



# Current GK – 08 Apr 2026 – Answer Key

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## Section: GK

### Q1. What is the theme for National Voters Day 2026?

- A) Every Vote Counts
- B) **My India, My Vote**
- C) Democracy in Action
- D) Power to the People

*Explanation: National Voters Day is observed on 25 January across India to honour voters, encourage youth participation, strengthen democratic values, and promote universal adult suffrage. The theme for 2026 is "My India, My Vote" with the tagline "Citizen at the Heart of Indian Democracy." The day also marks the foundation of the Election Commission of India (ECI), established on 25 January 1950 under Article 324 of the Indian Constitution. ECI is a constitutional authority responsible for supervising and conducting elections in India, the world's largest democracy.*

### Q2. Kanlaon Volcano, that was recently seen in news, is located in which country?

- A) Indonesia
- B) Japan
- C) China
- D) **Philippines**

*Explanation: Mount Kanlaon, also called Kanlaon Volcano, recently erupted and released heavy ash and smoke over Negros Island in the Philippines, leading to safety warnings. It is a stratovolcano located on Negros Island, Philippines, and is the tallest peak in the Visayas region, about 2,465 metres above sea level. It is one of the active volcanoes of the Philippines and forms part of the Pacific Ring of Fire. It has many pyroclastic cones and craters with a broad caldera and crater lake at the summit. Its slopes have lava flows, lahar deposits and rich biodiversity, and act as major river headwaters.*

### Q3. Sujeet Kalkal won which medal at the Under-23 World Wrestling Championships 2025?

- A) **Gold medal**
- B) Silver medal
- C) Bronze medal
- D) None of the Above

*Explanation: India's Sujeet Kalkal won gold at the Under-23 World Wrestling Championships 2025. He competed in the men's freestyle 65 kg category and defeated Umidjon Jalolov of Uzbekistan. Kalkal secured a 10-0 victory in just 4 minutes and 54 seconds, winning by technical superiority. This marks his first-ever world title, showcasing his dominance on the mat. He earlier won two U-23 Asian titles and one U-20 Asian Championship gold, making him one of India's rising wrestling stars.*

#### Q4. Who have been awarded the Nobel Prize in Economics 2025?

- A) Paul Krugman, Milton Friedman, Ben Bernanke      B) Ragnar Frisch, Jan Tinberge  
C) Simon Johnson, James Robinson, Daron Acemoglu      D) **Joel Mokyr, Philippe Aghion, Peter Howitt**

*Explanation: Joel Mokyr, Philippe Aghion, and Peter Howitt won the 2025 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences. The award, formally called the Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel, is worth 11 million Swedish crowns (\$1.2 million). Their work explains how innovation and creative destruction drive economic growth, replacing old products and methods with new ones. Sustained growth over the last two centuries has lifted millions out of poverty and improved living standards.*

#### Q5. Which state received the "People First Integration Award" from the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY)?

- A) Kerala      B) Karnataka  
C) Gujarat      D) **Himachal Pradesh**

*Explanation: In November 2025, the Government of Himachal Pradesh (HP) received the "People First Integration Award" from the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India (GoI). The award was presented during the National Workshop and Conference on DigiLocker 2025 held in New Delhi. Ashish Singhmar, Secretary of the Department of Digital Technologies and Governance (DDT&G), accepted the award from S. Krishnan, Secretary, MeitY. The integration enhances citizen-centric governance by enabling secure, paperless, and transparent digital service delivery. It marks a key step toward building a unified and efficient digital ecosystem for public access in Himachal Pradesh.*

#### Q6. Nilgiri Wood Pigeon, that was recently seen in news, is endemic to which region?

- A) Ladakh      B) Chotanagpur plateau  
C) **Western Ghats**      D) Eastern Ghats

*Explanation: A recent study warns that climate change may restrict the habitat of the Nilgiri Wood Pigeon to a few isolated pockets in the Western Ghats by the end of the century. It is an endemic pigeon species of the Western Ghats in India. It is large, dark in colour, with a distinctive checkerboard pattern on its nape. It lives in high-elevation wet evergreen, moist evergreen, semi-evergreen forests and shola forests. It is mainly found in the Nilgiris and Anamalai Hills, with isolated populations in Biligirirangan Hills, Nandi Hills and northern Maharashtra.*

**Q7. What is the name of the U.S. airstrike operation conducted against Iran in 2026?**

- A) Operation Desert Storm
- B) **Operation Epic Fury**
- C) Operation Enduring Freedom
- D) Operation Iron Shield

*Explanation: U.S. launched airstrikes on Iran under "Operation Epic Fury", resulting in the killing of Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei. Iran retaliated with missile and drone attacks, escalating tensions in the Middle East. U.S.–Iran relations have been strained since the 1979 Islamic Revolution, with sanctions, ideological rivalry, and diplomatic breakdowns. Strait of Hormuz, a critical route for 20% of global oil, faces disruptions affecting energy security. Global trade may be affected due to shipping disruptions, increased freight/insurance costs, and supply chain instability.*

**Q8. Zero Discrimination Day is observed annually on which day?**

- A) **March 1**
- B) March 2
- C) March 3
- D) March 4

*Explanation: Zero Discrimination Day is observed annually on 1st March. It is organised by the United Nations. The day promotes global solidarity to end all forms of discrimination. It encourages inclusion, compassion, peace, and positive social change. The observance educates people on equality and the importance of respecting human rights for everyone.*

**Q9. What is the name of the new sports initiative launched in Union Budget 202627 to transform India's sports sector?**

- A) Fit India Mission
- B) **Khelo India Mission**
- C) India Sports Development Programme
- D) Yuva Shakti Sports Initiative

*Explanation: Union Budget 202627 launched a new Khelo India Mission to transform India's sports sector over the next decade. The focus areas are talent development, sports infrastructure creation, and manufacturing-led employment generation. Mission builds on the earlier Khelo India programme with a mission-mode approach to nurture talent and strengthen the sports ecosystem. ,500 crore allocated for promotion of sports goods manufacturing, research, and innovation to boost domestic capability and global competitiveness. Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports budget increased by ,1,133 crore, from ,3,346 crore to ,4,479.88 crore, supporting athlete development, coaching, sports science, and infrastructure.*

## Q10. Who won the FIDE Chess World Cup 2025 Champion?

A) **Javokhir Sindarov**

B) Andrey Esipenko

C) Frederik Svane

D) Daniil Dubov

*Explanation: Uzbek star Javokhir Sindarov was crowned 2025 FIDE Chess World Cup Champion, becoming the youngest FIDE World Cup Champion. The tournament in Goa started on 1 November 2025 with 206 players and ended with Sindarov vs Chinese Number 1 Wei Yi. After two classical draws, the final went into tiebreaks, showcasing their rapid and blitz skills. Andrey Esipenko secured third place and qualification to the FIDE Candidates Tournament with a 2–0 victory over Nodirbek Yakubboev.*



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