National News

- President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated Shirdi International Airport in Ahmed Nagar District of Maharashtra

- SMT. Maneka Gandhi inaugurated the 3rd edition of “Women of India Organic festival” at Dilli Haat (INA). Theme: Good for Women; Good for India; Good for you

- Madhya Pradesh CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan launched ‘Single Click Pension Delivery’ Scheme

- The Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency launched a new Green Masala Bond on the London Stock Exchange’s

- “No helmet, No petrol” rule comes into force in Andhra Pradesh for two-wheelers riders.

- Rajghat, the Samadhi of Mahatma Gandhi in Delhi gets Mahatma’s statue for the first time on occasion of the 148th birth anniversary of Gandhi

  - Height: 1.80 metre.
  
  - Made up of bronze.
  
  - Sculpted by Indian Sculptor, Mr. Ram Sutar
  
  - Cost: Rs.8.73 lakh
  
  - Famous message of Gandhiji “Be the change you wish to see” is inscribed on the front side of pedestal
  
  - Inaugurated by Vice-President Venkaiah Naidu

- President Ram Nath Kovind Launches ‘Incredible India 2.0 Campaign and ‘Adopt a Heritage’ project on the occasion of “World Tourism Day” which is celebrated on Sep.27 annually. Also on 37th edition of World Tourism day, he launched “New Incredible India website”.

- “Incredible India 2.0 Campaign “will be focusing on Specific promotional plans with greater emphasis to be given to social media.
• “Adopt a Heritage Project” plans to entrust heritage sites to the public sector and private sector companies and individual for the development of tourist amenities

• Cabinet approves bilateral MOU between India and Afghanistan on Technical Co-operation on police training and development.

• India opens two border crossing points “Myanmar and Bangladesh”

• Nepal and India conduct joint tiger census in November along the International border.

• Karnataka unveils “Mathru Purna” scheme to feed 12 lakh pregnant women.

• Gurugram based VVDN (Voice Video Data Network) in a partnership with Ireland’s embedded Downloads unveiled black chain Smartphone technology Bit Vault for Rs.75000.

• All cities and towns in 5 more states Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Chattisgarh, Jharkhand and Haryana declared open defecation free.

• Andhra Pradesh C.M. “M. Chandrababu Naidu” launches “Swachh Andhra Mission”. P.V. Sindhu chosen as brand ambassador.

• To mark the ‘International day of older persons’ on 2nd October more than 5000 participants gathered at India gate for a noble cause to spread the message of caring and giving respect to older persons and senior citizens.

• Rajghat, the Samadhi of the father of the nation (Mahatma) in the national capital, has for the first time acquired a new feature that could appeal to the large number of visitors.

• Global Entrepreneurship Summit 2017 to be held in Hyderabad, the summit will be inaugurated by the PM Modi.

• Chandrababu Naidu launches “Swachh Andhra Mission”, Ace shuttler P.V. Sindhu chosen as the brand ambassador of ‘Swachh Andhra’.

• “No helmet, No petrol” rule for two-wheeler riders to reduce road accident deaths has come into force in Andhra Pradesh.

• Karnataka government has launched Mathru Poorna, a scheme means to meet the nutrition needs of pregnant and lactating women in rural areas.

• The Union cabinet was apprised of a MOU signed with Switzerland on technical co-Operation in the rail Sector, including development of tilting trains

• Govt. sets up high level committee for water management in north Eastern region headed by NITI Aayog Chairman Rajiv Kumar

• President appointed a five member Commission headed by Delhi High court former chief justice G Rohini to examine sub – Categorisation of OBC’s
• Country’s **First Industrial Training Institute** for the Dibyangan’s at Dibrugarh, Assam

• First Community **toilet** for **trans genders** inaugurated in Bhopal

• In order to protect the rich aquatic biodiversity of **Ganga development** of a **Turtle sanctuary** in Allahabad

• **India** to assist **Myanmar** to train its **women police** officers

• **India and Djibouti** have Signed an agreement to establish regular foreign office level **bilateral consultation** between both counties

• Centre launches a **six year project** called **SECURE Himalaya**, to ensure Conservation of locally and globally significant **biodiversity**

• The Union Ministry of Tourism in Collaboration with union ministries and State Governments has launched nationwide ‘**Paryatan Parv**’ to showcase cultural diversity of country and reinforce the principle of ‘**Tourism for All**’

• Vice president Venkaiah Naidu laid foundation stone of the 2, 890 km National Waterway 4 (NW-4) in Amaravati in Andhra Pradesh

• The **Utter Pradesh** government approved the ‘**Mukhyamantri Samoohik Vivaah Yojana**’ a **marriage Scheme** wherein Rs 35000 will be spent on each

• A grand **temple** worth Rs.30 crore going to be built in honour of **PM Modi** in Meerut district UP

• President to inaugurate **India water week** – 2017 on **Oct 10**, 2017 in New Delhi.

• Dr. Mahesh Sharma to inaugurate “**Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav (RSM)**” – 2017” will be held from 7th to 9th October in **India’s first** world Heritage city i.e. **Ahmadabad**.

• Ministry of external affairs presents first ever **ASEAN – India Music Festival** from October 6th – 8th 2017 in New Delhi.

• Three day international conference aimed at engaging industry and academic leaders to discuss **unmet medical needs** began at **CSIR** in Chandigarh

• The Indian Space Research Organization (**ISRO**) will set up a **research centre** in **Guwahati** for start ups, academicians, environmentalists and entrepreneurs.

• Due to ever present threat of cross border firing from **Pakistan**, the centre setup a study group to examine problem faced by the people living near the **International Border and line control in Jammu and Kashmir**.
• The GST council mentioned that permanent Account Number (PAN) of Aadhaar would not be mandatory if jewellery purchased above Rs.50,000.

• Chhattisgarh bans use of chlorinated plastic and polyvinyl chloride.

• Mizoram has highest number of clouded leopards in Southeast Asia.

• India to conduct the First ‘BIMSTEC disaster management Exercise 2017’ in Delhi and NCE

• ‘4th Dialogue of Civilization’ is being jointly organized by Archaeological Survey of India, Ministry of culture and National Geographic in New Delhi from 8th to 15th 2017. Theme : Technology and Civilization

• The 3-day International exhibition 9th Annual world Dental Show 2017 has Opened in Mumbai

• Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas Dharmendra Pradhan inauguration Saudi Aramco India Office

• The Indian Air Force (IAF) on Oct 8 2017 celebrated its 85th anniversary at the Hindon Air force Station in Ghaziabad

• India’s first Marine Police Training Institute to be set up at Dev Bhoomi Dwarka, Gujarat

• PM Narendra Modi inaugurated highway projects worth Rs.5, 925 crore in Gujarat

• India and European union 14th summit three key pacts inked, both states agree to strengthen trade and security Ties

• President Ram Nath Govind launched 100cr rupees Mata Amritanandamayi Math project “Jeevamritham” to provide filtration system for cleaning drinking water to 5000 villages across India in Kollam District, Kerala

• PM Modi has laid foundation Stone for Bhadbhut Barrage to be built over Narmada River in Bharuch Gujarat

• India and Ethiopia sign Agreements on trade, Communication and media to boost bilateral ties

• The government was appointed committee on Haj policy has recommended phasing out of subsidy for Haj pilgrims and allowing women devotees above 45 years of age

• Prime minister Narendra Modi as he launched the Intensified mission Indradhanush at Vadnagar in Gujarat
- **Uttarakhand** State Government and a Charitable funding agency named Swan cultural Centre and foundation launched ‘**Solar Briefcase**’ in Kedarnath Dham to provide **electricity** in remote areas.

- The Supreme court has placed **aban** on the sale of **firecrackers** in Delhi – NCR during the upcoming festival **Diwali**

- **Andhra** CM. N. Chandrababu Naidu inaugurated a two day **international block chain Business conference**

- **Manipur** celebrates ‘**Mera Houchongba**’ festival to promote brotherhood and unity among indigenous communities.

- A Group of ministers set up under Assam finance minister Himanta Biswa Sharma to make composition Scheme more attractive and also revisit **GST** rates on **restaurants**

- The Executive committee of National mission for **clean ganga** approved **eight projects** worth **Rs.700 crore** under Namami Ganga Programme.

- **4 projects** for **Sewage Management** in UP, Bihar, West Bengal.

- **Three** for the Treatment of **drains**.

- Gujarat, Maharashtra and Himachal Pradesh have cut value added tax (VAT) **on petrol and diesel**.

- **Gujarat** on Oct 10 reduced **VAT** on petrol and diesel by **4%** becoming the first state to give relief to customers from a recent surge in **oil prices**.

- **Rajasthan** has become the first state to incorporate skill development programme in the **higher education**

- Vice president **M. Venkaiah Naidu** inaugurated the third international conference on **yoga** in New Delhi.
  Theme : “Yoga for wellness”

- **India** is **second largest** market for **pharma**, biotech workforce, a report by professional networking giant **LinkedIn** has revealed.

- Union information and Broadcasting Textiles Minister Smt Smirti Irani inaugurated several development scheme in **Amethi**
• **IIT kharagpur** signs Memorandum of understanding with **samsung** India for the setting up of a digital academy

• **India water week** inaugurated by president Ram Nath Kovind
  Theme for water week 2017: “Water and Energy for Inclusive growth”

• Central government imposes **anti-dumping** duty on imports of **steel wire rods** from **china**.

• The cabinet committee on Economic affairs chaired by PM has approved two new world **bank** supported **schemes** – skill Acquisition and knowledge awareness for livelihood promotion (SANZALP) and skill strengthening for Industrial value Enhancement (STRIVE)

• A parliamentary **committee** on External Affairs has decided to examine the whole gamut of Sino - India including the **border situation** headed by **shashi Tharoor**, congress Member of the Lok Sabha.

• **German Railways** will assist **Indian Railways** to make country’s existing rail corridors **semi high speed** the train will run at **200km/hour**

• The **UP** government launched **sankalp seva bus service** to **50 buses** to connect as many as **6,000 villages**.

• Govt. approved **Rs.2000 crore** to set up **Aadhar units** in **post office**.

• **Visakhapatnam** has tied up with the **Andhra Pradesh** government for **Digital Dhan Sankalp project**. It is an initiative to develop Visakhapatnam into India’s first “less cash” city.

• CM Devendra Fadnavis launched ‘**Mahalabharthi**’ web portal that will help people get information about all the **government schemes** that are **eligible** for.

• Government to commemorate **150th birth anniversary** of **mahatma Gandhi** from 2 Oct 2019 to 2nd Oct 2020 to propagate message of the **mahatma**

• **India has slipped** 3 notches to **100 among 119 countries** on **Global Hunger India (GH1)** 2017

• **Digital payments to grow at 26% compound annual growth rate (CAGR)** during 2016-20 say world payment Report.

• **Textile minister Smriti Irani** inaugurated the **44th edition** of Indian Handicrafts and Gifts Delhi fair (IHGF) at **India Expo centre** in Greater Noida.
Bengaluru will host the 12th World Sudoku championship and the 26th world puzzle championship from October 15 to 21 which will witness the participation of 33 countries.

Gujarat government to setup 16 new GIDC Gujarat Industrial Development corporation townships to encourage micro small and medium Enterprises (MSME).

Andhra CM Chandrababu Naidu introduces thirty solid waste management vehicles to achieve the goal of Swach Andhra.

Government has Launched Sampoorna Bima Gram Yojana expansion of postal life insurance in New Delhi. Under this scheme at least one village having a minimum of 100 households will be identified in each the revenue districts of the Country.

India’s first sewage Treatment plants (STP) to Come up at Haridwar and Varanasi in the public private partnership mode for a Combined cost of ₹ 324.69 crore under Namami Ganga Programme.

Union Minister Sadhvi Niranjan Jyoti said that the government will focus on rethink up of ‘mini food parks’ to raise the processing level and asked the industry to buy agricultural produce directly from farmers to boost their income.

Madhya Pradesh government slashed the Value Added Tax (VAT) on Prices of petrol by 3 percent and diesel by 5 percent following the lead of Maharashtra Gujarat and Himachal Pradesh.

India to hold Dubai’s first ever AYUSH conference next month to spread awareness about the prevention and management of Lifestyle diseases through Yoga and Ayurveda.

Master card announced the launch of its innovation centre to focus on solving “India – Specific” problems in the areas of technology and financial enablement. This would be their Second innovation Centre after Singapore in Asia and ninth globally.

Launch of Mobile Health App’ Med watch’ By the Indian. Air Force on the occasion of its 85th anniversary.

Indian Naval Ships ‘Satpura’ and ’Kadmatt’ will participate in passage Exercise (PASSEX) with Japanese Marine self Defense Force.

The fifth ‘India - Srilanka’ joint training exercise “Mitra Shakti 2017” focusing on country terrorism operations kicked off at Aundh Military Station in pure, Maharashtra.
• The revamped **Bureau of Indian Standard Act** comes into force from **Oct 12** says government.

• **India and Sweden ‘startup sambandh’** initiative has been launched by Invest India and founders alliance in Sweden for higher co-operation among start-ups

• The world’s largest combustion research centre which will impart a major boost to the **Indian Scientific Community** has been **inaugurated** at the **Indian Institute of Technology, Madras**.

• **Kolkata** is all set to host an **International puppet festival** from **Oct 26**.

• **Indian Air Force** has launched an innovative mobile **health App** named **Medwatch**

• The **Rajasthan** assembly has become the first in India to call **attention and adjournment motions** and **proposals online** from legislators to send them to the State government

• The **West Bengal** cabinet has decided to setup a **scheduled caste advisory council** to look into the **development of the scheduled caste population** in the State

• **APPICON 2017, 63rd Annual National conference** of Association of **physiologists and pharmacologist of India** hosted in **Puducherry**

• PM **Modi** announces **Rs.10000 crore** for **20 best universities** in India to make them **world class**

• The **Tea Board** has proposed a **Rs. 100 crore Relief Package** too tea estates in the **Darjeeling hills**, where production has resumed nearly three months of shutdown due to **agitation** for a separate State

• In a **bid** to provide affordable **life insurance services** to people, particularly those living in **rural areas** of the country, the government has launched **Sampoorna Bima Gram Yojana**

• According to the estimates by finance ministry the subscriber base of **Atal Pension Yojana** a guaranteed pension scheme for **unorganized sector** is expected to **increase** to **1 crore** by **March next year**

• The **Punjab and Haryana** has fixed **timeslot of 6.30pm to 9.30pm** for **bursting crackers** on **diwali**

• **World largest combustion research centre** inaugurated at **IIT Madras**

• **Chennai** Students create **News Guinness World Record at IISF** (Indian International Science Festival) for **world’s largest Biology lesson**
• **Graduate Muslim girls** to get **51,000** from Modi government the **Shaadi Shagun** – as the scheme aimed at investing **higher education** among minority groups

• Union Defence Minister Nirmala Sitaraman commissioned the **third** of the fourth Indigenously built submarine ‘**INS Kiltan**’ into navy

• A parliamentary panel headed by BJP MP B.C Khanduri has been constituted to **examine** the operational preparedness of the **armed forces**

• New **Delhi** now world’s worst megacity **sexual violence** against women is a survey conducted by the **Thomson Reuters Foundation**

• **Haryana** records **39%** of **cancer** cases in India

• **Shillong** to hold first India International **cherry Blossom festival** November

• **Indian Navy** has dispatched a **P-81 long range Maritime reconnaissance** aircraft to manila to undertake a search and **Rescue for missing sailors**

• Union Government has started **sending money to Gram Panchayats** directly

• **Indian Airports** needs **$45 billion** investment to improve capacity by **2030**.

• On the Occasion of **National Ayurveda Day**, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) at **Delhi Sarita Vihar**.

• **E-Commerce major Myntra launched its CSR initiative** in association with the Union **Textile Ministry** to **work directly** with weavers and elevate their **economic stature**.

  **Mahindra** has **launched** a programme ‘**Prerna**’ to **empower women working** in the **agricultural sector** by promoting **efficient and ergonomic farm tools and equipment**

• **Income Tax Department** has **launched** an “**Online chat services for taxpayers**”, so that they can seek answers to their basic queries and doubts relating to Direct Tax issues.

• **Canada** will be the **partner country** at the **23rd iteration** of the **Tech summit, India’s largest knowledge and technology conference and exhibition** to be held from **November 14 to 15, 2017** in **New Delhi**.

• Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister **Shivraj Singh Chouhan inaugurated** the ambitious
‘Bhavantar Bhugtan Yojna’ for the farmers of the state. It is the first state to lend money to farmers at zero percent interest.

- Gujarat Minister of state for Tribal welfare Shabdasharan Tadvi inaugurated the ‘Birsan Munda Tribal University’ in the tribal dominated Rajpipla town in Narmada district about 90 kms from Vadodara.

- Bangladesh Naval ship ‘Somudra Avijan’ has arrived Vishakhapatnam on a four-day visit to the Eastern Naval Command (ENC)

- The Arunachal Assembly has passed a bill paving way for creation of new district to be named ‘Kamle’.
- Giving the Indo-Russian defence cooperation a major boast Exercise INDRA 2017, the first ever Tri Services joint exercise between Indian and Russian armed forces.
- India is among the five countries – Pakistan, Nigeria, Congo and Ethiopia being the others responsible for half of all newborn deaths in the world according to a UN report.
- Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu laid the foundation stone for the TU : 42M aircraft museum in Visakhapatnam
- With 25 million deaths in 2015, India has ranked No. 1 in pollution related deaths, according to a report by the Lancet Commission or pollution and health.

- Dharmendra Pradhan, Union Minister for Petroleum and Natural gas inaugurated India first PNG (Piped Natural Gas) project in Bhubaneswar.

- Gujarat New Year was celebrated by Gujarati on Oct 20. It is also called as Varsha – Pratipada or padwa

- Health Minister KK Shailaja told that, the state government will organize a four days international seminar and global Ayurveda meet in Kochi.

- National Research Centre for Banana (NRCB) has signed a memorandum of Co-operation (MOC) with Andhra Pradesh government to develop technologies relating to banana production.

- Punjab Chief Minister Captain Amarinder singh restored the special family pensions for widows of government employees killed by extremists.

- Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology has setup an internal expert committee to advice on policy on Artificial Intelligence(AI)

- New study published in medical journal “The lancet” India has topped list of countries with pollution related deaths in 2015
India, Brazil, South Africa (IBSA) have signed the IBSA trust Fund Agreement that seeks to fight poverty in developing countries. Each country will contribute US $1 million annually to this fund which is managed by the UN Development Programme (UNDP) special unit for south–south cooperation.

The first tri service armed forces (army, navy, air force) exercise INDRA 2017 between India, Russia began at sea of Japan near Vladivostok.

Jaipur and Srinagar Airport were ranked first and second respectively in ACI (Airport council International) – ASQ (Airport Service Quality) survey in the category of 2.5 million passengers.

The National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) will get powers to approve highway projects with construction cost of more than Rs.1000 crore to ensure faster implementation of Bharatmala programme.

Central Government has asked each state to name the toilets in their rural households as “Izzat ghar”, or to use a phrase in regional language equivalent to “house of dignity”.

A five member committee has been formed to select the candidate for the post of editor-in-chief of Rajya Sabha TV (RSTV). The committee is headed by Prasar Bharati chairman A Surya Prakash.

PM Modi has inaugurated the First phase of the roll on–roll off (ro-ro) ferry service connecting Saurashtra with South Gujarat.

The Kerala government will organize a four days International Seminar and Global Ayurveda meet in Kochi in Feb 2018.

India has not invited Pakistan and North Korea to attend the first global conference on consumer protection to be inaugurated by PM Modi.

The Rajasthan government has passed an ordinance which seeks to protect both serving and former judges from being investigated for on-duty action without its prior Sanction.

Maruti Suzuki India has become the largest passenger cars exporter from India.

The Utter Pradesh government announced to double the exgratia amount for Police Officials who die on-duty.

Karnataka government has decided to ban pillion riding on two wheelers with less than 100cc.
• The Punjab govt will shut down 800 primary schools with less than 20 students

• India’s first Pradhan Mantri Kaushal for skilling in smart cities in collaboration with New Delhi municipal Council (NDMC) in New Delhi

• Madhya Pradesh has emerged as the top state in terms of Digital Initiatives undertaken with a maximum score of 100.1 on performance index

• International children film festival also called “The Golden Elephant” being organized by children’s film society India will be hosted in Hyderabad “Theme: New India”

• The 3 day grand finale of Paryatan Parv a nationwide celebration of tourism will begin in New Delhi

• Ministries of power and textiles have jointly announced a new scheme SAATHI under energy efficiency services limited

• Cabinet approves construction of 84,000 km roads in next five years with an investment of Rs. 5.35 lakhs Cr

• The government announced an aggressive Rs. 2.11 lakh crore capital infusion for the NPA hit public sector banks over a period of 25 years

• The Supreme Court has imposed a fine of Rs. Two lakhs on Environment ministry for not fixing emission norms of sulphur dioxide and nitrogen oxide for 34 categories of Industries to mitigate air pollution in Delhi and NCR

• Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Hyderabad will organize an international conference on composite material from Dec 27

• United Nation (UN) Day observed on 24th October

• The Centre has given green clearance for a green field airport project at Hirasar

• Human Resource Development minister Prakash Jovadekar announced that the Paika Bidroha of 1917 will find a place in the history book as first war of Independence

• India provided equipment and vehicles worth USD 585,000 to a university in Sri Lanka’s Tamil – dominated Jaffna city as a part of its development partnership with the country in field of higher education
• Gujarat government announces additional benefits for Karma – Yogis working on fix pay on 11 months contract

• Union cabinet approved Rs. 2.11 crore over 2 years for the recapitalization of public Sector banks (PSB)

• Madras high court has banned the use of Pictures of living person on banners and hoardings in Tamil Nadu (TN) to maintain clean environment

• The Tamil Nadu CM, laid the foundation Stone for an aerospace park at Kanchipuram district to be set up by the state government in 245 acres at cost of 198 crores

• The Indian Space Research Organisation is set to start a lunar journey of the Chandrayaan-2 mission as early as March of next year after 10 years after its 1st lunar mission

• As many as 51 Hindu families who had migrated from Pakistan several years ago and have been living on the Outskirts of Raipur were granted Indian Citizenship.

• Chhattisgarh has become the first state in the country to award citizenship after PM granted states to do so

• As per the Credit Suisse Research Institute latest ‘CS family 1000’ report, India has 108 publicly listed family owned businesses the third highest in the world

• World Day for Audiovisual Heritage: 27 Oct. Theme: Discover, Remember and Share

• Union Minister of state (IC) for Power and New and Renewable Energy Shri. R.K. Singh addressed 3rd Global Investor India forum in New Delhi

• Seven shortlisted companies were given ‘Letters of Intent’ for Fourteen monuments under adopt a Heritage Scheme of ministry to Tourism at closing ceremony of; Paryatan Parv at Rajpath Lawns, New Delhi

• Odisha will be the ‘Focus State’ in the World Food India 2017 to be held at New Delhi from 3 to 5 November

• Ministry of AYUSH Government of India hosted First meeting of BIMSTEC task force on traditional medicine at Pravasi Bhartiya Kendra, New Delhi.
Rajasthan Assembly has passed a bill which increased reservation for the other backward classes (OBC) from 21 percent to 26 percent.

Assam chief minister Sarbananda Sonowal launched a web portal ‘Assam Darpan’ where details of government schemes and projects would be available to the people.

Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu declared the fifth edition of Tawang festival at the frontier monastery town close to India -China border.

To strengthen Maritime security, India and the United States (US) have agreed to implement the programme for ‘Helicopter Operators from Ships other Than Aircraft Carriers’ (HOSTAC).

Scientists in India have covered a 152 million year old fossil of an ichthyosaur.

Srilanka and India signed two agreements for construction of 1200 hours through so model villages in the island nation.

Railway minister Piyush Goyal launched the railways first set of solar plants in Delhi with a total capacity of 5 megawatt peak (MWP).

Uttar Pradesh government has issued an order notifying Vrindavan and Barsana towns in Mathura districts as “Pavitra teerth Sthals (Sacred Pilgrimage Sites)”

11th world Congress on Adolescent Health is held in New Delhi. It is focused on lowering mortality rates for adolescents.

India will host the next UN global wildlife conservation and international species protection conferences in 2020.

The Ministry of shipping has sanctioned Rs.25crore to the Jawaharlal Nehru port trust for development of coastal berth and another Rs.50crore to Karwar port in Karnataka.

India Overtake US to become the world’s second largest smart phone market, trailing only China.

According to the Capgemini and Linked in Survey, India has the highest proportion of digital talent with 70 % among the countries Surveyed.

Ministry of External affairs launched the “#Ask the spokesperson” initiative on twitter to create better awareness and understanding of foreign policy matters in simplified terms.

The First phase of the national optic fibre network, Bharat Net project which to deploy high
speed optical fibre cables across rural areas will be completed by Dec 2017 thus providing Internet access to 100,000 gram Panchayats

- Union minister of state Shri Giriraj Singh launched MSME delayed payment portal – MSME Samadhaan, empowering micro and Small entrepreneurs across the country

- The Indo – Tibetan Border Police gets ISRO’s geostationary communication satellite GSAT-6 to Supervise the nearly 3500 km Long Sino – Indian border

- PM Modi – dedicated the Indian Railways 110km Bidar – Kalaburgi railway track in the Hyderabad – Karnataka region aimed at reducing distance between Bangalore and New Delhi by 380km

- PM of Italy Paolo Gentiloni on two days visit to India to strengthen the bilateral Political and economic relations between the two countries

- A panel constituted by Tamil Nadu government and headed by Former madras high court judge A Arumughaswamy has began a probe for the circumstances leading to the death of former CM – Jayalalitha

- India sends first wheat shipment to Afghanistan Via Chabahar port in Iran

The Strengthen the man power of various department of Haryana government 15,000 apprentices will be engaged from December

**International News**

- Austria’s law banning face veils such as burkas or niqabs comes into effect from (Oct 1)

- The United Arab Emirates has begun collecting new “Sin” taxes on tobacco products, energy drinks and soft drinks

- China opens a 409 km new expressway linking Tibet’s provincial capital Lhasa with Nyingchi which is close to Arunachal Pradesh border.

- For the first time Nepal and India will undertake a joint tiger census next month in their
national parks, forest and protected areas.

- **Bangladesh** has signed a $4.5 million loan deal with India for development infrastructure, health and education.


- **US FDA** approves for the first time a test for detecting the Zita Virus donated blood.

- **Bricks** themed subway train with carriage representing five member nations.

- **Indian** carriage depicts elephants and yoga.

- **Chinese** carriage depicts great wall and Tian’anmen square.

- **Brazilian** carriage depicts footballs and football stars.

- **Russian** carriage depicts ballet and Matryoshka dolls.

- **South African** carriage and depicts pictures of diamond.

- The UN soldiers left Haiti finishing their 13 years military peace keeping mission in Haiti.

- Hurricane Nate moves toward second landfall on Gulf coast in USA.

- **India** is ranked the eight most valuable nation brand while the united states retained in top position according to brand Finance Nation Brand 2017.

- The Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) successfully launched Michibiki 4 satellite onboard of H-IIA rocket from Tanegashima space centre.

- **China has overtaken** the United States (US) as the World’s largest ice cream producer, according to data from an industrial expo in Tianjin city.

- The United States (US) has withdrawn from the Paris based UNESCO which over the country claims is the Organizations “Continuing anti-Israel bias”.

- Japanese capital city Tokyo has topped the Economist Intelligence unit’s safe cities Index 2017, while Indian cities Delhi and Mumbai have ranked 43rd and 45th respectively.

- According to large and clinical trial in Liberia, two Experimental Ebola Vaccines – cAd3 – EBOZ and rVSV – ZEBOV are safe and can elicit immune response that lasts for at least one
• The **World’s first “negative emissions”** plant that turns *carbon-di-oxide* into carbonate rocks has begun operations in Iceland.

• **United States and Israel** quite the United Nations cultural Agency UNESCO

• **India** has offered to set up a joint venture with Srilanka to manage and expand facilities at the **loss**, making **mattala airport** near Hambantota Seaport.

• **Fifteen countries** including Pakistan have been elected to the UN Human Rights Council by the UN General Assembly.

• **India, Brazil and South Africa** (IBSA) signed the IBSA Trust fund agreement that seeks to fight poverty in developing countries in **Durban, South Africa**

• Researchers have discovered new species of gecko at Chattisgarh’s Kanger Ghati National park in Eastern Ghats. Its scientific name is ‘Hemidactylus Kangerensis’. Named after the valley where it was discovered.

• The National Highway Authority of India (NHA) will soon get powers to appriona Highway projects with construction court of more than Rs.1000 crore to ensure faster implementation of Bharatmala programme.

• Lebanon’s parliament approved country’s first budget since 2005. This budget is aimed towards reforming the fragile economy and presenting rising debt from becoming a crisis like situation.

• World’s first floating wind farm in **Scotland** starts generating electricity. The farm consists of five 6mw turbines. It is expected that this floating wind farm will generate 135 GWh of electricity each year.

• According to ‘State of world population 2017’ released by United Nation Fund for population activities 27% of India’s children get married by age 18 as compared to 28% of the world over

• **Scotland** has created the world’s first floating wind farm In the north sea

• The UNCA (United Nations General Assembly) elected 15 States to serve on UNHRS United Nations human rights council of which **Nepal topped** the Countries representing Asian Group in 47 member council

• **Nirmala Sitharam** reached the **Philippines** to attend a Southeast Asian defense minister’s
meeting

- External minister Sushma Swaraj opened the new chancery complex of the Indian High commission in Dhaka

- The 2nd world congress on Marxism is scheduled to be held in Peking university in Beijing in may 2018

- Myanmar to launch its own satellite system Myanmar sat 2 in 2019

- Afghanistan president Mohammad Ashraf Ghani arrived in New Delhi for One day visit

- India Naval Ship Sukanya reached Belawan port, Indonesia to take part in the 30th edition of CORPAT and third Bilateral Exercise between India and Indonesia navies

- Singapore passport has been announced as the most powerful in the world as it secured the top spot in passport Index

- India was listed 78th cast year and now 75th position with Visa free score of 51

- Chile has been named the best country to visit next year by lonely planet in its ‘Best in Travel 2018’ list

- Central American country Nicaragua signed the Paris Climate Agreement

- Bangladesh signs gas oil deal with India

- Asia now has the Most billionaires than the US for the first time according to report by UBS and PwC.

- A town called Gemert in the Netherlands has become home to the first 3D – Printed cycling bridge ever

- The tiny Gulf State host of the 2022 football World Cup, Qatar has committed that it will introduce a minimum wage for workers in the Country

- Burundi is all set to become the first country to withdraw from the International Criminal Court (ICC)

- Saudi Arabia has become the first country to give a robot citizenship the robot named ‘Sophia’ was confirmed as a Saudi citizen.

- The words first trackless trains have begun the test runs in China. The vehicle operates on virtual rail lines and could travel as quickly as to kmh
• **14th SAARC in law conference** along with the **11th SAARC Chief Justices Conference** was inaugurated in Colombo, Srilanka

• In **2019** the kilogram will get **more accurate**. It will be set by value of **Planck constant** in combination with definitions of **meter** and **second**.

• **4th ASEAN Defence Ministers meeting (ADMM)** plus held in **Clark, Philippines**, in a platform to encourage the countries

• **Catalonia’s** regional parliament declared independence from Spain in a disputed vote.

• The **world’s first hybrid electric tram** powered by **hydrogen fuel** cells has started running in China.

• **India** and **France** have agreed to **Strengthen** bilateral defense Co-operation as a Key Pillar of Strategic Partnership between the two countries

• The two day **India – UAE Partnership** summit began in **Dubai**

• The UN conferences on nuclear energy begins at **Abu Dhabi, UAE**

• Scientist at **Geneva, Switzerland** have successfully created the **Worlds shortest X-ray laser pulse** with a duration of just **43 attoseconds**

• The **Republic of Rwanda** gets its **first cricket stadium** was inaugurated by president Paul Kagame as a permanent home for developing sports in the country

### Economy

• **India’s** external debt amounted to **$485.5 billion** during the quarter ended **June 17**

• RBI keeps **repo rate, reverse repo rate** unchanged **6% , 5.75%**

• RBI lowers 2017 – 2018 growth projection to **6.7%**

• **Pitch** lowers India’s growth forecast to **6.9%** from **7.4 %** after **GDP growth**

• The international monetary fund(IMF) raised its global growth forecast for 2017-18 to a **broad**
based recovery on Europe, China, Japan and the US.

- IMF lower India’s growth forecast to 6.7% in 2017.

- Bharti Airtel acquires Tata telecom business on cash free basis.

- India is the second largest market for pharma, a report from personal networking giant LinkedIn has revealed

- According to NITI Aayog Vice-Chairman Rajiv Kumar, the economic slowdown that began in 2013-14 has bottomed out and the GDP is likely to grow at 6.9-7% this fiscal (2017-2018) and 7.5% in 2018-2019.

- In order to encourage savings, central government has issued a notification allowing all public sector banks and Three private sector Banks (ICICI, HDFC, AXIS Bank) a accept deposits under various small saving schemes.

- RBI clarified that linking of Aadhar to bank account is mandatory under the prevention of Money-Laundering Rules.

- GST Network (GSTN) has launched an excel-based offline tool for business to file initial GSTR-3B returns.

- Petroleum Ministry launches Rs.320 crore standup fund to support innovations in the energy sector

- India’s Pension system stands at the 28th position out of the 30 among received countries in the Melbourne Mercer Global Pension Index 2017

- Asian Development Bank (ADB) and Indian government have signed a $ 65.5million loan agreement.

- Government retains general provident fund (PF) interest rate at 7.8% for Oct – Dec.

- The centre has released Rs.8,698 cr as GST compensation to States

**Banking & Finance**

- NABARD Sanctions Rs. 273.06 crore to Andhra Pradesh for development projects

- All and ADB(Asian Development Bank) and multilateral funding agency approves $100 million loan for India’s power sector
- RBI reduced the Statutory Liquidity Ratio (SLR) by **0.5 percent** and frees over Rs. 57,000 cr to bank funds for lending.

- **India** Signs **€ 300 million** Finance contract with European Investment Bank for **Bangladesh Metro Rail project**

- **TATA AIA Life** announced the launch of **‘Eazy connect’** will extend **online customer** service to social media platforms.

- The RBI is to launch a Financial literacy drive in **80 blocks** in nine states on the pilot basis to education people on e-transaction’s formal sector borrowings & insurance purchases.

- **AU Small finance Bank** to Partner with **Aditya Birla Health Insurance** to act as a corporate agent for latter’s health insurance business.

- **ICICI** announced financial assistance of Rs.**10 crore** to the **Indian Armed Forces** which will be utilized towards welfare activities and betterment of the families of servicemen who have **lost their lives** guarding has Nation.

- The nation’s largest lender **State Bank of India (SBI)** is creating a **15,000 sqft** innovation centre in **Navi Mumbai** investing around **Rs.100 crore**.

- **NABARD** has bought an additional **7% stake** in **small Industries Development of India (Sidbi)** for **Rs.900 crore**.

- **RBI’s strict knew row customer’s norms fro wallet users to keep their e-wallets safe.**

- **HSBC Launches App** called **Trade Transaction Tracker** to help customers **track the status of their trade transaction** on a real time basis.

- **State Bank of India (SBI)** has launched a new product to provide **short – term** working capital **demand loans** to its **MSME** clients.

- **HDFC Bank** launched smart up zones to nurture, collaborate with **start – ups** community in the country.

- **Union bank** launched an android app **sahyog** as a part of drive to **digitize** customer facing banking service.

- The Odisha government’s Directorate of **Treasuries and Inspection** and the state Bank of India (SBI) have signed an MoU for Integration of **SBI e-pay with cyber treasury**.
HPCL (Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd) has become the first Oil Marketing Company to launch lubricants in Myanmar

- Private Sector Yes Bank has committed Rs.156 crore to fund first sewage Treatment Plant (STP) to be constructed at Varanasi.

- Yes Bank partners with Abu Dhabi global markets to further foster cross border exchange between the Fin Tech ecosystems of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and India.

- North East small Finance Bank Limited has commenced operations as a small finance bank from 17th October 2017.

- The RBI said that banks will provide funds to women Self Help Groups (SHG) in rural areas at 7 percent under the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihoods Missions (DAY-NRLM) in the current fiscal.

- Private sector lender Kotak Mahindra Bank and Fin Tech firm zeta have announced launch of “paymit”, a multi-wallet digital prepaid solution for salaried employees.

- SBI foundation has committed Rs.10 crore for the conservation and restoration of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus (CSTM) of Mumbai over the period of 3-5 years.

- The RBI has set up a high level task force to develop Public Credit Registry (PCR) an extensive database of credit information.

- Indusland bank launched co brand App with Mobikwik called Indusland Mobikwik

- The State Bank Of India(SBI) has launched the second edition of its Hackathon named ‘Digitize for Bank’

- RBI to make Legal Entity Identifier (LEI) mandatory for transaction with over Rs. 5 crore exposure

- Bharat heavy Electricals Limited announced that it has commenced execution of Yadadri Plant in Telangana

- RBI has imposed a penalty of Rs.6 crore on Yes bank and Fined IDFC Bank Rs.2 crore for not complying with directions of the central bank

- Government of India and Asian Development Bank(ADB) signs $300 million loan to continue a series of fiscal reforms in the quality of public services delivery
• **IDFC Bank** launches **100th branch** at Honnali, Karnataka

• **State Bank of India** (SBI) the **countries largest Public Sector lender** has signed an agreement with **Escorts limited** to **finance farmers** for **purchase** of **Escort tractors**

• Reliance, Industries Ltd (RIL) became the first Indian Company to cross **Rs.6 trillion market capitalization**

• The **government of India** and **world Bank** have **Signed a $ 200 million Loan** agreement for the **Assam Agribusiness and Rural Transformation Project**

• **Indian army** finalized one of its biggest procurement **plan for infantry modernization** at a **cost** of nearly **Rs.40,000 Cr** to replace its ageing and obsolete weapons

### Business

• **Fitch Ratings** has lowered India’s economic growth forecast for the current fiscal to **6.9 per cent** from 7.4 percent after the GDP growth “**Unexpectedly Faltered**” in the April-June quarter.

• India’s first **IFSC** has been featured at the **tenth place** in the latest September 2017 edition of Global Financial Centers Index 22 (GFCI) – London

• The first Shipment of **US crude oil** of India **arises at Paradip port in Odisha**, as part of the **two million barrels** contracted by **India**.

• China led **AIIB and multilateral funding agency ADB** will Co-finance a **USD 100 million loan** for **India** to improve power transmission network and expand the use of **solar and wind energy**.

• The country’s third largest private sector lender **Axis Bank** said it has **acquired payment wallet free charge** for **Rs.373 crore** in all cash deal.

• **Vijaya Bank** has entered into a MOU with HPCL for enabling all **HPCL** (Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd.) retail outlets with **BHIM/UPI solutions**.

• **Sangram Singh** has been appointed as the CEO of **Free charge Payment Technologies Private Limited**

• **India’s coffee output** pegged at record **3.5 lakh Tons** in 2017 – 18

• **Standard Chatered Bank** opens new **Global Business Service** in **Bangalore**
• Amazon web services (AWS) and Microsoft have teamed up to launch an open – source and deep learning interface ‘Gluon’ that will help developers to display across reversal platforms.

• Software Industry association National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM) is setting up centre of excellence on artificial Intelligence (AI) and data sciences for a better understanding on the emerging technologies

• US has initiated an antidumping duty investigations against the import of poly tetra fluoro-ethylene (PTFE) rein from India and China according to the US Department of Commerce.

• Tesla signed a deal with the Shanghai government to set up its own manufacturing facility in the city’s free trade zone in China.

• E-commerce Major eBay has acquired a 5-4% stake in Flipkart, according to the company’s quarterly report filled with the US Securities and Exchange

Science and Technology

• Astronomers have discovered that a run like star lurking around 350 light years away consumed the rocky equivalent of 15 earths.

• WhatsApp rolled out the option to share ‘live location’ for its users

• World oldest warship “USS Constitution” was sailed again. It was named by the first president of US, George Washington.

• Astronomers have discovered a sun-like star Kronos a planet-eater that’s currently 350 light years away.

• Tech major SAP announced the launch of Asia pacific Japan region’s first SAP Leonardo centre in Bangalore

Sports

• Max Verstappen has won the F1’s Malaysian Grand prix after beating Lewis Hamilton.

• The U-17 world cup will set a record of sorts as it see for the first time a female assistant referee in a FIFA men’s competition this time.
• FIFA has launched the official ball for U-17 football world cup and it will be called Krasava, a word generally used by Russian sports fan.

• Female Assistant referrers (7) have been chosen by FIFA U-17 world cup for the first time for a men’s tournament.

• Host Country: India, Date: 6th – 28th Oct 2017
• Anupama clinches World open under – 16 Snooker championship title at St. Petersburg in Russia

• Australian Bowler John Hastings has called it quits from test and ODI’s

• French tennis player Caroline Garcia defeated Romanian Sirona Halep at the china open final to earn her second title with in eight days

• 28 years old Chandigarh golfer Ajeetesh Sandhu won his maiden title on the Asian tour at Taipei

• Rafael Nadal wins his china open title that is Sixth title of this year

• Tyrrell Hatton retains the Alfred Dunhill Links championship title.

• Dehradun, Uttarkhand will host its first ever Ranji Trophy cricket match.

• Jeakson singh creates history by scoring India’s every goal in FIFA World Cup.

• Indian boxing coach Gurbax Singh Sandhu who has the distinction of coaching both men and women boxers has been honoured with the National awards for senior citizen by president Ram Nath Kovind

• The FIFA has decided to suspend the Pakistan football Federation with immediate effect because of undue third party interference.

• Switzerland’s Esther Staubli will become the first female referee to a official match at the FIFA U-17 world cup

• Yuvraj singh has been appointed as Laureus World sports awards first India Ambassador.

• Ashish Nehra confirmed that he would be retiring from all forms of cricket on Nov 1
Netherlands captain ‘Arjen Robben’ announced the end of his international career after his country failed to reach the 2018 world cup finals.

Shakib Al Hasan becomes 1st Cricketer from Bangladesh to be inducted in MCC world cricket committee.

Roger Federer beats Rafael Nadal to the Shanghai Masters.

Maidan heavy weights Mohun Bagan won the 37th All India governors gold cup football tournament for the 10th time.

The Indian football team rose two spots above to 105th position in the latest FIFA ranking in Oct 2017.

Kavita Devi becomes first Indian women wrestler to sign WWE developmental contract.

India’s Selena Clinches triple gold at Egypt junior and cadet Table Tennis Open.

Maria Sharapova Wins Tianjin Open. This is the first title since doping ban.

A division bench of the Kerala High Court has restored the life ban imposed on cricketer Sreesanth by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) in the wake of the 2013 IPL spot fixing scandal.

Ravi Shastri has emerged as the world’s highest earning cricket coach with salary close to 1.17 million dollars per year.

India defeated Malaysia to win their third Hockey Asia Cup title.

Indian Pugilists have won eight medals including four golds in the third Youth International championships Balkan Open 2017 at Sofia, Bulgaria.

Indian golfer Gaganjeet Bhullar Lifted the Macao open trophy.

South Korean Shuttlers Lee So Hee and Shin Seung Chan won the women’s double title at Denmark Open badminton tournament.

Kohli becomes top run scorer at 200 ODI’s and 14th Indian player to play 200 ODI’s.
• Lewis Hamilton won the US grand prix, on race away from the title

• Indian shuttler Kidambi Srikanth lifted the Denmark Open Super Series Trophy at Odense, Denmark

• Jitu Raj and Heena Sidhu combined to give India their first medal of International Shooting sports federation

• Christina Ronaldo wins ‘The best FIFA men’s Player Award’

• Manav Thakkar first Indian to top ITTF world junior circuit standings

• Scott Fleming Former India men’s national team head coach has joined NBA India as head of Basketball operations

• Indian origin South African research honored with prestigious award for their contribution in the field of HIV/AIDS professor Salim Abdool Karim and Abdool Karim received the award from the Institute of Human virology

• Trukey to host World Rally championship 2018

• Puducherry granted BCCI associate membership.

• The FIFA U-17 world cup in India became the most attended in the history of tournament.

• Virat Kohli becomes Fastest to reach 9000 ODI runs, taking just 194 innings to achieve the feat

• Star Indian shuttler Kidambi Srikanth wins French open title

• Patna Pirates grabs third successive Pro – Kabaddi league title

• England have lifted their first even FIFA U-17 World Cup

• Sangram Dahiya won a silver in the ISSF world cup final in New Delhi

• The union cabinet has approved over Rs.7000 cr for construction of permanent campuses of Six new India Institute of Technology(IIT) across the Country

• Virat Kohli and Mithali Raj both Indian captains have came out top ICC ODI rankings
Rohan Bopanna won the Erste open title in Vienna, while the team of Saketh Myneni and Vijay Sunder Prashanth clinched the Vietnam Open trophy at the HO chi Minh city.

Indian Junior Team has won the 7th Sulthan of Johor cup 2017 at the Taman Daya Hockey stadium, in Malaysia.

Lewis Hamilton has been crowned formula one World champion.

Award & Recognitions

A Ghana based Indian Entrepreneur Birendra Sasmal, CEO of Subah has bagged a prestigious business award in UK for his efforts to bring Innovative IT solutions to Africa.

Madurai’s Meenakshi temple named best ‘Swachh Iconic place’ (Cleanest Iconic place) in India. This award was given by the Central government as a part of the ‘Swachh Bharat Abhiyan’ (Clean India Mission).

Jeffrey C Hall, Michael Rosbash and Michael W Young awarded 2017 Nobel Prize in Medicine.

The Nobel assemble at Karolinska Institute has decided to award the 2017 Nobel prize in physiology or medicine jointly to Jeffrey C.Hall, Michael Rosbash and Michael W.Young for their discoveries of molecular mechanisms controlling the circadian rhythm.

Three American Physicists have won the Nobel Prize in physics for the first observations of gravitational waves.


Noted Vocalist ‘Manik Bhide’ was chosen for the prestigious Bharatratna ‘Pandit Bhimsen Joshi’ award for year 2017-2018 for her contribution in the field of music.

The Nobel Prize in literature for 2017 is awarded to the English author Kazuo Ishiguro.

2017 Nobel peace prize has been awarded to anti-nuclear weapons campaigners to Abolish Nuclear weapons, a coalition of non-government organizations from over 100 countries around the globe.

Rajesh Nath, MD of VDMA India has Been conferred the ‘cross of the order of merit’ the highest civilian honour awarded to individuals for their services to Germany.
- **J Sagar** Associates is the first law firm to behave opened an office at Gujarat International Finance Tec–city (GIFT)

- Nobel Prize in economics awarded to American **Richard H. Thale** “for this contribution to behavioral economics”

- Noted Novelist T.D. **Radhakrishnan**’s ‘Sugandhi Enna Andal Devanayaki” has been selected for this year **Vayalar award**

- Eminent writer Namita Gokhale has been nominated for the first centenary national award for literature

- President Ram Nath Kovind presented the Lal Bahadur Shastri National Award for Excellence in public administration Academics and management for the year 2017 to Dr. Bindeshwar pathak

- Actor **Prakash Raj** has triggered a huge controversy with his remarks on PM Modi, was honored with “Shivarama Karanth Huttura Prashasti”.

- **M.K. Sanu** has chosen for the Mathrubhumi Literacy Award for 2016

- Singer **TM Krishna** wins **Indira Gandhi National Integration** for the year 2015 and 2016

- **Veteran writer-lyricist Javed Akhtar** is being honoured with the **Hridaynath Mangeshkar award** on the 28th anniversary of Hridayesh Arts.

- Eminent poet, lyricist and journalist **Prabha Varma** has been selected for the **Padma Prabha Puraskaram** this year.

- **Carnatic Vocalist TM Krishna** has won the **Indira Gandhi award** for National Integration (2015-2016)

- **US author George Saunders** has won the **2017 man Booker prize**. He was awarded for his first full length novel “Lincoln in the Bardo”

- **Indian Consumers** regard ‘Google as the most authentic brand’ even through Amazon.com tops the list globally, reveal the results of the 2017 “Authentic Brands Study” by the new survey of global communications agency Cohn & Wolfe.

- The **Jaipur and Srinagar Airport** for first and second rank respectively in the category of 2-5 million passengers in ASQ (Airport Service Quality) Survey.
Hyderabad’s Rajiv Gandhi International Airport has bagged the world 1 airport Award trophy of the Airports Council International (ACI) in the 5-15 million passengers per annum category.

Noted Indian-American Attorney Ajay Raju has been honoured with the third American Bazaar Philanthropy award in recognition of his philanthropic activities in the US.

An Indian-Origin teenager ‘Akshay Ruparelia’ has made a fortune by selling houses through his online estate agency business during his school lunch breaks and has become one of UK’s youngest millionaires.

The world’s most prestigious award for pioneers in environmental science was given to Hans Joachim Schellnhuber in Tokyo who receives Blue planet prize.

Dr. AKINWUMI AYODEVI ADESINA the president of the African Development Bank will be recognized as the 2017 world food prize laureate.

The play back singer Alka Yagnik and Udit Narayan to get Lata Mangeshkar award.

The Meghalaya Election has entered Limca Book of Records for the formation of biggest human logo comprising Young Voters in the State.

LXT Technology Services Ltd a Leading global pure-play Engineering Services company was conferred with the confederation of Indian Industry(CII) Industrial Innovation Award 2017.

Andhra Pradesh CM N. Chandrababhu Naidu has been honoured with the prestigious Golden Peacock award in the 17th London Global Convection held in London in the category of ‘Global Leadership in public service and Economic Transformation’.

Gina Miller, an Indian origin campaigner has been named UK’s most influential black person of the year for winning a legal challenge that prevented British PM Theresa from triggering Brexit without Parliament’s approval.

Sharmilla Tapore, was honoured with the ‘Lifetime Achievement Award by the PHD Chamber of commerce and Industry “New Delhi”.

Amazon founder ‘Jeff Bezos’ has overtaken Bill gates to become the world’s richest person.

Online travel Solutions provider Cleartrip was named the ‘Best Mobile APP for travel and Leisure’ at the Mobexx awards 2017.
• Veteran actor Sharmila Tagore has received the Lifetime Achievement award for her Contribution in the field of cinema

Books

• HRD Minister Shri Prakash Jovadekar presents book ‘Guru – Sangraha’ to Shri Pranab Mukherjee.
• Third volume of former president Pranab Mukherjee’s auto biography titled ‘The coalition years – 1996 – 2012’ has been released.
• ‘Dream nation: uniting a country with handwritten Dreams”. This is co-authored by Saji Mathew – and Jubie John
• Actress Deepika Padukone launched Hema Malini’s biography ‘Hema Malini: Beyond the Dream girl’ on the occasion of Hema’s 69th birthday.
• Rajasthan CM Vasundhara Raja launched Rajiv Mehrishi’s e-book titled ‘India 1027 Year Book’
• Defence Minister released a coffee table book on the Department of Defence Production (DDP) titled ‘A journey towards self – reliance’
• An illustrative Book containing Inspiration words of Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam was released online by Indian women Cricket team captain Mithali Raj on the 86th birth anniversary of the former President

Important Days

• International Day of older person : 1 Oct
  Theme: “Stepping into the future: Tapping the Talents, Contribution and participation of older person in society.

• International Day of Non-Violence – Oct 2

• World Habitat Day – Oct 2 (1st Monday of every October)
  Theme: Housing Policies: Affordable Homes.
World Post Day: October 9
Theme: ‘Innovation, Integration and Inclusion’

World Mental Health Day: October 10.
Theme: ‘Mental health in the workplace’

India water week – 2017: October 10-14, 2017
Theme: Water and Energy for inclusive growth

BBBP Week=Bet Bachao Beti Padho Week – Oct 9th to Oct 14th 2017

International Girl Child Day: October 11
Theme: The Daughter of New India

International Day for the girl child – Oct 11
- Theme: The power of the Adolescent Girl.
- Vision for 2030

World Arthritis Day falls on October 12 this year with the theme. It’s in your hands, take action.

World Sight Day (WSD) held on October 12 with the theme ‘Make vision Count’

International Day for Disaster reduction observed on 13 October with theme ‘Home safe Home : Reducing Exposure , Reducing Displacement’

World Food day – 16th October
- Theme: Change the future of migration. Invest in food security and rural development

Appointments

The president on Oct 2, in exercise of the powers conferred by article 340 of the constitution appointed a commission to examine the Sub-Categorization of Other Backward Classes (OBC).

The Process Plant and Machinery Association of India (PPMAI) have elected Yatinder pal singh suri as its new chairman.

The Mongolian Parliament has confirmed Ukhnaa Khurelsukh as the country’s new prime minister.

Ms. Pooja Kapur has been concurrently accredited as the next ambassador of India to the
Republic of Macedonia

- Private Life insurance company (PNB) Punjab National Bank MetLife appointed Ashish kumar Srivastava as MD and CEO

- Facebook Managing Director – “Umang Bedi” who joined “facebook India” in June 2016 has stepped down from his position. After he quit, “Sandeep Bhusan” as interim MD.

- Anupam kher is the new chairman of the prestigious film and Television Institute of India in Pune.


- Shri Vinay Mohan Kwatra appointed as the next ambassador of India to the principality of Monaco.

- Preeti suden was appointed as the new union Health Secretary
- Jagdish Muthi was sworn in as new Governor of Assam.

- Bambawale appoint as next Indian ambassador to China, He will replace Vijay Gokhale in China.

- Rukaiya Rangwala appointed Mobikwik payment gateway head.

- UNESCO’s French culture Minister Audrey Azoulay to be the UN cultural agency’s next leader

- New Zealand will get its youngest Prime Minister ‘Jacinda Ardern’.

- Ranjit Kumar resigned as the solicitor general of India.

- New Zealand Labour party’s leader Jacinda Ardern is set to become youngest ever female prime minister of New Zealand.

- India Post Payment Bank has appointed Suresh Sethi as itd MD & CEO

- NS Venkatesh has been appointed as chief executive of the association of Mutual Fund in India(AMFI)

- HSBC appoint Jayant Rikhye as CEO India
- **Rakesh Asthana** appointed as CBI special director

- **Alok Kumar Pateria** has been appointed as the news additional director general (ADG) of Central Industrial security Force

- Cricketer **Suresh Raina** has been appointed as the brand ambassador of the Ghaziabad Municipal corporation (GMC) and also the brand ambassador of Swachh Bharat mission

- **N.J Gangte** Appointed as the next **High commissioner of India** to the Republic of Zambia

- Vice Admiral **Ajit Kumar** takes charge as new **vice chief of Navy**

**Termination**

- The **WHO** has announced that **Zimbabwe** as its **Goodwill ambassador** has been cancelled

**Obituary**

- **Radhika Mohan Bhagawati**, Guwahati based **Journalist** has passed away

- Former Information and Broadcasting minister **Purushottam Lal Kaushik** has passed away

- World Teachers day – **Oct 25.** Theme : **Teaching in freedom, Empowering Teachers**

- World Space Week – 4 to 10 October. Theme : **Exploring new worlds in Space**

- Filmmaker **Kundan Shah** passes away

- Congress leader **Prabhakarpant Ojharkar** passes away.

- Veteran **historian of medieval India** and noted educational administrator **Satish Chandra** has passed away.

- India’s **First Olympic Swimmer Shamasher Khan** passed away

- Filmmaker **Lekh Tandon** passes away

- Poet **Punyaslok Dayupta** passes away
• Veteran Indonesian goal keeper Choirul Huda passes away

• Former Loksabha member Amal Oatta died - kolkata

• Film maker and Rani Mukarji’s father Ram mukharjee passes away

• Noted Malayalam film director I.V.Sasi passes away

• Padma Vibhushan Thumri Singer Girija Devi passes away in Kolkata.

• Rock and Roll Pioneer Fats Domino has passed away