

IMPORTANT DAYS

November 20 - Universal Children's Day

- United Nations Universal Children's Day was established in 1954 and is celebrated on November 20th each year to promote international togetherness, awareness among children worldwide, and improving children's welfare.

2018 Theme: Children are taking over and turning the world blue

NATIONAL

Goa

49th International Film Festival

- The 49th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) will begin at Panaji in Goa.

Tamil Nadu

State Government announces one thousand crore rupees relief package

- Tamil Nadu Chief Minister announced one thousand crore rupees relief package for people affected by Cyclone Gaja that devastated eleven coastal and interior districts of the state.

Tripura

7th International Tourism Mart

- The Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, in association with the Department of Tourism, Government of Tripura and the North Eastern States is organizing the "International Tourism Mart" in Agartala, Tripura from the 22nd to 24th November 2018.

INTERNATIONAL**Maldives cabinet approves to rejoin Commonwealth**

- The Maldives cabinet has approved to rejoin the Commonwealth, two years after withdrawing from the 53-nation grouping.

Guatemala: Fuego volcano erupted

- In Guatemala, Fuego volcano has erupted for the fifth time this year, sending bursts of ash and lava down the mountain.

British PM wins business support for draft Brexit deal

- British Prime Minister Theresa May won support from big business for her draft Brexit deal ahead of intense negotiations with Brussels in the coming week.

BUSINESS & ECONOMY**RBI to set up expert panel to look into issues on capital surplus**

- The RBI board decided to set up a high-powered committee to examine issues related to surplus capital of Rs 9.69 lakh crore with the central bank and advised it to consider a scheme for restructuring stressed assets in the MSME sector.

Ease of Doing Business Grand Challenge

- The Prime Minister of India launched a Grand Challenge on resolving seven identified Ease of Doing Business problems with the use of cutting edge technologies.
- The objective of this Challenge is to tap the potential of young Indians, startups and other private enterprises to provide solutions to complex problems using current technology.

SUMMITS & CONFERENCES**27th BASIC Ministerial Meeting on Climate Change**

- 27th BASIC Ministerial Meeting on Climate Change held in the historic city of Delhi.
- BASIC (Brazil, South Africa, India and China) Countries, being hosted by MoEFCC in New Delhi.

‘Role of Media in Disaster Management’ workshop

- The Minister of State for Home Affairs Shri Kiren Rijju inaugurated the workshop on ‘Role of Media in Disaster Management’, in New Delhi.
- The workshop was organised by the National Institute of Disaster Management (NIDM) and National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.

SCHEMES**Nari Sashaktikaran Sankalp Abhiyan**

- In Uttar Pradesh, Nari Sashaktikaran Sankalp Abhiyan or Women Empowerment campaign will be launched by Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath in Lucknow .
- The month-long campaign is aimed to empower women in the state through various programmes.

Foundation Stones of City Gas Distribution (CGD)

- Hon’ble Prime Minister to lay Foundation Stones of City Gas Distribution (CGD) Projects in 65 Geographical Areas (GAs) in 129 Districts under the 9th CGD Bidding Round.

MOU, AGREEMENTS & CABINET APPROVALS**MoU between Government of India and World Bank**

- Government of India and the World Bank sign \$310 million Loan Agreement for Jharkhand Power System Improvement Project to provide reliable, quality, and affordable 24x7 electricity to the citizens of Jharkhand.

DEFENCE**Visit of COAS to Vietnam**

- General Bipin Rawat, Chief of the Army Staff is scheduled to visit Vietnam from 22 to 25 November 2018 on an official bilateral visit.

BOOKS & AUTHORS

- **Dr. Jitendra Singh** released a book titled 'Radio Kashmir – In Times of Peace & War' - Dr Rajesh Bhat

APP & WEBPORTAL**Aero India 2019**

- The 12th edition of 'Aero India 2019' would be held at Air Force Station, Yelahanka, Bengaluru, (Karnataka) from 20 to 24 February 2019.
- This five-day event will combine a major trade exhibition of the aerospace and defence industries with public air shows.

SPORTS**Women's World Boxing Championships**

- Five-time world champion MC Mary Kom defeated China's Wu Yu in the light flyweight 48 kilogram to enter the semi-finals of the Women's World Boxing Championships.

Subroto Cup International Football

- The final match of the Under-17 boys in the 59th Subroto Cup International Football Tournament to be played in Delhi.

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