



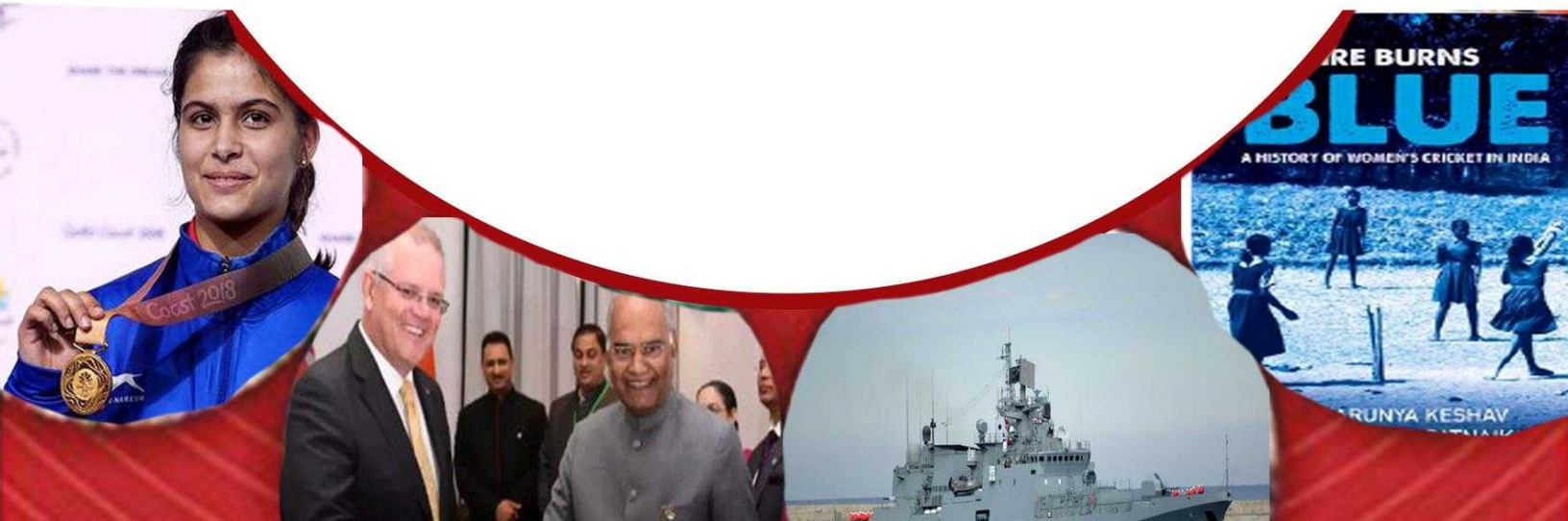
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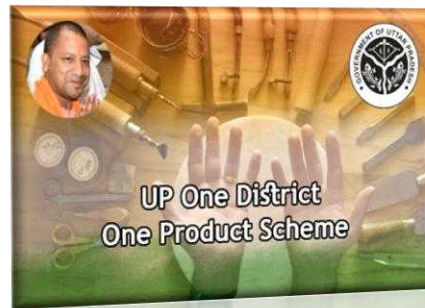
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NATIONAL NEWS

- With the aim to synergise humanitarian mine action and joint peace operations, the **Indian Africa Field Training Exercise (IAFTX) will be held in Pune** from March 18 to 27.
 - Delegates from Egypt, Ghana, Nigeria, Senegal, Sudan, South Africa, Tanzania, Namibia, Mozambique, Uganda, Niger and Zambia are attending the conference.
- **Microsoft India** launched a new e-commerce platform '**re-weave.in**' under **project ReWeave** to aid handloom weavers. The e-commerce platform would connect artisans to the buyers directly enabling them to expand to newer customers and markets.
 - Project ReWeave was initiated by **Microsoft India** (R&D) Pvt. Limited in 2016 as part of its Philanthropies efforts, with the aim to revive the handloom weaving ecosystem in India.
- Navy Chief Admiral **Sunil Lanba** will commission the new **Naval Air Base 'INS Kohassa' at Diglipur in Andaman and Nicobar Islands**. The airbase will be used to handle operations of helicopters and small aircraft like the Dornier.
- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** launched the **Pravasi Teerth Darshan Yojana** under which a group of Indian diaspora will be taken on a government-sponsored tour of religious places in India twice a year.
 - All people of Indian-origin aged **45 to 65** can apply and a group will be selected out of them with first preference given to people from '**Girmitiya countries**' such as **Mauritius, Fiji, Suriname, Guyana, Trinidad and Tobago, and Jamaica**.
- The Union Cabinet chaired by **Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi** approved the creation of the **National Bench of the Goods and Services Tax Appellate Tribunal (GSTAT)** to ensure better resolution of GST-related disputes. The National Bench would be set up in **New Delhi**.
 - The main objective to create the bench is to fast-track the process of GST-related dispute resolution and hear appeals related to disputes between states, as well as disputes between the Centre and states.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- World's longest 3D printed concrete bridge was opened in china. It is located on the **Wenzaob ang River** in **Shanghai**. The newly-opened bridge is made with a technology that supplies data and also vibrating wire **stress sensors**.
 - The bridge is of **26.3 metre-long** and **3.6-metre-wide** and is made out of 44 hollowed-out 3D printed concrete blocks.
- WHO in collaboration with international labour organisation (ILO) to for a global committee to work and implement the fundamental changes in health at work.
 - WHO with the support of ILO and OECD implemented the five-year '**Working for Health**', global action plan that would ensure the necessary workforce for universal health coverage and stimulating economic growth

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- Social media giant **Face book** announced that it will create an independent Institute for **Ethics in Artificial intelligence (AI)** with an initial investment of **\$7.5 million** over a period of five years.
 - **Technical University of Munich (TUM)** in Germany will collaborate with this project which aims to explore fundamental issues affecting the use and impact of AI.

ECONOMY

- The United Nations released **the World Economic Situation and Prospects (WESP)** report **which projected India's gross domestic product (GDP)** to grow at **7.4 percent** during **2018-19** and improve to **7.6 per cent** in the next fiscal.
 - Besides the report projected that the gross domestic product (**GDP**) of India in **2020-21** will grow at **7.4 per cent**.

AWARDS

- The government formed an annual award titled **Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar**. This award is to be awarded every year on **23rd**

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January, the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose.

- For the year 2019, **8th Battalion of National Disaster Response Force** located at **Ghaziabad** is selected for its work in disaster management.

IMPORTANT DAYS

- **National Girl Child Day-24th January**
 - The nation celebrated National Girl Child Day 2019 through various programmes including awareness campaign on save girl child, child sex ratios and creating a healthy and safe environment for a girl child throughout the country.
 - The theme for National Girl Child Day 2019 is **“Empowering Girls for a Brighter Tomorrow”**.



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