

January 1 - Defence Research and Development Organisation[DRDO] day

- In Maharashtra, thousands of people visited the ‘Jaystambh’ - memorial of victory - in Koregaon Bhima village to mark the anniversary of the 1818 battle between the British and the Peshwas.
- Qatar will cease to be a member of the Organisation of the Petroleum Exporting Countries.
- The United States and Israel officially quit the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) with the close of 2018.
- India and Pakistan exchanged the list of nuclear installations and facilities.
- Cold wave conditions continue in Punjab, Haryana,Uttar Pradesh,Odisha, Jammu and Kahsmir and Telangana.
- As many as twenty-three goods and services are becoming cheaper with the reduced Goods and Services Tax (GST).
- Agricultural credit flow has increased by 57 per cent to Rs 11 lakh crore in the last 4 years, the Agriculture Ministry said.
- Reserve Bank has allowed a one-time restructuring of existing debt of up to 25 crore rupees.
- Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Ministry has established an export promotion cell to create a sustainable ecosystem for MSMEs.
- The government has infused 10,882 crore rupees in four public sector banks, including UCO Bank and Syndicate Bank.
- Justice T B N Radhakrishnan - **Chief Justice of Telangana HC**
- Indian-American KP George - **The Fort Bend County Judge**
- Jair Bolsonaro - **Brazil's president**
- Sudhir Bhargava - **Chief Information Commissioner**
- Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has launched Samwad with Students as part of its outreach programme.
- Government approves additional assistance of over Rs 1,146 cr to Tamil Nadu which was affected by cyclone - Gaja.
- Manufacturing of items of defence aerospace and warships will now be covered by Industries (Development and Regulation) Act.

- The Aadhaar and other laws (Amendment Bill) 2018 was introduced in the Lok Sabha.
- The Muslim Women (Protection of Rights on Marriage) Bill is scheduled to be tabled in the Rajya Sabha.

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