

Odisha Current Affairs Questions and Answers

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1. The free Habishyali scheme for women observing the Kartika Brata in 2026 is run in which Odisha town?
 - A. Konark
 - B. Puri
 - C. Cuttack
 - D. Bhubaneswar
2. The 2026 Kartika Brata at the Jagannath Temple, Puri (Odisha) began on 26 October and continues until which date?
 - A. 15 November
 - B. 24 November
 - C. 30 November
 - D. 5 December
3. Who received the 47th Sarala Puraskar in Odisha?
 - A. Pratibha Ray
 - B. Durga Charan Ranbir
 - C. Damodar Behera
 - D. Ashutosh Parida
4. Which Odisha swimmer won the 100 m backstroke gold at the inaugural SFI Short Course Senior National Aquatic Championships?
 - A. Sonia Patel
 - B. Pratyasa Ray
 - C. Shristi Upadhaya
 - D. Anshika Aradhana Sahoo
5. The RBI's new greenfield data centre inaugurated near Bhubaneswar is certified to which tier?
 - A. Tier I
 - B. Tier II
 - C. Tier III
 - D. Tier IV
6. Odisha CM Mohan Charan Majhi flagged off 25 electric buses under which central scheme in October 2026?
 - A. FAME India
 - B. PM e-Drive
 - C. PM e-Bus Sewa
 - D. Smart Cities Mission

7. In which Odisha district is the Tata Power Global Capability Centre being set up?
- A. Cuttack
 - B. Puri
 - C. Khordha
 - D. Sambalpur
8. Odisha moved the Supreme Court against Andhra Pradesh over panchayat polls in which disputed area?
- A. Kotia
 - B. Malkangiri
 - C. Rayagada
 - D. Srikakulam
9. Who was sworn in as the new Governor of Odisha on 18 October 2026?
- A. Hari Babu Kambhampati
 - B. Om Prakash Mathur
 - C. Braj Mohan Ram
 - D. Dhal Singh Bisen
10. The Odisha Cabinet's Dakshyata Vikas Yojana, costing Rs 450 crore, is mainly for which purpose?
- A. Skilling youth
 - B. Building rural roads
 - C. Crop insurance
 - D. Free textbooks
11. Odisha extended its Antyodaya Gruha Yojana by two years, up to which year?
- A. 2027
 - B. 2028
 - C. 2030
 - D. 2029
12. Who chairs the commission formed by Odisha to study the political representation of SEBCs in local bodies?
- A. Justice Pramath Patnaik
 - B. Justice Harish Tandon
 - C. Sujata Mishra
 - D. Bijay Kumar Prusti
13. The greenfield Shree Jagannath International Airport, which got final environmental clearance, is at which site?
- A. Konark
 - B. Sipasarubali, Puri
 - C. Chilika, Khordha
 - D. Gopalpur, Ganjam
14. What is Odisha's target for annual egg output by 2036 under its new commercial layer farming scheme?
- A. 100 crore
 - B. 500 crore
 - C. 1,000 crore
 - D. 2,000 crore

15. **Odisha is the official sponsor of India's national hockey teams until which year?**
- A. 2028
 - B. 2032
 - C. 2036
 - D. 2040
16. **A research centre on Olive Ridley turtles is planned at which Odisha university?**
- A. Utkal University
 - B. Sambalpur University
 - C. Fakir Mohan University
 - D. Berhampur University
17. **Tata Power's Global Capability Centre in Khordha is the first approved under which Odisha policy?**
- A. Odisha Startup Policy
 - B. Odisha Global Capability Centre Policy
 - C. Odisha IT Policy 2022
 - D. Odisha Semiconductor Policy
18. **At India Chem 2026 in Mumbai, Odisha signed its largest MoU, worth Rs 36,763.51 crore, with which company?**
- A. NLC India Ltd
 - B. Tata Power
 - C. POSCO India
 - D. JSW
19. **Odisha gave a special reward of Rs 20 lakh each to which of these hockey players from Sundargarh?**
- A. Harmanpreet Singh
 - B. Amit Rohidas
 - C. Mandeep Singh
 - D. Hardik Singh
20. **NIT Rourkela researchers patented a fluoride-removal technology made from which waste material?**
- A. Rice husk
 - B. Coconut shell
 - C. Jackfruit peel
 - D. Sugarcane bagasse
21. **The expected October 2026 cyclone near the Odisha-Andhra coast will be named what?**
- A. Murasu
 - B. Montha
 - C. Arnab
 - D. Senyar
22. **Where will the 19th Pravasi Bharatiya Diwas convention be held in January 2027?**
- A. Bhubaneswar
 - B. Varanasi
 - C. Indore
 - D. Kolkata

23. India's first advanced 3D semiconductor packaging facility was started at which place?

- A. Sanand, Gujarat
- B. Dholera, Gujarat
- C. Info Valley, Bhubaneswar
- D. Bengaluru, Karnataka

Answer key

1. **B. Puri** The Habishyali scheme gives free stay, Mahaprasad and darshan to women observing Kartika Brata at the Shree Jagannath Temple in Puri.
2. **B. 24 November** The month-long Kartika Brata in Puri runs from 26 October to 24 November 2026.
3. **D. Ashutosh Parida** Poet Ashutosh Parida won it for his collection Bishwas De Pruthwi; the prize carries Rs 7 lakh.
4. **B. Pratyasa Ray** Pratyasa Ray won in 1:02.21, the best Indian performance of the meet in Ahmedabad.
5. **D. Tier IV** The facility is Tier IV certified and sits with a cybersecurity training institute.
6. **C. PM e-Bus Sewa** The buses were flagged off under the PM e-Bus Sewa scheme at the National Urban Conclave 2026 in Bhubaneswar.
7. **C. Khordha** The centre in Khordha district is the first approved under Odisha's Global Capability Centre Policy, with Rs 54.31 crore investment.
8. **A. Kotia** Odisha challenged Andhra Pradesh's poll notice for the disputed Kotia villages.
9. **C. Braj Mohan Ram** Braj Mohan Ram, a former MP from Palamu, took oath at Lok Bhavan, Bhubaneswar, succeeding Hari Babu Kambhampati.
10. **A. Skilling youth** The scheme aims to skill about 4.20 lakh young people between 2026–27 and 2028–29.
11. **D. 2029** The state-funded rural housing scheme now runs till 2029 and adds 2,91,666 houses.
12. **A. Justice Pramath Patnaik** Justice Pramath Patnaik, a retired Orissa High Court judge, is the chairperson.
13. **B. Sipasarubali, Puri** The airport at Sipasarubali in Puri district will cover 471.348 hectares.
14. **C. 1,000 crore** The scheme gives subsidy up to Rs 10 crore and aims for 1,000 crore eggs a year by 2036.
15. **C. 2036** Odisha, the first state to sponsor the national teams in 2018, will continue as official sponsor until 2036.
16. **D. Berhampur University** The centre is planned at Berhampur University, Ganjam, with the Odisha Forest Department and the Zoological Survey of India.
17. **B. Odisha Global Capability Centre Policy** The Rs 54.31 crore centre is the first approved under the Odisha Global Capability Centre Policy.
18. **A. NLC India Ltd** The MoU with NLC India Ltd was in the chemicals and energy sectors.
19. **B. Amit Rohidas** Amit Rohidas, Shilanand Lakra and Sunelita Toppo received Rs 20 lakh each along with the general rewards.
20. **C. Jackfruit peel** Zirconium-modified activated carbon from jackfruit peel removed 90 to 97% of fluoride in lab tests.
21. **C. Arnab** Murasu is the next name on the list.
22. **D. Kolkata** The 19th PBD convention is planned in Kolkata, West Bengal, on 7 to 9 January 2027; the 18th was in Bhubaneswar.
23. **C. Info Valley, Bhubaneswar** The foundation stone was laid at Info Valley, Bhubaneswar (Odisha) on 9 April 2026.

One-liner questions: fill in the blank

1. India test-fired the nuclear-capable _____ medium-range ballistic missile from the Integrated Test Range at Chandipur, Odisha. The Strategic Forces Command conducted the launch, and the missile has a range of about 4,000 km.
2. The Environment Ministry gave final _____ to the greenfield Shree Jagannath International Airport at Sipasarubali, Puri, which will cover 471.348 hectares.
3. Odisha extended the _____ to 2029 and added 2,91,666 houses. Early-completion incentives rose to Rs 35,000 for finishing in 5 months. It replaces the Biju Pucca Ghar Yojana.
4. At its 48th meeting the Odisha Cabinet cleared the _____ worth Rs 450 crore (2026–27 to 2028–29) to skill about 4.20 lakh young people, with digital and overseas-job training.
5. At _____, Bhubaneswar, Odisha gave Rs 5.61 crore to India's gold-winning Asian Games men's and women's hockey teams, plus Rs 20 lakh each to Odisha's Amit Rohidas, Shilanand Lakra and Sunelita Toppo.
6. _____, a former three-time BJP MP from Palamu, was sworn in as Governor of Odisha at Lok Bhavan, Bhubaneswar, with Chief Justice Harish Tandon giving the oath. He succeeds Hari Babu Kambhampati.
7. At India Chem 2026 in Mumbai, Odisha said that in two years _____ have proposed about Rs 1.93 lakh crore of investment, and 27 projects worth Rs 60,825.34 crore, creating 35,351 jobs, are already grounded or inaugurated.
8. Odisha moved the _____ against Andhra Pradesh, which notified panchayat polls in the disputed Kotia villages. Odisha had called for a boycott, but 20 candidates still filed papers for 5 MPTC seats.
9. Odisha CM Mohan Charan Majhi flagged off _____ under the central PM e-Bus Sewa scheme at the National Urban Conclave 2026 in Bhubaneswar on 24 October.
10. PM Modi inaugurated the RBI's _____ and Cybersecurity Training Institute at Info Valley-II, Jatni, near Bhubaneswar; the data centre is certified to the Uptime Institute Tier IV standard and its foundation stone was laid on 22 March 2023.
11. The _____ (Rs 7 lakh) went to Odia poet Ashutosh Parida for his poetry collection Bishwas De Pruthwi; Damodar Behera and Padma Shri Durga Charan Ranbir received the Ila-Bansidhar Panda Kala Samman.
12. The deep depression over the Bay of Bengal was reported to have intensified into _____ (a name given by Bangladesh) on 26 October; landfall on the Andhra Pradesh coast is forecast on 28 October.
13. The month-long _____ (Kartik vow) began at the Shree Jagannath Temple in Puri, Odisha, on 26 October and runs to 24 November 2026; the state's free Habishyali scheme covers about 2,500 women with stay, Mahaprasad and darshan.
14. India test-fired two _____ missiles one after the other from a single launcher at Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Island off the Odisha coast. Pralay is India's first indigenous surface-to-surface, quasi-ballistic missile, with a range of 150–500 km.
15. The first _____ was held over two days at Kalinga Stadium, Bhubaneswar, by the Athletics Federation of India (founded 1946); Bhubaneswar will also host the 2028 World Indoor Athletics.
16. _____ of Goa won Femina Miss India 2026 in Bhubaneswar on 8 April 2026. She will represent India at the Miss World contest.

17. The foundation stone of India's first advanced _____ was laid at Info Valley, Bhubaneswar (Odisha) on 9 April 2026. It will make about 70,000 glass panels, 5 crore assembled units and 3,000 3D-IC modules a year.
18. MoSPI released the 27th edition of _____ in Bhubaneswar on 29 April 2026. The sex ratio at birth improved from 904 (2017–19) to 917 (2021–23).
19. During Petroleum Minister Hardeep Singh Puri's visit to _____, Indian Oil signed a five-year fuel supply agreement with Mauritius's State Trading Corporation, and the two governments exchanged an oil and gas MoU.
20. The Ministry of Ports notified four _____ under the Indian Ports Act, 2025: JNPT (Nhava Sheva), Paradip, Deendayal (Kandla) and Mundra. Mundra is the only private port on the list.
21. The _____ government launched India's first dedicated digital portal for MICE (meetings, incentives, conferences, exhibitions) tourism at the Odisha Travel Bazaar 2026 in Bhubaneswar.
22. Chief Minister _____ told the Assembly that Odisha's debt is projected at Rs 1.48 lakh crore by March 2027, or Rs 31,344 per person. He said loans since 2005–06 funded only capital spending.
23. Odisha set up a commission under retired Orissa High Court judge _____ to study the share and political representation of SEBCs in panchayats and municipalities. The state has 11.25% SEBC reservation in professional courses.
24. _____ of Siksha 'O' Anusandhan University, Bhubaneswar, were named in the 2026 Stanford–Elsevier list of the world's top 2% scientists, including 27 in engineering.
25. Five infant _____ found in Balasore district in September are being cared for at Nandankanan Zoological Park, Bhubaneswar. Indonesian experts are expected in November 2026 to assess them and trace their origin.
26. An international research centre for _____ is planned at Berhampur University, Ganjam. Operation Olivia, started in the early 1980s, protects nesting turtles on the Odisha coast.
27. The _____, endemic to the Eastern Ghats of Odisha and Andhra Pradesh, was rediscovered in 2010 after 130 years, but a proposed bauxite mine threatens its habitat.
28. Odisha announced _____ for each player and Rs 5.5 lakh for each support staff member of India's Asian Games gold-winning women's hockey team. Odisha has sponsored the national hockey teams since 2018 and will do so until 2036.
29. The Indian Coast Guard held the 12th National Maritime Search and Rescue Exercise (SAREX–2026) _____ Paradip, Odisha. Observers from 30 countries watched a simulated mass rescue.
30. On World Egg Day, Odisha launched a _____ with subsidy up to Rs 10 crore for automated farms. The state aims for 1,000 crore eggs a year by 2036.
31. The Odisha Cabinet approved a _____ corpus fund for fertilisers and seeds, a Rs 500 crore urban storm–water drainage programme and Rs 133.72 crore for Mahanadi Waterfront Development at Cuttack.
32. The Odisha Cabinet raised the state fisheries cadre from 445 to _____ and approved Stage-II of Astaranga Fishing Harbour, the Tustapalli in–stream storage project and a disaster recovery data centre at Kendujhar.

33. Chief Secretary _____ reviewed nine proposals worth about Rs 10 crore for a women-safety initiative in Sambalpur, including 800 CCTV cameras at 210 sites and 40 pink e-rickshaws. They are not yet approved.
34. DRDO tested its _____ on the live network of the Proof and Experimental Establishment at Chandipur, Odisha, to secure trial data from weapon tests.
35. Chief Minister Majhi inaugurated or laid foundation stones for _____ worth Rs 39,383 crore in 14 districts at an event in Kalinganagar, Jajpur. They are expected to create 42,512 jobs.
36. Orissa High Court Chief Justice _____ flagged off two Mobile e-Sewa Vans with internet and video-conferencing so witnesses can record testimony remotely. They also support Mobile Lok Adalats.
37. _____ researchers got a patent for a technology that removes fluoride from water using zirconium-modified activated carbon from jackfruit peel, which removed 90 to 97% in lab tests.
38. The _____ is held in Bhubaneswar on 23-24 October by the Housing and Urban Affairs Ministry through the Institute of Urban Transport (India). Its theme is "Urban Accessibility and Liveability in Digital Age"; MoS Tokhan Sahu inaugurated it.
39. The _____ in Bhubaneswar has the theme "Urban Rising - Rethinking Urban Systems, Solutions and Delivery"; the Odisha government, HUDCO and NBCC support it and NIUA is the knowledge partner.
40. The _____ Global Capability Centre in Khordha, Odisha, will build AI-driven digital solutions for the energy sector, using AI, machine learning, generative AI and agentic AI, and is expected to be fully working in about three months.

Answer key: One-liner questions

1. **Agni-4**
2. **environmental and CRZ clearance**
3. **Antyodaya Gruha Yojana**
4. **Dakshyata Vikas Yojana**
5. **Kalinga Stadium**
6. **Braj Mohan Ram**
7. **56 companies**
8. **Supreme Court**
9. **25 electric buses**
10. **Rs 169 crore Data Centre**
11. **47th Sarala Puraskar**
12. **Cyclonic Storm Arnab**
13. **Kartika Brata**
14. **Pralay**
15. **National Indoor Athletics Championship**
16. **Sadhvi Satish Sail**
17. **3D semiconductor packaging facility**
18. **"Women and Men in India 2025"**
19. **Mauritius**
20. **mega ports**
21. **Odisha**
22. **Mohan Charan Majhi**
23. **Justice Pramath Patnaik**
24. **38 researchers**
25. **orangutans**
26. **Olive Ridley turtles**
27. **Jeypore ground gecko**
28. **Rs 11 lakh**
29. **off**
30. **Commercial Layer Chicken Farming Scheme**
31. **Rs 1,360 crore**
32. **774 posts**
33. **Anu Garg**
34. **Quantum Key Distribution (QKD) platform**
35. **46 industrial projects**
36. **Harish Tandon**
37. **NIT Rourkela**
38. **19th Urban Mobility India Conference**
39. **2nd National Urban Conclave 2026**

40. Tata Power

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