

## October 16 – World Food Day

- Bihar government has announced that 1500 Crore rupees would be spent for immediate relief works in drought-affected 206 blocks of 23 districts in the state.
- Union Minister Shri Mansukh Mandaviya inaugurated the hi-tech Central Warehouse, setup by the Bureau of Pharma PSUs of India (BPPI) in Bilaspur, Gurugram.
- Minister Radha Mohan Singh inaugurated a two-day Agri-startup and Entrepreneurship in New Delhi.
- Theme - Unleashing potentials in agriculture for young agri-preneurs.
- Union Minister of State for AYUSH Shri Shripad Yesso Naik laid the foundation stone of National Institute of Homeopathy at Narela.
- Sri Lanka sets up committee to formulate a strategy to help Sri Lankan businesses invest more the Indian market.
- Afghan-Pakistani border closed after clashes
- North Korea, South Korea and UN Command begin talks on demilitarising border
- Government hikes GPF interest rate to 8%
- 6<sup>th</sup> meeting of UAE-India High-Level Joint Task Force on Investments held in Mumbai
- Union Minister of Textiles, Smriti Zubin Irani, inaugurated the 6th India International Silk Fair (IISF) at Pragati Maidan in New Delhi.
- Sandeep Bakshi - **Managing Director and CEO of ICICI Bank for 3 years**
- The government launched a training programme which is expected to help achieve its target of reducing road accidents by 50 per cent by 2020.
- Digital Cash Management System inaugurated for Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana as a partnership between BPPI and Bank of Baroda.
- Uttar Pradesh cabinet decided to change the name of Allahabad city to Prayagraj.

- The Goa Maritime Symposium – 2018 inaugurated by the Chief of Naval Staff, Admiral Sunil Lanba at INS Mandovi at Goa on 16th October 2018.
- Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman dedicated a DRDO website 'The Kalam Vision - Dare to Dream' to former president and 'Missile Man' Dr APJ Abdul Kalam in New Delhi.

## Youth Olympics

- Suraj Panwar clinches silver in men's 5000m race walk event in Argentina.

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