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## NATIONAL NEWS

- The state of art- new Tejas Express train between Ahmedabad and Mumbai Central has been flagged off by Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani at Ahmedabad Railway Station.
  - **On the inaugural run, the Train No. 09426 which left Ahmedabad at 09.30 A.M. reached Mumbai at 04.00 P.M.**
  - **Related Keys**
    - The Tejas Express is India's first semi-high speed fully air-conditioned train Introduced by Indian Railways.
    - The inaugural run of Tejas Express was on 24 May 2017 from Mumbai Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus
- Indian Railways' **South Central Railway**(SCR) zone has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with **State Bank of India** (SBI) for '**doorstep banking**'. The signed MoU will help in direct pickup of earnings covering all 585 Railway stations over SCR Zone.
  - With the facility of direct pick up of cash from all the railway stations it will save the tedious and complex activity of movement of cash earnings through 'cash safes' by train.
  - **Related Keys**
    - The South Central Railway Founded: 2 October 1966
    - The South Central Railway Headquarters location: Secunderabad.
- **The first Session of India-Norway Dialogue on Trade & Investment (DTI) was convened in New Delhi on 15-16 January, 2020.** The session was based on the Terms of Reference (ToR) signed between India and Norway on 8th January, 2019 in New Delhi, during the visit of

Prime Minister of Norway.

- **Related Keys**

- Norway Capital: Oslo
- Norway Currency: Norwegian krone

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS


- **Brazil has inaugurated a new US\$100 million Antarctic** base, built by **Chinese company CEIEC** to replace a research station destroyed by fire almost seven years ago.
  - The new 48,375 sq ft facility was bigger and safer, with 17 laboratories, a heliport, and other advances. Scientists will use the base to study microbiology, glaciers, and climate, among other areas.
  - **Related Keys**
    - Brazil Capital: Brasilia
    - Brazil Currency: Brazilian real

## ECONOMY

- On January 17, 2020, one of the **world's largest retailer Amazon announced** that it has **planned to invest 1 billion USD** in India and generate 1 million jobs. Globally Amazon has increased its employee base four times.
  - In order to involve small and medium businesses, a mega summit called the smBhav was organized by Amazon in the capital on January 14, 2020.
  - **Related Keys**
    - Amazon Founder: Jeff Bezos
    - Amazon Founded : July 5, 1994;

## WORDS OF THE DAY

- **Malapropism** - misuse of a word by confusion with one that sounds similar.
  - Similar Words - solecism , error , misuse
  - Antonyms - praise
  
- **Malice** - the desire to see others suffer
  - Similar Words - spite , malevolence
  - Antonyms - benevolence , Kind - Hearted

  
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