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## NATIONAL NEWS

- **India and the United Kingdom** will collaborate on research on different aspects of the **Ganga delta region and the Bay of Bengal**. The two countries are also collaborating in several areas of earth sciences and weather, like the monsoon.
- To enable technology driven solution to farmers and double their income, **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** inaugurated **three-day** long **Krishi Kumbh 2018 in Lucknow** through video conferencing.
  - Krishi Kumbh is having: **Haryana and Jharkhand** as partner states and **Japan** and **Israel** as partner countries.
- **Indian railways** plans to connect **New Delhi with Ladakh region** through the **world's highest railway line** that will run along the India-China border. The national transporter plans to build a strategically-important **Bilaspur-Manali- Leh line** along the Indo-China border.
  - The rail line will have a highest road point of **5,360 metres** above mean sea level that is comparable only to the Qinghai-Tibet Railway Line in China, which is at a height of around 2,000 metres.
- **Meghalaya** launched the flagship scheme **“Blue Revolution: Integrated Development and Management of Fisheries”**. For this, the Central Government has sanctioned **51** crore rupees. This would enable self-sufficiency in fish production.
- According to survey findings of **The Teen Age Girls (TAG) Report**, conducted by **Project Nanhi Kali, Kerala** topped the TAG index, which compares the performance of each State based on the status of their teenage girls. This is the nation's first report on what it means to be a teenage girl in India.
  - This report was Compiled and published by the **Naandi Foundation**, with grant support from **Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd**. It was conducted by an all-women team of **1000** surveyors, covering over **74,000 girls** across the country and traversed **30 States** and **600 districts**.
- The second edition of the **Guwahati International Film Festival (GIFF 2018)** began in Assam. The week-long festival will witness the screening of more than 100 films from 50 countries. The theme of GIFF 2018 is: **‘Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam’**. The focus region of GIFF 2018 is the ASEAN (Association of Southeast Asian Nations) region.
  - The opening film of GIFF 2018, was **‘Bhoga Khiriki’ (Broken Window)** by filmmaker Jahnu Barua.

- **India installed 4.9 GW of solar power**, consolidating its position as the **second largest solar market in the world**, during the first half of the calendar year 2018, according to a report by Mercom Communications India.
  - According to the report, China topped the list. Adani remained the largest project developer in terms of total cumulative installations and top installer in terms of capacity installed through the end of the first half.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- **NATO's** biggest military maneuvers since the Cold War began **in Norway** in a hypothetical scenario that involves restoring the Scandinavian country's sovereignty after an attack by a fictitious aggressor.
  - The wargames bring together around 50,000 personnel from all 29 NATO allies, plus partners Finland and Sweden. It will go on till November 7.
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** embarked on a **three-day visit to Japan**. During his stay, Mr Modi will attend the **13th India-Japan Annual summit** with his counterpart **Mr. Shinzo Abe**. This will be the **fifth Annual Summit meeting** between Mr. Modi and Mr. Abe and their **12th meeting overall**.
- The **22nd National Level Meeting** between **India and Myanmar** was held in New Delhi. The Indian delegation was led by **Shri Rajiv Gauba**, Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, GoI.
  - During the meeting, both sides agreed to take action against insurgent groups operating within their territories and providing of **security cooperation along with international border and facilitating movement of people and trade across the international border**.

## AWARDS

- **Roopam Sharma**, a 23-year old Indian scientist, won the **World Health Summit Startup award, 2018** for his invention, Manovue – the world's first intelligent personal assisting system for the visually impaired. Sharma was awarded at an annual event of the health summit in Berlin recently.

- The **European Parliament** awarded the prestigious **Sakharov human rights prize** to jailed **Ukrainian** filmmaker **Oleg Sentsov**. He was awarded the **50,000 euro (USD 58,000)** prize for an “exceptional contribution” to human rights around the world.

## APPOINTMENT

- Sri Lankan President Maithripala Sirisena appointed former President **Mahinda Rajapaksa** as new **Prime Minister of Sri Lanka**.
- The government appointed IRS officer **Sanjay Kumar Mishra** as the **Interim Director of the Enforcement Directorate (ED)** for three months as incumbent Karnal Singh will retire on October 28. **The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC)** also said that it has approved Mishra’s appointment to the post of Principal Special Director of the financial probe agency.

## SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- **Pakistan** announced that it would send a **human to space** for the **first time in 2022** with the help of China. Pakistan’s first space mission has been planned for 2022. This plan was approved at the federal Cabinet meeting chaired by Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan on 25th October 2018.
  - An agreement has been signed between Pakistan Space and Upper Atmosphere Research Commission (SUPARCO) and a Chinese company.
- Chief Minister **Naveen Patnaik** launched a new web portal of ‘**Odia Virtual Academy**’ to promote the **Odia language and literature**. The portal is: ([www.ova.gov.in](http://www.ova.gov.in)).
  - This will be helpful in the promotion of Odia language at the international level, especially for the Non Resident Odias (NROs).

## SPORTS

- Wheelchair shuttler **Sanjeev Kumar** has won **two gold medals** and a **bronze medal** at the **Denmark Open** held in Odense, Denmark recently. Sanjeev Kumar is an international para shuttler from Punjab.

- He won a gold medal in the men's singles event, a gold medal in the men's doubles event, and a bronze medal in the mixed doubles event.
- India's **Sourav Kothari** won the **2018 WBL World Billiards Championship** title in **Leeds, England**.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

- **World Day for Audiovisual Heritage 2018**
  - **The World Day for Audiovisual Heritage** takes place every **27 October**. This commemorative day was chosen by UNESCO in 2005 to raise awareness of the significance of and preservation risks recorded sound and audiovisual documents. The **theme** of this year is **"Your Story is Moving"**.



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