

# Current Affairs

April 6

1. Soyuz capsule with crew of 3, including 1st female astronaut from Belarus, lands safely to end ISS mission.

Source: **Space.Com** <https://www.space.com/soyuz-ms-24-iss-landing-kazakhstan>

2. A simple, inexpensive way to make carbon atoms bind together. Source: **Scripps Research**

<https://www.scripps.edu/news-and-events/press-room/2024/20240405-shenvi-science.html>

3. Dinosaur study challenges Bergmann's rule. Source: **University of Alaska FAIRBANKS**

<https://www.uaf.edu/news/dinosaur-study-challenges-bergmans-rule.php#:~:text=simply%20isn't.,A%20new%20study%20led%20by%20scientists%20at%20the%20University%20of,relatives%20living%20in%20warmer%20climates.>

4. Audit Panel of board at UCBs must improve oversight, risk management: RBI. Source: **Business Standard**

[https://www.business-standard.com/industry/banking/audit-panel-of-board-at-ucbs-must-improve-oversight-risk-management-rbi-124040600628\\_1.html](https://www.business-standard.com/industry/banking/audit-panel-of-board-at-ucbs-must-improve-oversight-risk-management-rbi-124040600628_1.html)

5. Ranjan Pai initiates arbitration against Byju's for not repaying loans worth \$42 million. Source: **The Economic Times**

<https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/tech/startups/ranjan-pai-initiates-arbitration-against-byjus-for-not-repaying-loans-worth-42-million/articleshow/109080441.cms?from=mdr>

6. NCERT drops 3 Babri demolition references, revises Ayodhya dispute section in Class 12 political science book. Source: **The Indian Express**

<https://indianexpress.com/article/education/3-babri-references-out-ayodhya-section-revised-in-class-xii-new-politics-book-9252309/>

7. Power by Proxy: How Iran Shapes the Mideast. Source: **The New York Times**

<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2024/04/06/world/middleeast/iran-hamas-hezbollah-houthis-iraq.html>

8. Iran said to decide on direct response to Syria strike, put its forces on full alert. Source: **The Times of Israel**

<https://www.timesofisrael.com/iran-said-to-decide-on-direct-response-to-syria-strike-put-forces-on-full-alert/>

9. US, Japan, Australia and the Philippines to stage military drills in disputed South China Sea. Source: **AP news**

<https://apnews.com/article/south-china-sea-united-states-japan-philippines-6f2c83d4157d9c8902d161ba2b23075a>

10. China Providing Geospatial Intelligence to Russia, US Warns. Source: **Bloomberg**

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2024-04-06/china-is-providing-geospatial-intelligence-to-russia-us-warns>

## Today In *History*

### *Find Out What happened On April 6*

#### **Important events of April 6**

- **1606:** *Khusru Prince and his father Jahangir rebelled and fled from Agra.*
- **1648:** *Construction of the Lal Kila (Red Fort) completed.*
- **1664:** *Abraham Shipmen died without taking charge of the Bombay Islands from the Portuguese.*
- **1664:** *Harkhishan Singh, Sikh Guru, died.*
- **1672:** *France declared war on the Netherlands.*
- **1773:** *James Mill of Scotland, great philosopher and historian (British India), was born.*
- **1896:** *The modern Olympic Games began in Athens, Greece. The game was banned for 1500 years due to a ban imposed by the Greek emperor Theodosius I.*
- **1896:** *The first modern Olympics began.*
- **1897:** *Gandhiji submits a long memorial to Chamberlain, Secretary of State for Colonies, regarding landing incidents. Carries on a programme of petitioning local and Imperial authorities, as well as communicating with British and Indian public men regarding discriminatory laws.*
- **1906:** *Kaveri Bhaskar Karve, teacher and author, was born at Harnai, Ratnagiri.*
- **1909:** *American citizens Matthew Henson and Robert Peary claimed to have reached the North Pole for the first time.*
- **1917:** *In the First World War, America declared war against Germany.*
- **1919:** *Mahatma Gandhi called the first all-India strike as part of the Civil Disobedience Movement launched against the Rowlatt Act.*
- **1924:** *In Italy the Fascists won a landslide victory in elections.*
- **1930:** *Mahatma Gandhi picked up a lump of natural salt for breaking the 'Salt Law'. He was arrested at Dandi. This movement gathered strength and within a month about one lakh people were sent to jail. This violation of Salt Law was the second great step in India's Freedom Movement.*
- **1934:** *Nilkanth Yashwant Khadilkar, editor of Marathi daily newspaper, was born.*
- **1942:** *During the second world war, for the first time Japanese air-bombers attacked India, and the mainland took place at Visakhapatnam.*

- **1955:** *Vinayak Maharaj Masurkar, great Samarth Saint, died.*
- **1955:** *America conducted nuclear testing.*
- **1956:** *Dilip Balwant Vengsarkar, cricketer (prolific Indian batsman 1976-92), was born in Rajapur, Maharashtra. He has received the Arjun Award (1981) and Padmashree (1987).*
- **1957:** *The Soviet Union conducted a nuclear test.*
- **1965:** *The US launched the Early Bird satellite for commercial use.*
- **1966:** *Mihir Sen, first Indian swimmer to achieve many remarkable feats, swam across the Palk Strait measuring 22 kms between India & Sri Lanka (Cyclone).*
- **1968:** *Indira Gandhi, PM, inaugurated the construction of Bokaro Steel Plant.*
- **1978:** *Karnataka beat Uttar Pradesh by an innings and 193 runs to win Ranji Trophy.*
- **1980:** *Janata Party splits again; members with RSS links from the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). A. B. Vajpayee becomes its first President.*
- **1980:** *India's political party "Bharatiya Janata Party" was founded on this day.*
- **1982:** *Argentina took control of the Falklands colony located in the South Atlantic Ocean.*
- **1985:** *Bombay beat Delhi by 90 runs to win the Ranji Trophy final.*
- **1990:** *Bhalchandra Tryambak Randive, senior Marxist leader and founder President of WTU, died.*
- **1992:** *Nagpur edition of Marathi newspaper 'Loksatta' was started.*
- **1993:** *Divya Bharati, famous Hindi film actress (Deewana), died at the age of 19.*
- **1997:** *Gen. Kofi Annan, UN Secretary, arrives in New Delhi for the NAM conference.*
- **1998:** *India resumes export of marine products to the European Union; 25 units have been approved by the Export Inspection Council for exporting to EU countries.*
- **1998:** *The Sonia Gandhi era begins in the Congress(I) with a special AICC session ratifying the decision of the CWC appointing her president in place of Sitaram Kesri.*
- **1998:** *Testosterone, a drug that cures breast cancer, was released. The side effects of this drug increase the risk of cervical cancer, it was announced.*
- **1998:** *Pakistan successfully tested medium-range ballistic missiles that can easily reach India.*
- **1998:** *Pakistan successfully tested medium range missile 'Ghauri Ballistic'.*
- **1999:** *Announcement of re-circulation of Indian Rs 500 note in Nepal.*
- **2000:** *The Government permits use of LPG as auto fuel.*
- **2009:** *A massive 6.3 magnitude earthquake struck Italy, killing approximately 258 people.*
- **2010:** *Indian Finance Minister Pranab Mukherjee and visiting US Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner signed an Economic Partnership Agreement.*
- **2013:** *Rahi Sarnobat won the gold medal in the 25 meter pistol event at the International Shooting Sport Federation World Cup held in Changwon, South Korea.*
- **2013:** *11 people were killed in an attack in Midlu village in the African country Nigeria.*

### **Famous People born on April 6**

- **1483:** *Raphael, an Italian painter, and architect.*
- **1773:** *James Mill, a Scottish historian, economist, political theorist, and philosopher.*
- **1886:** *Mir Osman Ali Khan, the last Nizam of the Princely State of Hyderabad.*
- **1890:** *Jigar Moradabadi, an Indian Urdu poet and ghazal writer.*
- **1929:** *Politician Pyarelal Khandelwal was born.*
- **1931:** *Suchitra Sen, an Indian film actress.*
- **1956:** *Dilip Vengsarkar, a former Indian cricketer and a cricket administrator.*
- **1973:** *Prashanth Thiagarajan, an Indian actor, and businessman.*