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#### **NATIONAL NEWS**

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of India International Convention and Expo Centre (IICC) in Dwarka, New Delhi. The facilities provided at the centre will be on par with the best in the world in size and quality, offering setting for international and national events, meetings, conferences, exhibitions and trade shows.
  - o It will rank among the top 10 in the world and the biggest indoor exhibition space in India.
- In a big push to modernise India's emergency response infrastructure, the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) and Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO), Department of Space are collaborating together to set up an advance Integrated Control Room for Emergency Response (ICR-ER).
  - A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) regarding the same was signed between ISRO and MHA which will enable setting up of a state-of-the-art Integrated Control Room for Emergency Response (ICR-ER) in Ministry of Home Affairs.
- The Union Home Minister, Shri Rajnath Singh has launched two separate portals to strengthen Women Safety. The portal "cybercrime.gov.in" will receive complaints from citizens on objectionable online content related to child pornography, child sexual abuse material, sexually explicit material such as rape and gang rape.
  - The second portal unveiled by the Union Home Minister today relates to the National Database on Sexual Offenders (NDSO). It is a central database of "sexual offenders" in the country which will be maintained by the NCRB for regular monitoring and tracking by the State Police.
- Tamil Nadu government announced scheme for the protection of the exotic Neela kurinji (Strobilanthus kunthianus) plants in Nilagiri district of Tamilnadu. This came after the complaints of packaging and selling them on commercial basis. The Neela Kurinju is a native to the Western Ghats.
- Cyclonic storm 'Daye' is likely to cause damage to the road, rail and communication channels in various districts of Odisha. The cyclonic storm has caused heavy rains along with the high-speed wind in various parts of the region.
- Arunachal Pradesh becomes the first State in North East India to introduce Smart e-Public Distribution System (e-PDS), a solution developed by the Madras Security Printers, a company specializing in system integration and solutions for e-governance projects.
  - The End-to-end e-PDS system provides centralized online real-time electronic PDS to improve efficiency in supplying commodities to the beneficiaries.

• Asian News International, ANI and Emirates News Agency, WAM, the official news agency of the UAE government has signed an MoU, for bilateral cooperation in the area of the free news exchange in Abu Dhabi.

#### **INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

- To reduce carbon footprint and promote sustainable energy, **India** contributed **one million US dollars** for the installation of solar panels on the roof of the imposing UN building in **New York**.
- The World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) is organizing the 7th UNWTO Global Summit on Urban Tourism: A 2030 Vision for Urban Tourism, in Seoul, Republic of Korea.
  - The Summit provides a unique platform to discuss the key issues shaping the future of urban tourism in the context of the 2030 Urban Agenda.
- The 3rd edition of acclaimed International Business Conference 'MahaBiz 2018' will be held in Dubai on 12th and 13th October 2018. MahaBiz is considered a bridge for business opportunities between Maharashtra state and Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) region.
  - o GCC is a political and economic alliance of six middle eastern countries. It includes Saudi Arabia, UAE, Kuwait, Oman, Bahrain and Qatar.

#### **ECONOMY**

- Fitch Ratings upped India's growth forecast for the current fiscal to 7.8% from 7.4% earlier, but flagged rising oil bill and higher interest rates as key concerns. Fitch, in its Global Economic Outlook, said it expects inflation to rise to the upper end of the central bank's target and on relatively high demand-pull pressures and rupee depreciation.
- The Corporation Bank has signed an information utility (IU) agreement with National e-Governance Services Ltd (NeSL), the first IU registered with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI), to share financial and security information under IBBI (IU) Regulation 2017.

#### SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration)'s Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite (TESS) has discovered two new earth-like exoplanets namely: "super-Earth" and "hot Earth".
  - O Super-Earth: It is named as **Pi Mensae** c. It is 60 light-years away. It orbits its sun every 6.3 days. Hot-Earth: It is named as **LHS 3844 b**. It is 49 light-years away. It orbits its sun every 11 hours. Both the planets are too hot to support life.
- Yusaku Maezawa, a Japanese businessman, will be the first private moon tourist, to fly on Big Falcon Rocket (BFR) of SpaceX around the Moon in 2023.
  - The Big Falcon Rocket (BFR) is in development. It is 118 meters long. It will comprise a first stage with engines and fuel systems, and a second stage with the spacecraft where the passengers will ride.

#### **AWARDS**

- Union Transport Minister felicitated Bollywood actor **Anushka Sharma** during the 34th anniversary of Priyadarshni Academy Global Award, in Mumbai. She received the **Smita Patil award** for best actor.
  - O She is gearing up for the release of her film Sui Dhaaga which is inspired by the Make in India campaign that was launched by the government in 2014.
- The National Sports Awards 2018 were officially announced. The full list of National Sports Awards winners was released by Press Information Bureau (PIB). Indian cricket captain Virat Kohli and weightlifter Saikhom Mirabai Chanu will receive the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award-India's highest sports honour.
- Kohli will become the third Indian cricketer after legendary Sachin Tendulkar (1997)
   and the talismanic former captain Mahendra Singh Dhoni (2007) once the sports
   ministry officially accepts the committee's recommendation.
- CWG and Asiad gold medalist javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra, Asiad double medalist sprinter Hima Das and Indian batswoman Smriti Mandhana will receive Arjuna awayrd 2018.
- Mousumi Khatua made it a philosophy of her life and scripted history as she became the first woman from Kalyani City, West Bengal to climb Asia's highest volcanic peak Mount Damavand. Mt. Damavand, the highest peak in Iran and a potentially active volcano.

#### **IMPORTANT DAYS**

- **21st September** 2018, **World Alzheimer's Day** was observed all over the world. On this day, Alzheimer's organizations throughout the world create awareness about Alzheimer's disease.
  - World Alzheimer's Day is observed on 21 September since 2012. Also, September is observed as World Alzheimer's Month.

