognition from the World Meteorological Organization (WMO). This observatory which has been functioning for more than 100 years and it is designated as a Centennial Observing Station.
- A Regional Meteorological Centre (RMC) is the major forecasting and weather-monitoring hub under the India Meteorological Department (IMD).
- **Functions of RMCs**
  - Weather forecasting
  - Disaster early-warning services
  - Climate monitoring
  - Aviation meteorology
  - Agro-meteorological advisories
  - Hydrological forecasting
  - Public weather services



## UN General Assembly Elects 5 New Non-Permanent Members To UNSC

- The United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) has selected the five new countries to serve as the non-permanent members of the UN Security Council for the 2027-2028 term. These five countries are **Austria, Kyrgyzstan, Portugal, Trinidad and Tobago and Zimbabwe.**
- The election was held at the United Nations headquarters in the New York, where all the member states voted to fill the five non-permanent seats on the Security Council.
- The United Nations Security Council is the only UN body which empowered to make the legally binding decisions on to the international peace and security matters.
- Its key responsibilities includes the,
  - Imposing the international sanctions
  - Authorizing peacekeeping missions
  - Approving military interventions
  - Responding to the conflicts and security threats
  - Maintaining global peace and stability
- The five permanent members are often referred to as the P5 and they are,
  - United States
  - United Kingdom
  - France
  - Russia
  - China



## REVIEW QUESTIONS

**1. World Oceans Day is observed every year on which date?**

- A) 5 June
- B) 7 June
- C) 8 June
- D) 9 June

**Answer:** C) 8 June

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**2. What is the theme of World Oceans Day 2026?**

- A) Protect Our Planet
- B) Save Marine Life
- C) Blue Economy for Future
- D) Reimagine: Beyond the World We Know, a New Relationship with Our Ocean

**Answer:** D) Reimagine: Beyond the World We Know, a New Relationship with Our Ocean

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**3. The idea of World Oceans Day was first proposed during the Earth Summit held in:**

- A) Paris, France
- B) Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- C) New York, USA
- D) Geneva, Switzerland

**Answer:** B) Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

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**4. Which Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) is directly related to the conservation and sustainable use of oceans?**

- A) SDG 11
- B) SDG 12
- C) SDG 13
- D) SDG 14

**Answer:** D) SDG 14

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**5. Who became the first Indian to win the prestigious Norway Chess Tournament in 2026?**

- A) D. Gukesh
- B) Arjun Erigaisi
- C) R. Praggnanandhaa
- D) Viswanathan Anand

**Answer:** C) R. Praggnanandhaa

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**6. R. Praggnanandhaa defeated which player in the final round to win Norway Chess 2026?**

- A) Magnus Carlsen
- B) Hikaru Nakamura
- C) Fabiano Caruana
- D) Vincent Keymer

**Answer:** D) Vincent Keymer

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**7. Which Formula One driver won the Monaco Grand Prix 2026?**

- A) Max Verstappen
- B) Lewis Hamilton
- C) Charles Leclerc
- D) Kimi Antonelli

**Answer:** D) Kimi Antonelli

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**8. India defeated which country in the final to win the SAFF Women's Championship 2026?**

- A) Nepal
- B) Sri Lanka
- C) Bangladesh
- D) Pakistan

**Answer:** C) Bangladesh

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**9. India's 7th Regional Meteorological Centre (RMC) was inaugurated in:**

- A) Shimla
- B) Srinagar
- C) Jammu
- D) Leh

**Answer:** C) Jammu

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**10. Which of the following countries was elected as a non-permanent member of the UN Security Council for the 2027–2028 term?**

- A) Germany
- B) Japan
- C) Portugal
- D) Canada

**Answer:** C) Portugal

