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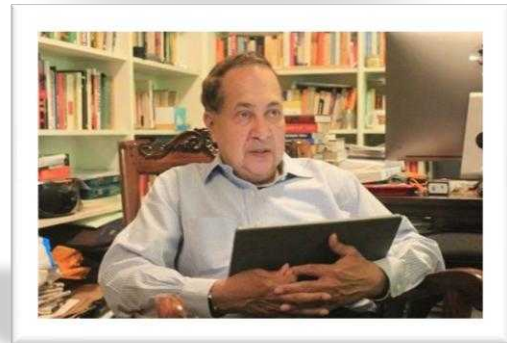
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## NATIONAL NEWS

- To ameliorate the problems of people living in these isolated locations, the **Home Ministry** released **Rs. 113.36 crore** to **6** border states under the **Border Area Development Programme (BADP)**.
  - The 6 states where the amount was released were: **Assam, Nagaland, Sikkim, Gujarat, Rajasthan and Uttarakhand**. With this release the total amount released so far during this fiscal to the States having International Border is **Rs. 637.98 crore**.
- For providing end-to-end solutions for passenger ropeway projects, Union Minister for Road Transport & Highways, Shipping, Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation **Shri Nitin Gadkari** oversaw the MOU signing of between **WAPCOS and Doppelmayr**.
  - This projects would help in reducing traffic congestion and pollution, development of tourism destinations and employment generation in the country.
- **Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath** renamed **Faizabad** as **Ayodhya**, the birthplace of Lord Ram. The Faizabad district comprises the twin towns of Faizabad and Ayodhya on the banks of the river Saryu.
- **UP Governor Ram Naik** approved renaming of **Ekana International Cricket Stadium in Lucknow** in the memory of late PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee. As per the proposal, the Ekana International Cricket Stadium in Lucknow was renamed as the **“Bharat Ratan Atal Bihari Vajpayee International Cricket Stadium“**. It has a seating capacity of around 50,000.
- Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik launched the technology-driven and citizen-friendly **‘Mo bus’ service in Bhubaneswar, Odisha**. Mo bus service has facilities like: free wi-fi, CCTV surveillance, public information display system and on board announcements.
  - Mo bus service has been launched for the residents of Bhubaneswar, Cuttack and Puri. Nearly 300 buses will be launched in 3 phases.
- Ministry of Food Processing Industries(MoFPI) under Union Minister Smt Harsimrat Kaur

Badal has approved the operationalisation strategy for Operation Greens. **Operation Greens** was announced in the Budget speech of 2018-19 with an outlay of Rs 500 crores to stabilize **the supply of Tomato, Onion and Potato(TOP)** crops and to ensure availability of TOP crops throughout the country round the year without price volatility.

- NAFED will be the Nodal Agency to implement price stabilisation measures.
- **The Central and Andhra Pradesh governments and the World Bank** have signed the loan agreement for a **\$172.20 million project** to enhance agricultural productivity, profitability, and climate resilience of poor and marginalized farmers in Andhra Pradesh.
  - The projects seek to ensure that farming continues to remain a financially viable activity. The **Andhra Pradesh Integrated Irrigation and Agriculture Transformation Project (APIATP)** will be implemented in rural areas largely dependent upon rain-fed agriculture.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- **India and Malawi** have signed three MoUs on Extradition Treaty, cooperation in the field of Atomic Energy for peaceful purposes and VISA Waiver for Diplomatic and Official Passports. The MoU was signed during Vice President Venkaiah Naidu visit in Malawi. India will also extend a new Line of credit of 215 million US dollars to Malawi for 18 water projects.

## APPOINTMENT

- India was re-elected as a Member of the **International Telecommunications Union (ITU) Council** at the elections of the council held during ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 2018 at **Dubai, UAE**. India would be the Member of ITU Council for 4 more years (2019-2022). India secured the **3<sup>rd</sup>** rank among the 13 countries, by getting 165 votes, from the **Asia-Australasia** region.
  - Recently, ITU decided to set up the **ITU South Asia Area Office and Technology Innovation Centre in New Delhi**.

## SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- National Aeronautics and Space Administration (**NASA**)'s **Hubble Space telescope** has spotted a formation of **galaxies that look like a smiling face** in the sky. The image of galaxies looking like a smiling face was captured with Hubble telescope's Wide Field Camera 3 (WFC3).
  - Hubble telescope captured the image in order to understand how new stars are brought to life throughout the cosmos.

## ECONOMY

- The **National Seminar on Entrepreneurship and Business Development in Ayurveda** was held in **New Delhi**. It was organized by Ministry of AYUSH in association with NITI Aayog with aim of encouraging entrepreneurs and Ayurveda stakeholders towards business opportunities in the sector.
  - The seminar is expected to develop awareness among stakeholders about the business opportunities, encouraging young entrepreneurs to use of modern technologies and modern innovations in business development in the sector and highlight opportunities at global level.

## AWARDS

- **Veteran actor Anupam Kher** was honoured as a '**Distinguished Fellow**' by IndiaGlobal – a leading US think-tank that works on issues concerning non-resident Indians.
  - The actor was given a fellowship at the **3<sup>rd</sup> IndiaGlobal Summit**. The event was held at the prestigious MIT Sloan School of Management in Boston, and was facilitated by MIT Sloan India Business Club.

## SPORTS

- Thailand's **Luksika Kumkhum** won her first WTA (Women's Tennis Association) title by winning the singles title in the **L&T Mumbai Open** at the Cricket Club of India courts, **in Mumbai**.
- In the Doubles, Natela Dzalamidze and Veronika Kudermetova of Russia won the title by defeating Bibiane Schoofs of Netherlands and Barbora Stefaikova of Czech Republic 6-4, 7-6(4).

  
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