



## Daily Current Affairs Encyclopedia

## 15 April 2024 Maharashtra State Specific News

Ambedkar Jayanti	Context: • Ambedkar Jayanti is observed every year on April 14th.
Adda 247	<ul> <li>It commemorates the birthday of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, a revered Indian politician and social reformer.</li> <li>Also known as Bhim Jayanti or Equality Day, it honors his significant contributions to Indian society.</li> </ul> About: <ul> <li>Dr. Ambedkar is best known as the "Father of the Indian Constitution" for his chairmanship of the drafting committee.</li> <li>A champion for equality, he fought against the caste system and advocated for the upliftment of disadvantaged communities.</li> <li>Ambedkar Jayanti is a national holiday in India.</li> <li>People pay homage at his statues and memorials, organize educational events and seminars, and reaffirm their commitment to social justice and equality.</li> <li>This day has the underlying theme of 'social justice and equality'.</li> </ul>
Maharashtra tops India in 85+ voters	<ul> <li>Context: <ul> <li>According to data available till April 8, Maharashtra has the highest number of registered voters in the age-group of 85 years and above (13 lakh)</li> <li>Uttar Pradesh comes next with 10.4 lakh, Bihar with 6.6 lakh and Tamil Nadu has 6.1 lakh voters in the 85+ category.</li> <li>The total voters in this category in India are 81 lakh.</li> <li>Maharashtra's share is as high as 16%.</li> <li>The lowest registrations are in the Union Territories.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Water Reserves in Mumbai's Seven Lakes Hit 3-Year Low at 25.34%	<ul> <li>Context: <ul> <li>Mumbai's seven lakes, the city's main water source, are at a critical low, holding only 25.34% of their capacity.</li> <li>This is the lowest level in three years and raises concerns about the adequacy of the water supply.</li> </ul> </li> <li>About: <ul> <li>Mumbai heavily depends on monsoon precipitation for its yearly water provision, drawing from seven lakes: Tansa, Bhatsa, Modak Sagar, Tulsi, Vehar, Upper Vaitarna, and Middle Vaitarna.</li> </ul></li></ul>





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World Art Day	<ul> <li>Context: <ul> <li>World Art Day is celebrated annually on April 15th.</li> <li>It is an international celebration of the fine arts which was declared by the International Association of Art in order to promote awareness of creative activity worldwide.</li> </ul> </li> <li>About: <ul> <li>The idea of celebrating World Art Day was proposed by the International Association of Art (IAA) in 2011 at the 17th General Assembly held in Guadalajara, Mexico.</li> <li>The first World Art Day was celebrated on April 15, 2012.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Theme: <ul> <li>The theme for World Art Day 2024 is "A Garden of Expression: Cultivating Community through Art."</li> <li>The theme encapsulates the essence of art as a vibrant and nurturing force that fosters connection, creativity, and collaboration within communities worldwide.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
National Fire Service Day	<ul> <li>Context:         <ul> <li>India observes National Fire Service Day on April 14th each year.</li> <li>It commemorates the bravery of firefighters who lost their lives in the line of duty, particularly those who died in a massive ship explosion at the Mumbai docks in 1944.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Key Points:         <ul> <li>Raising Awareness: Fire safety campaigns and drills are organized to educate the public on fire prevention and preparedness.</li> <li>2024 Theme: The theme for 2024 was "Ensure Fire Safety, Contribute Towards Nation Building."</li> <li>This emphasized the importance of fire safety for national progress</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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