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IMPORTANT DAYS

- **November 7** :World Cancer Awareness Day
- **November 9** :Legal service Day
- **November 10** :Transport Day
- **November 14** :World Diabetics Day

NATIONAL EVENTS

- **Faizabad to be known as Ayodhya: Yogi Adityanath** On November 7, 2018, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister **Yogi Adityanath** renamed **Faizabad** as **Ayodhya**, the birthplace of Lord Ram. The Faizabad district comprises the twin towns of Faizabad and Ayodhya on the banks of the river Saryu.
 - ii. He also announced a medical college that would be named after Lord Ram's father in the epic Ramayana, Raja Dashrath. An airport in Ayodhya will be named after Lord Ram.
- **Delhi's Eiffel Tower, Signature Bridge inaugurated In Delhi** On November 4, 2018, Delhi's Chief Minister **Arvind Kejriwal** inaugurated the iconic '**Signature Bridge**'.
 - i. It is being dubbed as 'Delhi's Eiffel Tower'.
 - ii. The estimated cost of the project is: **Rs. 1,594 crore.**

Physical overview:

- i. The **675-metre** Signature Bridge is an **8-lane** carriageway that is being projected as India's first asymmetrical cable-stayed bridge, with the gesture 'namaste'.
- ii. It has 127 strands of back-stay cables and houses a **154-metre-high glass viewing box**, which is at **double** the height of **Qutub Minar**. It has 4 elevators which will take a total of 50 people to the top of the bridge.

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

- **India took part in 1st China International Import Expo inaugurated in Shanghai** On November 5, 2018, India participated in China's 1st **International Import Expo (CIIE)** at the National Exhibition and Convention Center in **Shanghai**. It will conclude on November 10.
- **18th Indian Ocean Rim Association Council of Ministers Meeting held in Durban, South Africa** On November 2, 2018, the **18th Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) Council of Ministers Meeting** was held in **Durban, South Africa**. The Theme of the IORA meeting was:
 - i. "IORA: Uniting the Peoples of Africa, Asia, Australasia and the Middle East through enhanced

cooperation for Peace, Stability And Sustainable Development”.

ii. South Africa is the current chairman of the IORA organization.

iii. The Meeting was chaired by Honourable Minister **Lindiwe Sisulu**, Foreign Minister of International Relations and Cooperation of the Republic of South Africa, and Chair of the Association.

PERSONS IN NEWS

- **Rajesh Ram Mishra** On November 5, 2018, **India Electronics and Semiconductor Association (IESA)**, announced appointment of **Rajesh Ram Mishra** as its new **President**.
- **Gafur Rakhimov**, an **Uzbek** businessman, was elected **president** of **International Boxing Association (AIBA)**, the amateur boxing federation.
- **Mary Kom**: Olympic bronze medalist boxer MC Mary Kom was named as the brand ambassador of the 10th edition of AIBA Women's World Championship, which will be held from November 15-24, 2018, in New Delhi.

OBITUARY

- **V. Rathinam**: On 3rd November 2018, **V. Rathinam**, **freedom fighter** and member of Indian National Army (INA), passed away following a short term illness at Chathirakudi, Ramanathapuram, in Tamil Nadu.
- **Manohar Pralhad Awati** On 4th November 2018, **Vice Admiral (Retd.) Manohar Pralhad Awati**, a veteran of the 1971 Indo-Pakistan war, died due to old age related ailments, at Vinchurni village in Satara district, Maharashtra.

PLACES IN NEWS

- **Lucknow**: On November 7, 2018, **UP Governor Ram Naik** approved renaming of **Ekana International Cricket Stadium in Lucknow** in the memory of late PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee.
 - As per the proposal, the Ekana International Cricket Stadium in Lucknow was renamed as the “**Bharat Ratan Atal Bihari Vajpayee International Cricket Stadium**“. It has a seating capacity of around 50,000.
- **Ayodhya**: On 6th November 2018, a **new world record** was set as **3,01,152 diyas** were lit on the banks of River Sarayu, during Deepostav 2018, in Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh.

AWARDS

- **N Ram** chosen for ‘**Raja Ram Mohan Roy Award**’ by **Press Council of India (PCI)** Journalist and the Hindu Group of Publications Chairman **N Ram** has been chosen for the **Raja Ram Mohan Roy Award**, presented by the Press Council of India (PCI), for his contribution to journalism. The award will be presented on November 16, 2018, on the occasion of the National Press Day.
 - PCI has also announced other winners of the **National Awards for Excellence in Journalism 2018**.
- **Dr. Ramdas M Pai**, **MAHE Chancellor**, conferred ‘**Lifetime Achievement Award 2018**’ by **FICCI** On 30th October 2018, **Dr. Ramdas M Pai**, Chancellor and President of Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), was awarded ‘**Lifetime Achievement Award 2018**’ by the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (**FICCI**), in New Delhi.

SPORTS

- **Former Australia captain Mark Taylor resigns from Cricket Australia board** On 5th November 2018, former Australia captain Mark Taylor resigned from Cricket Australia's (CA) board of directors.
- **Simone Biles sets record by picking up 13th world championship gold medal** On 2nd November 2018, Simone Biles became the first ever gymnast to win 13 world championship gold medals, by winning her 13th gold medal at the world gymnastics championships in Doha, Qatar
- **Vietnam will host the Formula 1 race in April 2020 in Hanoi** Vietnam will host Formula 1 race in its capital city Hanoi for the first time in April 2020.
 - i. The Vietnamese government has given its support for the race. But Federation Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA), Formula 1's governing body, has not given the approval yet.
 - ii. The circuit for the Formula 1 race will be unveiled soon. Funding for the race will be provided by the private sector, and not by the government.
 - iii. It will be the third Formula 1 race to be hosted in south-east Asia following Singapore and Malaysia.

BANKING AND FINANCE

- **India jumps 23 places to 77th in ease of doing business ranking: World Bank** On October 31, 2018, according to the World Bank Group's Doing Business 2019 report, India has shot up by 23 spots to reach the 77th position among 190 nations in World Bank's Ease of Doing Business ranking. India is now recognized as among top ten improves for the 2nd consecutive year and has ranked first among South Asian countries compared to 6th rank

- in 2014.
- ii. In 2017, India progressed 30 positions to reach the top 100.

BOOKS & AUTHORS

- "Notes of a Dream: The Authorized Biography of A.R. Rahman" by Krishna Trilok was launched
- The Fire Burns Blue: A History of Women's Cricket in India', co-authored by Karunya Keshav and Sidhanta Pathak.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- **Nuclear sub INS Arihant successfully completed its first deterrence patrol** On November 5, 2018, Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced successful completion of first deterrence patrol of the Indian nuclear submarine INS Arihant.
- **Offshore patrol vessel ICGS Varaha launched from a corporate shipyard near Chennai** Indian Coast Guard has launched a new offshore patrol vessel named ICGS Varaha from a corporate shipyard near Chennai, Tamil Nadu. ICGS Varaha has been designed and built indigenously. This is the 3rd vessel in a series of 7 similar ships to be handed over to the Coast Guard.
 - ii. All the vessels would be delivered by March 2021. ICGS Varaha will be soon equipped with advanced navigation and communication equipment, sensors and machineries.
 - iii. The weapons will include a 30 mm gun with Fire Control Systems. It will be able to carry a twin-engine helicopter and 4 high-speed boats for Search and Rescue and Maritime Patrol.
 - iv. It also has pollution response equipment to hold the oil spill at sea.
- **Shakti : India's first indigenous microprocessor developed by IIT-**

Madras On November 1, 2018, India's first microprocessor, **Shakti**, was designed and booted up by researchers at Indian **Institute of Technology-Madras (IITM)**.

Program (KMEP)", in Pohang, South Korea, on 5th November 2018?

- 1) United States
- 2) North Korea
- 3) China
- 4) Japan
- 5) None of these

5. Where was the 'Sharjah-India Business Roundtable' held on November 5, 2018?

- 1) New Delhi, India
- 2) Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- 3) Sharjah, United Arab Emirates
- 4) Mumbai, India
- 5) None of these

6. ICICI Bank announced partnership with 'Amazon Pay' to launch a co-branded credit card, 'Amazon Pay ICICI Bank Credit Card' on which platform?

- 1) Visa
- 2) Master Card
- 3) American Express
- 4) PayPal
- 5) None of these

7. US International Trade Commission (USITC) ruled against anti-dumping duty on the imports of a synthetic fluoropolymer, from China and which other country?

- 1) Japan
- 2) India
- 3) Australia
- 4) Egypt
- 5) None of these

8. Which was the only Asian film that was screened at the 13th Rome Film Festival held from 18th to 28th October 2018 in Rome?

- 1) Mere Pyaare Prime Minister
- 2) Dangal
- 3) Tumhari Sulu
- 4) Toilet: Ek Prem Katha
- 5) None of these

9. Who has been awarded the IPI (International Press Institute) India

CURRENT AFFAIRS QUIZ

1. Bihar cabinet has approved redevelopment of Patna Medical College and Hospital (PMCH) into world's largest 5462-bed hospital at an estimated cost of _____?

- 1) Rs 3466.89 crore
- 2) Rs 5540.07 crore
- 3) Rs 6560.85 crore
- 4) Rs 7300.50 crore
- 5) None of these

2. Where did National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG), HCL Foundation and German development agency GIZ (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit) organize "Bal Ganga Mela" on November 5, 2018?

- 1) Mumbai
- 2) Kolkata
- 3) Noida
- 4) Hyderabad
- 5) None of these

3. Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) has approved the strategy for operationalisation of Operation Greens, as per which MoFPI will provide _____% of subsidy for transport and storage of TOP (Tomato, Onion, Potato)?

- 1) 60 %
- 2) 50 %
- 3) 40 %
- 4) 35 %
- 5) None of these

4. South Korea and which country resumed their battalion-level marine exercises "Korea Marine Exercise

- Award for excellence in journalism 2018?
- 1) Ramya Nambiar
 - 2) Prem Gowda
 - 3) Namrata Biji Ahuja
 - 4) David Sebastian
 - 5) None of these
10. Name the person who was awarded 'Lifetime Achievement Award 2018' by the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI), in New Delhi, on 30th October 2018?
- 1) Dr. Ramdas M Pai
 - 2) Dr. H Vinod Bhat
 - 3) Arpit Sharma
 - 4) Reena Ted
 - 5) None of these
11. Name the International Olympic Committee (IOC) President who was one of the recipients of President's Award at the International Hockey Federation (FIH) Honorary Awards 2018 ceremony in New Delhi, on 1st November 2018?
- 1) Dr Thomas Bach
 - 2) Nii Quay Kumar
 - 3) Brigadier Mussarat Ullah Khan
 - 4) Choi-Cho Yoon
 - 5) None of these
12. Who was appointed President of India Electronics and Semiconductor Association (IESA) on November 5, 2018?
- 1) Anil Kumar Muniswamy
 - 2) Rajesh Ram Mishra
 - 3) Pawan Kumar
 - 4) Sathish Reddy
 - 5) None of these
13. Who was elected president of International Boxing Association (AIBA), on 5th November 2018?
- 1) Gafur Rakhimov
 - 2) Rashid Alimov
 - 3) CK Wu
 - 4) Serik Konakbayev
 - 5) None of these
14. Who was appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the Republic of Congo, on November 5, 2018?
- 1) Nina Tshering La
 - 2) Preethi Sharma
 - 3) Mahmood Hussain
 - 4) Rafael Davidson
 - 5) None of these
15. Name the person who was appointed as the next Ambassador of India to Japan, on 2nd November 2018?
- 1) Nazia Arshath
 - 2) Sanjay Kumar Verma
 - 3) Arjun Ram Prasad
 - 4) Veer Sampath
 - 5) None of these

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