

IMPORTANT DAYS

October 8 - World Octopus Day

- World Octopus Day is an annual observance celebrated on October 8th of every year. It's a day for those Octopus enthusiasts. It is vital to celebrate the most distinctive animals of the planet with a day. October 8, 2007, marks the first commemoration of World Octopus Day.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS

National e-Assessment Centre

- Revenue Secretary Ajay Bhushan Pandey inaugurated National E-Assessment Centre and Regional E-Assessment Centers.
- The National E-Assessment Center is situated in Delhi while Regional E-Assessment Centers are in Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata, Ahmedabad, Pune, Bangalore, Delhi and Hyderabad.

India's development partnership programme ITEC completes 55 years

- Development Partnership Administration Division of the External Affairs Ministry is organizing a conference in New Delhi to celebrate the 55th Anniversary of India's flagship capacity building programme - Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation.
- ITEC Programme was launched on 15 September 1964 by the Ministry.

INTERNATIONAL

Festival of Fulpati being celebrated in Nepal

- In Nepal, the festival of Fulpati is being celebrated with gaiety and religious fervour today. Fulpati is observed on the seventh day of Dashain festival. In Nepali, "Ful" means flower and "Pati" means leaves and plants.

MoU & CABINET APPROVAL**India and Bangladesh signs MoU**

- India and Bangladesh have signed an MoU that will enable Delhi to set up a coastal surveillance system radar in Bangladesh. The two countries signed seven agreements in New Delhi after talks between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his Bangladesh counterpart Sheikh Hasina.

AWARDS**2019 Nobel Prize in Medicine**

- The 2019 Nobel Prize in Medicine has been jointly awarded to William Kaelin Jr., Sir Peter Ratcliffe and Gregg Semenza for their pioneering research into how human cells respond to changing oxygen levels.

APPOINTMENTS**Justice Lingappa Narayana Swamy takes oath as Himachal Chief Justice**

- Justice Lingappa Narayana Swamy was sworn in as the Chief Justice of the Himachal Pradesh High Court. He was administered the oath of office by Governor Bandaru Dattatraya in a simple but impressive ceremony held at Raj Bhawan in Shimla.

RANKINGS & INDEXES**ICC women's ODI rankings**

- In the latest ICC women's ODI rankings, India maintained their second position but increased the points lead over third-placed England. The Indian women's team is now three points ahead of England. India now has 125 points against England's 122. In the T20 International ranking, India is placed at the fifth position.

SPORTS**Novak Djokovic clinches Japan Open title**

- World number one Novak Djokovic clinched the Japan Open tennis title defeating Australian qualifier John Millman.

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