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#### **NATIONAL NEWS**

- NITI Aayog Vice Chairman Dr.Rajiv Kumar, and Chief Executive Officer Shri.
   Amitabh Kant, unveiled a series of events to take place in the 'Mobility Week' from 31 August to 6 September 2018, in the run up to MOVE: The Global Mobility Summit 2018 on 7 and 8 September 2018 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi. The Summit will be inaugurated by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India.
- In Madhya Pradesh, in a first of its kind initiative, "Mil -Banche", an interactive programme between schools and society is being organized in all government schools of the state.
  - This programme is being organized in the state for multi-dimensional development of children through language skill up-gradation, reading other books in addition to textbooks, developing interest in understanding and other co-curricular activities in government schools.
- The National Mission on Government e Marketplace (GeM) will be launched on 5th September 2018 to accelerate the adoption and use of GeM by major central Ministries, State Governments and their agencies, e Marketplace is an online marketplace to facilitate procurement of goods and services by various Ministries and agencies of the Government.
  - The aim of the National Mission is to promote inclusiveness, transparency and efficiency in public procurement and achieve cashless, contactless and paperless transaction.
- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Government of India signed a \$346 million loan to finance improvement of over 400 kilometers of state highways that will enhance connectivity and access to economic centers across 12 districts in Karnataka.
- Nearly two years after a resolution was passed in the Maharashtra Assembly, Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport has finally been rechristened as Chhatrapati Shivaji 'Maharaj' International Airport. Confirming the development, Union Civil Aviation Minister Suresh Prabhu said the longpending demand of the state had been fulfilled.
  - Mumbai's airport was formerly known as Sahar International Airport. It was renamed as Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport in 1999.
- To promote a culture of innovation and research in higher education, the human resource development (HRD) ministry launched the Atal Ranking of Institutions on Innovation Achievements (ARIIA), Union minister Prakash Javadekar

announced.

- Named after former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee, the ARIIA "will rank educational institutions for innovation output based on all major indicators and parameters used globally".
- Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) made public 13 standardised state-of-the-art ship designs suitable for large barge haulage on river Ganga (National Waterway-1). This marks attaining a critical milestone in the growth of the country's Inland Water Transport (IWT) sector.

#### **INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

- The Union Minister of Commerce & Industry and Civil Aviation Suresh Prabhu is leading the Indian delegation for the 6th RCEP Trade Ministers' Meeting which begins in Singapore.
  - The Minister will participate in the RCEP (Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership) meeting consisting of 10 ASEAN countries and six ASEAN FTA partners namely, India, China, Japan, Korea, Australia and New Zealand.
- The Indian naval stealth warship Sahyadri entered the Port of Darwin in Australia to take part in the maritime exercise KAKADU. It is held biennially in Darwin and the Northern Australian Exercise Areas (NAXA).
  - o The exercise **KAKADU** was started in **1993**, is a premier multilateral regional maritime engagement hosted by the Royal Australian Navy (**RAN**) and supported by the Royal Australian Air Force (**RAAF**).

#### **ECONOMY**

• India's economy grew at an impressive 8.2% in the first quarter of 2018-19 financial year ending June 30 on the back of a strong core performance and a healthy base, government data showed on 31 August. This is the highest growth in two years and strongest since the first quarter of 2016.

#### **AWARDS**

- Eminent neurosurgeon **Dr B.K. Misra** has been named for this year's prestigious **Dr B.C. Roy National Award** as an **Eminent Medical** Person of the Year award.
  - The highest medical honour of India, instituted by the Medical Council of India in 1962, it will be given away by President Ram Nath Kovind on July 1 next year, the National Doctors Day.

• Two Indian nationals, Bharat Vatwani and Sonam Wangchuk, were given the Ramon Magsaysay award, popularly known as Asia's Nobel Prize.

#### **BOOKS**

• Congress MP Kapil Sibal will be releasing a new book titled "Shades of Truth: A Journey Derailed" arguing that the Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led NDA government "revels in the past" and debunking the claim of "Acche Din" that the BJP made in the run up to 2014 general elections.

