

State Wise Current Affairs – December 2018**ANDHRA PRADESH**

Capital Hyderabad (Amaravati)	Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu	Governor E. S. L. Narasimhan
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Single code soon for vehicle registration

- The government has decided to do away with district-wise codes for registration of vehicles and introduce a single code across the State.

Artificial reefs set up to prevent beach erosion

- The Chennai-headquartered National Centre for Coastal Research (NCCR) conducted studies on the beach erosion between Rushikonda and Gangavaram Port with World Bank funding.
- India Meteorological Department (IMD) to develop a climate resilient coast and for minimising pollution of backwaters, which support a large eco-system.

‘Adarana scheme’

- The State government distributed assets worth RS. 86.03 crore to around 23,000 poor beneficiaries at Pedarikam Pai Gelupu – Adarana II at the STBC grounds. Online selection of beneficiaries and disbursement of implements through various government corporations would ensure each household a steady income.

ARUNACHAL PRADESH

Capital Itanagar	Chief Minister Pema Khandu	Governor B. D. Mishra
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North East Circuits under Swadesh Darshan Scheme

- Two important North East Circuits under Swadesh Darshan Scheme of Central Tourism Ministry inaugurated in Arunachal Pradesh.

Maitree Diwas

- In Arunachal Pradesh, Maitree Diwas, a multi-cultural social event, will be organized at Tawang on November 28th and 29th.

- It will be jointly organized by the local civil administration and the Tawang Military Garrison.

Arunachal Literature Festival

- In Arunachal Pradesh, the first ever Arunachal Literature Festival will be held at Dorjee Khandu Convention Centre in Itanagar from November 28 to 30. The festival is being organized by the State Information and Public Relation Department.

ASSAM**Capital**

Dispur

Chief Minister

Sarbananda Sonowal

Governor

Jagdish Mukhi

Guwahati to be connected to six South Asian countries

- Giving a big boost to Act East policy, Guwahati is to be connected with air route with six South Asian countries by January next year.

BIHAR**Capital**

Patna

Chief Minister

Nitish Kumar

Governor

Lalji Tandon

Every graduate girl in Bihar to get Rs 25,000 now

- Bihar government has approved a proposal to pay Rs 25,000 to every girl graduating in 2018 and onwards.

Bihar CM unveils 70 ft tall Lord Buddha's statue in Rajgir

- Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar unveiled a 70-foot tall statue of Lord Buddha at Rajgir in Nalanda district.
- It is the second tallest statue of Buddha in the country. It is made of pink sandstone.

DELHI**Chief Minister**

Arvind Kejriwal

Lieutenant Governor

Anil Baijal

Tourist Facilitation Counter at IGI airport

- Tourism Minister K J Alphons inaugurated the Tourist Facilitation and Information Counter at Indira Gandhi International Airport in New Delhi.
- Tourism Ministry to open 24X7 Facilitation Counters in Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, Gaya and Varanasi soon.

Delhi's air quality improves to 'very poor' category

- Delhi's air quality on improved to the 'very poor' category. The overall air quality index (AQI) was recorded at 394 which falls in the 'very poor' category, according to the data by the Central Pollution Control Board.

Vibrant Gujarat roadshow

- Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani will hold a roadshow in Delhi in run-up to the Vibrant Gujarat 2019- biennial flagship event to be held early next year.

Notification issued for inclusion of Quadricycles as non-transport

- Road Transport and Highways Ministry has notified the ion of the item Quadricycle as a non-transport vehicle under the Motor Vehicles Act 1988.
- It is only allowed for transport usage under the Act, but now has been made usable for non-transport also.
- A Quadricycle is a vehicle of the size of a 3-wheeler but with four tyres. It is fully covered like a car and has an engine like that of a 3-wheeler.

Aadi Mahotsav festival

- The 15-day Aadi Mahotsav festival is beginning in the national capital Delhi. The highlights of the festival will be fashion show for tribal textiles and tribal cuisines.
- Theme – 'celebration of the spirit of tribal culture, craft, cuisine and commerce'.

UGC to set up a consortium for approved journals

- University Grants Commission, UGC has decided to set up a Consortium of Academic and Research Ethics (CARE) which will prepare a fresh list of credible quality journals in the non-science disciplines.

GOA**Capital**

Panaji

Chief Minister

Manohar Parrikar

Governor

Mridula Sinha

Goa government bans fish import

- Goa government issued an order imposing a ban on the import of fish into the state. The decision has been taken in view of continuing uncertainty about the presence of formalin in imported fish in Goa.

Foundation stone for All India Institute of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy in Goa

- Union minister of state for Ayush Shripad Naik laid the foundation stone for the All India Institute of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy at Dhargal, North Goa.

49th International Film Festival

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

Inauguration of multi-media digital exhibition on Mahatma Gandhi at IFFI

- Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting Minister Rajyavardhan Rathore inaugurated a multi-media digital exhibition on Mahatma Gandhi at the International Film festival of India (IFFI) in Panaji, Goa.
- “Mahatma on Celluloid” exhibition has been organized by National Film Archives of India in collaboration with the Bureau of Outreach and Communication, Information and Broadcasting Ministry.

Centre of excellence for HIV care set up by Dec., 2019

- Goa health minister Vishwajit Rane said that the state government will set up a centre of excellence for HIV care by December 2019.

GUJARAT

Capital Gandhinagar	Chief Minister Vijay Rupani	Governor Om Prakash Kohli
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New measures for water scarcity hit farmers in the state

- Gujarat Government has announced new measures for water scarcity hit farmers in the state.

JAMMU & KASHMIR

Capital Jammu (Winter)Srinagar (Summer)	Chief Minister -	Governor Satya Pal Malik
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Srinagar records coldest night of season

- In J&K, Srinagar witnessed the coldest night of the season with the mercury settling below the freezing point for the first time at minus 2.2 degrees Celsius.
- Kargil was the coldest place in Jammu and Kashmir registering the minimum of minus 9.0 degrees Celsius.

Panels for effective implementation of central power sector schemes

- The Jammu and Kashmir government has set up panels for effective implementation of central power sector schemes in the state.

J&K Assembly dissolved

- Jammu and Kashmir Governor Satyapal Malik dissolved the State Assembly last evening after rival alliances led by PDP chief Mehbooba Mufti and People's Conference leader Sajjad Lone staked claim to form the government.

KARNATAKA**Capital**

Bengaluru

Chief Minister

H. D. Kumaraswamy

Governor

Vajubhai Vala

Additional assistance of over Rs 546 crore from NDRF

- Centre approved the additional assistance of over Rs 546 crore from National Disaster Response Fund, NDRF to Karnataka.

Facility for Testing Telecom products and equipment

- The government has started a facility in Bengaluru for testing Telecom products and equipment to ensure security in digital communications at the national level.
- The Telecom Department has set a deadline of April 2019 for mandatory testing of some telecom products including mobile phones and equipment.

MADHYA PRADESH**Capital**

Bhopal

Chief Minister

Shivraj Singh Chouhan

Governor

Anandiben Patel

Madhya Pradesh celebrates its 63rd Foundation Day

- Madhya Pradesh is celebrating its 63rd Foundation Day with traditional pride and grandeur. Madhya Pradesh was founded on November 1, 1956, and now is the second largest Indian state in size.

MAHARASHTRA

Capital

Mumbai

Chief Minister

Devendra Fadnavis

Governor

Chennamaneni Vidyasagar Rao

Special police teams to handle mob violence

- Two special police teams headed by the deputy commissioner of police, Zone I and Zone II respectively, have been formed to look into mob lynching and violence in Navi Mumbai under a Supreme Court order.

Maharashtra declares drought in 151 tehsils

- The Maharashtra government announced severe and medium-scale drought in 151 tehsils in 26 districts. The announcement will hold for the next six months.

INS Viraat into a floating museum

- The Maharashtra Cabinet approved the conversion of decommissioned carrier INS Viraat into a floating museum. It was decommissioned in March 2017.
- The project worth 852 crore rupees will be implemented through public-private-partnership (PPP).

JNPT planning to host edible oil refinery

- The nation's largest container port JNPT in Navi Mumbai is planning to host an edible oil refinery to maximise revenue and ensure captive cargo.

Second Mega Food Park

- Union Minister for Food Processing Industries Smt Harsimrat Kaur Badal inaugurated the second Mega Food Park in Maharashtra Aurangabad district.

Over 60 lakh toilets built in Maharashtra under Swachh Bharat Mission

- Over 60 lakh toilets were built in the last four years to ensure every citizen has easy access to clean toilets. About 25 Indian states are now open defecation free with Maharashtra being one of them.

Animation, Gaming & Visual effects Institute in Mumbai

- Government to set up Animation, Gaming & Visual effects Institute in Mumbai to encourage youth participation in field of film & cinematography.

Maharashtra government passes bill to amend the anti-adulteration law

- Maharashtra government passed the bill to amend the anti-adulteration law to make it more stringent, prescribing life imprisonment and heavy penalty to curb food and milk adulteration.

Reservation to Maratha community without disturbing OBC reservation

- The state government has informed the high court that it has accepted all the recommendations of the backward commission on Maratha Reservation. The government will give the reservation to Maratha community without disturbing OBC reservation.

Land acquisition process for Jaitapur nuclear power plant

- The Maharashtra government has said that the land acquisition process for the 9900 MegaWatt nuclear power plant in Jaitapur in Ratnagiri district of Maharashtra has been completed.
- The project is being undertaken by the Nuclear Power Corporation of India Ltd (NPCIL) and the Electricite de France (EDF), a French power utility firm.

Bill passed proposing 16 per cent quota for Marathas

- The Maharashtra assembly unanimously passed a bill proposing 16 per cent reservation for Marathas under socially, educationally and economically backward category.

Legislative Assembly to get Deputy Speaker after longest gap

- Maharashtra Legislative Assembly to get Deputy Speaker after longest gap of four years. The election will be held on November 30.

Government withdraws Maharashtra Agricultural Produce Marketing Development and Regulation Act Ordinance

- Maharashtra government withdrawn the Maharashtra Agricultural Produce Marketing Development and Regulation Act Ordinance which was passed in lower house.

MEGHALAYA

Capital
Shillong

Chief Minister
Conrad Sangma

Governor
Tathagata Roy

3rd National Ayurveda Day 2018

- The 3rd National Ayurveda Day 2018 was organised on the theme: “Ayurveda for Public Health” by the Directorate of AYUSH, Government of Meghalaya at Shillong.

India International Cherry Blossom Festival begins

- The third edition of the India International Cherry Blossom Festival 2018 got underway at Polo 5th Ground, Shillong. It celebrates the unique autumn flowering of the Himalayan Cherry Blossoms with several cultural events.

Ekalavya model residential schools to be set up

- 36 Ekalavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) will be constructed in Meghalaya at the cost of 20 crore rupees each in a time frame of three years.

ODISHA**Capital**

Bhubaneswar

Chief Minister

Naveen Patnaik

Governor

Dr S.C. Jamir

33% reservation for women in state assemblies

- The Odisha Assembly has unanimously passed a resolution seeking 33 per cent reservation for women in legislative assemblies and Parliament.

Kartik Purnima being celebrated in Odisha

- Kartik Purnima is being celebrated in Odisha as the culmination of hindu holy month of Kartik.

Lexicon for rare tribal languages

- To keep vanishing tribal languages in circulation, the Odisha government has come out with lexicons of 21 such languages.
- The bilingual tribal dictionaries for multilingual education (MLE) and trilingual tribal language proficiency modules in all the 21 tribal languages have been formulated by the Special Development Council

PUNJAB**Capital**

Chandigarh

Chief Minister

Amarinder Singh

Governor

V. P. Singh Badnore

Remembrance of 100 years of 'Jallianwalla Bagh Massacre' in 2019

- Government of India has decided to mark the remembrance of 100 years of the historical Jallianwalla Bagh Massacre next year. The commemorative coin and postage stamps will be released on 13th April, 2019 (the day the incident took place 100 years ago).

TAMIL NADU**Capital**

Chennai

Chief Minister

Edappadi K. Palaniswami

Governor

Banwarilal Purohit

Tamil Nadu has lost 41% of its shoreline

- In the past two decades, Tamil Nadu has reportedly lost 41% of its shoreline to erosion. ports development, construction of dams in the rivers that block supply of sediments to coastline are some of the reasons for erosion apart from the natural causes such as sea-level rise and storms.

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.

Tamil Nadu government seeks 15000 Cr aid from Centre

- Tamil Nadu urged the Centre to release 15 thousand crore rupees for relief and rehabilitation works in 'cyclone Gaja' affected areas in the State.

A seven-member central team for on-the-spot assessment of the damage caused by Cyclone Gaja

- A seven-member central team has reached Chennai for on-the-spot assessment of the damage caused by Cyclone Gaja in Tamil Nadu.

Railway offers free transport of cyclone relief

- The Indian Railway announced that it would transport relief material free of cost to cyclone-affected districts of Tamil Nadu till 10th of December.

UTTAR PRADESH

Capital

Lucknow

Chief Minister

Yogi Adityanath

Governor

Ram Naik

Grand Diwali celebrations at Ayodhya set world record

- Grand Diwali celebrations at Ayodhya set a world record by lighting over 3 lakh earthen lamps or diyas. These diyas were lit on the banks of holy river Sarayu at Deepotsava in Uttar Pradesh.
- The historic city of Faizabad will now be known as Ayodhya.

Rani Lakshmi Bai Jayanti

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi paid tributes to Rani Lakshmi Bai on her Jayanti.

Training centre for eco skilled Ganga Mitras

- In Uttar Pradesh, the first training centre in the country for eco skilled Ganga Mitras started at Banaras Hindu University to measure the pollution level in Ganga and help the government in many ways to keep the holy river clean.

WEST BENGAL**Capital**

Kolkata

Chief Minister

Mamta Banerjee

Governor

Keshari Nath Tripathi

'Rosogolla Day' to be observed on Nov. 14

- The West Bengal government has decided to observe 'Rosogolla Day' on November 14, to commemorate the first anniversary of the State's famous sweet getting Geographical Indication (GI) tag as 'Bengal's Rosogolla'.

Government decides to set up boards for Namasudra, Matua communities

- West Bengal government has decided to set up development boards for the Matua and Namasudra communities.

24th Kolkata International Film Festival

- The 24th Kolkata International Film Festival (KIFF) began at the Netaji Indoor Stadium. This is considered to be the country's second oldest film festival, also has a plethora of award winning international films from US, Spain, France and Russia.

Open Defecation Free (ODF) status

- Rural Jharkhand declared ODF, West Bengal commits to become ODF by December 2018. West Bengal currently has rural sanitation coverage of 97% and is on track to becoming ODF much before the national target of October 2019.

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