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CURRENT AFFAIRS – 05/05/2026

1. National Clean Air Programme:

Recent - NGT directed all southern States and Puducherry to ensure strict, time-bound execution of State Action Plans under the National Clean Air Programme.

It highlighted poor and skewed spending—majority on road dust (86%), with limited focus on vehicular emissions and biomass burning and directed that NCAP funds be tied to measurable reductions in PM2.5/PM10.

Launched by MoEFCC in 2019 to improve air quality in Million Plus Cities and non-attainment cities (unable to meet NAAQS for 5 years).

Objective: Reduce PM2.5 & PM10 levels by 20–30% (later revised up to ~40%).

2. India's First 'Barrier-Less' Toll Plaza:

Recent - India launched its first Multi-Lane Free Flow (MLFF) tolling system in Gujarat.

The barrier-less tolling operates at the Choryasi toll plaza on NH-48's Surat-Bharuch stretch.

Technology: Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) readers and Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) cameras scan FASTag and vehicle registration numbers.

Developed by: ICICI Bank.

Operated by: Indian Highways Management Company Limited under National Highways Authority of India (NHAI).

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3. Forcible Acid Ingestion as 'Acid Attack Victims':

Recent - Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) Act, 2016, now legally recognises forcible acid ingestion survivors as 'acid attack victims', following Supreme Court interpretation.

Injury Scope: Survivors with severe internal injuries, including oesophageal or gastric damage, will qualify for benefits even without visible disfigurement.

4. Project Deepak:

Recent - Border Roads Organisation (BRO) celebrated the 66th Raising Day of Project Deepak.

Established in 1961, Project Deepak develops and maintains critical infrastructure in Western Himalayas.

It includes maintenance of the historic Hindustan-Tibet Road (part of NH 5), Manali-Leh stretches, and major bridges like Averipatti, Kasang, and Akpa.

The project also provides humanitarian assistance during high-altitude natural disasters.

5. DM – Cell Broadcast System (IE):

Launched by Ministry of Communications.

It is an indigenous system delivers near real-time, multilingual disaster alerts to mobile users, strengthening emergency communication and public safety.

Developed by Centre for Development of Telematics.