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SEPTEMBER

BANKING

- The **World Bank** has approved in principle a financial assistance of **Rs 929.89** crore for a water supply and sewerage project for the **Shimla**.
- The **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** launched its **first Trade Finance Scorecard**, a new tool to address market gaps stemming from the unintended consequences of global measures to fight **money-laundering** and **terrorism**.
- **Asia Index Pvt.ltd** launches S&P BSE Private Banks Index.
- **SIMsePay** (meaning pay through SIM), has been developed by **YES Bank**, and allows a customer to make payments with the help of a **SIM card** and a sticker through a secured SMS technology.
- **Airtel Payment Bank's** savings account **holders** will now be able to withdraw cash from **ATMs** with their **mobile phones** instead of using **debit** or **credit** cards. For this **Airtel** has partnered with **Empays** to enable Instant Money Transfer for account holders to withdraw cash from over **20,000 IMT** enabled **ATMs** in **India**.
- Indian Overseas Bank (**IOB**) has received **RBI** nod to exercise call option on bonds worth **Rs 655.30** crore.
- **Life Insurance Corporation of India** has signed an agreement with **Central Depository Services (India)** to provide group insurance coverage to all eligible **demat account** holders serviced through depository participants associated with it.
- The **RBI** will purchase Government Securities (**G-Secs**) under **Open Market Operations (OMO)** for ¹ **10,000** crore on September 19.
- The board of the cash strapped **Infrastructure Leasing and Financial Services (IL&FS)** to approve for the **company to raise** funds to tide over the **cash crunch**. **LIC** holds **25.34** per cent, is believed to have **agreed** to subscribe to the forthcoming **rights issue** and extend some immediate **working capital loan**.
- **India Post Payments Bank (IPPB)** and private life insurer **Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance Co Ltd (BALIC)** entered into a strategic **partnership** to provide **life insurance** solutions, especially at the **doorstep** of every household in the **country**.
- **Corporation Bank** has signed an information utility (IU) agreement with **National e-Governance Services Ltd (NeSL)**, the first IU registered with the Insolvency and **Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI)**, to share financial and security information under IBBI (IU) Regulation 2017.
- Yes Bank slapped with Rs 38 crore in GST fines for violating domestic remittance norms
- The **Reserve Bank** has shortlisted **five IT** firms including **Infosys** and **TCS, Capgemini, IBM, Larsen & Turbo InfoTech** for implementation of a **Centralized information and management system (CIMS)** for seamless data collection and validations.
- Private sector lender **Yes Bank** has partnered with online financial services company **RupeeBoss.com** for the integration of the bank's chat bot based platform to support instant loan eligibilities for its several loan products.
- **ICICI Prudential Life** inked a pact with **Saraswat Bank** to offer **insurance products**.

- **Fitch Ratings** placed **Bank of Baroda's (BoB)** viability rating on **RWN ('rating watch negative')** following the government announcement to merge it with **Vijaya Bank and Dena Bank**.
- **ICICI Bank** announced its partnership with **MakeMyTrip**, the country's leading online travel company, to launch a range of co-branded credit cards tailor-made to suit the aspirations of the rapidly expanding segment of travel enthusiasts in the country.
- The **Reserve Bank of India** has imposed a penalty of **Rs 5 crore** on **Karur Vysya Bank** for non-compliance of its directives.
- The boards of state-run **Bank of Baroda (BoB)** and **Vijaya Bank** gave in-principle approvals for their amalgamation with another lender **Dena Bank**, a move that would create the second-largest entity in the **PSU** banking space.
- **Government hiked interest rates on Small Savings Scheme**

Scheme	New Interest Rate
Savings Deposit	4.0
5 year Time Deposit	7.8
5 year Ruccuring Deposit	7.3
Senior Citizen Savings Scheme(5 year)	8.7
National Savings Certificate(5 year)	8.0
Public Provident Fund Scheme	8.0
Kisan Vikas Patra	7.7 (will mature in 112 months)
Sukanya Samriddhi Account Scheme	8.5

ECONOMY

- **Amazon.com** became the second **U.S.** Company to reach **\$1 trillion** in stock market value; just weeks after **Apple** hit the same **milestone**.
- Defence **PSU** **Bharat Electronics Limited's (BEL)** order book for the first time has crossed beyond **Rs 50,000 crore** after bagging a **Rs 9,200 crore** order for supply of seven Long Range Surface-to-Air Missile (**LRSAM**) systems.
- **India's** share in the **GDP** of **Asia** and **Pacific region** has increased to **17.3** per cent in **2017** from **14.6** per cent in **2000**.
- **Apollo Global** Management, one of the largest alternative asset managers, has **acquired global** financial services major **JP Morgan's** real estate fund management platform in **India**.
- **Unlimit, end-to-end** IoT service provider in **India** announced its partnership with State-owned **Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL)** to offer comprehensive Internet of Things (**IoT**) solutions and services to the enterprise customers across **India**.
- **BEML** has launched an indigenously designed & developed nation's first **205T** Electric Drive Rear **Dump Truck (Model BHQOS-E)**.
- **India's** second largest **IT services** firm **Infosys** it will acquire Finland-based **Fluidio** in a deal worth up to **65 million Euros** (over Rs 545 crore). Up to **65 million Euros** including earn-out, management incentives and bonuses — is expected to close during the **third quarter** of fiscal **2019**, subject to customary closing conditions.
- **India's** foreign exchange reserves declined by **\$819.5** million to stand at **\$399.3** billion ended **September 7**, going a shade below the **\$400-billion** mark for the **first** time in over a **year**.
- The **Defence Ministry** approval for procurement of **military equipment** and **weapons**, including two regiments of **Aakash missile** systems, at a cost of **Rs 9,100** crore.
- **India** has signed a financing loan agreement with the **World Bank** for **USD 74**

- million** for **Uttarakhand Workforce Development Project** (UKWDP).
- Leading stock exchanges **BSE** and **NSE** have got approval from the **Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi)** to launch trading in **commodity derivatives** segment from October 1.
 - **Chinese tech giant Alibaba**, an investor in **Paytm** among other companies in India, has also backed the Indian company on the issue of data localisation, stating that it supports the move by India.
 - The **World Bank** has endorsed an ambitious five-year framework for India under which it is expected to receive **USD 25-30 billion** in financial support for its transition from a low-middle income to a high-middle income country.
 - The **New Development Bank (NDB)** of BRICS countries have approved a **\$525-million** loan to Madhya Pradesh for infrastructure projects.
 - The **Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority (IRDAI)** has raised the minimum insurance cover for owner-driver to **Rs 15 lakh** for a premium of **Rs 750 per annum**.
 - Fitch Ratings upped **India's growth** forecast for the current fiscal to **7.8** per cent, **from 7.4** per cent earlier for FY19.
 - State-run telecom firm BSNL has inked a pact with Japan's Softbank and **NTT Communications** to roll out **5G** and **internet of things** technology in India.
 - The **ADB** kept its growth forecasts unchanged at **7.3% for 2018** and **7.6% for 2019** as the temporary effects of the demonetization of large bank notes and the introduction of **GST** abate as expected.
 - **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** has approved financing of up to **\$500 million** for a **multi-tranche financing facility** (MFF) that will develop climate-resilient water supply, sewerage, and drainage infrastructure in at least 10 cities in Tamil Nadu.
 - The **United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)** expects **India's economy to grow 7%** in calendar year 2018 compared with 6.2% in 2017.
 - Multilateral lender **ADB** will provide **USD 150 million** loan for establishing the first multi-skills park in central Indian state of Madhya Pradesh.
 - **Argentina** has received the biggest loan package ever from the **International Monetary Fund**, aimed at shoring up the country's ailing finances: a whopping **\$57.1bn** that will be disbursed over the next three years.
 - The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** barred **Bandhan Bank** from opening new branches, and also ordered freezing of the bank's CEO salary over failure to stick to shareholding rules.

NATIONAL

- **Nagaland government** has declared the **Singphan Wildlife Sanctuary** as an elephant reserve making it the **30th elephant reserve of the country**
- **Madhya Pradesh** launched a first of its kind initiative called "**Mil -Banche**" in all government schools across the state.
- **West Bengal government** has launched a **mobile blood donation camp** in a **red luxury bus**. The bus moves from location to location, collecting blood in **West Bengal**.
- **NITI Aayog Chief Executive Officer Amitabh Kant** has announced that India will shortly unveil a **One Nation-One Card policy** for public transport that will entail connectivity between various modes of transport.
- Union Minister for Commerce & Industry, **Suresh Prabhu** launched '**Coffee Connect**' mobile app and digital mobile extension services '**Coffee KrishiTharanga**' for coffee stakeholders.
- **India and France** signed an implementation agreement on '**Mobilise Your City**' (MYC) in New Delhi to support three Indian cities in their efforts to reduce **Green House Gas (GHG)** emissions.
- **Ayushman Bharat call centre** was formally inaugurated in **Bengaluru** by CEO of Ayushman Bharat Dr. Indu Bhushan. This national call centre is operational

since August.

- **Jammu and Kashmir** became the **third state in the country** to use **software** for standard The **Union Government** has appointed former **Reserve Bank of India governor Bimal Jalan** as the head of the panel that has been tasked with selecting India's next **chief economic advisor (CEA)**.
- First Regional Workshop on RERA in Pune inaugurated by Shri Hardeep Puri
- **Haryana government** signed a **Memorandum of Understanding** with **Indian Oil Corporation (IOC)** to set up an ethanol plant in Panipat with an outlay of over Rs 900 crore.
- Marbat festival celebrated with great fervour in Nagpur(Maharashtra)
- **Assam Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal** inaugurated the **Indo-Bhutan Border Centre** at **Darranga in Assam's Baksa** district to strengthen bilateral trade with the neighbouring country.
- Andhra Pradesh launched a mobile platform, **e-Rythu (e-farmer in Telugu)** which will enable small-scale farmers to market their produce at reasonable prices.
- **Minister for Minority Affairs Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi launches National Scholarship Portal Mobile App** to ensure a smooth, accessible and hassle-free scholarship system for students from poor and weaker sections.
- **Nuakhai or Nuankhai** is an agricultural festival mainly observed by people of **Western Odisha & in some Chhattisgarh region in India**.
- "Swayangsiddha scheme" to combat human trafficking launched by West Bengal government.
- India gets its first ever dedicated dog park in Hyderabad.
- **First-ever 'dial-FIR' scheme launched by Uttar Pradesh Police**. In this scheme, a common man can register regular crimes without going to a police station, by dialing the emergency number UP 100 and file an FIR, a call-based FIR.
- **The Union Home Secretary Shri Rajiv Gauba launched an online 'e-Sahaj' portal** for grant of Security Clearance. The portal will facilitate an applicant to submit application online and also to view the status of his application from time to time.
- The ISRO Technology Incubation Centre was launched in Agartala, jointly by **KV Sivan, Chairman, ISRO and Tripura Chief Minister Biplab Kumar Deb**.
- First ever Mizoram International Short Film Festival (MISFF) in Aizawl
- Around 3.2 crore Insured Persons (IPs) will benefit from newly launched scheme of ESIC '**Atal Bimit Vyakti Kalyan Yojna**'. The ESI Corporation has approved '**ATAL BIMIT VYAKTI KALYAN YOJNA**' for Insured Persons (IP) covered under the Employees' State Insurance Act, 1948.
- Dressed in Gongchas — a heavy coat-like traditional Ladakhi attire — **299 women** danced together making it to **the Guinness World Records** and marked the end of the **Naropa Festival**.
- Centenary celebrations to commemorate hundred years of liberation of Haifa in Israel by the Indian troops in 1918 culminates with a grand function in New Delhi. **The Battle of Haifa** is being commemorated in Israel, Delhi and Jaipur.
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** rolled out the Centre's flagship scheme — **Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Abhiyaan**, also known as **Ayushman Bharat or the National Health Protection Mission (AB-NHPM)**. **The scheme will be available for 10.74 crore beneficiary families and about 50 crore Indian citizens**.
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** dedicated **Sikkim's first airport at Pakyong** to the nation. With the inauguration of the green field airport, the country currently has **100 airports**.
- AP, Odisha & Madhya Pradesh Best Performing States in "Ease of Living Index" Under Amrut.
- **Department of Financial Services (DFS), Ministry of Finance and National Informatics Centre (NIC)** has jointly developed a mobile app called **Jan Dhan**

Darshak as a part of financial inclusion (FI) initiative . As the name suggests, this app will act as a guide for the common people in locating a financial service touch point at a given location in the country.

- **CEO NITI Aayog, Amitabh Kant** and **United Nations Resident Coordinator in India, Yuri Afanasiev**, will sign the Government of **India-United Nations Sustainable Development Framework (UNSDF) for 2018-2022**, at a special signing ceremony at NITI Aayog premises.
- The Centre constituted an eight-member search committee, to be headed by **former Supreme Court judge Justice Ranjana Prakash Desai**, to recommend the chairperson and members of the anti-corruption ombudsman Lokpal.
- **India and Oman** have agreed for deeper cooperation in maritime security and defence industry for future engagement and range of measures to enhance the defence relationship between the two countries.
- First Smart City Expo India-2018 inaugurated in Jaipur by Vice President
- Petroleum Minister to launch SATAT initiative to promote Compressed Bio-Gas as an alternative, green transport fuel.
- A seven-member group of ministers with **Bihar deputy chief minister Sushil Kumar** as convenor was formed by the Goods and Services Tax Council to review on 'Modalities for Revenue Mobilisation in case of Natural Calamities and Disasters'.
- In Madhya Pradesh, the first corn festival of the country is being held in **Chhindwara**. The festival is one of a kind international event.
- **President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind**, inaugurated the Mahatma Gandhi International Sanitation Convention in New Delhi.
- **Niwari** will become the 52nd district of **Madhya Pradesh**, with effect from October 1.
- **Assam Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal** has launched the Wage Compensation Scheme for Pregnant Women in tea gardens of the state.

INTERNATIONAL

- **Union Minister of Commerce & Industry and Civil Aviation Suresh Prabhu** is leading the **Indian** delegation for the **6th RCEP Trade Ministers' Meeting** held in **Singapore**.
- **China** has pledged a **\$60 billion** fund to bolster industry, counter hunger, and enhance security in **Africa**, a continent that has been chronically plagued by piracy and **terrorism**.
- **Aurora Prize** Laureate **Kyaw Hla Aung**, a noted lawyer and activist from **Myanmar**, announced he would donate his **US dollar one million** award money towards humanitarian relief work among **Rohingya refugees**.
- The **Trump** administration may be about to slap **tariffs** of up to **25 %** on an additional **\$200 billion** in **Chinese** goods, escalating a confrontation between the **world's two biggest economies** and likely squeezing **U.S.** companies that import everything from handbags to bicycle tires.
- **India, Iran and Afghanistan** held their **first tripartite meeting** in **Kabul** during which implementation of the **Chabahar port project** and a host of other issues including ways to deepen counter-terror cooperation were discussed.
- External Affairs Minister (EAM) Sushma Swaraj left for a two-day visit to Moscow, Russia. During her visit, she will attend the 23rd India-Russia Inter-Governmental Commission on Technical and Economic Cooperation (IRIGC-TEC).
- **The Vice President of India, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu** embarked on a three-nation visit to **Serbia, Malta and Romania** on a weeklong trip from September 14

-21. Sheduled to interact with the heads of states of all the three countries and witness the signing of MOUs.

- Jaipur Literature Festival begins in Houston
- 2nd Mt Everest Friendship Exercise: Nepal and China conducts second joint military exercise in Sichuan province
- **Germany** launched **world's first hydrogen-powered** passenger train.
- **PM Modi, Sheikh Hasina jointly inaugurated** The **130-kilometre India-Bangladesh Friendship Pipeline Project** will connect Siliguri in **West Bengal in India** and Parbatipur in **Dinajpur district of Bangladesh**.
- **Exercise Avaiindra** is an **Air Force level exercise** between **India** and the **Russian Federation**. **Exercise Avaiindra 18** is being conducted at **Lipetsk, Russia**.
- **India** and **Niger** signed a **(MoU)** for the implementation of **Mahatma Gandhi International Convention Centre** (MGICC) in Niamey, Niger with the Indian government's grant assistance.
- India has contributed a whopping **\$1 million** for the installation of **solar panels** on the roof of the imposing UN building at the world body's headquarters.
- **India** has become the **first and only SAARC** country to have a **quit-line number** on tobacco products. The **Union Health Ministry** has already made **85% pictorial** health warning mandatory on both sides of packets containing cigarettes, bidis, and chewing tobacco.
- To encourage practice of **Ayurveda**, **India** has **set up** an **Ayush Information Cell** at its embassy premises in **Romania** to create awareness about the traditional **Indian system of medicine**.

PERSONS IN NEWS

- Justice Tahira Safdar was **sworn in as** the first woman chief justice in Pakistan's Balochistan High Court in Pakistan
- **Dr Arif Alvi**, one of the founding members of Prime Minister Imran Khan's Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf party, was elected as the new President of Pakistan.
- **BSNL** has roped in Indian boxer **M.C.Mary Kom** as its brand ambassador for two years
- **Shri B. Vanlalvawna** (IFS: 1998), presently Consul General, Consulate General of India, Sydney has been appointed as the next **Ambassador** of India to the Republic of **Azerbaijan**.
- **Shri Alok Amitabh Dimri** (IFS: 1998), presently Joint Secretary in the Ministry has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the **Kyrgyz Republic**.
- **Dr Poonam Khetrapal Singh** was nominated for a **second five-year term** as Regional Director of **WHO (World Health Organisation)** South-East Asia.
- **Actor Akshay Kumar** is proud about getting selected as an honorary ambassador for **Lal Bahadur Shastri Memorial Foundation**.
- **Former foreign secretary S Jaishankar** has joined the board of the **US-India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISP)**.
- Former Member of Parliament of India and cine artist **Jaya Prada** has been appointed the goodwill ambassador for the promotion of **Nepal's tourism**.
- The Hindi film stars- **Varun Dhawan and Anushka Sharma**, have been signed on to promote and endorse the **Skill India Mission**, chaired by the **Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi**.

PLACES IN NEWS

- **Lucknow** to host **1st international cricket match** after 24 years
- **Bengaluru International Airport** first in country to roll out **facial recognition**

facility from 2019

- As a tribute to former prime minister and Lucknow MP **Atal Bihari Vajpayee**, the **Hazratganj** crossing in the heart of the city will be renamed **Atal Chauraha**
- The Ministry of Defence has announced that **Aero India 2019** will be held in Bengaluru itself in February 2019.
- **Assam Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal** inaugurated the **Indo-Bhutan Border Centre** at **Darranga in Assam's Baksa** district to strengthen bilateral trade with the neighbouring country.
- The state assembly of Odisha passed a unanimous resolution to name the newly-built **Jharsuguda airport** after noted **freedom fighter Veer Surendra Sai**.
- **Vice president M. Venkaiah Naidu** inaugurated **Smart City Expo India-2018** in **Jaipur, Rajasthan**.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- **Indian Ocean Wave Exercise 2018 (IOWave18)** began in the **Indian Ocean**. India along with 23 other nations is participating in this major Indian ocean-wide tsunami mock drill.
- The Indian Air Force has successfully carried out the first ever **mid air refuelling** of the indigenously developed **Tejas light combat aircraft (LCA)**, a major milestone in its development cycle. A Russian-built **IL-78 MKI tanker** transferred fuel to a Tejas MK I aircraft.
- India and France announced a working group for **Gaganyaan, ISRO's** first manned mission announced by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Independence Day.
- **Google** launches new search engine **Dataset Search** for scientific community.
- China launches new marine satellite **HY-1C** on **Long March-2C** rocket.
- **Indian Coast Guard Ship Vijaya**, the second in the series of **98 m offshore patrol vessels (OPVs)**, was commissioned by Defence Secretary Sanjay Mitra in Chennai.
- The **Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)** successfully tested a low-weight indigenously developed **man-portable anti-tank guided missile (MPATGM)** at its Ahmednagar range. .
- India successfully test-fired its indigenously developed **surface-to-surface** short-range tactical ballistic missile '**Prahaar**' from the **Odisha coast** amid heavy rains.
- Japan world's first to land rovers **MINERVA-II1** on asteroid Ryugu
- The **Indian Air Force** successfully test fired the indigenously developed Beyond Visual Range **Air-to-Air Missile" Astra** "from a **Su-30 aircraft**.
- **China launched** its **Centispace-1-s1 satellite** on a **Kuaizhou-1A rocket** low-cost solid-fuel carrier rocket. It was launched from Jiuquan Satellite Launch Centre in **northwest China**.

BOOKS AND AUTHORS

Books	Authors
Moving on Moving Forward: A Year in Office	Vice President Venkaiah Naidu
Constitutionalizing india: an Ideantional project	Shri Bidyut Chakrabarthy
The Rule Breakers'	Preeti Shenoy
Story So Far (story of Dutee Chand)	Sundeep Misra

AWARDS & HONOURS

- Noted Odia poet **Satrugna Pandav** will be honoured with the prestigious '**Sarala Puraskar**' for his poetry collection '**Misra Dhrupad**'.

- **The former Miss World Aishwarya Rai Bachchan** will be bestowed with the inaugural **Meryl Streep Award for Excellence at the first Women in Film and Television (WIFT) India Award**.
- **Hyderabad Airport** has received the Airports Council International Airport Service Quality **World no.1** airport award trophy in the **5-15 Million Passengers Per Annum (MPPA)** category for the second consecutive year.
- State-run **Punjab National Bank (PNB)** bagged the **“Rajbhasha Kirti”** award for outstanding performance in implementing the Official Language Policy during 2017-18.
- Chairman and MD, JK Tyre & Industries Ltd., **Dr. Raghupati Singhania** has been conferred with **‘Mexican Order of the Aztec Eagle’**, the highest honour accorded to non-nationals by the Government of Mexico.
- **Anushka Sharma** was presented with the **Smita Patil Memorial Award** by Union Ministers **Nitin Gadkari and Piyush Goyal** in Mumbai.
- **Rima Das’** directorial **‘Village Rockstars’**, an **Assamese movie**, has been selected as India’s official entry to the **Oscars 2019**.
- **Badminton player and Olympian PV Sindhu** is the only sportsperson to feature in the **Forbes India’s first ‘tycoons of tomorrow’** list of 22 young achievers in the fields of business, acting and sports.
- **Tenzing Norgay National Adventure** award 2017 has been conferred to the **all-women crew of INSV Tarini** for circumnavigating the world in 8 months. .
- **Dr Thomas Pucadyil** from the **Indian Institute of Science Education and Research** in **Pune** has been awarded the **Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize for Science and Technology** by **CSIR**.

APPOINTMENTS

Name of the Organization	Name of the Person
Chief Justice of India	Ranjan Gogoi
SBI Mutual Fund MD and CEO	Ashwani Bhatia
SBI MD	Anshula Kant
CEO & MD of Axis Bank	Amitabh Chaudhry
Chairman and Managing Director of National Insurance Company Limited (NICL)	Tajinder Mukherjee
Sudan’s new PM	Moutaz Mousa Abdallah
Chairman of Steel Authority of India Ltd	Anil Kumar Chaudhary
President of Maldives	Ibrahim Mohamed Solih
Chairman of the Press Trust of India (PTI)	N. Ravi

- **Government appoints MD and CEOs in 10 state-run banks**

Name of the Bank	MD and CEO
Syndicate Bank	Mrutyunjay Mahapatra
Indian Bank	Padmaja Chundru
Central Bank of India	Pallav Mohapatra
Andhra Bank	J Packirisamy
Dena Bank	Karnam Shekhar
Allahabad Bank	SS Mallikarjuna Rao
Bank of Maharashtra	AS Rajeev
UCO Bank	Atul Kumar Goel
Punjab & Sind Bank	S Harisnakar
United Bank of India	Ashok Kumar Pradhan

SEMINARS AND MEETINGS

Seminars and Meetings	Place
International Ayurveda Congress	Netherland
International Aviation Summit	New Delhi
87th Izmir International Trade Show	Turkey
3rd ASEM (Asia-Europe Meeting) Conference on 'Global Ageing and Human Rights of Older Persons'	Seoul ,Republic of Korea
International Women Entrepreneurs Summit 2018	Kathmandu, Nepal
4th Annual Sustainable Smart Cities India Summit 2018	Bengaluru
MOVE: India's First Global Mobility Summit 2018	New Delhi
India, US hold 2+2 dialogue	New Delhi
4th World Summit on Accreditation	New Delhi
3-day World Hindu Congress	Chicago, USA
Regional Conference on Good Governance	Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh
ASEAN World Economic Forum	Vietnam
G-20 Trade And Investment Ministerial Meeting	Argentina
7th UNWTO Global Summit on Urban Tourism	Seoul, Republic of Korea
National literary and intellectual conference- "Lok Manthan 2018"	Ranchi, Jharkhand
Indo-Bangla border conference	Aizawl, Mizoram
3-Day First-ever global India Tourism Mart	Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi
India – Morocco Tourism Bilateral meeting	New Delhi

SURVEYS

- **HDFC Bank** retained its top spot in the 'WPP and Kantar Millward Brown's BrandZ 75 Most Valuable Indian Brands' ranking.
- **India** ranks **130** out of **189** in **Human Development Index : United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)**
- **Uttarakhand** ranked best among states in constructing roads under **Pradhan**

Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY)

- **India** ranks **96th** on Economic Freedom Index; **Hong Kong, Singapore** retain top spot released by the **Centre for Civil Society (CCS)**
- **Indian Institute of Science (IISc)** in **Bengaluru** has secured **number one position among Indian universities** in the **Times Higher Education's World University** Rankings for 2019, **India** has secured **49** places in this year's list compared to **42** last year
- **Maharashtra** tops the **14th HIV Estimations 2017** report: **National Aids Control Organisation**
- According to '**Credit Suisse Family 1000 in 2018**', **India** ranks **third** globally in terms of number of family owned businesses with **111 companies of USD 839 billion** total market capitalisation, followed closely after **China** with **159** firms and the **United States** with **121** firms.

SPORTS

- **18th Asian Games also known as Jakarta-Palembang 2018 held from 18 August to 2 September 2018.** The mascots **Bhin Bhin, Atung, and Kaka** represent the **Eastern, Central, and Western** regions of Indonesia and also **strategy, speed and strength** respectively. **Moto is energy of Asia.**
- **England's** highest Test run-scorer **Alastair Cook** announced his **retirement** from **International cricket.**
- **Japanese** swimmer **Ikee Rikako** has been named as the Most Valuable Player (**MVP**) of the recently-concluded **18th edition** of the **Asian Games.**
- The **Indian Navy** has won the coveted **KAKADU Cup 2018** in **Australia** as it participated in a multilateral maritime exercise involving **27 navies.** Teams participated in **sports day** where the **Indian** team dominated all the others to clinch the **KAKADU18 Cup.**
- **India Blue** thrashed defending champion **India Red** by an innings and 187 runs in the final to win the **57th Duleep Trophy** at NPR College ground, in Dindigul, Tamil Nadu.
- 2018 AIBA Youth Women's & Men's World Championships in Budapest, Hungary.
- **India** continued to be at the **No.1** position but **England** grabbed the **fourth** spot in the **ICC Test Team Rankings** after completing a **4-1 series** victory.
- Former India captain **Sardar Singh set to retire from international hockey.**
- **India's** oldest female athlete **Man Kaur.** Hailing from Patiala, Punjab and the **102-year-old** athlete made the country proud by winning a **gold** medal at the World Masters Athletics Championships in **Malaga, Spain.**
- The **third Asian Para Games** in **Jakarta**, the **Asian Paralympics Committee (APC)** confirmed that **Hangzhou in China** will host the **fourth edition** in **2022.**
- The **World Women's Boxing** Championships, to be hosted **by India** after more than a decade, will be held from 15 November in the national capital.
- **India** settled for the silver medal after losing to **Pakistan** 2-3 in the final of the **Asian Team Snooker Championship** in **Doha, Qatar.**
- 5th Track Asia Cup (cycling) 2018 was held at the Indira Gandhi Velodrome in New Delhi. **India** topped the medal tally with 6 gold, 5 silver and 2 bronze medals.

- **Sharmila Kumari** upset **Asian championship bronze medallist** and former **Asian Games bronze medal winner Annu Rani** to claim **the women's javelin gold medal** on the opening day of the National Open athletics championships at the Kalinga Stadium.
- **Madrid** has been chosen to host the first two new-format **Davis Cup** finals in **2019 and 2020**.
- India to host first deaf ICC World T20 in November
- **Asia Cup 2018: India lifts Asia Cup for 7th time**, win over **Bangladesh** in the final.
- **138th edition of tennis' US Open Grand Slam event of 2018**

Category	Winner	Runner-Up
Men's Singles	Novak Djokovic (Serbia)	Juan Martín del Potro(Argentina)
Women's Singles	Naomi Osaka (Japan)	Serena Williams (United States)

SPECIAL DAYS

Day	Special	Theme
5 th September	International Day of Charity	--
8 th September	52nd World Literacy Day	literacy and skill development
10 th September	World Suicide Prevention Day (WSPD)	Working Together to Prevent Suicide
12 th September	International Day for South-South Cooperation	--
14 th September	Hindi Diwas	--
15 th September	International Day of Democracy	Democracy under Strain: Solutions for a Changing World.
16 th September	International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer	'Keep Cool and Carry On: The Montreal Protocol'
21 st September	World Alzheimer's Day	
23 rd September	International Day of Sign Languages (IDSL)	With Sign Language, Everyone is Included
U.N. declared 2019-2028 as	Nelson Mandela Decade of Peace	--
25 th September	Antyodaya Divas	--
26 th September	International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons	--
27 th September	World Tourism Day	Tourism and the Digital Transformation
27 th September	World Maritime Day	IMO 70: Our Heritage – Better Shipping for a Better Future
28 th September	World Rabies Day	--
29 th September	World Heart Day	--
30 th September	International Translation Day	Translation: promoting cultural heritage in changing times

OBITUARY

Name of the Person	Field
Tarun Sagar	Renowned Digambar Jain monk
Vijay Shankar Vyas	An Agricultural Economist
Goura Chandra Mohapatra	Freedom fighter
Dolagobinda Pradhan	Noted freedom fighter and former Odisha Minister
Ganpatrao Andalkar,	Wrestler
Anna Rajam Malhotra	India's first woman IAS officer after Independence
Tran Dai Quang	Vietnam President
BN Dutt	Former BCCI president
Kavita Mahajan	Marathi writer
Pandit Tulsidas Borkar	Renowned harmonium exponent