



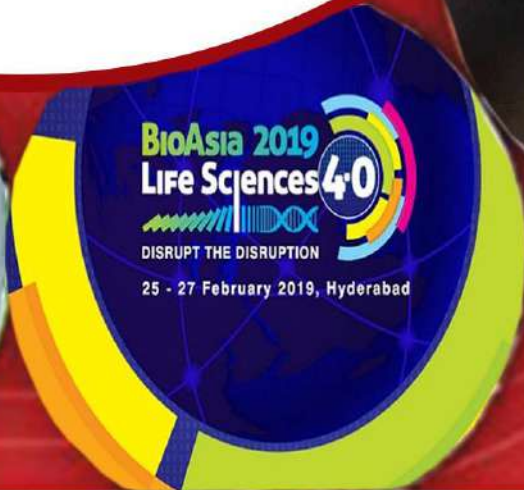
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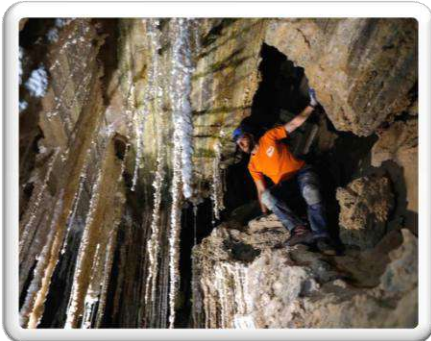
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## National News

- **The government extended the deadline for linking PAN with biometric ID Aadhaar by 6 months till September 30.** This is the sixth time the government has extended the deadline for individuals to link their Permanent Account Number (PAN) to Aadhaar.
  - In June last year, the government had said that PAN has to be linked with the biometric ID by **March 31**.
- **In Maharashtra, Election Commission** has come up with a mobile application called '**PWD**' for making voting easier and implement the poll body's slogan of Accessible Elections for over two lakhs Divyang voters across the state.
  - The app would facilitate Divyang voters special facilities including wheelchairs, ramps and transport from home at polling booths during the Lok Sabha elections.
- **The Reserve Bank** set the **average base rate** to be charged from borrowers by **non-banking financial companies (NBFCs) and micro-finance institutions (MFIs)** at 9.21 per cent for the first quarter of the next fiscal.
  - The applicable average base rate to be charged by Non-Banking Financial Company Micro Finance Institutions (NBFC-MFIs) to their borrowers for the quarter beginning **April 01, 2019** will be 9.21 per cent.

## Science and Technology

- On 30th March, 2019, China's Shanghai claimed to have the world's first district with 5G coverage and a broadband gigabit network. It has conducted trial runs of the 5G network.
  - The trial runs of the 5G network started in Shanghai's Hongkou district.

## Economy

- After acquiring a majority stake in REC Ltd (formerly Rural Electrification Corporation Limited), center backed **Power Finance Corporation (PFC) become India's second largest Govt-owned Financial Firm** after State Bank of India (SBI), based on market capitalization.

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- PFC has bought the 52.63% controlling stake in REC through Rs 14,500 crore deal with Union government

## Sports

- India has lost to South Korea in the final of Sultan Azlan Shah Hockey tournament at Ipoh in Malaysia. South Korea lifted the title, defeating India in a shootout 4-2.
  - Hosts Malaysia defeated Canada 4-2 and secured the 3rd place.

## Awards

- Veteran actor **Rita Moreno** is set to receive **2019 Peabody Career Achievement honour**. Moreno will be bestowed with the honour on May 18 at a gala event at **Cipriani Wall Street in New York City**.
  - **The Peabody Career Achievement** Award is for individuals whose work and commitment to electronic media has left an indelible mark on the field.

## Appointments

- **Election Commission** has appointed two eminent former Civil Servants **Shailendra Handa and Ms. Madhu Mahajan as Special Expenditure Observers** for the upcoming Lok Sabha Elections.
  - **Shailendra Handa** has been deployed in **Maharashtra** and **Madhu Mahajan** has been deployed in **Tamil Nadu**.

## Important Days

- **Rajasthan Day** is celebrated on **30th March** every year on which the state Rajasthan came into existence as it was previously known as **Rajputana**.
  - On **30th March 1949**, the state was formed.