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NATIONAL NEWS

- On combating insurgency, the **10th** joint military exercise between **Indian and Russia– EXERCISE INDRA**, under **the United Nations (UN)** started at Babina Field Firing Ranges, Babina Military Station, in **Jhansi** in **Uttar Pradesh**. This exercise will continue for 11 days and it will expect to finish on **November 28, 2018**.
 - Participants in the training exercise include: 5th Army of the Russian Federation from Russian side and Mechanised Infantry Battalion of Republic of India from the Indian side.
- The Kerala Infrastructure and Technology for Education (KITE) unveiled its Online Open Learning training platform named- KOOL. It will enable training to teachers, students and the general public and the first batch will commence from December 2018. KOOL has been developed as an expansion of 'Samagra', the resource portal of the education department.
 - It will be used under a **MOOC** (**Massive Open Online Course**) **model**, which will enable the state's schools to go Hi-Tech. This will help Kerala to become **India's first complete digital state in Education.**
- The government will set up Animation, Gaming and Visual effects Institute in Mumbai to encourage youth participation in the field of film and cinematography. Information and Broadcasting Minister Rajyavardhan Rathore said, the government is taking several steps to nourish the talent of the youth of the country.
 - Talking about the India International Film Festival, which begins in Goa, the Minister said, it is a platform for marketing cinematographic products and promoting India and Indian films in the International arena.
- The Centre has set up a tribunal, headed by Delhi High Court Judge Justice Suresh Kait, for adjudicating whether or not two Tripura-based militant outfits should be declared banned organisations under the law. The decision has been taken by the Home Ministry exercising the powers conferred under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act.
 - A fresh ban of five years were imposed on the two insurgent groups of Tripura by the central government last month for their "violent and subversive activities", which aim at establishment of an independent nation by secession of Tripura from India through armed struggle.
- Three educational institutions that have been built by India were inaugurated in Nepal. The Shree Saraswati Tika Higher Secondary School has been built with an Indian assistance of 37.10 million Nepalese Rupees. Shree Laxmi Adarsha Multiple Campus

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- Morocco's first high-speed rail line, the first ever such line in Africa was unveiled. It was inaugurated by French President Emmanuel Macron and Morocco's King Mohammed VI. It is known and LGV and will connect the economic hubs of Tangier and Casablanca in 2 hours 10 minutes.
- The United Nations Security Council has unanimously agreed to lift sanctions against Eritrea after nine years. The resolution, drafted by the UK, was backed by the US and its allies. The UN vote comes amid a thaw in relations between Eritrea and its neighbours following years of conflict.

ECONOMY

• Sunil Mehta, the chairman of a bankers' panel working on faster resolution of stressed assets in public sector banks, said an Asset Management Company (AMC) for resolving large bad loans has been formed and will be called as Sashakt India Asset Management.

APPOINTMENT

- UIDAI CEO Ajay Bhushan Pandey will be the new Finance Secretary, replacing Hasmukh Adhia, the Gujarat-cadre IAS officer who is set to retire on November 30.
 Pandey would continue to hold the additional charge of Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) CEO and Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN) Chairman till further instructions, according to an order issued by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet.
- Eminent breast cancer surgeon Raghu Ram who is also the director of KIMS Ushalakshmi centre for breast diseases has been elected the President of Association of Surgeons of India (ASI) by defeating Tamonas Chaudhuri from Kolkata.

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AWARDS

- One of India's greatest Sarod Master Ustad Amjad Ali Khan was **presented "Sumitra Charat Ram Award for Lifetime Achievement"** at Kamani Auditorium, New Delhi for his immense contribution to the enrichment and promotion of Indian Classical Music.
 - Ustad Amjad Ali Khan has already received fellowship of sangeet Natak Akademi, UNESCO Award, UNICEP National Ambassadorship, Fukuoka cultural Grand price of Japan & 'Commander of the Order of Arts and Letters' of France.

SPORTS

• **Prajnesh Gunneswaran** won **the Bengaluru Open ATP** (Association of Tennis **Professionals**) Challenger title in Bengaluru. Prajnesh Gunneswaran defeated Saketh Myneni and won the Bengaluru Open ATP Challenger title.

IMPORTANT DAYS

- The World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims 18 November
 - **The World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims** was observed throughout the world. This day remembers people who had killed and injured on the roads across the world, together with their families, friends and others who are affected. This day also thanks the emergency services.
 - In 2005, United Nations endorsed this day as a global observance. Theme: for The World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims 2018 is "Roads have stories".

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