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#### NATIONAL AFFAIRS

- Union Textiles Minister Smriti Irani and Rajasthan Chief Minister Vasundhara Raje inaugurated the 6th edition of the four-day international textile and apparel fair, 'VASTRA' in Jaipur.
- Himachal Roads Transport Corporation (HRTC) finally launched its electric bus service on the
  route on a regular basis. With this, Himachal Pradesh has become the first hill state in the
  country to run electric buses. Electricity charging points have been installed at Manali and
  Marhi.
- President Ram Nath Kovind said the youths of Jammu and Kashmir are the future of the State and it is their responsibility to play a role in its development. He asked the youth, participating in the Operation Sadbhavana, to learn from the discipline of the Army. The Sadbhavana tour was organised by the 109 Infantry Brigade of the Indian Army with an aim to develop trust among and reignite the minds of youth towards national integration. As part of this tour, these youth are visiting Srinagar, Delhi, Lansdowne, Rishikesh and Dehradun.
- The first of the Scorpene class submarines, Kalvari, was delivered to the Indian Navy by
   Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL). The submarines, designed by French naval defence
   and energy company DCNS, are being built by Mazagon Dock Limited in Mumbai as part of
   Project-75 of the Indian Navy.
- Hyperloop Transportation Technologies (HTT) signed a memorandum of understanding with the Andhra Pradesh Economic Development Board (APEDB) to connect Vijayawada and Amaravati, the new capital of Andhra Pradesh in Guntur district.
- Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu launched national teachers portaldiksha.gov.in in the function of National Awards to Teachers 2016 on Tecaher's Day. Basically the DIKSHA Portal is created to provide digital and advance technology to the teachers. The HRD ministry has



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also set up a slogan **National Digital Infrastructure for Our Teachers Our Heroes** for DIKSHA national teachers portal.

- 'Newton' will be India's official entry to the Best Foreign Film catgoryat the Oscars next year, says a Film Federation of India official.
- Kochi will host the fifth edition of the `Coastal Shipping and Inland Water Transportation
   Business Summit 2017'
- Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu laid the foundation stone for Ranchi Smart City and this would be the country's first 'green-field' smart city
- The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has approved the revamped Khelo India programme at a cost of Rs.1,756crore for the period 2017-18 to 2019-20.
- Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas and Skill Development Dharmendra Pradhan launched the Pradhan Mantri LPG Panchayat initiative in Gujarat.
- The Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Development of North-Eastern Region (DoNER),
  MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, DrJitendra Singh will
  inaugurate the first 'Pension Adalat'. The event is being organized by Department of Pension &
  Pensioners' Welfare, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Government of India.
- Funds from a Japanese government loan will soon be utilised for the first time in the \$100 billion,
   Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC) project. The DMIC spans six States (Uttar Pradesh, Delhi National Capital Region, Haryana, Rajasthan, Gujarat and Maharashtra).
- Kerala opens India's first transgender-exclusive clinics at government medical colleges across the state. They are planning to open Transgender Clinics in all government medical colleges in the state.
- Gender Alliance Bihar, a collective effort of over 270 civil society organisations backed by the UN Population Fund, has come up with a mobile application to fight the rampant social evil of child marriage in the state. Launched by Deputy Chief Minister Sushil Kumar Modi, the "BandhanTod" app will try to create awareness on resisting child marriage and will also provide round-the-clock help to adolescent girls saying no to the practice in the form of an SOS button.
- The Prime Minister dedicated the nation, the Deendayal Hast kala Sankul a trade facilitation centre for handicrafts – at Bada Lalpur".
- The Prime Minister flagged off the **Mahamana Express** through a video link. This train will connect **Varanasi** with **Surat and Vadodara in Gujarat**.



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- Prime Minister Modi inaugurated banking services of the **Utkarsh Bank**, and will also unveil a
  plaque to mark the laying of foundation stone of the headquarters building of the Bank. The
  Utkarsh Bank specializes in micro-finance.
- The Prime Minister dedicated a **Jal Ambulance service**, and a JalShavVahan service to the people of Varanasi, through a video link.
- The Prime Minister will briefly participate in a sanitation related activity in the village of Shahan shahpur. He will then visit a Pashudhan Arogya Mela.
- Prime Minister NarendraModi will launch 'power for all' scheme to mark the birth anniversary
  of RSS ideologue PanditDeendayalUpadhyaya. The scheme will aim at providing 24X7 electricity
  to all and the development was confirmed by power minister RK Singh.
- Ministry of Minority Affairs is working to establish "Hunar Hub" across the country to provide a
  platform to master artisans and craftsmen to display as well sell their products. Shri Naqvi
  and Pondicherry Chief Minister ShriV. Narayanasamy inaugurated Hunar Haat", being organised
  by Ministry of Minority Affairs at Pondicherry.
- The Minister of State for Home Affairs Shri Kiren Rijiju addressed at the seminar "Pralay Sahayam"- "Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief" held at College of Defence Management in Secunderabad Cantonment.
- The Centre decided to extend interest subsidy of Rs2.60 lakh on home loans for the Middle
   Income Group (MIG) up to March 2019 under the NDA government's flagship 'Housing for
   All'programme.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi released a postage stamp on different aspects of Lord Ram's life
  at the historic Tulsi Manas Mandir, and said he was a source of inspiration for every individual.
- Prime Minister NarendraModi has launched a 16,320-crore Scheme to supply electricity to all households by December 2018, providing free connections to the poor and at very low cost to others. The Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli HarGhar Yojna, named `Saubhagya`, which will be executed just before the next general elections, aims to improve the environment, public health, education and connectivity with the help of last-mile power connections across India.



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- Odisha government has launched 'SAMPURNA' (Sishu Abond Matru Mrityuhara Purna Nirakaran Abhijan) programme making provision of Rs 1,000 as transport cost for pregnant women to hospital from inaccessible areas.
- The board of Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) has approved the setting up of aRs 27,460 crore refinery by its subsidiary, Chennai Petroleum Corporation Ltd (CPCL).
- The Ministry of Women and Child Development will hold the first ever National Conference in New Delhi on Mission Mode to address Under-Nutrition in the country.
- A two-week long joint exercise named 'DRUZBA (Friendship) 2017' between the special forces of Pakistan and Russian armies kicked off in Minralney Vody, Russia.
- **Indonesian** scientists have found the **world's smallest squirrel** in the country's Borneo rain forest. The Bormean pigmy squirrel or exilisciurusexilis was found in Meratus mountain of South Kalimantan province
- Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh launched portal namely 'PENCIL' (Platform for Effective
  Enforcement for No Child Labour). PENCIL web portal stands for Platform for Effective
  Enforcement for No Child Labour an electronic platform for no child labour that has been developed
  by the Labour Ministry. This web portal has been was launched during the National Conference on
  Child Labour in New Delhi.
- The Minister of Science & Technology, Earth Sciences and Environment, Forest & Climate Change,
   Dr. Harshvardhan launched "Pt Deen Dayal Upadhayay Vigyan Gram Sankul Pariyojana"
   which will experiment and endeavour to formulate and implement appropriate S&T Interventions
   for Sustainable Development through cluster approach in Uttarakhand.
- Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu declared the year of 2017 as epragati year.
- Union minister Anupriya Patel launched a nationwide health campaign to sensitize women
  about the early screening and the preventive care for cancer. Themed 'Nurturing the
  Nurturer', the campaign was launched by FICCI Ladies Organisation (FLO) in partnership with the
  Apollo Hospitals group.
- Shri Ram Vilas Paswan, Union Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution today launched the Web Portal of Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority (WDRA)& "Electronic Negotiable Warehouse Receipt (e-NWR) System" in New Delhi.
- India's low-cost Mars Orbiter Mission completed its three year mission.
- The Ministry of Shipping has rename **Kandla Port Trust** as **Deendayal Port Trust** with effect from 25th of September, 2017.



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- The Odisha government decided to establish the Handloom and Handicrafts Development and Promotion Council in the state and restructuring of the cadre of the Odisha Administrative Service (OAS).
- A new interceptor boat (V-409) built by Bharathi Defence and Infrastructure Limited
   (BDIL) was launched at a function held at the Coast Guard yard.
- India is third in the world in the number of nuclear reactors being installed, at six, while China is leading at 20, the World Nuclear Industry Status Report 2017.
- The Minister of Communication Shri Manoj Sinha announced DoT's first ever Mobile,
   Internet and Technology event in India India Mobile Congress 2017 at Pragati Maidan,
   New Delhi.
- Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL) has signed contract with Research Centre Imarat (RCI) for supply of Medium Range Surface-to-Air Missiles (MRSAM) to Indian Army.
- The Union Home Minister ShriRajnath Singh inaugurated the 13th Formation Day of the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA). The theme of this year's Formation Day is School Safety.
- The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, has given its approval for implementation of umbrella scheme of "Modernization of Police Forces (MPF)" for years 2017-18 to 2019-20.
- The World Quality Congress (WQC) has awarded the **best security award** to the **Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport**.
- The Asia's oldest Mountain Biking (MTB) Himalaya cycle race was flagged off by the state
   Governor Acharya Dev Vrat from the Ridge Maidan in Himachal Pradesh.
- Gujarat will be the second state after Goa to use the VVPAT system for the Assembly elections.
- A high-level committee set up to recommend new laws or amendments to deal with hate speech on the Internet, has submitted its report to the Home Ministry.
- The third India International Science Festival will be held in Chennai in October 2017. The
  event will be jointly inaugurated by science and technology ministers of Nepal, Bangladesh,
  Afghanistan and Portugal.
- Environment Minister Dr. Harsh Vardhan will inaugurate the Global Wildlife Programme on 2nd of October. India is hosting the programme jointly with World Bank and United Nations Development Programme to address illegal wildlife trade across 19 Asian and African countries.
- The Karnataka government launched Vision-2025 project aimed at evolving a draft policy for development of the state in next seven years by seeking the opinion of the public.



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The Rajiv Gandhi International Airport in Hyderabad has become the first airport to provide a
wheelchair lift or vert-lift. The move comes as part of GMR Hyderabad International Airport
Ltd's Accessible India Campaign for passengers with reduced mobility.

#### **INTERNATIONAL**

- Dr.Sekhar Basu, Chairman of Atomic Energy Commission and Secretary of Department of Atomic Energy attended the 61st IAEA General Conference held in Vienna, Austria.
- India is collaborating with Russia to build the Roppur power plant in Bangladesh. This is India's first atomic energy plant abroad.
- Multilateral funding agency ADB said it has sanctioned a USD 300 million loan facility for
  carrying forward fiscal reforms in West Bengal. The first ADB policy-based loan of \$400 million
  in 2012 for the first West Bengal Development Finance Program aimed to create the fiscal space
  necessary to sustain higher public investment in the state.
- Britain and Saudi Arabia signed a framework deal on military and security cooperation,
   redoubling efforts to counter Iran in the Gulf region and defeat Islamic State.
- Chinese and Russian commanders conducted a simulation exercise in Kaliningrad province for the ongoing joint military drills code-named "Joint Sea 2017" in the Baltic Sea.
- Sri Lankan naval ships Sayura and Sagara entered Visakhapatnam harbour to participate in the fifth edition of SLINEX 2017, a bilateral naval exercise between India and Sri Lanka, from 7 to 14 September.
- China has launched the world's fastest bullet train, running at 350 kilometres (217 miles) per hour. Route: Beijing to Shanghai
- India's dream for high horsepower locomotive moved closer to reality with the arrival of the first body shell of 12000 HP loco from Alstom France at Kolkata port.
- External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj three-day visit to Russia's port city Vladivostok where she had participated in the third Eastern Economic Forum.
- **Hurricane Irma** has become the **first storm** in the world to sustain winds of 185 miles per hour for more than 24 hours. It's the longest storm to sustain this speed since the 1970s.
- ASEAN Economic Ministers (AEM) gathers in Pasay City, Philippines, for the 49th AEM Meeting and Related Meetings, which will be held from 7 to 11 September.
- The WHO has released its first tranche of emergency funding of \$175,000 to provide lifesaving healthcare to the "vulnerable population" in Bangladesh's Cox's Bazar



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- The 7th ASEM (Asia-Europe Meeting) Economic Ministers' Meeting was held in Seoul, South Korea. Theme for this year's meeting was 'Innovative Partnership for Inclusive Prosperity'.
- China and Australia joint military training exercise called "Panda-Kangaroo 2017" concluded in Kunming, capital of southwest China's Yunnan Province.
- Finance Minister Arun Jaitley along with Chief Executive of Afghanistan Abdullah inaugurated an India-Afghanistan Trade and Investment Show 'Passage to Prosperity'. The three-day event, sponsored by the US, will focus on better regional integration by strengthening economic ties between Afghanistan and India.
- Deakin University, Australia has inked a memorandum of understanding with the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) for conducting data analytics and impact evaluation studies in the skills ecosystem and the duration of the MoU is five years.
- SBI has launched its sixth branch in Singapore.
- IDBI Bank said it has launched 'Project Nishchay' in partnership with The Boston Consulting Group (BCG) to accelerate its turnaround programme and improve financial performance.
- India has been ranked as the 40th most competitive economy slipping one place from last year's ranking — on the World Economic Forum's global competitiveness index which was topped by Switzerland.
- The **2nd Biennial Trade Ministers Forum (BTMF) meeting** was held at **New Delhi** between delegations led by the Minister of Commerce and Industry of India, **Shri Suresh Prabhu** and the Minister of Trade of the Republic of Indonesia, **Mr. enggartiasto lukita**

#### **BANKING & BUSINESS**

- YES BANK, India's fifth largest private sector Bank, and Indian Institute of Management
  Lucknow (IIM-L) are signing a charter to further the common objective of spreading 'Climate
  Literacy' to achieve sustainable development through shared learning. YES BANK will support IIML in updating the 2-year course curriculum in accordance with global standards, along with
  delivering guest lectures.
- SBI Card, the second largest credit card selling company after HDFC, is all set to offer preapproved cards to customers of its parent State Bank of India. It has entered into a tripartite
  agreement with SBI and India's first credit bureau Trans Union CIBIL to this end.



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- India has replaced China as the numerouno retail destination in 2017 as part of the global retail development index, according to industry experts.
- The insurance regulator has given the go-ahead to Digit Insurance to carry on its General Insurance, including health insurance business.
- US banking regulators ordered Pakistan's Habib Bank to shutter its New York office after nearly 40 years, for repeatedly failing to heed concerns over possible terrorist financing and money laundering and also slapped a \$225 million fine on the bank, although that is much smaller than the \$629.6 million penalty initially proposed.
- India has been placed at a low 103 rank, the lowest among BRICS economies, on the WEF's Global Human Capital Index, which has been topped by Norway.
- Fintech ecosystem in India, Fino Payments Bank has launched its mobile banking app called BPay.
- The Reserve Bank relaxed norms for issuance of rupee-denominated overseas bonds, popularly known as masala bonds, saying they will be treated as external commercial borrowings from October 3, thereby freeing up more investments by FPIs.
- State Bank of India (SBI) has launched the FTSE SBI Bond Index series in partnership with global index provider FTSE 100, which it is hoped will give tools to investors from India, the UK and globally to analyse India's government bond market, and drive growth in this market.
- Markets regulator SEBI has imposed a penalty of Rs 9 lakh on ING Vysya Bank former official
   Vinay Agarwal for violating insider trading regulations.
- The government of India has partnered with Amazon to sell tribal products through the online marketplace. Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India Limited (TRIFED), a PSU under Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India, and Amazon would sign a MoU next week for the same. TRIFED is also expanding its operations through other ecommerce portals.
- **HuiKa Yan**, the chairman of big China real estate developer China Ever grande Group, has become **Asia's richest man** following a run-up in the company's Hong Kong-listed shares.
- Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (Irdai) has formed a tenmember steering committee to help implement by March 2021 the new risk-based capital (RBC) regime that will also enhance protection to policyholders.
- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) allowed Infrastructure Investment

  Trusts (InvITs) and Real Estate investment Trusts (REITs) to raise capital by issuing debt
  securities. The move could help attract investors to the capital-starved property sector. In



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addition to allowing bond issuances, **SEBI** also introduced the concept of strategic investor for REITs, similar to InvITs.

- Country's largest lender, State Bank of India will be unveiling its sixth apex management training facility in Kolkata. At present, of the five such institutes run by the bank, three are in Hyderabad and one each in Gurgaon and Indore.
- SBI has lowered the average minimum balance requirement under its savings account for metro
  customers to Rs 3,000 from Rs 5,000 earlier following protests. Minimum balance for urban,
  semi-urban and rural centres continues to be at Rs 3,000, Rs 2,000 and Rs 1,000,
- Asian Development Bank has downgraded India's growth projection to seven per cent for the current fiscal year, while lowering its forecast for the next financial year as well.
- Two Indians Chanda Kochhar and Shikha Sharma have made it to the rankings of most
  powerful women in business outside the United States drawn up by the Fortune magazine while
  Indra Nooyi featured in the top three on the US edition list.
- The Asian Development Bank said it will increase its annual lending to India to a maximum of \$4 billion between 2018 and 2022 to help fasten inclusive economic transformation towards upper middle income status
- India and Norway have extended bilateral cooperation in health sector through the NorwayIndia Partnership Initiative for a period of three years starting 2018. A letter of Intent was
  signed to this effect in New Delhi between the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and
  the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- Interpol has admitted the Palestinian territories as a new member, despite opposition from
   Israel and also have approved the membership of Solomon Islands.
- Russia and the United States have agreed to co-operate on a NASA-led project to build the first lunar space station, part of a long-term project to explore deep space and send humans to Mars.
- India launched an Incredible India campaign to woo Egyptian travellers and make them aware of the magnificent holiday options in the country.
- The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) registered National E-Governance
   Services Limited (NeSL) as an Information Utility (IU) under the IBBI (Information Utilities)
   Regulations, 2017.
- The Union Cabinet under the Chairmanship of Prime Minister ShriNarendraModi has given its
  approval for signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on General Cooperation with
  New Development Bank (NDB) through the BRICS Interbank Cooperation Mechanism by



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Government at the level of Secretary, Department of Economic Affairs/ Export Import Bank of India.

- Goods and Services Tax (GST) revenue collections in August stood at 90,669 crore rupees.
   The Finance Ministry also released the revised data of GST collection for July which is to the tune of 94,063 crore rupees.
- Mukesh Ambani-led Reliance Industries Ltd has jumped five places to rank as the world's third-biggest energy company behind Russian gas giant Gazprom and German utility E.ON, according to Platts Top 250 global energy company rankings released.
- Government has extended the deadline to sell pre-GST goods by three months till 31st of December this year.
- India's largest private sector lender by consolidated assets, ICICI Bank announced a new
  home loan scheme that offers borrowers the benefit of 1% cashback on every EMI, for the
  entire tenure of the loan. The offer will be valid for home loans with a minimum tenure of 15
  years and maximum tenure of 30 years.
- Patanjali Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer **AcharyaBalkrishna** has made it to the list of **top 10 richest Indians** riding high on the success of the Baba Ramdev-run Ayurveda FMCG brand. **Balkrishna** has ranked **eighth** in the **Hurun India rich list 2017**.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

S.No	Name	Post	Post Previously
			held by
1.	Bollywood actress	First Indian woman	-
	Parineeti Chopra	<b>Ambassador</b> to	
		encourage Indians to	
		visit the country-	
· ·		Appointed by	
		AUSTRALIA	
2.	Raquel Dodge	Attorney general in	Rodrigo Janot
		Brazil	
3.	Ms. <b>Vani Sarraju Rao</b>	Ambassador of	-
		India to the	
		Republic of Estonia	



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4.	B Sambamurthy	Interim Chairman	Balachandran M
		of the Board	
5.	Thompson	The First Special	-
		Envoy for the oceans	
6.	Chancellor Angela Merkel	Chancellor of	-
		Germany (4 <sup>th</sup> Time)	
7.	Arvind Subramanian	Chief Economic	-
		Adviser (CEA) -	
		(Extension Period of	
		One Year )	
8.	M C Mary Kom	International Boxing	-
		Association's (AIBA)	
		representative for the	
		IOC Athletes' Forum	
9.	Lalawmpuii	Second woman in	Lalhlimpui Hmar
	Chawngthu	Mizoram to be	
		inducted in the	(First Women in
		state's council of	Mizoram's State's
		ministers	Council of
			ministers)
10.	Bibek Debroy	Chairman of	-
		Economic Advisory	
		Council	
11.	Balraj Joshi	Chairman-cum-	_
		Managing Director	
		(CMD) of NHPC Ltd	
12.	Joao Lourenco	Angola's new	Jose Eduardo dos
		president	Santos
13.	Bilal Dar	Brand ambassador	-
		for Srinagar	
		Municipal	
		Corporation	

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14.	Satya Pal Malik	New Governor of	_
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		Bihar	
15.	Banwarilal Purohit	Governor of Tamil	-
		Nadu	
16.	Prof Jagdish Mukhi	Governor of Assam	Banwarilal Purohit
17.	Admiral (Retd)	Lieutenant	Prof Jagdish
	Devendra Kumar Joshi	Governor of	Mukhi
		Andaman and	
		Nicobar	
18.	Brigadier (Retd) <b>B D</b>	Governor of	-
	Mishra	Arunachal Pradesh	
19.	Ganga Prasad	Governor of	-
		Meghalaya	
20.	Royana Singh	Chief Proctor of	-
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#### **Books & Authors**

S.No	Books	Authors	Released by
1.	How India Sees	Former Foreign	Former Prime
	the World: Kautilya	Secretary Shyam	Minister Dr.
	to the 21st Century	Saran	Manmohan Singh
2.	The Shershah of	Deepak Surana	-
	Kargil		

#### **RESIGNS**

S.No	Name	Post
1.	Dr. M.V. Sridhar	General Manager of BCCI



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#### **AWARDS**

S.No	Award Name	Awarded to
1.	'Skoch Award-2017' in 'Smart	Jawaharlal Institute of
	Governance-Health Category'	Postgraduate Medical
		Education and Research
		(Jipmer)
2.	Krishi Pragati Awards 2017	Raghunandan Industries Pvt
		Ltd
3.	2017 Von Hippel Award	Prof C.N.R. Rao
4.	Balzan Prize	Indian economist Bina
		Agarwal
5.	ANR National Award	S S Rajamouli
6.	GQ Actor of the Year Award	Rajkummar Rao
7.	2017 SASTRA Ramanujan	MarynaViazovska
	Prize	
8.	Mass Challenge Israel contest	Kheyti, a Hyderabad-
		based start-up
9.	Sarala award	Banaj Devi
10.	Living Legend Award of the	Mahtab Bamji
	International Union of	
	Nutritional Sciences (IUNS)	

#### **SPORTS**

- 1. **FIFA** and the **Local Organising Committee** (LOC) for the FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup France 2018 unveiled the **Official Emblem** of the competition in Rennes, **France**. The slogan of the tournament "**Dare To Shine"** reflects the development of football, especially women's football.
- 2. Asian champions **G. Lakshmanan** and **P.U. Chitra** won gold medals in the athletics events of the fifth Asian **Indoor and Martial Arts Games Ashgabat (Turkmenistan).**
- 3. Indians added four medals, including a gold through wrestler Bajrang, on the ninth day of the 5th Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games in Ashqabat.

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- 4. Indian shuttler Vaishnavi Reddy notched up the women's singles U-19 title at the Belgian Junior Open after defeating top seed Vivien Sandorhazi in a three-game final at Herstal, Belgium.
- 5. Pakistan batsman Khalid Latif has been banned by the PCB from all forms of cricket for five years for his role in the spot-fixing scandal that marred the 2017 Pakistan Super League (PSL).
- 6. **India** grabbed the **11th spot** in the **5th Asian Indoor & Martial Arts Games** in **Turkmenistan** after winning four more medals.
- 7. India is the no. 1 spot in the International Cricket Council (ICC) One-Day International (ODI) rankings. The three Top three teams in ODI are India, South Africa, and Australia.
- 8. **India's Sourav Kothari** overcame a stiff challenge from former World Billiards champion Praprut Chaitanasakun of Thailand to win the **gold medal** in the **Asian Indoor Games.**
- 9. The International Cricket Council (ICC) has launched an anti-corruption investigation in Sri Lanka but did not specify if any particular series involving the country is under the scanner.
- 10. Asian champion Govindan Lakshmanan cruised to victory in the **men's 5000 metre race** on the opening day of the **57th National Open Athletics Championships** at the Nehru Stadium.
- 11. The Boxing Federation of India has included the prestigious South Asian Championship to be held in Guwahati Dec. 6-10. This is the first time India will host the South Asian Boxing Championship, which will see a potential blockbuster clash against arch-rival Pakistan along with other South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation nations, including Afghanistan, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh, among others.
- 12. Mithali Raj, the captain of India's national women's cricket team. BCC named her as one of the 100 most influential women.
- 13. Hosts Turkmenistan topped the medals tally with 89 gold, 70 silver and 86 bronze, followed by China and Iran in the 5<sup>th</sup> Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games 2017.

#### HISTORIC EVENTS OF THE DAY

DATE	IMPORTANT DAY	THEME
September 21	International Day of Peace	"Together for Peace:
		Respect, Safety and Dignity
		for All"
September 27	World Tourism Day	Sustainable tourism – a tool
		for development
September 28	World Maritime Day	Connecting Ships, Ports and



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		People
September 28	World Rabies Day	Rabies: Zero by 30

#### **OBITUARIES**

S.No	Name	About Them
1.	Jake LaMotta	Legendary former world
		middleweight boxing
		champion
2.	Arun Sadhu	Noted writer
3.	Eman Ahmed	World's Heaviest Woman
4.	Liliane Bettencourt	Heir to the French L'Oreal
		hairspray empire and the
		world's wealthiest woman
5.	Charles Bradley	Legendary soul singer
6.	Tom Alter	Veteran actor and theatre
		personality and also Padma
		Shree Awardee



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