



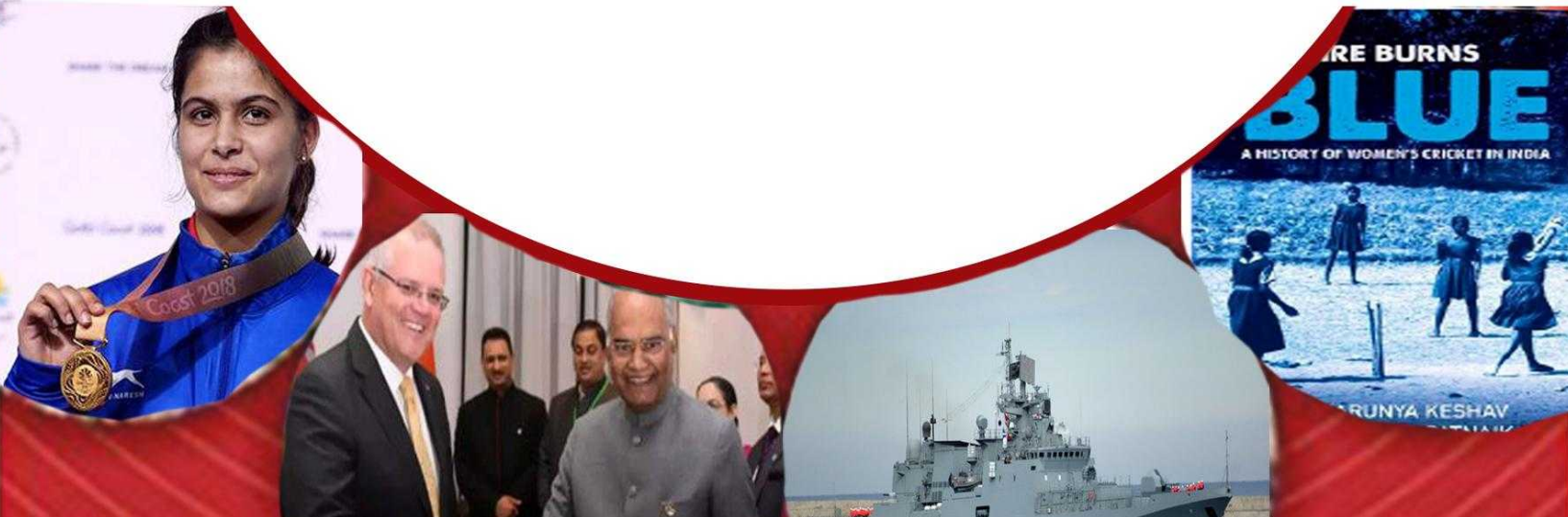
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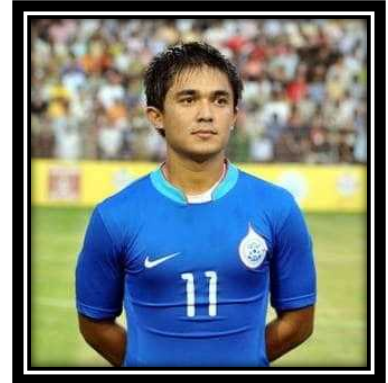
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## NATIONAL NEWS

- The Union Government issued its nod for setting up the **Centre for Classical Language** at the **Thunchath Ezhuthachan Malayalam University in Tirur, Kerala**.
  - As per the notification, the state government will enter into an MOU with the **Union Ministry of Human Resources Development**.
- **Tamil Nadu** chief minister **Edappadi K Palaniswam** announced the formation of a new district **Kallakurichi** by bifurcating Villupuram district which is one of the large districts in the State. With this, the state will now have 33 districts.
  - The decision was taken because the previous coverage of the district Villupuram was huge and it was becoming difficult for the administrators to govern the district.
- In a first, the 2-day long **Global Aviation Summit 2019** with the theme **“Flying for all”** will be organized by the **Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) in collaboration with FICCI** from January 15-16, 2019 in Mumbai, Maharashtra.
  - The Summit aims to focus on the celebration of **‘Flying for All’** and to provide a platform to the aviation fraternity to showcase the challenges of the sector.
- **The fourth edition of the Raisina Dialogue** has begun in New Delhi. **Norway Prime Minister Ms. Erna Solberg** delivered inaugural address in presence of PM Narendra Modi and External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj.
  - The theme of the Dialogue this year is **“A World Reorder: New Geometries; Fluid Partnerships; Uncertain Outcomes”**.
- The HRD ministry has introduced a **70-point grading index** to assess the quality of school education offered by states. A state performance grading will be done wherein the states will be marked out of **1,000 scores on 70 parameters**.
  - There will be a **fair competition** to improve each other’s performances.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- World Bank President, **Jim Yong Kim** has made the surprise announcement that he is stepping down after six years in the post. His resignation will take effect from 1 February.
  - **Kristalina Georgieva**, the World Bank’s chief executive officer, will assume the role of interim president.

## SCINCE & TECHNOLOGY

- **NASA's** transiting exoplanet survey satellite (TESS) has discovered a planet named **HD21749b** orbiting around the **star HD 21749**, which lies about **53 light years** from earth in the faint constellation reticulum. TESS does this work by carving the sky up into overlapping sectors, studying each one for 27 days at a time.
  - It is a “sub Neptune”, around three times bigger than earth and 23 times more massive than earth, which means it's likely gaseous rather than rocky.

## ECONOMY

- **Central Statistics Office (CSO)** stated that the Indian economy is expected to grow at **7.2 per cent in 2018-19**, a tad higher from **6.7 per cent** in the previous fiscal, mainly due to improvement in the performance of agriculture and manufacturing sectors
  - The increase is being expected with the improvement in performance of agriculture and manufacturing sectors.

## APPOINTMENT

- Mysore-born Gita Gopinath joined **International Monetary Fund (IMF)** as its **11th** chief economist, thus becoming the **first woman** to occupy the top IMF post.
  - She succeeded **Maurice (Maury) Obstfeld** who retired on December 31, 2018.
- The **Supreme Court**, as per orders penned by **Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi**, reinstated **CBI Director Alok Kumar Verma** with out giving him any major policy decision making powers.
  - This was done against the October 23 2018 decision which had earlier divested him of his powers completely as per the corruption charges brought against him.

## SPORTS

- **Maharashtra** is going to host the second edition of the **Khelo India Youth Games** which includes completions in 18 different disciplines at **Balewadi Sports Complex in Pune**. The event will conclude on 20th January 2019.
  - Khelo India Youth Games (KIYG) is a part **Khelo India** which is the revamped national programme for development of sports in India.