

## August 6 – Hiroshima Day

- The **National Academy of Art, Lalit Kala Akademi(LKA)**, established by the then Education Minister **MaulanaAbulKalam Azad**, celebrated its **64th Foundation Day**, the 6th August, 2018. The event was inaugurated by Minister of State for Culture (I/c), **Dr. Mahesh Sharma**.
- **Shri Hardeep S Puri**, Minister of State (I/C) for **Housing and Urban Affairs** launched the official trailer, music and poster of **Bollywood film “Halkaa”** under the aegis of the **Swachh Bharat Mission (Urban)**, in New Delhi.
- **Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu** will unveil the **world's first-ever thermal battery** in his Andhra Pradesh manufactured by the **Bharat Energy Storage Technology Private Limited (BEST)**.
- The **transit campus of the Central University of Andhra Pradesh inaugurated and dedicated** by Union Minister of Human Resource Development **Prakash Javadekar** at the IT Business Incubation Centre at the JNTU.
- **Syria’s government** is to **set up a committee to coordinate repatriating** millions of its nationals who fled the country’s seven-year conflict.
- **China** successfully tested its **first cutting-edge hypersonic aircraft (The Xingkong-2 or Starry Sky-2)** which could carry nuclear warheads and penetrate any current generation anti-missile defence systems.
- **IIT- Madras** has developed the first of a family of **six industry-standard microprocessors**. The initial batch of 300 chips named **RISECREEK** and produced under **Project Shakti**, have been fabricated free at Intel’s facility at Oregon, U.S., to run the Linux operating system.
- **Ranchi Ranjit Srivastava** has developed Indian version of ‘Sophia,’ a **social humanoid robot** developed by a Hong Kong based company, named **Rashmi** which can **speak Hindi, Bhojpuri and Marathi along with English**.
- **NITI Aayog’s International Conference on “Sustainable Growth through Material Recycling: Policy Prescriptions”** was inaugurated by the Union Minister **Shri. Nitin Gadkari** in **New Delhi**.

- **Startup India** launched the **Startup Academia Alliance programme**, a unique mentorship opportunity between academic scholars and startups working to **reduce the gap between scientific research and its industrial applications** in order to increase the efficacy of these technologies and to widen their impact.
- **NITI Aayog** has identified **117 districts** as ‘**Aspirational Districts**’ under **Rashtriya Uchchar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) Scheme**.
- **Ishan Vikas** is coordinated by **IIT Guwahati**, selected school children from **North Eastern States** are brought in close contact with the IITs, IISERs and NIAS. **Ishan Uday Scholarship Scheme** is administered by **University Grants Commission (UGC)**.
- **Visvesvaraya PhD Scheme** aims to **increase Research & Development in Electronics and Information Technology**.
- **Exercise Maitree** is a **joint military exercise** between **Indian Army** and **Royal Thai Army** in **Thailand**.
- Government has announced that it will bring out an **industry friendly Defence Production Policy 2018** to promote domestic production by public sector, private sector and micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs).
- **Shri Nitin Gadkari** launched **Bidder Information Management System (BIMS)** and **Bhoomi Rashi and PFMS linkage** - two **IT initiatives** of the **Road Transport & Highways Ministry**.
- **Justin Thomas** won the **World Golf Championships (WGC) Bridgestone Invitational golf**.