

Daily Current Affairs: 7 May 2026 Important Current Affairs

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National News

01 Mission for Cotton Productivity

The Central Government has launched the 'Mission for Cotton Productivity' to boost domestic cotton output and quality. An allocation of **₹5,659 crore** has been earmarked for the next five years. This initiative is being implemented under the government's '**5F Vision**' (Farm to Fibre to Factory to Fashion to Foreign).

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- **Leading Producer:** Gujarat remains India's largest cotton-producing state.
- **Soil Type:** Cotton cultivation is best suited for Regur or black soil.

02 Increase in Supreme Court Judges

The Central Government has decided to increase the sanctioned strength of Supreme Court judges from 34 to **38**. This new setup will include one Chief Justice and 37 other judges. To implement this, the 'Supreme Court (Number of Judges) Amendment Bill 2026' will be introduced in Parliament.

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- **Constitutional Provision:** Under Article **124(1)** of the Constitution, Parliament holds the power to determine the number of judges in the Supreme Court.
- **Establishment:** The Supreme Court of India was established on January 28, 1950.

03 Coastal Weather Research Centre (C-ART)

To ensure more accurate weather forecasting for the east coast, India's first coastal weather research centre, 'C-ART', has been inaugurated in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.

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- **Regulatory Body:** Weather-related data in India is monitored by the **IMD (India Meteorological Department)**.
- **Location:** The port city of Visakhapatnam is situated on the coast of Andhra Pradesh.

International and Other News

04 World Athletics Day 2026

This day is observed globally on May 7 every year to promote athletics. The theme for 2026 is "Sports Building Bridges, Breaking Barriers".

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- **Governing Body:** World Athletics was established in 1912, and its headquarters is located in Monaco.

05 E-Prapti Portal and Sports Updates

The EPFO has introduced the 'e-Prapti' portal to track inoperative PF accounts. Meanwhile, in the sports world, South Korea has clinched the **Uber Cup 2026** title after defeating China in the final.

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- **EPFO:** It is a statutory body operating under the Ministry of Labour and Employment.
- **Badminton:** The Uber Cup is a prestigious international badminton tournament for women.

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