

NATIONAL**Jharkhand****I&B Ministry decides to lend financial support to organise 2nd JIFF**

- Information and Broadcasting Ministry has decided to lend support of 5 lakh rupees to organise the 2nd Jharkhand International Film Festival in Ranchi from 1st to 3rd of next month.

Kerala**Kollam bypass dedicating the Kollam Bypass to the Nation**

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi was addressing a gathering at Kollam in Kerala after dedicating the Kollam Bypass to the Nation. This is the first National Highway project in the country taken up on a 50:50 Centre-State partnership.

Madhya Pradesh**MP launches Rs 50,000-cr farm debt-waiver scheme**

- In Madhya Pradesh, Chief Minister Kamal Nath launched the Rs 50,000-crore farm debt-waiver scheme named 'Jai Kisan Rin Mukti Yojana'.

Maharashtra**Schemes for financial welfare of OBCs and SC/ST communities**

- The Maharashtra Cabinet has approved schemes worth over 700 crore rupees for financial welfare of OBCs and the SC/ST communities.

New Delhi**'DD Science' and internet-based channel 'India Science' launched**

- Science and Technology Minister Dr. Harshvardhan launched DD Science and India Science channels in New Delhi. DD Science is Doordarshan's first ever daily slot on Science and Technology, while India Science is an internet-based channel.

2300 Muslim women from India to go on Haj

- Minority Affairs Minister Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi has said that for the first time after independence, more than 2300 Muslim women from India will go on Haj without male companion this year.

Rajasthan**Rajasthan assembly speaker elected**

- In Rajasthan, senior leader of Congress and former Central Minister C.P Joshi elected as speaker of the 15th legislative assembly.

INTERNATIONAL**ICC acquits former Ivory Coast Prez Laurent Gbagbo for crimes against humanity**

- The International Criminal Court (ICC) in The Hague acquitted former Ivory Coast President Laurent Gbagbo of all charges of crimes against humanity over post-electoral violence in the West African nation.

BUSINESS & ECONOMY**RBI announces OMO purchase of government securities**

- Reserve Bank will inject 10,000 crore rupees into the system through the purchase of government securities to increase liquidity. The purchase will be made through open market operations (OMOs). The RBI plans to inject liquidity under OMOs for 50,000 crore rupees this month.

MOU, AGREEMENTS & CABINET APPROVALS**Government forms GoM for GST issues in real estate**

- Government has constituted a seven-member Group of Ministers (GoM) to boost the real estate sector under the GST regime. Deputy Chief Minister of Gujarat Nitin Patel will be the convener of the GoM.

Cabinet approves recapitalisation of Exim Bank

- Union Cabinet approved recapitalisation of Export-Import Bank of India to the tune of 6,000 crore rupees and increase in the authorized capital of Exim Bank from 10,000 crore to 20,000 crore rupees.

President Kovind approved elevation of Justice Sanjiv Khanna, Justice Dinesh Maheshwari to SC

- President Ram Nath Kovind approved the elevation of Justice Sanjiv Khanna and Justice Dinesh Maheshwari to the Supreme Court.
- Justice Khanna is presently a judge of the Delhi High Court. Justice Maheshwari is the Chief Justice of the Karnataka High Court.

10 % reservation in education to economically weaker sections of general category

- The 10 per cent reservation in education to Economically Weaker Sections of general category will be implemented in 40,000 colleges and 900 universities from academic year 2019-20.

AWARDS

- **Philip Kotler Presidential award** - Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- A Kotler Leadership Award leader is one, who believes in representative government and in social justice, believes that a good society will build a healthy business climate, encourages businesses to practice the triple bottom line, namely to balance profits, people, and the planet in their deliberations and sincerely and wholeheartedly works for the Common Good.

SPORTS

India Vs Australia ODI Series

- India beat Australia by six wickets in the 2nd ODI at Adelaide to level the three-match series 1-1.

AFC Asian Cup

- India crashed out of the AFC Asian Cup with a heartbreaking 0-1 defeat at the hands of Bahrain.

World record in indoor rowing

- Asian Cup gold medallist Shakil Ahmed set up a world record in indoor rowing by completing one lakh metres of simulated distance in 10 hours in above-40 year's category in Kolkata.

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