

# **State Wise Current Affairs**

# Andhra Pradesh

### **Polavaram enters Guinness Book of Records**

- Polavaram project-the life line of Andhra Pradesh, the concrete works of spill channel successfully entered Guinness Book of World Records by completing 32,315.5 Cubic meter of concrete works in a span of 24 hours.
- The Polavaram project also broke the earlier records for largest and continuous concrete pouring.

### Andhra unveils second largest rock art trove

• Andhra Pradesh's second largest petroglyph site, containing about 80 petroglyhs, has been discovered at Mekala Benchi in Kurnool district.

### Palm-leaf manuscripts at Andhra University to be digitised

• The over 1,600 'tala patras' are centuries old and date back beyond the Gutenberg era. The 'tala patras' touch a variety of subjects, including religion, medicine, astronomy, agriculture, law, grammar and defence strategy. The process is to preserve the rare manuscripts and it involves preservation and conservation and then digitisation.

### Centre announces Rs.900-cr. drought relief

• The Central government announced allocation of Rs. 900 crore to the State towards drought relief package.

#### Assam

### **CCEA** approves Numaligarh Refinery capacity expansion project

• Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has decided to expand the capacity of Numligarh Refinery in 3 Million Metric Tonne Per Annum, (MMTPA) to 9 MMTPA. It would also generate direct and indirect employment in Assam.

### 10% quota to economically weaker sections in general category

• The Assam Government has decided to give 10 percent quota in Government jobs and educational institutes to economically weaker sections in general category.

#### Arunachal Pradesh

#### East Siang District achieves 100% electrification

• In Arunachal Pradesh, East Siang District has achieved 100 percent electrification under the Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana- Saubhagya Scheme.

#### **Defence Minister inaugurates Diffo Bridge**

• In Arunachal Pradesh, Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman inaugurated the Diffo Bridge over Chipu River in Lower Dibang Valley District. The bridge is 426 mts in length and its work started in 2011.

#### Bihar

#### Bihar to bring Bill for implementation of recent 10% quota

• Bihar government has decided to bring a separate Bill in the forthcoming budget session commencing from February 11 to implement 10 per cent quota in jobs and education for weaker sections in general category.

#### New Delhi

#### New Delhi World Book Fair

- The 27th New Delhi World Book Fair has begun at Pragati Maidan. Human Resources Development Minister Prakash Javadekar inaugurated the annual event. Seven books published by Publications Division released in World Book Fair, New Delhi.
- Theme 'Readers with Special Needs'.

#### **Indian Panorama Film Festival**

A 10-day Indian Panorama Film Festival will begin at Siri Fort Auditorium in New Delhi. A total of 26 Feature Films and 21 Non-Feature Films will be screened during the festival.

# **Rathore inaugurates sharing of AIR News with Private FM channels**

- Information and Broadcasting Minister Rajyavardhan Rathore launched 'Sharing of All India Radio News with Private FM channels in New Delhi.
- Private FM channels can now carry All India Radio News free of cost on trial basis up to 31st May this year.

### Delhi HC refuses to vacate stay on online sale of medicines

• The Delhi High Court refused to vacate the stay on sale of drugs and prescription medicines by online pharmacies.

### 5-judge bench to hear Ayodhya land dispute case

• The Supreme Court has set up a five-judge Constitution Bench to hear the Ram Janmabhoomi-Babri Masjid land title dispute case. The bench would be headed by Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi.

# National Youth Parliament Festival 2019

- Minister of State (I/C) for Youth Affairs and Sports Col Rajyavardhan Rathore (Retd) launched the National Youth Parliament Festival 2019. It is to provide a chance to the youth to brainstorm about new India and to find ways and chalk out plans to realize our resolves before 2022.
- National Youth Parliament Festival 2019 is organised on the theme of "Be The Voice of New India" and "Find solutions and contribute to policy".

# Delhi's air quality recorded in 'severe' category

• Delhi's air quality was recorded in the 'severe' category due to reduced wind speed.

# '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 Hai without male companion this year.

### New Supreme Court judges sworn-in

• Justices Dinesh Maheshwari and Sanjiv Khanna were sworn-in as Supreme Court judges. With their swearing-in the strength of Apex Court Judges has now gone up to 28.

### India lodges protest over Pak's SC order on "Gilgit-Baltistan"

• India summoned the Deputy High Commissioner of Pakistan and a strong protest was lodged on recent order by Pakistan's Supreme Court on the so-called "Gilgit-Baltistan" which is an interference in India's internal affairs.

### New Rajdhani train

• Bi-weekly Rajdhani Express running between Mumbai's Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus (CSMT) and Delhi's Hazrat Nizamuddin was flagged off by Union Railway Minister Piyush Goyal.

### Heavy rains drastically reduced the pollution level

• Heavy rains drastically reduced the pollution level in the national capital, which recorded the best air quality of this year. According to the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) data, the overall air quality index in the city was 133, which falls in the 'moderate' category.

### Subhas Chandra Bose Museum at Red Fort

• Remembering the heroes of freedom struggle, the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated the Subhas Chandra Bose museum at Red Fort today, to mark his 122nd birth anniversary.

### Foundation Stone for Six-Lane Access-Controlled Highway

• Union Minister for Road Transport & Highways, Shipping and Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation Shri Nitin Gadkari has said that works worth Rs 50,000 crore have been sanctioned for road projects around Delhi.

### SC upholds constitutional validity of Insolvency laws

• The Supreme Court has upheld the Insolvency & Bankruptcy Code, IBC's constitutional validity in its 'entirety' and rejected petitions challenging the bankruptcy laws. The decision is a setback to defaulting promoters hoping for a chance to remain in control of their firms.

# Gujarat

### **International Kite Festival**

• In Gujarat, the nine-day long international kite festival kicked off at Sabarmati River Front in Ahmedabad.

### 1st state to implement 10% quota to EWS

• Gujarat Government has announced that the benefits of 10 per cent quota for Economically Weaker sections of general category in educational institutions and government jobs will be applicable.

# Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Institute of Medical Sciences & Research inaugurated

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Institute of Medical Sciences and Research in Ahmedabad.
- Prime Minister also inaugurated Vibrant Gujarat Global Trade Show at the Mahatma Mandir Exhibition cum Convention Center in Gandhinagar.

# Vibrant Gujarat Global Summit

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the 9th edition of Vibrant Gujarat global investors' summit- 2019 at Mahatma Mandir Gandhinagar.
- The main theme of 9th edition of Vibrant Gujarat Global Investors Summit 2019 is "Shaping a new India."

### National Salt Satyagraha Memorial

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated National Salt Satyagraha Memorial to the nation at Dandi village, situated in South Gujarat on Arabian sea coast.
- The Salt Satyagraha March, well known as the Dandi March of 1930 has been a landmark event in the history of India's freedom struggle.
- It was on this day, as a part of the Civil Disobedience Movement against the British rule, 80 Satyagrahis led by Mahatma Gandhi marched 241-miles from Sabarmati Ashram, Ahmedabad to the coastal village of Dandi and made salt from seawater breaking the Salt Law imposed by the British.

### **Himachal Pradesh**

### Manali and Kufri shivering at sub-zero temperatures

• In Himachal Pradesh, Manali and Kurfi are shivering at sub-zero temperatures.

# Newly built broad gauge railway line inaugurated in Una district

• Minister of State for Railways Manoj Sinha inaugurated the newly built broad gauge railway line between Amb Andora and Daulatpur chowk in Una district in Himachal Pradesh.

### 49th full Statehood day

- Himachal Pradesh is celebrating its 49th full Statehood day with much fanfare and great enthusiasm throughout the state day.
- It was on this day in 1971 when Himachal Pradesh was carved out as the 18th State of the country.

### Jammu and Kashmir

#### Income ceiling increased to avail reservation benefits

• The income ceiling has been increased for people belonging to socially and economically backward classes to avail reservation benefits in employment and education. It has been raised from present from 4.5 lakh to 8 lakh rupees.

### 4.6-magnitude earthquake hits Ladakh region

• A 4.6-magnitude earthquake hit Jammu and Kashmir's Ladakh region. Officials of the Disaster Management Department said the quake occurred at 8:22 am with its epicentre 63 km north of Leh and 193 km east of Kargil in Ladakh region.

### Kerrian Gandyal bridge in Kathua

- Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari dedicated to the nation Kerrian Gandyal bridge in Kathua district of Jammu.
- The bridge has been constructed over river Ravi in Kathua district in a record time of over three years.

### Winter Carnival commences

• The Winter Carnival has commenced at Drass, the second coldest inhabited place in the world. Various sports events such as Ice Skating, Snow Ski, Polo, and Archery will also be held.

### 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.

### **Integrated Refinery Expansion Complex in Kochi**

- PM dedicates to the nation Integrated Refinery Expansion Complex and Mounded Storage Vessel at LPG Bottling Plant in Kochi.
- Foundation stone for Petrochemical complex at BPCL Kochi Refinery laid by PM.

### 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

### Koregaon Bhima anniversary

In Maharashtra, thousands of people visited the 'Jaystambh' - memorial of victory
in Koregaon Bhima village, about 30 km northeast of Pune to mark the anniversary of the 1818 battle between the British and the Peshwas.

### Digital platform helps Maharashtra save Rs 12,000 cr in farm loan waiver

• The Maharashtra government has managed to save 12,000 crore rupees in farm loan waiver alone by adopting a digital platform that helped eliminate bogus claimants.

### 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.

### National Museum of Indian Cinema

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the National Museum of Indian Cinema (NMIC) in Mumbai. The state-of-the-art Museum has been built at a cost of over 140 crore rupees.
- The objective of the Museum is to take its visitors through an absorbing journey of over a century of Indian cinema in a story telling mode with the help of visuals, graphics, artifacts, interactive exhibits and multimedia expositions.

### National Museum of Indian Cinema

• Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the National Museum of Indian Cinema in Mumbai.

### Western Railway provides 'segway' to RPF personnel

• The Western Railway has provided segways, the two-wheeled, self-balancing and battery-powered electric vehicles, to the Railway Protection Force (RPF) personnel deployed at major railway stations in Mumbai.

### Foundation stone of Regional testing laboratory of CPRI

• Shri R K Singh, Union Minister of State (IC) for Power and New & Renewable Energy, Government of India laid the foundation stone of Regional testing laboratory of Central Power Research Institute (CPRI) at Nashik, Maharashtra.

### Maharashtra CMO now under ambit of Lokayukta

• Maharashtra Cabinet has decided to give more power to Lokayukta and brought the Chief Minister's office under its ambit. It is not mandatory for the states to include Chief Minister under the purview of Lokayukta according to the present Lokpal and Lokayukta act. But Maharashtra cabinet decided to become one of the few states who has conferred more powers to Lokayukta.

### **Domestic Council for Gems and Jewellery**

• Union Minister of Commerce and Industry Suresh Prabhu has said that country's gold policy will be launched at the launch of the Domestic Council for Gems and Jewellery in Mumbai.

### Special court in Mumbai declares Mallya a fugitive economic offender

- A special court in Mumbai declared absconding liquor baron Vijay Mallya a fugitive economic offender (FEO) on a plea of the Enforcement Directorate.
- Mallya has become the first businessman to be declared an FEO under the provisions of the new Fugitive Economic Offenders Act which came into existence in August last year.

# Meghalaya

# First Swadesh Darshan project

- The Chief Minister of Meghalaya, Shri. Conrad K Sangma, inaugurated the project "Development of North East Circuit: Umiam (Lake View) - U Lum Sohpetbneng-Mawdiangdiang - Orchid Lake Resort" implemented under Swadesh Darshan Scheme of Ministry of Tourism.
- 22.8% growth in Domestic Tourist Visits to North Eastern region in 2017.

# NGT imposes Rs 100 Cr fine on Meghalaya government

- The National Green Tribunal has imposed a fine of 100 crore rupees on Meghalaya government for its failure to curb illegal coal mining in the state.
- The amount of the fine has to be deposited with the Central Pollution Control Board within two months.

### Odisha

### Social security pension by Rs 200 per month increased

• Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik announced a hike of Rs 200 per month in the social security pension under Madhu Babu Pension Yojana (MBPY).

# Punjab

# **106th Indian Science Congress**

• Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 106th Indian Science Congress in Jalandhar and called for the invention of new low-cost technologies for the help of farmers and also work for their ease of living.

### CM announces development grant worth Rs. 208.40 crore

• Punjab Chief Minister Amarinder Singh announced a development grant of 208.40 crore rupees for funding various infrastructure works in rural and urban areas of several districts in Malwa region.

### Government Job to all medal winners from Punjab in Khelo India Games

• Punjab Government will give Government Job to all Medal winners from Punjab in Khelo India Youth Games.

#### **Development authority for Anandpur Sahib**

• Punjab government said that a development authority for Anandpur Sahib will be set up to execute the development plans in the wake of the 550th birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev in November this year.

#### Tamil Nadu

#### Election Commission postpones Tiruvarur Assembly by-poll

• The Election Commission has postponed the bye-election in Thiruvarur Assembly Constituency in Tamil Nadu slated for 28th of this month. The poll panel took the decision in view of the ongoing relief and rehabilitation measures in the affected areas of the State following cyclone Gaja.

#### **TN Defence Industrial Corridor launched**

• Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman launched a series of projects as a part of the Tamil Nadu Defence Industrial Corridor in Tiruchirppalli.

#### **2-Day Global Investors Summit**

- The two-day Global Investors Summit, being organised by Tamil Nadu government, is underway in Chennai.
- It is being participated by about five thousand delegates from industries in India and abroad.

### Foundation stone for AIIMS Medical College and Hospital

- PM lays foundation stone for AIIMS Medical College and Hospital at Madurai.
- Upgradation of Government Medical Colleges in Madurai, Thanjavur and Tirunelveli inaugurated by PM.
- 12 Post Office Passport Seva Kendras Inaugurated.

#### Women electors outnumber their male counterparts

• In Tamil Nadu, women electors outnumber their male counterparts by more than five lakh 82 thousand, as the final electors list was unveiled in Chennai.

### Telangana

### First session of Telangana Assembly begins

- The first session of the newly elected Telangana Assembly began this morning. Pro-tem speaker Mumtaz Ahmed Khan is administering the oath under the Constitution of India and also the rules of the Assembly to the members.
- In Telangana, former Agriculture Minister Pocharam Srinivas Reddy has been unanimously elected as the Speaker of the newly constituted state Assembly.

### Newly elected Sarpanches of Gram Panchayats

• The Telangana state government has declared that 2nd February will be the appointing day for the newly elected over 12000 Sarpanches of the Gram Panchayats in the state.

# Uttar Pradesh

### Prayagraj to Katra direct bus services started

• In Uttar Pradesh, Direct bus services from Prayagraj to Katra in Jammu and Kashmir started. Now those pilgrims who will visit Kumbh in Prayagraj can directly go to Mata Vaishno devi Shrine located in katra.

### Urea fertilizer prices reduced by 11%

• Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath reduced the prices of urea fertilizer by 11 per cent in the interest of the farmers. The decrease in prices of Urea is due to reduction in additional VAT levied on natural gas.

### **15th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas**

• Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 15th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas at Varanasi in Uttar Pradesh. More than 300 Indian expats from UAE to participate in 15th edition of PBD.

• Theme - "Role of Indian Diaspora in building a New India."

### **Centers of Excellence inaugurated**

• The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, inaugurated Centers of Excellence at Deen Dayal Hastkala Sankul in Varanasi.

### 69th foundation day

• Uttar Pradesh is celebrating it's 69th foundation day. To celebrate the occasion the main function was organised at Awadh Shilp Gram in Lucknow.

### **First Cash and Carry Store**

• Common Services Centres launches First Cash and Carry Store in Kanth, Muradabad. CSC will now promote Cash and Carry store one in every block across the country.

### National Museum Institute at Noida inaugurated

• Human Resource Development Minister Prakash Javadekar inaugurated the new Campus of the National Museum Institute at Noida.



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