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NATIONAL NEWS

- India will overtake the US to become the world's second-biggest emitter of carbon dioxide from the power sector before 2030 as the nation's electricity demand skyrockets, the International Energy Agency said in its latest World Energy Outlook.
 - Carbon dioxide emissions from India's power sector are expected to rise nearly 80 per cent by 2040. China will remain the biggest emitter.
- A four-day regional meeting of the **World Customs Organisation began in Jaipur** with representatives of 33 member countries of Asia attending it. The meeting is slated to deliberate upon various issues including the steps required for the capacity building and reforms in customs.
 - The meeting is being jointly chaired by WCO Deputy Secretary General Ricardo Travino and Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs Chairman S Ramesh.
- The Andhra Pradesh government has finalised its new emblem for official use, five years after the state's bifurcation in 2014. The state emblem, inspired by the Amaravati School of Art, consists of "Dhamma Chakka" "the Wheel of Law" embellished with a ring of Triratnas alternating with pinnate leaves and precious stones. The National Emblem is placed at the bottom of the emblem.
- Minister of State, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Dr. Satya Pal Singh launched two new initiatives namely, Leadership for Academicians Programme (LEAP) and Annual Refresher Programme In Teaching (ARPIT) in New Delhi. The full form of LEAP is: Leadership for Academicians Programme.
 - o **It will be a three** weeks Flagship leadership development training programme (2 weeks domestic and one week foreign training) for second level academic functionaries in public funded higher education institutions.
- The Minister of State for Development of North Eastern Region (I/C), Prime Minister's Office, Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, **Dr. Jitendra Singh** inaugurated **4th International Congress on Gerontology and Geriatric Medicine**. It was held along with the **Asia Pacific**

Geriatric Medicine Network Conference at All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi.

- It had the theme: 'Future of Geriatric Medicine practice Are you Ready?'
- The 4-day 3rd India International Cherry Blossom Festival was celebrated at Polo 5th Ground, Shillong, Meghalaya. The festival celebrates the unique autumn flowering of the Himalayan Cherry Blossoms.
 - The 2018 edition was inaugurated by Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma in the presence of Japanese Ambassador to India, Kenji Hiramatsu.
- To make Odisha a top biotech investment destination in the country, the Odisha government launched a Biotechnology Policy 2018 at the Make in Odisha Conclave held in Bhubaneswar.
 - This is a part of the development of the biotechnology sector in Odisha which will be based on three key pillars – innovation, entrepreneurship and investment.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- The UN Security Council has unanimously agreed to lift sanctions against Eritrea after nine years. An arms embargo, asset freeze, and travel ban were imposed in 2009 amid claims Eritrea supported al-Shabab militants in Somalia. Eritrea always denied the accusations. The resolution, drafted by the UK, was backed by the US and its allies.
 - Eritrea agreed a peace deal with Ethiopia in June following two decades of animosity, while the leader of Eritrea and the UN-backed government in Somalia recently signed a joint cooperation agreement.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi attended the 13th East Asia Summit in Singapore. The summit is a regional forum held annually by leaders of 18 countries in the East Asian, Southeast Asian and South Asian regions, including Russia and the United States.
 - He presented awards to winners of first India-Singapore Hackathon. Mr.
 Modi attended the second Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Summit with 16 member states.

APPOINTMENT

- Shri Abhay Thakur (IFS:1992), presently High Commissioner of India to Mauritius has been appointed as the next High Commissioner of India to the Federal Republic of Nigeria.
- Justice Govind Mathur was sworn in as the chief justice of the Allahabad High Court. He was administered the oath by Uttar Pradesh Governor Ram Naik. In 2004, Justice Govind Mathur was appointed as a judge in the Rajasthan High Court. In 2017, he was transferred to the Allahabad High Court. He worked as University of Rajasthan's standing counsel.
- Justice Sanjoy Karol was sworn in as the 4th Chief Justice of the Tripura High Court. Tripura Governor Kaptan Singh Solanki administered the oath of office and secrecy to Justice Sanjoy Karol.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- India Post announced the soft launch of its e-commerce portal. Department of Posts has done only soft launch of the portal. The full fledge operations of the service will begin after mid-December 2018.
 - India Post will utilise its parcel business network for this purpose.
 Department of Posts has been focusing on e-commerce sector to improve its revenue receipts.

SPORTS

India captain Virat Kohli and fast bowler Jasprit Bumrah maintained their top
positions in the batsmen and bowlers ranking respectively in the latest ICC
(International Cricket Council) ODI (One Day International) rankings
published on 13th November 2018.

- Aabid Hamid, a 15-year-old Kashmiri student, has won gold medal, at the World Kick Boxing Championship in Argentina, held from 5th to 10th November 2018.
 - Aabid Hamid won gold medal in the 52kg category. He was the only gold medal winner from India in the tournament. He was part of nine-member Team India.

IMPORTANT DAYS

- World Philosophy Day November 15, 2018
 - World Philosophy Day was celebrated all over the world. This day
 highlights the value of philosophy for the development of human thought,
 for individuals and the society.
 - In 2005, UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) established World Philosophy Day. It is celebrated every year on the third Thursday of November.
- West Bengal Government Observes Rosogolla Day on November 14
 - West Bengal government has decided to observe 'Rosogolla Day' on November 14, to commemorate the first anniversary of the state's famous sweet getting Geographical Indication or GI tag as 'Bengal's Rosogolla'.
 - O Different varieties of rosogollas would be showcased in stalls of the 'Mishti Hub' (Sweetmeat Hub), set up in one part of the Eco Park in Kolkata's New Town area. The Eco Park is managed by the West Bengal Housing Infrastructure Development Corporation (HIDCO).