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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

- **Union Minister Mahesh Sharma Inaugurates 38th India International Trade Fair in New Delhi**  
On 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018, the 38<sup>th</sup> edition of **India International Trade Fair (IITF)** was inaugurated by Union Minister of State for Culture, Mahesh Sharma at Pragati Maidan, in New Delhi. Theme of the 38<sup>th</sup> IITF was: 'Rural Enterprises in India'. The event will take place for 14 days. It will end on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2018.
- ii. For the 38<sup>th</sup> IITF, Afghanistan is the Partner Country. Nepal is the Focus Country. Jharkhand is the Partner State.
- **Rs 75 coin to be issued by government to mark 75th anniversary of Tricolour hoisting by Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose**  
On November 14, 2018, the **Ministry of Finance** issued a notification regarding the release of the **Rs 75 coin** to commemorate **75th anniversary of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose hoisting the Tricolour for the first time at Port Blair in Andaman Nicobar Islands.**

## INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

- **India to top US as 2nd-largest carbon emitter from power: International Energy Agency**  
On November 13, 2018, according to the report by the **International Energy Agency** titled '**World Energy Outlook**', India would surpass US as the 2<sup>nd</sup> biggest emitter of carbon dioxide from the power sector in the world after **China**. India's growing energy demand is the reason for the title which is expected to be achieved before **2030**.
- ii. Further there will be a rise of nearly **80 per cent** by **2040** as power use almost triples due to the growth of air conditioning in the country.
- **2-day annual meeting of WEF Global Future Councils begins in Dubai**  
On November 13, 2018, the 2 day **3<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting of World Economic Forum's (WEF) Global Future Councils** concluded in **Dubai, UAE**.
- **Fifth World Internet Conference (WIC) held in China**  
From November 7 to 9, 2018, the **5<sup>th</sup> World Internet Conference (WIC)**, also known as the **Wuzhen Summit**, was held in **Wuzhen, China**. The conference aimed to bring out exchanges, mutual learning, cooperation and sharing in the digital fields and stressed on peace and development of the global cyberspace.

**PERSONS IN NEWS**

- **Sadananda Gowda, Narendra Singh Tomar given charge of Ananth Kumar's portfolios** On November 13 2018, **Union Ministers DV Sadananda Gowda and Narendra Singh Tomar** were assigned additional portfolios of the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers and the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs due to the sudden demise of Union Minister and Karnataka BJP leader **Ananth Kumar**.
- **Ashok Kumar Gupta** On November 9, 2018, former IAS officer **Ashok Kumar Gupta** was appointed the **chairperson** of the **Competition Commission of India (CCI)**.

**OBITUARY**

- **Lalan Sarang** On 9<sup>th</sup> November 2018, theatre and Marathi film actor **Lalan Sarang** passed away due to age-related ailments in Pune, Maharashtra.
- **Chitta Jena:** On 13<sup>th</sup> November 2018, **Odia singer Chitta Jena** died following a short term illness in Cuttack, Odisha.
- **Journalist Roshan Lal Sethi** On 10<sup>th</sup> November 2018, **sports journalist Roshan Lal Sethi** died following a long term illness, at his residence in Delhi. He was 81 years old
- **Ananth Kumar:** On 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018, **Union Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, and Chemicals and Fertilizers H.N. Ananth Kumar**, passed away after combating lung cancer in Bengaluru.

**PLACES IN NEWS**

- **North East's first 'water handloom hut' inaugurated in Manipur** On November 12, 2018, Tripura's forest and tribal welfare minister, **Mevar Kumar Jamatia**, inaugurated first ever **"Water Handloom Hut"** in the North East region at **Loktak Lake in Imphal, Manipur**.

i. It is part of the 5 water handloom huts built on phumdis (floating biomass) at Loktak Lake in **Bishnupur** district.

**AWARDS**

- **Lionel Messi wins 6th La Liga Player of the Year award (football)** On 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018, Barcelona forward **Lionel Messi** was declared **La Liga league's best player** of the **2017-18** campaign, by Marca at an awards ceremony in Barcelona, Spain. The award was presented at Marca's football awards for the 2017-18 season. Marca is a Spanish national daily sport newspaper.
- **Dr. Martha Farrell received lifetime achievement award for her contribution in social work** On November 13, 2018, Late **Dr. Martha Farrell** was honoured with the **"Lifetime Achievement Award"** at the **6th Indian Social Work Congress** in New Delhi.
  - She was recognized for her lifelong work towards gender equality, women's empowerment and prevention of sexual harassment at workplace.
- **Mountaineer Satyarup Siddhanta became 1<sup>st</sup> Indian to scale Mt Giluwe in Papua New Guinea** On November 12, 2018, Indian mountaineer **Satyarup Siddhanta** became the **first Indian** to climb **Mt Giluwe** – the second highest mountain in Papua New Guinea. He summited an elevation of 4,367 metres which will be followed by **Mt Wilhelm** – the highest mountain of Papua New Guinea.
  - Till now, Satya has scaled 5 of the 7 volcanic summits.
- **ATP World Tour Awards 2018 announced** On November 11, 2018, **ATP World Tour Awards 2018** were announced.

Category	Winner
<b>Comeback Player of the Year</b>	Novak Djokovic
<b>ATP World Tour No. 1 Doubles</b>	Oliver Marach- Mate Pavic (1 <sup>st</sup> time)

<b>Team</b>	
<b>Most Improved Player of the Year</b>	Stefanos Tsitsipas
<b>Newcomer of the Year</b>	Alex de Minaur

## SPORTS

- **Odisha government signs MoU with AIFF to host national camps, become home of Indian Arrows** On 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018, Odisha government signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with All India Football Federation (AIFF) to host National team camps and become the home of the I-League side Indian Arrows..
- **Lewis Hamilton wins Brazilian Grand Prix** On 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018, five-time world champion Lewis Hamilton won Brazilian Grand Prix in Brazil.
  - This is Lewis Hamilton's 10<sup>th</sup> victory of 2018 and 72<sup>nd</sup> victory of his career. Mercedes won the constructors championship for the 5<sup>th</sup> consecutive season.
- **34th National Junior Athletics Championships 2018 in Ranchi** From 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018, 34<sup>th</sup> National Junior Athletics Championships 2018 was held at the Birsa Munda Athletics Stadium

## BOOKS & AUTHORS

- On 29<sup>th</sup> October 2018, Vice President M. Venkaiah Naidu released the book '**Yoga and Mindfulness**' authored by Yoga exponent, Ms. Mansi Gulati, at Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Conference Hall, Vice President's House, in New Delhi.

## SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- **ISRO successfully launch GSLV Mk III-D2 carrying GSAT-29 satellite** On 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018, Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)

successfully launched its latest communication satellite **GSAT-29**, which was put in Geosynchronous Transfer Orbit by India's 5<sup>th</sup> generation heavy-lift rocket Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle Mark III D2 (**GSLV-Mk III D2**).

- **India represented by INS Rana at Surabaya in Navy Bilateral Exercise 'Samudra Shakti'** On November 12, 2018, INS Rana reached the port of Surabaya to participate in the 7-day inaugural edition of Indian Navy – Indonesian Navy Bilateral Exercise 'Samudra Shakti'.
- **SpiNNaker: World's Largest Brain-Like Supercomputer Switched On For First Time Spiking Neural Network Architecture (SpiNNaker)** machine, the world's largest supercomputer designed to work like the human brain has been switched on for the first time. It has a million-processor-core. It can complete over 200 million actions per second. Each of its chips have 100 million transistors.
  - It has been designed and built in the University of Manchester in the United Kingdom. It can model more biological neurons in real time than any other machine.

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUIZ

1. Vaccinations in India are still out of reach of girls under the age of \_\_\_\_ in rural India, as per '2018 Pneumonia and Diarrhea Progress Report' released by International Vaccine Access Center (IVAC), on November 11, 2018?
  - 1) 3
  - 2) 6
  - 3) 5
  - 4) 4
  - 5) None of these
2. Where was the Global IT Challenge for Youth with Disabilities 2018 event held from 9th to 11th November 2018?
  - 1) Mumbai
  - 2) Kolkata
  - 3) New Delhi
  - 4) Bengaluru
  - 5) None of these
3. Which state/union territory is celebrating "Jashn-e-Virasat-e-Urdu", a festival to celebrate Urdu culture and its heritage, from 10th to 15th November 2018?
  - 1) Goa

- 2) Pondicherry
  - 3) Jammu and Kashmir
  - 4) Delhi
  - 5) None of these
4. Where was Food and Agro Buyer-Seller Meet (BSM) held on 11th November 2018?
    - 1) New Delhi, India
    - 2) Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
    - 3) Beijing, China
    - 4) Dhaka, Bangladesh
    - 5) None of these
  5. How many MoUs were signed between India and Zimbabwe, during Indian Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu's visit to Zimbabwe, on 2nd November 2018?
    - 1) 4
    - 2) 3
    - 3) 5
    - 4) 6
    - 5) None of these
  6. India extended the new line of credit for \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for 18 water projects in Malawi, on 5th November 2018?
    - 1) \$215.16 million
    - 2) \$423.67 million
    - 3) \$512.89 million
    - 4) \$550.50 million
    - 5) None of these
  7. Where was the 13th Annual Global Expo Botswana 2018 held on October 31, 2018?
    - 1) Gaborone, Botswana
    - 2) New Delhi, India
    - 3) Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
    - 4) New York, United States
    - 5) None of these
  8. Who won the Comeback Player of the Year award at the ATP World Tour Awards 2018, on 11th November 2018?
    - 1) Novak Djokovic
    - 2) Stefanos Tsitsipas
    - 3) Rafael Nadal
    - 4) Roger Federer
    - 5) None of these
  9. The LAMO Center located in \_\_\_\_\_, has been named winner of Award of Distinction, under the UNESCO Asia-Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage for 2018?
    - 1) Ladakh, India
    - 2) Sydney, Australia
    - 3) Fujian, China
    - 4) Saitama, Japan
  - 5) None of these
10. Which state government will start a dialogue for the purchase of 26 % equity shares of the Palatana gas thermal power project from the Infrastructure Leasing and Financial Services (IL&FS)?
    - 1) Meghalaya
    - 2) Tripura
    - 3) Karnataka
    - 4) Odisha
    - 5) None of these
  11. Where was the 11th Asian Air Gun championship held from 3rd to 9th November 2018?
    - 1) Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
    - 2) Kuwait City, Kuwait
    - 3) Singapore city, Singapore
    - 4) Mumbai, India
    - 5) None of these
  12. Name the First Indian to be declared as the world number one freestyle wrestler in the 65 kg weight category, by United World Wrestling (UWW), on 10th November 2018?
    - 1) Sushil Kumar
    - 2) Bajrang Punia
    - 3) Deepak Punia
    - 4) Sathyan S
    - 5) None of these

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