
April 30, 2018 - **International Jazz Day.**

- UNESCO declared April 30 as International Jazz Day.
- **Saint Petersburg, Russia** - Global Host City for International Jazz Day
- **Surat railway station** to be **3rd** in country to have **'airport like'** facilities.
- The country's first two world-class stations — Habibganj and Gandhinagar — will be ready by the beginning of next year 2019.
- The **Hyderabad City Police** is all set to go **paperless** from May 1, 2018 & perhaps be the **first in the country** to implement the paperless police station concept.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday honoured a prominent institute [The Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies (CIHTS)] of Tibetan studies with the Vaisakh Samman Prasasti Patra as part of celebrations at an event held in New Delhi to mark Buddha Purnima.
- *First Ever Joint Army Exercise Harimau Shakti 2018*, between the Indian Army and the Malaysian Army commenced on 30 April at *Wardieburn Camp*, Kuala Lumpur with a brief and impressive handing over of troops ceremony.
- The GOBAR (Galvanizing Organic Bio-Agro Resources - DHAN) scheme aims to positively impact village cleanliness and generate wealth and energy from cattle and organic waste.
- The Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) comprises two main components for creating clean villages – creating **open defecation free (ODF) villages** and **managing solid and liquid waste in villages.**

- The Government has already moved out of this dichotomy and launched ‘**Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana**’- **Saubhagya** to achieve universal household electrification in the country by 31stDecember 2018.
- The 2562nd birth anniversary of Gautama Buddha will be celebrated with a grand event in the august presence of Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, in New Delhi, on 30th April 2018.
- The event would also house an exhibition gallery- ‘**Buddham Sarnam Gacchami**’ with murals, photographs and artefacts.
- **Britain** and the **United States** launched a \$25 million project on April 30 to **study the risks of a collapse of a giant glacier in Antarctica** that is already shrinking and nudging up global sea levels.
- Intex Technologies, an Indian mobile and consumer electronics companies, announced the appointment of **Rajiv Bakshi** as its **Chief Marketing Officer (CMO)**.
- The board of directors of Kotak Mahindra Bank has redesignated **Uday Kotak as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer** with effect from 1 May, 2018. Mr.Kotak was earlier executive Vice Chairman and Managing Director.The **world’s oldest known spider** has died at the ripe old age of **43** after being monitored for years during a long-term population study in **Australia**.
- **BrahMos**, the **fastest missile in the world** co-developed by **India and Russia**, will be breaching the mach 7 barrier to be a ‘**hypersonic**’ system in the next decade.
- **Brazilian surfer Rodrigo Koxa** has ridden the biggest wave ever surfed at Naraze, Portugal was **80 feet (24.38 meters) high** in The World Surf League.

- Inspired by **A.Sharath Kamal's** performance, India put it across Poland 3-2 in the men's Group-D Championship Division match of the **World team table tennis championships** here on 30.04.2018