

- **July 2 - World UFO (unidentified flying objects) Day.** World UFO Day is dedicated to the existence of unidentified flying objects. **First celebrated in 2001**, it was created by the World UFO Day Organization.
- **World Sports Journalists Day is celebrated on July 2** every year to honour the services of sports journalists towards the promotion of sports.
- Union Minister Shri Nitin Gadkari will be the chief guest at the **50th Foundation Day celebration of Water and Power Consultancy Services (WAPCOS)**, being organized at Pravasi Bhartiya Kendra, New Delhi.
- **The three-day tournament** for master players, aged 35 or above, will begin on July 30 and witness more than 100 matches. More than 96 shuttlers including former national and international players and Arjuna awardees from across the country in six teams will compete for the **Pro Masters Badminton League (PMBL) title in Visakhapatnam**.
- **The 11th Akhila Karnataka Vijnana Sammelana**, a convention on science, concluded and saw the passing of a resolution demanding both the Union and State governments to **promote study and research on basic sciences**.
- **'Fly Bus', the 42-seater air conditioned new bus service from the Kerala State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC)** from Thiruvananthapuram, Cochin and Karipur International airports to the nearest cities, will commence operations from July 02.
- The External Affairs Ministry has simplified the procedure for seeking passports by lifting jurisdictional restrictions. The applicant can now apply **for a passport from anywhere through his/her Android mobile phone using mPassport Seva mobile app**.
- Out of **12 flood gates of the Babli project, built across the Godavari river, in Dharmabad taluq of Nanded district in Maharashtra 10 were opened** in the presence of the engineering authorities of Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Central Water Commission.
- **Japan will pick a US-made advanced radar for its multibillion-dollar missile defence system**, an upgrade that could help ease trade friction with Washington and provide cutting-edge protection against the arsenals of North Korea and China.
- **Biotechnology scientists at Junagadh Agriculture University in Gujarat** have succeeded in their **first attempt to kill cancer cells using cow urine**.
- **Astronomers have captured the first confirmed image of a planet forming in the dust swirling around a young star.** They said the planet appears as a bright spot in the snapshot taken using the **European Southern Observatory's Very Large Telescope in Chile**.
- **NIIT Technologies, a BSE-listed technology company**, has opened a centre of excellence here to serve its existing digital customers and rope in additional clients, according to a company statement. The **Bengaluru centre will act as the central hub for all cognitive BPM solutions and innovations hub**.

- Union Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Minister, Shri Radha Mohan Singh chaired at the **inter-session meeting of the consultative committee of the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare on "Marine Fisheries-Mariculture in India"** in Rameswaram, Tamil Nadu.
- The Election Commission of India (ECI) has organized a two-day **"National Consultation on Accessible Elections,"** from the 3rd July, 2018 in New Delhi
- **India's longest-range ballistic missile, Agni-V, will be inducted into the nuclear arsenal very soon.**
- **The Southern Railway-administered Golden Rock Workshop in Trichy has been given the GreenCo Gold Certification** by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII). The certification is given for energy conservation efforts taken by industries.
- **Justice Thottathil Bhaskaran Nair Radhakrishnan,** presently Chief Justice of Chattisgarh High Court, will assume charge as **Chief Justice of Hyderabad High Court for the States of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh .**
- **Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador won Mexico's presidency with the widest margin in a presidential election** since the 1980s.
- Senior journalist **Rajat Sharma** beat World Cup winning Indian cricketer Madan Lal by 517 votes to **become the new president of Delhi and Districts Cricket Association (DDCA).**
- Tamil Nadu chief minister **Edappadi K Palaniswami** **launched a mobile app called Mangalam Masala to help consumers buy spices sold by the Erode Cooperative Society.**
- **Red Bull's Max Verstappen won the Austrian Grand Prix** in Austria. Mercedes' Lewis Hamilton retired from the race due to a mechanical issue in his car.