

Daily Current Affairs - May 26 & 27, 2019

National Affairs:

Election Commission of India submits list of newly elected members

• A copy of the Notification issued by the Election Commission of India in terms of Section 73 of the Representation of People's Act, 1951, containing the names of Members elected to the House of the People following General Elections to the 17thLok Sabha was submitted by them to the Hon'ble President.

Narendra Modi to be sworn in as Prime Minister for second term on May 30

 Narendra Modi will be sworn in as the Prime Minister for the second time at 7 p.m. on May 30 at the Rashtrapati Bhavan. President Ram Nath Kovind will administer the oath, a Rashtrapati Bhavan

Appointments:

• Sikkim Chief Minister - Prem Singh Tamang, popularly known as P.S. Golay

Science Discoveries

New vine snake discovered in Odisha biosphere reserve

• A group of researchers has discovered a tenth species of the vine snake of genus Ahaetulla after a gap of more than a century. The Ahaetulla laudankia, the newly-discovered snake, was first spotted by researchers in Simlipal Biosphere Reserve near Lulung in Odisha.

IISc team confirms breakthrough in superconductivity at room temperature

• Putting to rest all doubts and criticism, a team led by Prof. Anshu Pandey from the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru confirms that their material exhibits major properties of superconductivity at ambient temperature and pressure.

Seawater from Ice Age tucked in rocks discovered in Indian Ocean

• In a first, scientists have discovered the remnants of seawater dating back to the Ice Age, tucked inside rock formations in the middle of the Indian Ocean. Researchers from the University of Chicago in the U.S. made the discovery on a months-long scientific mission exploring the limestone deposits that form the Maldives.

Summits and Conference:

I&B Ministry to organize Special Interactive Session with Mr. John Bailey

• In a major initiative to explore possibilities of collaboration, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting is organizing a Special Interactive Session with Mr. John Bailey, President of Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences on 28th May at Siri Fort, New Delhi.

International affairs:

Pakistan allows Sushma's overflight on India's request

- Islamabad made a rare exception for External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj to fly directly through Pakistani airspace to attend the SCO meet in Bishkek last week.
- Ms. Swaraj had attended the SCO Foreign Minister's meet in Kyrgyzstan on May 21 and 22, along with Pakistan Foreign Minister Shah Mehmood Qureshi.

Sports Affairs:

PSA Challenger tour

• India's Mahesh Mangaonkar, the top seed, beat the third-seeded Spaniard Bernat Jaumein the final to emerge champion of the Sekisui Open, a PSA Challenger tour event.

Sudirman Cup:

 Shi Yuqi stunned world champion Kento Momota as hosts China whitewashed Japan for an 11th Sudirman Cup title. Japan have never won the badminton world mixed-team championship and their search goes on after they were well beaten 3-0 in the Chinese city of Nanning.

Monaco Grand Prix 2019

• Lewis Hamilton won the Monaco Grand Prix for Mercedes, Ferrari's Sebastian Vettel was runner-up, ending Mercedes's run of five successive one-two finishes, with Hamilton's teammate Valtteri Bottas third.

Shooting World Cup:

• Apurvi Chandela won her second gold medal of the season, dominating the women's air rifle on the opening day of the shooting World Cup.

