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NATIONAL NEWS

- **ICGS Varaha**, the **fourth** in the series of **98 M offshore patrol vessels (OPVs)** of Indian Coast Guard, was launched at **L&T Kattupalli, Chennai, Tamil Nadu**. The **98 M OPV** has been designed and built indigenously by **Larsen & Toubro** as part of the ICG shipbuilding contract for construction of seven OPVs awarded to L&T.
 - This ship will be fitted with advanced technology navigation and communication equipment, sensor and machinery.
- **President Ram Nath Kovind** has stressed the need to impart quality education to the students. After inaugurating a two-day **Gyan Kumbh at Patanjali Yogpeeth in Haridwar**, He said that besides educating children, it is imperative on the part of teachers to inculcate good manners and character building in the students.
 - Chief Minister **Trivendra Singh Rawat**, Higher Education Minister **Dhan Singh Rawat** and Swami Ramdev were also present on the occasion.
- Globally, **India ranks 12th** when it comes to the dangers associated with surfing the web, according to a new report from Russia-based global cybersecurity firm **Kaspersky Lab**. About a third of Internet users in the country were attacked by web-borne threats between the July-September period of this year.
 - “Social engineering” was another form of attack that users in India frequently fell prey to. These attacks require user participation, with the user having to download the malicious file to their computer.
- **Ministry of Railways** has introduced Unreserved Mobile Ticketing with a view to promote three **C’s- Cashless transactions (Digital payment), Contact less ticketing (no need to physically visit the point of sale) and Customer convenience and experience**.
 - The facility of booking unreserved tickets, including season tickets and also platform tickets is available through the ‘UTSONMOBILE’ app available for Android, IOS and Windows phones.
- At the launching ceremony of Government’s **Support and Outreach Initiative for MSME at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi**, PM Narendra Modi announced 12 key initiatives for the growth and support of the **MSME** sector.
 - The 12 initiatives would help address 5 aspects of growth for the sector, including access to credit, access to market, technology upgradation, ease of doing business, and a sense of security for employees.
- **Indo-French Conclave** was held in **Nagpur, Maharashtra**, in which French and Indian firms signed **12 agreements** worth **200 million euro**. The Indo-French Conclave was

organized by Indo French Chamber of Commerce & Industry (IFCCI) and the Embassy of France in India.

- The **two-day** long preparatory meeting of the **“Shanghai Cooperation Organization Joint Exercise on Urban Earthquake Search & Rescue- 2019”** concluded in **New Delhi**. It was the first phase of the main exercise scheduled for **21-24 February, 2019** in Delhi which will be organized by the **National Disaster Response Force (NDRF)** on behalf of Government of India.
- **Odisha Aerospace & Defence Manufacturing Policy, 2018** was approved by the state cabinet and rolled out by Odisha government. This was done ahead of the second edition of **‘Make In Odisha Conclave’** to be held here from **November 11 to November 15**.
 - These steps will help in setting up **first state-of-the-art Aerospace and Defence Park** in the state.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- **India-UAE Partnership Summit (IUPS) 2018** was held in **Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE)**. The summit aimed to promote investments from UAE to India and India to UAE. It aimed to identify the investment areas, projects, funding needs and helped to raise investments to funds vital infrastructure projects.
 - Focus Indian States were: Delhi, Assam, Punjab and West Bengal.

ECONOMY

- **The Securities & Exchange Board of India (SEBI)** cut listing time for an IPO to 3 days from 6 at present. This will be done in a phased manner with the 1st phase starting from **January 1, 2019**.
 - For the implementation, **Unified Payments Interface** was launched as an alternative payment option for retail investors, buying shares in a public issue.
- **Kirloskar Capital**, a wholly-owned subsidiary of **Kirloskar Oil Engines (KOEL)**, has received **RBI licence** to start a **non-banking financial company (NBFC)**. The company plans to lend more than **Rs. 1,000 crore** over the next three years.

AWARDS

- The film **Pather Panchali** has been listed in **BBC's list of 100 best foreign language films**. It is the only film from India to feature in the list. It was directed by Satyajit Ray and released in 1955.

APPOINTMENT

- **Atul Kumar Goel** assumed charge as **Managing Director and CEO of UCO Bank**. Prior to this assignment, he was executive director of Union Bank of India. Goel takes over from R.K. Takkar, who completed his three-year tenure on November 1, 2018.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- Researchers have taught an Artificial Intelligence (AI) bot named "**ClaRAN**" to **identify galaxies in deep space**. The AI bot named "ClaRAN" used to recognise faces on Facebook. It has been trained to scan images taken by radio telescopes.
 - ClaRAN was developed from an open source version of Microsoft and Facebook's object detection software. ClaRAN is an open source software and is publicly available on Microsoft-owned GitHub.

SPORTS

- The **5th SAFF U-15 Championship 2018** was held at the ANFA Complex, Kathmandu, **Nepal**. **Bangladesh** beat Pakistan 3-2 on penalties in the final, and won its 2nd **SAFF U-15 Championship title**. Earlier, Bangladesh had won the title in 2016.
 - Pakistan finished as the runner-up. India beat Nepal 1-0 and finish in the third position.

IMPORANT DAYS

- **Army Aviation Corps** celebrated its **33rd Raising Day on 01 Nov 2018**, and to mark this occasion, a Wreath Laying Ceremony was held at the **Amar Jawan Jyoti at India Gate, New Delhi**. The ceremonial wreath was laid by Lieutenant General Kanwal Kumar, Colonel Commandant and Director General of Army Aviation, along with a host of serving officers, soldiers and veterans in attendance.