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NATIONAL NEWS

- According to a report called **N-SIPI** (State Investment Potential Index) series by economic think-tank **NCAER**, **Delhi** has topped the list and has replaced **Gujarat**.
 - It was done based on **6 parameters**: land, labour, infrastructure, economic climate, governance and political stability and business perceptions.
 - The **Top 3 of the List are**:
 1. **Delhi**
 2. **Tamil Nadu**
 3. **Gujarat**
- **Karnataka** government launched '**Swachha Meva Jayate**' campaign. The campaign coincides with the Swachh Survekshan Grameen 2018 (**SSG 2018**) survey, being undertaken by the Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation, under the **Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen)**.
 - The department of **Rural Development** also released the **logo of the campaign**: a little boy and a little girl standing in front of the map of Karnataka.
- **Dharmendra Pradhan, Hon'ble Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Skill Development and Entrepreneurship** has inaugurated **India's first in-phone guide-Go Whats That at Rock Garden, Chandigarh**.
 - **GoWhatsThat** is a creative **platform** which enables to view information in a **hassle free way and explore the spots** with multimedia content in various languages.
- The **Indian-origin U.S. astronaut Sunita Williams** is among the nine astronauts named by **NASA**. They will **fly the first missions** into space on commercially **provided rockets and capsules, starting next year**.
- The **nine astronauts** will launch on the **first crewed test flights and missions of**

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new commercial spacecraft built and operated by **The Boeing Company** and **SpaceX**.

- Loksabha Speaker **Sumitra Mahajan** handed over **5 croreth LPG connection under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY)** to **Smt Takrdiran of Delhi in the Parliament House**. The 5 crore feat has been achieved in the time period of **over 2 years**.
 - PM Modi launched Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) on **1st May 2016** and it is **implemented by Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas** through its **Oil Marketing Companies**.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- **AIBD India** has been elected as the President of the Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development (**AIBD**) for a period of **two years**. India got elected against Iran during voting which took place at the **44th annual gathering of AIBD in Colombo, Sri Lanka**.
 - Director General of **All India Radio F. Sheheryar** was **re-elected as chair** of the executive board while **Sri Lanka was elected as vice-chair**.

AWARDS

- **K.Anvar Sadath** is the first Indian to receive the **International Contributions Award** given by the Association for Educational Communications and Technology (**AECT**), **USA**.
 - He is the vice chairman and executive director of the Kerala Infrastructure and Technology for Education (**KITE**) also known as **IT@school Project**.

APPOINTMENTS

- **Man Mohan Bhanot** appointed as the **next Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of India** to the Republic of **Equitorial Guinea**.
 - He will be the **first resident Ambassador of India to the Republic of Equitorial Guinea**.