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# **Sentence Improvement /Phrase Replacement Part 3**

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## **NATIONALAFFAIRS**

- Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis inaugurated the State's first automatic weather station at Dongargaon in Vidarbha region.
- Union Minister Shri Bandaru Dattatreya launched two schemes "One IP – Two Dispensaries" and "Aadhaar based Online Claim Submission" on May 1
- Union HRD Minister Prakash Javadekar launched the Vidya – Veerta Abhiyan in New Delhi to instill a sense of patriotism and nationalism among students.
- Union Minister Suresh Prabhu flags off Ahmedabad-Chennai Humsafar Express that runs between Ahmedabad and Chennai
- Telangana, Kerala and Andhra Pradesh lead the country in digital transactions after six months of demonetisation
- Madhya Pradesh has become the first state to switch to the January-December financial year from the existing April-March cycle,
- Indore and Bhopal in Madhya Pradesh is ranked first and second as India's cleanest cities, according to a "Swacch Survekshan 2017" list
- The Telecom Department launched a 'Tarang Sanchar' Web portal that will allow people to track radiation emitted from mobile towers.
- Nitin Gadkari inaugurates 'The Highway Saga' on the three-day event of India Integrated Transport and Logistics Summit (IITLS) from May 3 to 5
- India's most expensive limestone block in Chhattisgarh was auctioned with an estimated reserve of 215 million tonnes was put for auction.
- President Pranab Mukherjee approves ordinance on NPA which provides greater powers to RBI to tackle mounting bad loans.
- The Odisha government approves an increase in the monthly State Pension for freedom fighters to Rs.10,000 pension per month, increasing from the present Rs.6,000.
- The Centre has declared the entire State of Assam a "disturbed area" under the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act for three more months,
- Mizoram Governor Lt. General Nirbhay Sharma, constituted a Peace Accord Review Committee' to review the peace accord signed between the Centre and the erstwhile

underground Mizo National Front (MNF) on June 30, 1986.

➤ Shri Nitin Gadkari inaugurated the three day India Integrated Transport and Logistics Summit (IITLS) in New Delhi to boost economic

### **INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS**

➤ Prince of Dubai Shaikh Hamdan Bin Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum launched the 'Dubai Font' teamed with Microsoft - world's first city to have a font

➤ Russia, Iran and Turkey inks Syria deal to create safe zones in Syria to bolster a fragile truce

➤ The 8th World Water Forum is scheduled to take place in the Brazilian capital Brasilia in March 2018. The aim is water and sanitation for all a reality by 2030,

### **BANKING & BUSINESS**

➤ India-Japan economic relationship reaches new milestone with launch of acceptance of JCB cards at NPCI (National Payments Corporation of India) network in India.

➤ The Economic Affairs Secretary Shaktikanta Das announced that government is confident to achieve the goal of a debt-to-GDP ratio of 60% by 2023

➤ Reliance Corporate IT Park (RCITPL) signed a MoU with enterprise application software major SAP SE to launch 'SARAL GST' solution for taxpayers. The Hinduja brothers have topped the 2017 list "Brexite bonanza", the richest people in the UK with an estimated fortune of 16.2 billion pounds,

### **SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**

➤ The world's biggest X-ray laser, 3.4-kilometre-long European XFEL which is located in underground tunnels in Germany, will usher a new era of European research.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

➤ Mr. Anthony Lianzuala appointed as New Controller General of Accounts (CGA) in New Delhi.

➤ Shobana Kamineni, Executive Vice-Chairperson of Apollo Hospitals Enterprise, has assumed office as the president of industry body CII.

➤ Bharti Enterprises Appoints Soumen Ghosh As MD, Financial Services:

➤ Bharti Enterprises has appointed Soumen ("Sam") Ghosh as Managing Director, financial services.

➤ Cyient Limited has appointed former US Ambassador Vinai Thummalapally to its Board of Directors.

➤ Congress leader Mallikarjun Kharge is the new chairman of the 21-member Public Accounts Committee of Parliament.

➤ Braj Bihari Kumar, editor of quarterly journals Dialogue and Chintan Srijan, appointed as chairman of Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)

➤ Rajkiran Rai G, executive director of Oriental Bank of Commerce appointed as MD and CEO of Union Bank of India for a period of three years.

➤ R.A. Sankara Narayanan, executive director of Bank of India, will assume the post of MD and CEO of Vijaya Bank.

#### **AWARDS**

➤ A.P. CM, Chandrababu Naidu has been selected for the 'Transformative Chief Minister Award' for advancing the US-India partnership.

➤ Sanjay Pratihar, scientist of Tezpur University, awarded prestigious Indian National Science Academy (INSA) medal for the Young Scientist Award 2017.

#### **SPORTS**

➤ Joshna Chinappa became the first Indian to clinch the Asian Squash title in the women's final in Chennai.

Aizawl FC lifted the I-League crown against

Shillong, becoming the first club from the Northeast to bag the title.

➤ India has lost six points to slip to fourth position in the latest ICC T20I team rankings.

➤ Bangladesh imposed a 10-year ban on Sujon Mahmud of Lalmatia Club in protest at umpiring decisions.

➤ England's Mark Selby wins the global crown for the third time in the final of the World snooker championship at Crucible Theatre and

➤ Indian football team breaks into top 100 for 1<sup>st</sup> time in 21 years in FIFA rankings.

➤ Sultan Azlan Shah Cup 2017 concluded at Ipoh, Malaysia with Great Britain beating Australia 4-3 in the final to lift the trophy. India finished third in the competition

➤ Simbine Won A World-Class Sprint in 9.99 seconds to become the first South African man to win a Diamond League 100m held at Doha, Capital of Qatar.

➤ Shiva Thapa (60kg) won silver medal at the Asian Boxing Championships held in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, Elnur Abduraimov won the gold medal in this event.

**IMPORTANT DAYS:**

- May 1 - International Labour Day (May Day)
- May 3- World Press Freedom Day.

**OBITUARY**

- Shanto Mitra, who played for India in the Merdeka Cup in 1968 and was an assistant coach in the country's Nehru Cup campaign in 1984 passed away.
- Congress leader and former Madhya Pradesh Minister Pratap Singh Baghel died
- Former Assam Minister Bijit Saikia of the Congress elected to the state Assembly from Tezpur constituency died
- Dronacharya award winning wrestling coach Captain Chand Roop passed away
- Leila Seth, the first woman judge of the Delhi High Court and a member of the Justice J. S. Verma committee, died
- India-born legendary sitar player Ustad Rais Khan, winner of president award and Sitara-i-Imtiaz passed away in Pakistan.

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