



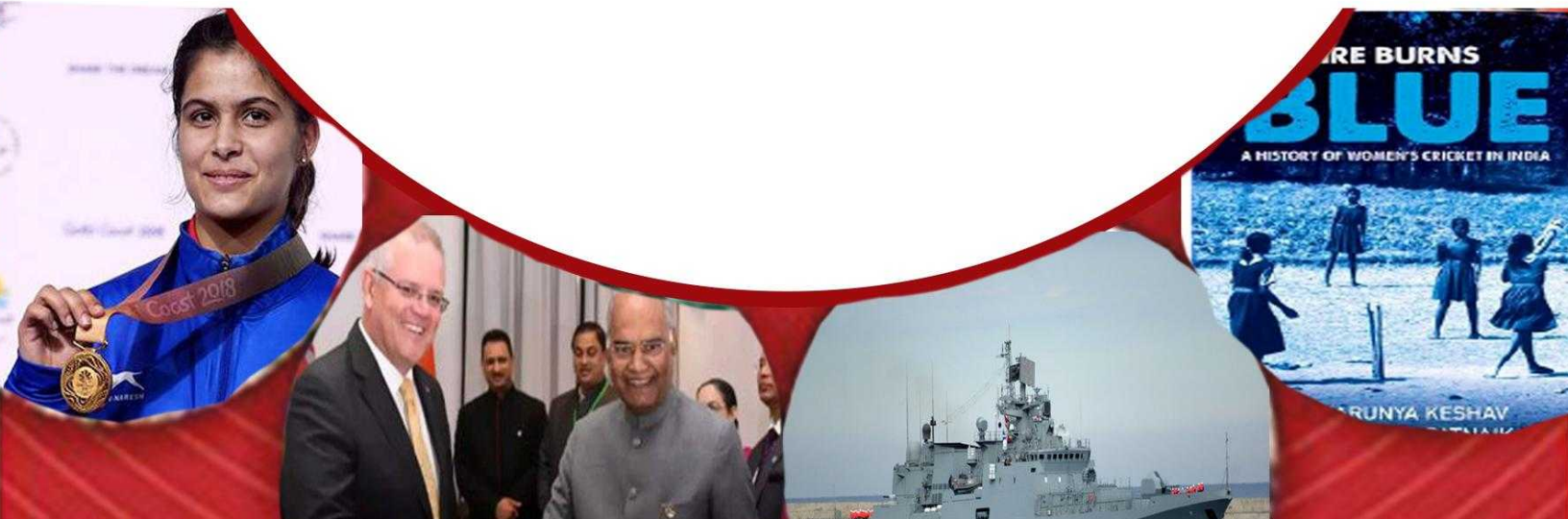
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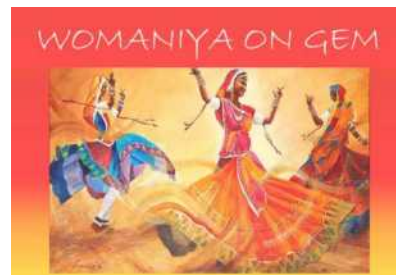
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## NATIONAL NEWS

- To document and promote direct public-participation in the Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) and diverse cultural traditions of the country, the National Academy of Music, Dance and Drama, **Sangeet Natak Akademi (SNA)** launched the second phase of the Web **Campaign ‘SĀNJHI –MUJH MEIN KALĀKĀR’**.
- Union Minister for Commerce and Industry, **Suresh Prabhu** inaugurated the **three-day 10th India Rubber Expo – 2019** at the Bombay Exhibition Centre in **Mumbai**. It concludes on 19th January, 2019.
  - The India Rubber Expo is Asia’s largest rubber expo. The event offers a unique opportunity for Indian companies to meet and collaborate with overseas companies.
- Defence Minister Smt Nirmala Sitharaman inaugurated the 426.60 metre long **Diffo Bridge over Chipu River in Lower Dibang Valley District in Arunachal Pradesh**.
  - In addition to enhancing operational capability, the 329-metre bridge will usher economic prosperity for people of Namsai, Lohit, Anjaw and Lower Dibang districts of Arunachal Pradesh.
- A **Regional Conference on ‘Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme’** was held in Mumbai, Maharashtra.
  - Programme Implementing Agencies including NGOs and state government representatives from Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat and Goa were present for the conference.
- Information and Broadcasting Secretary Amit Khare and TRAI Chairman RS Sharma inaugurated the 25th International conference and exhibition on terrestrial and satellite broadcasting, **BES EXPO 2019 in New Delhi**.
  - The **theme for this exhibition is Next Gen Broad casting in the IT World**.
- The **second World Orange Festival has begun in Nagpur**. The festival, while offering its famed oranges to the world, will also showcase and brand the exquisite fruit in order to boost its export.

- **Uttar Pradesh** became the **third state** after **Jharkhand** and **Gujarat** to approve the **10 per cent reservation** for economically backward among upper castes in jobs and educational institutions.
  - The Reservation for the poor among upper castes came into effect on 14th January 2019, when Parliament passed “The Constitution (124 Amendment) Bill 2019”.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- Union Tourism Minister **K. J. Alphons**, co-chaired the 7th Meeting of Tourism Ministers of **ASEAN-India** with Minister of Culture, Sports and Tourism of Viet Nam, **Mr. Nguyen Ngoc Thien**. The Meeting was held in **Ha Long City in Viet Nam**.
  - Tourism Ministers welcomed the decision of ASEAN-India Informal summit which was held on 15 November 2018 and launched **ASEAN-India Tourism Cooperation Year 2019**.

## SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- **Japan** launched the **Epsilon – 4 rocket** carrying **7 satellites** developed by private sector companies and Universities from the **Uchinoura Space Center** in Kagoshima.
  - The cost of launch which is roughly USD 50 million was borne by Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) to promote and encourage space exploration by private sector in Japan.

## ECONOMY

- **Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana (PMRPY) has crossed the milestone of 1 crore beneficiaries as on January 14, 2019**, according to a release by Ministry of Labour and Employment.
  - PMRPY is the flagship scheme of the Government for employment generation. PMRPY was announced on 7th August, 2016 and is being implemented by Ministry of Labour & Employment through the Employees’ Provident Fund Organization (EPFO).

## AWARDS

- Chief Minister of Haryana, Shri Manohar Lal Khattar announced “**Shaurya Award**” to students in the **name of 71 state police force martyrs** who laid down their lives while maintaining law and order and protecting society since the formation of state in 1966.
- Indian female **wrestler Vinesh Phogat**, who hails from **Haryana**, became the first Indian athlete to receive a nomination in the prestigious **Laureus World Comeback of the Year Award**.
  - She was nominated due to her comeback after battling a long injury lay-off to win a gold medal at the **Gold Coast Commonwealth Games and Jakarta Asian Games**.

## APPOINTMENT

- The **Department of Personnel & Training**, Government of India has appointed Senior IPS Officer **Prabhat Singh** as Director General (Investigation) in the **National Human Rights Commission**.
  - The appointment of Mr. Singh came after the post of the Director General (Investigation) National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) fell vacant with the retirement of **Gurbachan Singh** (IPS 1984 batch) on 31 December 2018.
- **Justice Asif Saeed Khosa** who is known for his habit of citing works of literature in his judgements took oath as the **26th** Chief Justice of **Pakistan** in a ceremony held at the President’s House, Islamabad.

## SPORTS

- The highest run-getter in the Ranji Trophy history, **Wasim Jaffer**, became the **first Indian** and the **first Asian** batsman to score **two double centuries** after turning 40 in first-class cricket.
  - This was achieved in the Ranji Trophy quarter-final for **Vidarbha** against **Uttarakhand** in **Nagpur**.