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NATIONAL NEWS

- **Pune** District court became the **first** court in India to allow **e-payments** of court fee, judicial deposits, fines and penalties, the facility which will be eventually available across all courtrooms in the country to bring transparency to cash transactions.
 - The Pune district court administration is starting the e-payment facility in the **Shivajinager** district and sessions court.
- Equipped with **Bharat Heavy Electricals** supplied Nuclear power equipment, **the 220 MW Unit 1** at the indigenously developed **Kaiga Atomic Power Station (KAPS) of Nuclear Power Corporation of India (NPCIL)**, has created a world record for continuous operation.
 - Recently, the unit has registered **941 days** of continuous operation, surpassing the earlier world record of 940 days held by Heysham-Unit 2 of the United Kingdom.
- **Geographical Indications Registry at Chennai** has granted **GI tag to Silao Khaja**, the traditional delicacy of **Nalanda district of Bihar**. The application was filed by **Silao Khaja Audyogik Swavalambi Sahakari Samiti Limited**.
- **Indian Navy** is all set to establish the **information fusion centre (IFC)** for the **Indian Ocean Region** at the Navy's Information Management and Analysis Centre (IMAC) in **Gurugram**.
 - The centre is aimed at collecting the data on **commercial shipping or 'white shipping' in the Indian Ocean region**. This will improve the Indian Navy's **'Maritime Domain Awareness'**.
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** is scheduled to visit Odisha on December 24 during which he will inaugurate a new campus of **IIT-Bhubaneswar and launch a host of other projects**.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- **India and France** have agreed on deepening their **strategic partnership** through

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cooperation in the **Indo-Pacific, civil nuclear, defence and security, space, trade and economic sectors.**

- **Paris and New Delhi** are also working together **on multiple international forums including Financial Action Task Force (FATF).**
- **A new artificial archipelago** of five islets was created in **Markermeer** to bring wildlife back, one of Europe's largest freshwater lakes under an ambitious project.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- **World's oldest plant virus** dating back **1,000 years** has been discovered by scientist at a Native American archeological site. The previous oldest dating was found as 750 years.
 - This new plant virus has discovered when research team examined ancient plant material from Antelope House, an **Ancestral Puebloan ruin located at Canyon de Chelly National Monument**, Arizona.

APPOINTMENT

- **Ashok Gehlot** took oath as the Rajasthan **Chief Minister** whereas **Sachin Pilot** took oath as the **Deputy Chief Minister** after the successful lead in 2018 Rajasthan Legislative Assembly election.
- **Bhupesh Baghel Sworn** in as third Chief Minister of **Chhattisgarh**, at an indoor stadium Raipur, Capital of Chhattisgarh. The Swearing in Ceremony is administered by Governor **Anandiben Patel**.

AWARDS

- Miss Universe 2018 was held at **Muang Thong Thani, Pak Kret, Thailand**. The 24-year-old Filipino-Australian beauty **Catriona Elisa Gray from Philippines** bagged Miss Universe 2018 title.

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- Tamaryn Green, a medical student from South Africa became first runner up and Sthefany Guterrez from Venezuela studying to be a lawyer became second runner-up.

SPORTS

- **Joshna Chinappa and Mahesh Mangaonkar** bagged the **women's and men's singles titles** respectively at the **National Squash Championships** in New Delhi. Both of these wins were memorable for the champions for different reasons.
- **Belgium pipped the Netherlands** via a penalty shootout to lift their maiden title of the **Men's Hockey World Cup 2018 at the Kalinga Stadium, Bhubaneswar**.
 - With this victory, Belgium took the gold medal, while the Netherlands settled for silver.



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