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NATIONAL NEWS

- **Saudi Aramco** and the Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (**ADNOC**) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (**MoU**) to jointly develop and build an integrated refinery and **petrochemicals complex** at **Ratnagiri in Maharashtra**.
- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has approved a proposal to set up a committee to lay down standards for **metro rail systems** in the country.
 - The committee will be headed by **E Sreedharan**, also known as the “**Metro Man**”.
- The Ministry of Women and Child Development (**MWCD**) has unveiled a report titled ‘**Women in Prisons**’.
 - The report aims to build an understanding of the **various entitlements of women in prisons**, the various issues faced by them and possible methods for resolution of the same.

- The **Gujarat** government launched a solar power scheme **for farmers-Suryashakti Kisan Yojana (SKY)** enabling them to **generate electricity for their captive consumption** as well as sell the **surplus power to the grid and earn an extra buck.**
- The **three-day annual Sindhu Darshan Festival** celebrations on the bank of **Indus River** started in **Ladakh region of Jammu and Kashmir.**

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- The Government of **Pakistan** is set to launch its indigenously developed observatory satellite, **PakTES-1A, in July 2018.**
- The **285 kg satellite** is fitted with **sensors and cameras** and will remain stationary **610 km** in space and its position relative to the sun will not change.

SPORTS NEWS


- **Indian Archer Deepika Kumari** won her **first individual gold medal in six years** at stage **three of the Archery World Cup in Salt Lake City of US** following a **7-3 win** over **Germany's Michelle Kroppen** in the recurve event final.
 - The Mercedes driver Lewis Hamilton reclaimed the world championship lead with a victory in the **French Grand Prix.**

AWARDS

- At the Indian International Film Awards (IIFA), late **star Sridevi** won Best Actress (posthumously) for **MOM** while **Irrfan Khan** was given the **Best Actor Award for Hindi Medium**.


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