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NATIONAL NEWS

- Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India has notified a High-level committee of nine members under the chairmanship of **Shri M.P. Bezbaruah** for implementation of Clause VI of the Assam Accord.
 - The Committee is also tasked to assess the requirement of measures that needs to be taken to protect Assamese and other indigenous languages of Assam.
- **Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik** announced interest-free loans of up to **Rs.3 lakh** for **six lakh women self-help groups (WSHGs)** benefitting about 70 lakh women in Odisha.
 - This was announced at the 'Mission Shakti' convention attended by about 50,000 women. Also the Odisha government decided to build 'Mission Shakti Home' in each gram panchayat across the state, as a part of '**Mission Shakti**' initiative.
- The nine-day long international kite festival which marks the **Uttarayan or Makar Sankranti**, the day when winter season starts changing to summer and farmers welcome the approaching harvest season, kicked off at Sabarmati River Front in **Ahmedabad**, Gujarat.
 - This year, the Gujarat government has also decided to organise a kite festival at **Kevadia**, the site of the **Statue of Unity**, a memorial to **Sardar Patel** and the also the world's tallest statue.
- Odisha will participate as a partner state in the upcoming mega international food and beverage show '**Indus Food 2019**'.
 - The Indus Food meet is a mega international food exposition organized at India Exposition Mart, Greater Noida in Uttar Pradesh on January 14 and 15.
- **Secunderabad Railway Station, in Hyderabad**, became the first railway station of **South Central Railway (SCR)** zone to hoist a huge tricolour on a **100-foot** tall pole. The flag would be guarded by the **Railway Protection Force (RPF)**.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- Iranian council known as the **Expediency Council** approved an anti-money laundering bill to ease trade. This bill will be in line with the standards set by the **Financial Action Task Force (FATF)**.
 - Iran is alone with North Korea on the FATF's blacklist — although the Paris-based organisation has suspended counter-measures since June 2017 while Iran works on reforms.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- Lunar rover **Yutu-2 or Jade Rabbit-2 of the Chang'e-4** spacecraft made the first-ever soft landing on the far side of the moon. Images were sent back to the Earth via the relay satellite '**Queqiao**'.
 - China's lunar probe is a part of its '**Made in China 2025**' project. It follows a homegrown Chinese Global Positioning System named BeiDou Navigation Satellite System.

AWARDS

- Veteran journalist **Dinu Randiye** was conferred with **the lifetime achievement award** for his lifelong contributions in journalism, who started his journalistic career in 1956.
 - He also participated in the freedom struggle, the Sanyukta Maharashtra movement and the Goa liberation movement.
- **Manoj Das**, an eminent English and Odia writer, received the **Kabi Samrat Upendra Bhanja National Award for Lifetime Achievement** in Literature.
 - During the 53rd foundation day ceremony, the university also honoured noted folk dance guru Nabaghana Parida with Dakshin Odisha Loksanakruti Samman.

SPORTS

- The **Hopman Cup** which is an annual international eight-team indoor hard court tennis tournament was held in **Perth**, Western **Australia**. It is a mixed competition in which male and female players are on combined teams and represent their countries. The Event was concluded on 5th January 2019.

- World number nine **Kei Nishikori** defeated Daniil Medvedev of Russia in the summit clash to clinch the 2019 Brisbane International title (men).

BOOKS

- Vice-Chairman of Rajya Sabha, Harivansh Narayan Singh launched **Manohar Manoj's book "A Crusade against corruption"**.
 - Manoj has written this book after massive research and deep observations on the subject during the last 15 years and claimed that this is a kind of "Encyclopedic Snapshots on Corruption in India".


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