

- The Union **Home Minister Shri Rajnath Singh** inaugurated a slew of **Smart City projects** undertaken by the **New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC)** will help New Delhi emerge as a world class city.
- **Shri Nitin Gadkari** inaugurated **20 newly constructed/ restored Ghats** on **river Ganga in Kanpur and Bithoor**.
- **Chhattisgarh** Chief Minister Raman Singh said that his state is the first among the 28 other states in the country **to provide Right to Skills' Development to the youth**.
- The **infestation of Fall Armyworm** (*Spodoptera frugiperda*), **an invasive agricultural pest** is spreading at an alarming pace in Karnataka.
- A **single season of drought in the Amazon rainforest** can **reduce its capacity to absorb carbon dioxide** for years.

India's most patriotic brand Survey

- 1) State Bank of India
- 2) Tata Motors
- 3) Patanjali
- 4) Reliance Jio

List of India's wealthiest women

- 1) **Smitha V. Crishna** - a third-generation heir of the Godrej family
- 2) **Roshni Nadar** - CEO and executive director at HCL
- 3) **Indu Jain** - The chairperson of the Times Group

Ease of Living Index - An initiative of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA)

- 1) Pune
- 2) Navi Mumbai
- 3) Greater Mumbai
- 4) Tirupathi

Report on Station Cleanliness conducted by Quality Council of India (QCI)

A1 category stations (out of 75)

- 1) Jodhpur/North-Western Railway
- 2) Jaipur/North-Western Railway
- 3) Tirupati/South-Central Railway

A category stations (out of a total of 332)

- 1) Marwar/North Western Railway 2) Phulera/North -Western Railway
- 3) Warangal/South-Central Railway

Zonal Railway rankings are:

- 1) North Western Railway 2) South Central Railway 3) East Coast Railway
- **The Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH)** will organise a **two-day exhibition** on the heritage of Indian sari, **Dhage ki Dharohar**, as part of the Independence Day celebrations.
 - **Smt. Justice Manjula Chellur** - Chairperson of Appellate Tribunal for Electricity
 - **Basavaraju, Lakshmi Aparna Sreekumar & Sandhya Rajan** - Three new members join the board of India Cements Ltd.
 - **“Development of North East Circuit: Imphal & Khongjom”** first project implemented under the **Swadesh Darshan Scheme** of Ministry of Tourism.
 - **The Defence Acquisition Council (DAC)** met and accorded approval for the procurement of **six indigenously designed** and manufactured **Next Generation Offshore Patrol Vessels (NGOPVs)** for the Indian Navy.
 - An **Indian Naval Ship (INS) Sahyadri** entered Port of Suva Republic of **Fiji** after participation in the **RIMPAC 2018** at Hawaii.
 - **Sunishka Kartik** - Community Award in the Junior NBA World Basketball Championship
 - **Annie Zaidi** for her play **Untitled-1**- The Hindu Playwright Award 2018
 - **Nirmalya - Chandrashekar Bhandari** on the life of the former RSS worker, **Na. Krishnappa**
 - **Swachh Manch**, the web-based platform will allow stakeholders to **create/invite/participate in volunteering opportunities** around neighborhoods to the cause of **‘swachhata’**.
 - Seventeen-year-old **R. Vaishali** became a **Woman Grandmaster**.
 - **Barcelona beat Sevilla** in the Spanish Super Cup as **Lionel Messi** overtook Andres Iniesta & **won his 33rd title with Barcelona**.
 - **Brooks Koepka** won the **100th PGA Championship**.