

NATIONAL**Assam****PRANAM Commission to protect parents of government employees**

- Assam Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal had launched the Parents Responsibility and Norms for Accountability and Monitoring (PRANAM) Commission, a panel set up to look after the issues concerning a Bill, for protection of parents of state government employees.
- The Assam government would ensure that no state government employee can ignore their elderly parents and unmarried differently abled siblings.

Madhya Pradesh**National Conference of Energy Ministers**

- In Madhya Pradesh, the Central Zone Power Distribution Company, Bhopal and West Zone Power Distribution Company, Indore have been awarded the Saubhagya award under Pradhanmantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana at the National Conference of Energy Ministers. The award included 100 crore rupees each.
- The Central Zone Power Distribution Company, Bhopal is the first power distribution company in the country which has illuminated more than 7 lakh 85 thousand houses while around Four lakh houses have been electrified by the West Zone Power Distribution Company, Indore under Pradhanmantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana- Saubhagya.

New Delhi**Rs 34 cr of IOC for clean Ganga movement**

- Petroleum Minister Dharamendra Pradhan gave 34 crore rupees of Indian Oil Corporation for clean Ganga movement. The government is committed to clean Ganga fully in next 13 months.

Gouvernement releases passenger charter specifying rights of air travellers

- Civil Aviation Minister Suresh Prabhu released the passenger charter which specifies rights of air travellers, at an event in New Delhi. The charter states that if a domestic flight is expected to be delayed by more than six hours, then the airline will offer an option of alternate flight to the passenger within that time, or it will refund the full price of the ticket.

National e-Governance Awards 2019

- Minister of State in Prime Minister's Office, Dr Jitendra Singh presented National e-Governance Awards, 2019 in New Delhi. The awards are given every year to recognise and promote excellence in implementation of e-Governance initiatives.

SCIENCE**SIGNALCHIP**

- India's first Indigenous Semiconductor Chips by Bengaluru based semiconductor company "SIGNALCHIP" for 4G/LTE and 5G NR MODEMs unveiled in New Delhi.

BUSINESS & ECONOMY**US firmly asks Pakistan to take meaningful action against terrorist groups**

- United States firmly asked Pakistan to take meaningful action against terrorist groups operating on its soil and underscored the importance of avoiding escalation at any cost after India targeted terrorist camp in Pakistan.

SUMMITS & CONFERENCES**Second summit of US President & North Korean leader**

- US President Donald Trump has landed in Hanoi, the capital of Vietnam ahead of his second summit with North Korean leader Kim Jong-un. The talks come eight months after their historic summit in Singapore in June last year.

16th Meeting of the Foreign Ministers of Russia, India and China (RIC)

- In a joint communique of the 16th Meeting of the Foreign Ministers of Russia, India and China (RIC), the three nations strongly condemned terrorism in all its forms and manifestations.

High level security meeting

- Home Minister Rajnath Singh chaired a high level security meeting in New Delhi.

APPOINTMENTS

- **Nigeria president** - Muhammadu Buhari

SCHEMES**‘2nd Edition of ISL Dictionary’**

- Shri Thaawarchand Gehlot, Union Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment launched the “2nd Edition of Indian Sign Language (ISL) Dictionary” for Hearing Impaired Persons.
- ISL Dictionary Includes 6000 Words Under Categories of Academic, Legal, Medical, Technical & Everyday Terms.

SHREYAS

- Union HRD Minister launches the Scheme for Higher Education Youth in Apprenticeship and Skills (SHREYAS) for providing industry apprenticeship opportunities.

DEFENCE**'Sampriti 2019'**

- A joint military exercise Sampriti 2019 between India and Bangladesh will be conducted at Tangail in Bangladesh. It will be the eighth edition of the exercise which is hosted alternately by both countries.

DAC approves acquisition of defence equipment worth Rs 2700 cr

- The Defence Acquisition Council has approved the acquisition of defence equipment for about 2700 Crores rupees.
- The approval include acquisition of three Cadet Training ships for the Navy, which will provide basic sea training to officer cadets including women officer under trainees.

AWARDS**National Youth Parliament Festival Awards 2019**

- The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, attended the closing ceremony of National Youth Parliament Festival Awards 2019, at Vigyan Bhawan, in New Delhi.

APP & WEBPORTAL**Online Platform for Display and Booking of vacant berths**

- Railway Minister Piyush Goyal launched the Online Platform for Display and Booking of vacant berths after chart preparation in New Delhi. Railway passengers can now get complete information about vacant berths online

after preparation of the chart. The user-friendly interface will give a graphical representation of the train coaches and berth-wise accommodation status.

SPORTS

Sanath Jayasuriya banned from cricket

- Former Sri Lanka Cricket captain Sanath Jayasuriya has been banned from cricket for two years. The charges include refusal to cooperate with an Anti Corruption Unit (ACU) investigation, obstructing or delaying the investigation, including concealing, tampering with or destroying any documentation or other relevant information.

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