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ANDHRA PRADESH

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Hyderabad (Amaravati)	N. Chandrababu Naidu	E. S. L. Narasimhan

World's first thermal battery plant

- 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).

Transit campus of Central University inaugurated

- The transit campus of the Central University of Andhra Pradesh was inaugurated and dedicated to the nation by Union Minister of Human Resource Development Prakash Javadekar at the IT Business Incubation Centre at the JNTU.

Chinese component maker setting up unit in Tirupati

- Leading Chinese company Holitech Technology which supplies key components to smart-phone maker Xiaomi signed an MoU with the State government for the establishment of its first unit in India at Tirupati with an investment of Rs.1,400 crore.

Lixil marks its India entry with plant in Bhimadole

- Lixil, a Tokyo-based world leader in manufacturing building materials and housing equipment, had its first sanitary ware unit in India inaugurated in Andhra Pradesh.

CM to dedicate Vamsadhara project to nation

- Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N.Chandrababu Naidu is expected to dedicate the Vamsadhara project to the nation on the Independence Day.

Eco nod for DRDO Missile Test Facility in Krishna

- The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) granted environmental clearance for setting up the Missile Test Launch Facility by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) in the heart of the Krishna Wildlife Sanctuary (KWS) in Krishna district.

Amaravati bonds for Andhra Pradesh's new capital gets BSE listing

- Amaravati bonds were listed in the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) as Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu rang the bell at the BSE in Mumbai.

Alibaba Cloud offers hitech solutions to A.P.

- Alibaba Cloud India (ACI) signed an MoU with the A.P-Economic Development Board (AP-EDB) for leveraging the Chinese company's ET (Extreme Tech) City Brain solutions in diverse sectors like real-time governance, smart city and integrated traffic management, small and medium enterprises and skill upgrading.

Tirupati set to emerge as a health hub

- Stone laid for Sri Venkateswara Institute of Cancer Care and Advanced Research (SVICCAR), a joint venture of Tata Trusts, TTD in Tirupati.

Inauguration of Apollo Knowledge City

- Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu inaugurated the first phase of the Apollo Knowledge City on the premises of the Apollo Medical College in Chittoor.

ASSAM

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Dispur	Sarbananda Sonowal	Jagdish Mukhi

Assam begins deleting foreigners from NRC list

- District officials in Assam have begun work to delete the names of ‘declared foreigners’ whose names had been included in the complete draft of the updated National Register of Citizens (NRC)

DELHI

Chief Minister	Lieutenant Governor
Arvind Kejriwal	Anil Baijal

64th Foundation Day Celebrations of Lalit Kala Akademi

- The National Academy of Art, Lalit Kala Akademi(LKA), established in 1954 by the then Education Minister MaulanaAbulKalam Azad, celebrated its 64th Foundation Day, today the 6th August, 2018. The event was inaugurated by Minister of State for Culture (I/c), Dr. Mahesh Sharma.

Minister of State (I/C) for Housing and Urban Affairs Launches official Trailer Of Film “Halkaa”

- 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.

Government asks citizens not to use plastic national flags

- Ahead of Independence Day, the Centre has urged all citizens not to use national flag made up of plastic and asked states and Union Territories to ensure strict compliance of the flag code.

Inauguration of architectural illumination at the historic Red Fort

- The historic Red Fort came alive as it saw the first ever architectural illumination of its front fortification wall and the two important gateways Lahori Gate and Delhi Gate.

India's First tribal Language to have Wikipedia Edition in Own Script

- Santhali (Santali), a tribal language primarily spoken in India, Bangladesh and Nepal, received global recognition when it got a Wikipedia edition in its own script.

Shri Rajnath Singh inaugurates NDMC Smart City projects

- 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.

Handfan "Pankha" made by tribals for invitees

- In a unique initiative, Trifed has supplied the handfans "Pankha" to Ministry of Defence for those invitees who will attend the Independence Day flag hosting ceremony at Red Fort in Delhi.

Centre says Kerala floods 'calamity of severe nature'

- The Centre has said that the Kerala floods were a "calamity of severe nature for all practical purposes", keeping in view the intensity and magnitude of the floods and landslides.

Compulsory genetic screening of pregnant women to curb genetic disorders

- The Centre has prepared a draft policy proposing compulsory genetic screening of all pregnant women to prevent inherited disorders such as thalassemia and sickle cell anaemia, along with putting in place advanced facilities for comprehensive care of such patients.

'State can stop voluntary retirement of doctors'

- The State can stop government doctors from taking voluntary retirement in public interest, the Supreme Court has ruled. The fundamental right to retire is not above the right to save lives in a country.

Government imposes standard environment clearing conditions for 25 sectors

- The government has imposed standard conditions for as many as 25 sectors like steel, coal and oil, seeking environment clearance (EC) for expansion of existing projects or new projects.

Charging Stations for e-Vehicles

- Union Minister of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises, Anant G. Geete inaugurated two charging stations, one for fast charging (DC) and the other for slow charging (AC), in Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi. Fast charging stations have been installed by BHEL and six slow charging stations have been installed by Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL).

New office building of CCI

- Shri Arun Jaitley, Union Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs inaugurated the new office building of Competition Commission of India (CCI).

Innovation Cell and Atal Ranking of Institutions on Innovation Achievements (ARIIA)

- Union Minister for HRD, Shri Prakash Javadekar and Union Minister of State for HRD, Dr. Satya Pal Singh launched the Innovation Cell and Atal Ranking of Institutions on Innovation Achievements (ARIIA) at AICTE, New Delhi.

KARNATAKA

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Bengaluru	H. D. Kumaraswamy	Vajubhai Vala

Five research centres coming up at AIISH

- Five exclusive research centres coming up on the All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH) Mysuru campus to boost research in the areas of communication and its disorders.

Launches pilot drone project

- Karnataka has now joined the ranks of States that are using unmanned aerial systems (UAS) or drones in governance. The State launched a pilot project under which drones will be used in agriculture, urban development and policing.

Yoga classes now a must in all Karnataka colleges, universities

- It will be mandatory for all colleges and universities across the State to ensure that yoga is taught in their institutions. This will apply to private colleges too.

Memorial to be inaugurated on August 9

- ‘Independent India – 70’, a memorial to commemorate the 70th Independence Day, by Mallasajjana Vyayamashala in front of Gandhi Bhavan here, will be inaugurated on August 9, coinciding with the Quit India Movement.

State’s first seawater desalination plant starts

- Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Ltd., (MRPL), has begun preparatory work for the State’s first seawater reverse osmosis desalination plant land leased out by New Mangalore Port Trust (NMPT).

Cabinet approves loan waiver of up to Rs.1 lakh from coop. banks

- The State Cabinet approved waiver of short-term crop loans up to Rs.1 lakh borrowed from cooperative banks in the first phase.

Fall Armyworm infestation spreading across Karnataka

- The infestation of Fall Armyworm (*Spodoptera frugiperda*), an invasive agricultural pest that was first noticed in Shivamogga district in May this year, is spreading at an alarming pace in Karnataka.

Second fastest growing airport in world

- The Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) has emerged as the second fastest growing airport in the world in the first half of 2018 in terms of actual growth in number of passengers.

India Post Payment Bank to be launched on Sept. 1

- India Post Payments Bank (IPPB), a subsidiary of India Post, will have its presence in Dakshina Kannada from September 1

KERALA

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Thiruvananthapuram	Pinarayi Vijayan	P. Sathasivam

Sampushta Keralam, will be launched on October 15, World Food Day

- Kerala will launch a national nutrition mission with the specific aims of improving nutrition, preventing obesity, and promoting breastfeeding in the State.

‘Festival on Democracy’

- The President will inaugurate ‘Festival on Democracy’ to mark the conclusion of the diamond jubilee celebrations of the Legislative Assembly in Kerala.

Kerala start-ups bag seed funding

- Three start-ups mentored by the Kerala Startup Mission (KSUM) have bagged a seed funding of up to Rs.25 lakh each in the India Innovation Growth Programme (IIGP) 2.0 held in New Delhi.

UN team to look into tie-up in two sectors

- United Nations to check the possibilities of collaboration with the State in cashew and fisheries sectors.

Cyclone Warning Centre to be set up in Thiruvananthapuram

- The Union Ministry of Earth Sciences is proposing to set up a Cyclone Warning Centre in Thiruvananthapuram within a month.

ICOMOS launches initiative to save cultural heritage damaged in flood-hit Kerala

- The International Council on Monuments and Sites [ICOMOS], a global monument conservation body, has launched an initiative to assess the damage to the rich cultural and built heritage in flood-devastated Kerala and set up an emergency response platform.

Quasi-judicial tribunal with specific terms

- The Kerala Flood victims' Compensation (Finalisation) Tribunal Scheme, put forward by the United Democratic Front (UDF) to ensure handling of calamity relief in a transparent and non-political manner.

Air Traffic Services established in Kannur airport

- The Airports Authority of India (AAI) established Air Traffic Services at the Kannur international airport to help calibrate the latest generation of Instrument Landing System (ILS) procured from Norway to guide aircraft to precision landing.

MADHYA PRADESH

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Bhopal	Shivraj Singh Chouhan	Anandiben Patel

M.P. seeks revival of cheetah reintroduction project

- The Madhya Pradesh forest department has written to the National Tiger Conservation Authority to revive the plan to reintroduce cheetahs in the State's Nauradehi sanctuary.

MAHARASHTRA

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Mumbai	Devendra Fadnavis	Chennamaneni Vidyasagar Rao

Tata-Centre deal to boost development

- The Union Ministry of Home Affairs has signed a pact with Mumbai-based Tata Trusts, under which the trust will provide technical support to speed up the development process of the Gadchiroli district of Maharashtra.

Emergency measures to tackle pink bollworm

- The Maharashtra government has announced emergency measures to tackle the widespread pink bollworm (PBW) infestation in parts of the State to monitor relief measures and minimise economic losses to farmers.

State banking services to move to IPPBs

- The Maharashtra government is likely to move its banking services to the newly-launched India Post Payments Banks (IPPBs).

ODISHA

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Bhubaneswar	Naveen Patnaik	Dr S.C. Jamir

Odisha CM launches health scheme for 70 lakh families

- Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik launched Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana, a health for all scheme, on the occasion of the 72nd Independence Day. The scheme provides health assurance coverage to 70 lakh families, covering more than 70% of the State's population.

Odisha to showcase its biodiversity

- The Odisha government is setting up a world-class interpretation centre at Dangamal near Bhitarkanika National Park to showcase its efforts in protecting crocodiles and preserving its rich mangrove diversity.

Odisha to get Legislative Council

- Odisha is all set to get a Legislative Council like several other States in the country was approved at a Cabinet meeting presided over by Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik

Odisha to come up with single revenue code

- The Odisha government has proposed to come up with a single revenue code by merging various revenue laws enacted at different point in times.

Inauguration of National Skill Training Institute

- First-ever National Skill Training Institute(NSTI)'s Mancheswar Campus, Bhubaneswar was inaugurated by Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas and Minister of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.

PUNJAB

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Chandigarh	Amarinder Singh	V. P. Singh Badnore

'TuMera Buddy' programme

- Punjab Chief Minister Amarinder Singh launched the 'TuMera Buddy' programme to tackle the problem of drugs in the State.

Punjab cabinet approves bill for price stabilisation fund

- The Punjab cabinet approved a bill for creation of a price stabilisation fund which will ensure state farmers get minimum support price (MSP).

Life sentence for sacrilege of religious texts

- Punjab state Assembly unanimously passed Bills for an amendment to the Indian Penal Code (IPC) and Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPc) to make sacrilege of all religious texts punishable with life imprisonment.

RAJASTHAN

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Jaipur	Vasundhara Raje	Kalyan Singh

Rajasthan government approves setting up of 55 POCSO courts

- Rajasthan Chief Minister Vasundhara Raje approved a proposal to set up 55 courts under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act in the state.

New breastfeeding policy comes into effect

- A new breastfeeding policy has come into effect in Rajasthan for encouraging the rural communities to promote exclusive breastfeeding along with its early initiation. The initiative has been taken as part of the National Nutrition Mission-2022.

Human chain formed on Rajasthan border

- As part of the ‘Shahadat Ko Salam’ (A salute to martyrdom) programme, a record 700-km-long human chain was formed in Rajasthan’s four border districts Barmer, Jaisalmer, Bikaner and Sriganganagar as a tribute to the martyrs on the eve of the Independence Day.

Rajasthan CM unveils welfare steps, extends milk scheme

- Rajasthan CM Vasundhara Raje unveiled a slew of welfare measures, including extension of the Annapurna milk scheme for schoolchildren, allocation of funds for new infrastructure and interest subsidy on farmers and to celebrate September as ‘nutrition month’.

Jaipur man back from Pakistan after 36 years

- After spending 36 years in Lahore’s Kot Lakhpat jail, Gajanand Sharma, a labourer from Jaipur returned home.

Bhamashah Techno Hub

- India’s Largest Business Incubator Bhamashah Techno Hub Launched In Jaipur

Monitoring of nutrition to go hi-tech

- Monitoring of nutrition and health-related services in the Anganwadi centres will go hi-tech in Rajasthan during September, which will be observed as a “nutrition month”.

TAMILNADU

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Chennai	Edappadi K. Palaniswami	Banwarilal Purohit

‘Red Fort’ at Madras Medical College to reopen as museum

- The 121-year-old heritage building, which is currently being restored to its old glory, will soon turn into a museum.

Bharti to boost optical fibre network in T.N.

- Bharti Airtel plans to expand its optical fibre footprint in Tamil Nadu.

First government-trained non-Brahmin priest

- Marichamy, a first non-Brahmin to come out of a state-run archaka training centre and appointed as priest by the State's Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments (HR&CE) Department.

Wildlife census begins at Sathyamangalam reserve

- The biannual six-day wildlife monitoring exercise, using the Android-based mobile application, began at Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve (STR)

'Kalaignar' M. Karunanidhi passes away

- 'Kalaignar' M. Karunanidhi, former Tamil Nadu Chief Minister and DMK chief, passes away aged 94.

Solar-powered houses to Sri Lankan repatriates

- The State government has decided to provide 1,000 solar-powered houses to repatriates from Sri Lanka living in the State.

Sportspersons to get 2% sub-quota in government jobs

- CM Edappadi K. Palaniswami announced a 2% sub-quota in select government jobs for sportspersons who win medals at national-level games or in events organised by the State government.

Genetic resource tree park opened

- A forest genetic resource tree park, developed on 20 acres of land near Vandalur, was inaugurated by Minister for Forests Dindigul C. Sreenivasan. The park has 300 species of trees from both Eastern and Western Ghats.

T.N. to harness rooftops for solar energy

- Tamil Nadu government is planning a massive solar energy programme through setting up of grid-connected rooftop solar panels in government buildings.

Southern Railway special train takes water to Kerala

- Southern Railway is making arrangements to send drinking water to Kerala.

TELANGANA

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Hyderabad	K Chandrasekhar Rao	E.S Lakshmi Narasimhan

Telangana police get live photo search advantage

- The integration of the Facial Recognition System (FRS) with TSCOP will aid in prevention of crime and identification of criminals across the State in real time.

Bronze statue of Koneru Nageswara Rao unveiled

- Andhra Pradesh Legislative Assembly Speaker Kodela Sivaprasada Rao unveiled a bronze statue of the Telugu Desam Party (TDP) senior leader and former minister in undivided Andhra Pradesh late Koneru Nageswara Rao.

Farmers to get life insurance bonds

- Agriculture Minister P. Srinivas Reddy has said that a total of 27 lakh farmers in the State would be given life insurance bonds between August 6 and 13. This innovative scheme would come into effect from August 14 midnight.

Union Minister Dr Harsh Vardhan dedicated India's only facility for conservation of endangered species

- The Laboratory for the Conservation of Endangered Species (LaCONES), a dedicated facility of CSIR's Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CCMB) in Hyderabad uses modern biotechnologies for conservation of endangered wildlife.

Telangana Govt launches Disaster Response Force vehicles

- The Telangana Government has launched Disaster Response Force (DRF) vehicles in Hyderabad to combat situations like flash floods, heavy rains, building collapse and fire mishaps.

IIT-H to incubate 50 'Make in India' startups

- The Indian Institute of Technology-Hyderabad (IIT-H) has launched Fabless Chip Design Incubator (FabCI) with the aim to boost the Indian chip design sector.

Record turnout at Airtel Hyderabad Marathon

- Winning or losing did not matter to over 22,500 participants in the Airtel Hyderabad Marathon held in Hyderabad.

Centre sanctions Rs.63-cr dairy project for Karimnagar

- The Union government has sanctioned a mega dairy project of 3 lakh litres capacity to be set up at a cost of Rs.63 crore as part of the expansion of Karimnagar Dairy run by Karimnagar Milk Producer Company Limited under the Pradhana Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana scheme.

Kaleshwaram project: 400 kv GIS sub-station commissioned

- The 400 kv Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS) sub-station, established as part of the sixth package of Kaleshwaram project at Nandi Medaram in Peddapally district, was commissioned.

UTTAR PRADESH

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Lucknow	Yogi Adityanath	Ram Naik

UP Defence Industrial Corridor Projects

- Defence Minister to Launch UP Defence Industrial Corridor Projects at Aligarh.

Inaugurates 20 Ghats in Kanpur and Bithoor

- Shri Nitin Gadkari inaugurated 20 newly constructed/ restored Ghats on river Ganga in Kanpur and Bithoor.

UP government to name Bundelkhand Expressway as Atal path

- The Uttar Pradesh government has decided to name the upcoming Bundelkhand Expressway as 'Atal Path'.

New Home for Widows

- Krishna Kutir, a home for 1000 widows to be inaugurated by Smt Maneka Sanjay Gandhi and Shri Adityanath Yogi at Vrindavan, Mathura, Uttar Pradesh.

WEST BENGAL

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Kolkata	Mamta Benerjee	Keshari Nath Tripathi

Israel Opens Visa Application Centre in Kolkata

- In an effort to encourage more Indian travellers to visit Israel, the Embassy of Israel in India has opened a Kolkata Israel Visa Application Centre for West Bengal and North Eastern states.

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