

State Wise Current Affairs**Andhra Pradesh**

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Amaravati/Hyderabad	N. Chandrababu Naidu	E. S. L. Narasimhan

18th anniversary Celebrations of SBT

- President Ramnath Kovind will attend the 18th anniversary Celebrations of the Swarna Bharat Trust (SBT) at Nellore District in Andhra Pradesh. Swarna Bharat Trust is focussing on rural development and training unemployed youth to make them self reliant.

New Railway zone

- Southern Coast Railway will be a new zone of the Indian Railways. This new 18th railway zone of the country will be headquartered at Visakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh. The new zone will comprise the existing Guntakal, Guntur and Vijayawada divisions that currently fall under the South Central Railway.
- The Indian Railways' operations are currently divided into 17 zones, which are further sub-divided into divisions, each having a divisional headquarter. There are a total of 73 divisions at present.
- In 2002-2003, seven new zones and eight new divisions were created.

Assam

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Dispur	Sarbananda Sonowal	Jagdish Mukhi

Skill development training to 75,000 youths

- Assam government has given skill development training to 75 thousand youths last year.

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.

Arunachal Pradesh

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Itanagar	Pema Khandu	B. D. Mishra

CM Pema Khandu flags off Arunachal leg of Startup India Yatra

- Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu flagged off the Arunachal leg of the Startup India Yatra from civil secretariat in Itanagar.

Foundation stone for 7 Extra High Voltage (EHV) Sub-stations and 24 Low Tension (LT) Sub-stations

- The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone for 7 Extra High Voltage (EHV) Sub-stations and 24 Low Tension (LT) Sub-stations in Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh. The project is being implemented by Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (POWERGRID) a 'Navratna' Company under Ministry of Power, Government of India. These projects will promote socio-economic and environmental welfare of the people by reducing reliance on Diesel Generating plants in Arunachal Pradesh.

Bihar

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Patna	Nitish Kumar	Lalji Tandon

Krishi Kumbh

- In Bihar, Governor Lalji Tandon and Union Agriculture Minister Radha Mohan Singh jointly inaugurated the three -day Krishi Kumbh in Motihari.

Mukhyamantri Vridhajan Pension Yojana

- Bihar government has announced a universal old age pension scheme - Mukhyamantri Vridhajan Pension Yojna- MVPY for all people above 60 years of age.
- Except those senior citizens who have retired from government service, all will be eligible for 400 rupees monthly pension irrespective of caste, religion or community.

Bihar Patrakar Samman Yojana (BPSY)

- People in the field of media and not getting any other pension will be eligible for Bihar Patrakar Samman Yojana (BPSY) - a pension of 6,000 rupees for journalists above 60 years of age.

PM Modi to lay foundation stone of sewerage infrastructure in Bihar

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will lay the foundation stone of sewerage infrastructure in four towns of Bihar as part of Nirmal Ganga Programme. These include Karmalichak (Patna), Barh, Sultanganj and Nauguchia.

SAIL's steel processing unit inaugurated

- In Bihar, Steel Minister Chaudhary Birender Singh inaugurated SAIL's steel processing unit at Bettia in West Champaran district. At present, Steel Authority of India Ltd (SAIL) manufactures steel pipes at the unit. One tube mill became operational on January 31, 2019, the second will become operational by February 28, 2019.

Foundation stone for projects worth Rs 9,726 cr

- Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari will inaugurate and lay the foundation stone for projects worth 9,726 crore rupees in Bihar. These include highway projects worth 6,900 crore rupees.

Himachal Pradesh

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Shimla	Jai Ram Thakur	Acharya Dev Vrat

Government to amend PG policy for doctors

- Himachal Pradesh government has decided to amend PG policy on bond money for MBBS doctors who pursue higher courses.

Centre sanctions Rs173 cr for 58 NH projects

- Centre has sanctioned 173 crore rupees for 58 national highway projects in Himachal Pradesh.

CM Jai Ram Thakur presents budget of over Rs 44,000 crore for 2019-20

- Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur presented a budget of over 44,000 crore rupees for financial year 2019-20 at the State Assembly in Shimla.

- The budget is an increase of 7 per cent which is around 3,000 crores more of current financial budget.

Cremica Food Park, the 1st Mega Food Park of Himachal Pradesh

- Union Minister for Food Processing Industries Smt Harsimrat Kaur Badal today inaugurated Cremica Mega Food Park Pvt Ltd. The Park is located at Village Singhain Una District of Himachal Pradesh.
- This is the first Mega Food Park operationalized in the State of Himachal Pradesh.

Low-intensity earthquake

- In Himachal Pradesh, a low-intensity earthquake of magnitude 3.5 struck Kangra district.

Sanskrit as the second official language of the state

- The Himachal Pradesh Assembly passed a Bill to make Sanskrit the second official language of the state.

CM lay foundation stone of Central University in Kangra district

- Union Human Resource Minister Prakash Javadekar and Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur laid foundation stone of Central University at Dehra in Kangra district.

Foundation stone for seven National Highway projects

- Road Transport and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari laid the foundation stone for seven National Highway projects worth over Rs. 4,400 crore in Himachal Pradesh's Kangra district. The projects are likely to benefit the local people by way of increased tourism, safe journey, reduced travel time, beautification of highways, enhanced economic activity and employment, and all-weather roads.

Jammu & Kashmir

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Jammu (Winter) Srinagar (Summer)	-	Satya Pal Malik

High-level avalanche Warning

- A high-level avalanche warning was issued by Snow & Avalanche Study Establishment, Chandigarh in Jammu & Kashmir.

Gujarat

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Gandhinagar	<u>Vijay Rupani</u>	<u>Om Prakash Kohli</u>

Gujarat government increases DA of over 9.61 lakh employees

- Gujarat government has announced an increase in Dearness allowance of more than 9.61 lakh employees and pensioners by 2 per cent.

Kerala

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Thiruvananthapuram	Pinarayi Vijayan	P. Sathasivam

The Institute of Advanced Virology (IAV)

- Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan inaugurated the Institute of Advanced Virology (IAV) in Thiruvananthapuram. A first of its kind research institute that is linked to the Global Virus Network (GVN), it will operate from the Bio 360 Life Sciences Park at Thonnakkal in the capital city.

Attukal Pongala, world's largest religious congregation of women

- In Kerala, the capital city of Thiruvananthapuram is all prepared to host the Attukal Pongala festival which is considered as one of the world's largest religious gathering of women on a single day. Lakhs of women will prepare 'Pongala'- the offering in makeshift brick stoves to worship the presiding deity of Attukal Bhagavathy temple.

Madhya Pradesh

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Bhopal	Kamal Nath	Anandiben Patel

Mandatory for industries to hire 70% locals

- Madhya Pradesh government has made it mandatory for all industries to provide seventy percent of the jobs to locals. The new industrial policy has been made effective.

Maharashtra

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
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Mumbai

Devendra Fadnavis

Chennamaneni Vidyasagar Rao

Kala Ghoda Arts Festival

- The Kala Ghoda Arts Festival - KGAF, India's largest multi-cultural street festival, is all set to begin from February 02. Commemorating 20 years of its inception, KGAF 2019 will celebrate two glorious decades of art and culture through cinema, theatre, dance, literature and sculpture through various spots on Mumbai's map.
- The festival will also host exhibition at the historic Jehangir Art Gallery to celebrate the 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi and some rich history of Mumbai.

Government sets up panel to review welfare schemes for tribals

- The Maharashtra government has set up a committee to review various schemes being implemented for the welfare of tribals in the state.

80% percent of the state's farmers eligible for PM Kisan Samman Nidhi scheme

- Maharashtra Government has informed that about eighty percent of the state's farmers will be eligible for the Centre's Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi scheme.

Integrated water plan to make recycling

- Maharashtra became the first State to have an Integrated State Water Plan (ISWP), with an aim to ensure equitable distribution by diverting water from overfed areas to drought-prone regions. Maharashtra first State to draw up such a policy to ensure equitable distribution of water.

Western Railway announces launch of two new express trains

- The Western Railway (WR) announced the launch of two new express trains, one from Mumbai's suburb of Bandra to Bhusaval in North Maharashtra and the other linking Madhya Pradesh's commercial hub of Indore to the temple town of Khajuraho.

PM inaugurates several development projects in Maharashtra

- Prime Minister inaugurated various development projects in Pandharkawda in Yavatmal district of Maharashtra. Speaking on the Pradhan Mantri Kissan Samman Nidhi which was announced in this year's Union Budget, the Prime Minister said that as many as 1.5 crore farmers will be benefitted with the scheme in Maharashtra
- Prime Minister Modi inaugurated the Eklavya Model Residential School of Nanded for tribal students. He also handed over the keys of houses constructed under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) to the beneficiaries.

- The Prime Minister then flagged-off 'Humsafar Express' connecting Ajni (Nagpur)-Pune Train service through video link. He also distributed certificates and cheques under the Maharashtra State Rural Livelihoods Mission to women Self-Help Groups.

Election commission launches voter awareness campaign

- Maharashtra's state election commission has launched a voter awareness campaign to ensure maximum participation of all eligible voters in the upcoming Lok Sabha polls.

State Election Commission to provide pick-up, drop facility to disabled voters in Lok Sabha polls

- In Maharashtra, the state Election Commission has said that it will provide pick-up and drop facility to disabled voters in the upcoming Lok Sabha elections facilitating persons with disability (PwD).

New Delhi

Chief Minister	Lieutenant Governor
Arvind Kejriwal	Anil Baijal

President inaugurates annual Udyanotsav of Mughal Gardens

- President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the annual Udyanotsav of the Mughal Gardens of Rashtrapati Bhavan.

NGT imposes penalty of Rs 25 lakh on UP govt

- The National Green Tribunal has imposed a penalty of Rs 25 lakh on the Uttar Pradesh government for its failure to stop discharge of dirty water into Upper Ganga canal.

"Vande Bharat Express"

- The 'Make in India' effort of Indian Railways has culminated into India's first Semi High Speed Train, "Vande Bharat Express". Vande Bharat Express can run up to a maximum speed of 160 kmph and has travel classes like Shatabdi Train but with better facilities.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will flag off the maiden run of the train on New Delhi-Kanpur-Allahabad-Varanasi route train from the New Delhi Railway Station.

India withdraws Most Favoured Nation status from Pakistan

- India has withdrawn the Most Favoured Nation status granted to Pakistan following the Pulwama terror attack in Jammu and Kashmir.

- A decision in this regard was taken during the meeting of the Cabinet Committee on Security, CCS in New Delhi.

Emergency Response Support System to be launched for women safety

- Home Minister Rajnath Singh will launch Emergency Response Support System (ERSS) in 16 states and Union territories for women safety from New Delhi.
- The states include Andhra Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Punjab, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat and Jammu and Kashmir.
- Persons in distress can dial a pan-India number : 112.
- Under this system, all the states have to set up a dedicated Emergency Response Centre (ERC). A citizen may Press power button on a smart phone thrice quickly to activate a panic call to ERC.
- The service has already been launched in Himachal Pradesh and Nagaland.

15th Foundation Day Celebrations of National Commission for Scheduled Tribes

- Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu addressed the Foundation Day Lecture ‘Constitution and Tribes’, on the occasion of 15th Foundation Day Celebrations of National Commission for Scheduled Tribes, in New Delhi.

President Ram Nath Kovind promulgates four Ordinance

- President Ram Nath Kovind promulgated four Ordinances. Muslim Women (Protection of Rights on Marriage) Second Ordinance, the Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Second Ordinance, the Companies (Amendment) Second Ordinance and the Banning of Unregulated Deposit Schemes Ordinance, 2019.

Digital Bharat, Saksham Bharat

- A Digital India Compendium on Digital Bharat, Saksham Bharat was released by Hon'ble Minister for Electronics & Information Technology and Law & Justice, Sh. Ravi Shankar Prasad at Stein Auditorium, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi.

“Waste to Wonder” Park

- The Union Home Minister Shri Rajnath Singh said that waste disposal should be done properly for which the Municipal corporations will have to play a lead role. He was speaking at the inauguration of the “Waste to Wonder” Park under the South Delhi Municipal Corporation (SDMC).

PM Modi dedicates National War Memorial to the nation

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated to the nation the National War Memorial near India Gate in New Delhi. The memorial honours about 26 thousand soldiers, who have laid down their lives in the service of the nation since Independence.
- The National War Memorial commemorates the soldiers who participated and made the supreme sacrifice in Peace Keeping Missions and Counter Insurgency Operations.

Delhi government presents Rs 60,000 cr rupee budget for 2019-20

- The Delhi government presented a 60,000 crore rupee budget for 2019-20 in the Assembly. 26 per cent of total budget have been earmarked for education.

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.

Odisha

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Bhubaneswar	Naveen Patnaik	Ganeshi Lal

Gadkari to lay foundation of highway projects

- Road Transport and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari will lay the foundation stone for three highway projects worth over two thousand 300 crore rupees in Odisha.

Odisha CM unveils statue of Guru Padmasambhava

- Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik unveiled a 19-foot-high statue of Guru Padmasambhava, the founder of Tibetan Buddhism, at Jirang in Gajapati district.

‘Expedite implementation of Forest Rights Act’

- The Odisha State Food Commission has again asked the State government to expedite implementation of the Forest Rights Act, 2006, that would help ensure food and nutritional security to the vulnerable section of society.

Tamil Nadu

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Chennai	Edappadi K. Palaniswami	Banwarilal Purohit

Government promotes M-sand for construction works

- Tamil Nadu Government is promoting M-sand for construction works as an alternative to river sand.

A drainage-cleaning robot introduced

- In Chennai, a drainage-cleaning robot has been introduced for the first time at the city corporation as part of efforts to rid of manual scavenging. The robot named Bandicoot has been introduced at a cost of 18 lakh rupees. Drainage cleaning could be detected by viewing the blockages on the screen. The robot could be taken to any place in the corporation area.

NHRC issues notice to TN government

- The National Human Rights Commission, NHRC, has issued notice to the government of Tamil Nadu over reported denial of basic amenities to garment industry workers in the state.

President Ram Nath Kovind unveils 15.2 feet tall statue of Gandhi Ji in Chennai

- President Ram Nath Kovind unveiled a 15.2 feet tall statue of Mahatma Gandhi in the premises of Dakshina Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha in Chennai. The event was organized in view of 150th year of Gandhiji and centenary year of the Sabha. The Sabha has been established by Mahatma Gandhi in 1918 in Madras, which is now Chennai.

Uttar Pradesh

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Lucknow	Yogi Adityanath	Ram Naik

Special Postage Stamp on Kumbh Mela

- Union Minister of State for Railways and Communication Mr Manoj Sinha released a special postage stamp of the Indian Postal Department on Kumbh Mela. A special first day cover was also released on the occasion. Its cost is five rupees.

Mega Food Park at Uttar Pradesh

- Union Minister for Food Processing Industries Smt Harsimrat Kaur Badal laid foundation stone for M/s Nandvan Mega Food Park Private Limited located in Badawal, Chhata-Barsana road in Mathura in Uttar Pradesh.

Foundation stone of Defence Corridor

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of Defence Corridor in Jhansi. Jhansi is one of the six nodal points of the Uttar Pradesh defence corridor. He also laid the foundation stone of doubling of 425-kilometre long Jhansi-Manikpur and Bhimsen-Khairar railway lines. He also inaugurated the electrification of 297-kilometre long section of Jhansi - Khairar section. He also inaugurated Pahari Dam Modernization Project.

World's first diesel to electric converted locomotive

- Prime Minister flagged off an 1st ever indigenously developed electric locomotive converted from a diesel engine at the Diesel Locomotives Works (DLW).

Foundation stones for 510 km length of NH

- Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari will inaugurate and lay the foundation stones for 510 km length of National Highway works amounting to 5094 crore in Moradabad, Meerut and Baghpat districts of Uttar Pradesh.

Increase in wages of Anganwadi workers

- Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has announced phenomenal increase in the wages of Anganwadi workers (1500 rupees/monthly), Mini Anganwadi workers (1250 rupees/monthly), Sahayikas (750 rupees/monthly) and Prantiya Raksha Dal (125 rupees/daily) members. The salary increase will benefit around 4 lakh Anganwadi and helper workers.

Apollomedics Super Speciality Hospital

- The President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind, inaugurated the Apollomedics Super Speciality Hospital in Lucknow. The President emphasised the importance of quality and affordable healthcare in the country, and particularly in Uttar Pradesh.

Foundation stone for National Institute of Unani Medicine

- AYUSH Minister Shripad Yesso Naik will lay foundation stone of National Institute of Unani Medicine, NIUM at Ghaziabad. Once established, the 200-bedded hospital will be one of the largest institutes of Unani Medicine in North India.

West Bengal

Capital	Chief Minister	Governor
Kolkata	Mamata Banerjee	Keshari Nath Tripathi

Railway electrification of 294-km long Andal-Sainthia-Pakur-Malda

- The Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated to the nation Railway electrification of 294- km-long Andal- Sainthia-Pakur-Malda and Khana- Sainthia Sections in West Bengal.

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