

## **NATIONAL**

### **Kerala**

#### **15th Finance Commission visits Kerala**

- Kerala, the first state in southern India, to be visited by 15th Finance Commission from 28th to 31st May 2018.
- Kerala is the 10th largest economy in India and contributes around 4.2% of India's GDP.

### **Odisha**

#### **Cloud enabled Data Centre at Bhubaneswar**

- National Informatics Centre has set up a new state-of-the-art cloud enabled National Data Centre at Bhubaneswar.
- The data center will offer 24\*7 operations with secure hosting for e-Governance applications of the Government and its departments.

### **Jharkhand**

#### **Patratu Super Thermal Power Project**

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone for the 2400MW first phase of NTPC's Patratu Super Thermal Power Project in Jharkhand.
- The project is a 74: 26 Joint Venture between Government of Jharkhand (GoJ) and Patratu Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Ltd. (PVUN), a subsidiary company of NTPC establishing a total capacity expansion of 4,000MW.

### **New Delhi**

- Prime Minister of Netherlands Mr. Mark Rutte Inaugurates Indo-Dutch Ganga Forum at a Function in New Delhi.

- Use of Innovative Dutch Triple-Helix Model Contemplated for Barapullah Drain Project in Delhi.

## **INTERNATIONAL**

### **Cyclone Mekunu**

- Cyclone Mekunu is expected to make landfall in Oman on 26.05.2018 morning. The cyclone, according to the India Meteorological Department (IMD), is also likely to affect the weather along India's western coast.
- The cyclone had earlier thrashed the Yemeni island of Socotra causing severe flooding and damage.

## **BUSINESS & ECONOMY**

### **Yes Bank empanelled as Settlement Bank for NSE**

- Yes Bank has received approval from National Stock Exchange to be empanelled as 'Settlement Bank' for National Securities Clearing Corporation (NSCCL), a wholly owned subsidiary of NSE.

## **MOU, AGREEMENTS & CABINET APPROVALS**

- Food Processing Ministry to collaborate with international labs for wider acceptability of NIFTEM approved products.
- Union Minister Smt Harsimrat Kaur Badal inaugurates Incubation Centre and Food Testing Laboratory at National Institute of Food Entrepreneurship and Management (NIFTEM) in Sonipat, Haryana.

## **SUMMITS & CONFERENCES**

### **Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav**

- 9th edition of 'Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav' under the Ministry of Culture, inaugurated in Tehri , Uttarakhand.
- Gala inaugural event showcases an amalgamation of Crafts & Art Forms, Cuisine Fest and Magnificent Cultural Performances.

**Photo exhibition on Dynamic Schemes and Projects**

- Union Minister of State for Statistics and Program implementation Shri Vijay Goel inaugurated a Photo exhibition on Dynamic Schemes and Projects titled, “Pragati Ke Path par” at Ambedkar International Centre in New Delhi.
- The exhibition showcases the progress and implementation of central sector infrastructure projects costing Rs.150 crores and above in the last 3-4 years from all over the country.

**DEFENCE****LCU MK-IV ships**

- IN LCU L54 is the fourth Landing Craft Utility (LCU) Mk-IV class to be inducted into the Indian Navy.
- The ship has been indigenously designed and built by Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers, Kolkata.

**SCHEMES****Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana (Saubhagya) scheme**

- Under the Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana (Saubhagya) scheme, this project will ensure providing 24x7 power availability to the households.

**Samagra Shiksha scheme**

- The Union Ministry of Human Resource Development (HRD) launched an integrated scheme for school education from pre-school till Class 12 and promised to increase the budget for the entire school education next year by 20 per cent.
- The new scheme, called "Samagra Shiksha", is integration of three components Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) -- which took care of the school education at

primary and secondary levels -- and Teacher Training will now be coalesced into one whole.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

**Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India Ltd.  
(TRIFED)**

**Chairperson - Shri Ramesh Chand Meena**

**Vice Chairperson - Smt. Pratibha Brahma**