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CONSTITUTIONAL/STATUTORY/OFFICIAL BODIES

Narendra Modi 15th PM of India

Ramnath Govinth 15th President of India

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|------------------------|---|
| Speaker | Sumitra Mahajan (First women speaker Meira Kumar) first GV. Mavlankar |
| CAG | Shashikant Sharma. Article 148, watch dog, important office said by Ambedkar |
| Election commission | Achal Kumar Jothi (21 st) Nazim Jaidi 20, Chief Election Commissioner and other two Election Commissioners are Achal Kumar Jyoti and Om Prakash Rawat |
| CVC | CVC is 3 members body. CVC= K V Chowdary . 1998 , multi member body, santhanam committee. 2003 statutory status |
| LokPal | Nobody right now but 1 chairperson + max 8 members (50% judicial members), 50% reservation to SC/ST/OBC/Minorities/Women. selection panel: PM, Speaker, Leader Opposition Lok Sabha, CJI + Eminent jurist (nominated by Prez, on recommendation of first four). |
| CIC | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• R.K Mathur panel: PM+ leader of opposition + Law minister• Deepak Sandhu was the First lady CIC, and Sushma Singh was second lady. |
| UPSC | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• David R. Syiemlieh |
| Chief Justice of India | Justice Jagdish Singh Khehar 44 th Tirath Singh Thakur –: 43 rd 40. Sathasivam – 41R.M Lodha., 42 .H.L Dattu |



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| Attorney General | K K Venugopal |
| Solicitor General | Ranjit Kumar |
| Children | Stuti Narain Kacker from 2015 septemper |
| Human rights | Justice H.L. Dattu 7 th chairman of NHRC. NHRC established In 1993. Justice Ranganath Mishra is the First chairman of NHRC. D. Murugesan is one of the member of NHRC from Tamilnadu |
| Minorities | Syed Ghayorul Hasan Rizvi(incharge from may 27 th). National Commission for minorities Established in 1992 |
| Backward class | ----- |
| SC | Ram Shankar Katheria. National Commission For Scheduled Caste Established under 338 Article of the Constitution |
| ST | Nand Kumar Sai National Commission For Scheduled tribe Established under 338-A Article of the Constitution |
| Women | Lalitha kumaramangalam , |
| Cabinet Secretary | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pradeep Kumar Sinha as the next cabinet secretary. |
| Principle Secretary | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nripendra Misra, |
| Finance | Ashok Lavasa |
| NSA | National security advisor. Brajesh Mishra was the first NSA in Vajpayee Government. |
| Foreign secretary | S. Jaishankar. |
| UN permanent representative from India | SYED AKBARUDDIN from jan 2016 |
| 21th law commission | Dr Justice Balbir Singh Chauhan |
| SEBI | Ajay Tyagi, SEBI Established in 1988 , got Constitutional status in 1992 |



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| CBI | Alok Kumar Verma, |
| NITI Ayog Deputy Chairman | 'Dr Aravind Panagariya |
| Chief Economic Advisor to the Prime minister | Arvind Subramanian |
| NITI Ayog CEO | Amitabh Kanth |
| Competition Commission of India (2003) | DK Sikri |
| National Green Tribunal (2010) | Swatanter Kumar, |
| 7 th Pay Commission | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ashok kumar Mathur |
| 14 th Finance Commission | Y.V Reddy. Article (280) |
| Chief Guest of 2017 republic day | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2015, obama 2016 , Francois Hollande France 2017 , Sheikh Mohamed bin, Abu Dhabi |
| Public Accounts Committee | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mallikarjun Kharge |
| GST Council | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arun Jaitly |

International Organization Heads

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|-----------------------------|--|
| United Nation | António Guterres, 1945, New York, US |
| World bank | Jim Young Kim, July, 1944, Washington DC, US |
| International Monetary Fund | Christine Lagarde, 27 December, 1945, Washington DC, US |
| UNESCO | Irina Bokova, 16 November, 1945, Paris, France |
| WHO | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr Margaret Chan, Founded on – 7 |



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| | April, 1948, Geneva, Switzerland |
| International Court | Ronny Abraham , <i>Dalveer Bhandari</i> From India |
| European Union | Donald Tusk , November 1, 1993, (term ended in may 2017) |
| Food and Agriculture Organization | Jose Graziano da Silva, 16 October, 1945, Rome, Italy |
| UNICEF | Anthony Lake, New York, US, December, 1946 |
| UN High Commissioner For Refuges | Filippo Grandi is the 11 th Commissioner |
| Asian Development Bank | Takehiko Nakao, established 1966, Philipins ,manila |
| Common Wealth | Patricia ,is the second Secretary-General from the Caribbean and the first woman to hold the post |
| ICC | Ex-Officio: Shashank Manohar, According to Hindu paper |
| WTO | Roberto Azevedo, ounded on – 1 January, 1995, Geneva, Switzerland |
| United Nations Conference on Trade & Development (UNCTAD) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• MukhisaKituyi, Founded on – 1964, Geneva, Switzerland |
| Organization for Economic Cooperation & Development (OECD) | Jose Angel Gurría, 30 September, 1961, Paris, France |
| International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) | Yukiya Amano, July 29, 1957 , Vienna, Austria |
| Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) | Diezani Alison-Madueke, 1961-62, Vienna, Austria; |



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| BRICS Bank | K. V. Kamath, H.Q: headquarters in Shanghai |
| AIIB (2015) Beijing. | Lou Jiwei . VICE President Pandiyan |



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| Afghanistan | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• President Asraf Ghani.• Parliament called shoora.• (Durand Line india Afkhanistan border) |
| Australia | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Hon Malcolm Turnbull MP.• Capital Melborne |
| Bangladesh | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• President Abdul Hamid• PM Sheikh Hasina (Awami league).• Opposition Khalida Zia (nationalist party)• Parliament called Jatiya parliament. |
| Bhutan | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• King Jigme Wangchuck• PM Tshering Tobgay• parliament called Tasongadu |
| China | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Capital - Beijing; President - Xi Jinping; Prime Minister - Li ,• Currency - Yuan |
| Cuba | Capital - Havana; President - General Raul Modesto Castro Ruz; Prime minister: Raúl Castro (not Fidel Castro) |
| Fiji | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Capital - Suva; President - George Konrote; Prime Minister - Frank Bainimarama - (Fiji has largest Indian diaspora in Asia Pacific)• Former president of Indian origin Mahindra Chaudhary (1999-2000)• Ram Krishna Mission of Fiji has been awarded Pravasi Bharatiya Samman 2014 |
| France | President Emmanuel Macron, Francis Hollande; PM Édouard Philipp. |
| Germany | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• President Joachim Gauck• Chancellor Angela Merkel• Lok Sabha: Bundestag• Capital Berlin |
| Iran | President Hussan Rouhani, Accepts peaceful nuclear technology use- capital Tehran , parliament called Majlis |
| Iraq | PM Dr. Haider Al-Abadi, |
| Israel | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• President Reuven Rivlin• PM Benjamin Netanyahu• parliament called Knesset• first Indian prime minister visited Israel Narendra Modi |
| Japan | Emperor Akihito, PM Shinzo Abe. Parliament called DIET. |
| Latvia | Officially joined Eurozone. 18th Member of Euzozone Parliament: Saeima. Capital Riga.Donot confuse EU vs Eurozone. EU (european union) has 28 members as of now. Croatia became the 28th member of EU in july 2013. Capital - Riga; President - Raimonds Vējonis; Prime Minister - Maris Kucinskis |
| Libya | PM Abdulla al Thani- he quits after family attacked. Capital Tripoli. |
| Malaysia | PM Najib Razak (he visited India recently) |
| Maldives | President Abdulla Yameen – after defeating Moh. Nasheed in run off vote. Parliament : Majilis |



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| Mauritius | Capital - Port Louis; President - Ameenah Gurib; Prime Minister - Anerood Jugnauth - Ameenah Gurib-Fakim was just sworn in as the first female president of Mauritius |
| Myanmar | Myanmar's new president Htin Kyaw, an aide to Aung San Suu Kyi, is sworn in as the country's first elected civilian leader. |
| Nepal | Capital - Kathmandu; President - Bidhya Devi Bhandari; 40 th Prime Minister: Nepali Congress chief Sher Bahadur Deuba, - Parliament : Rahstriya Panchayat |
| Nigeria | President Muhammadu Buhari won the presidential election by more than 2.5 million votes. in news because an extremist group Boko Haram kidnapped schoolgirls to get their prisoners released. Capital: Abuja |
| North Korea | Prime Minister Kim Jong, Capital : Pyongyang |
| Pakistan | President Mamnoon Hussain and PM Nawaz Sharif both belong to PML-N party. Parliament called "Majlis-e-shoora". Pakistan's first-ever woman Foreign Secretary Tehmina Janjua |
| Palestine | Unity govt. under Moh. Abbas (Fatah) and Ismail Haniyeh (Hamas) . Prime Minister Rami Hamdallah |
| Papua New Guinea | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Indian origin to be member of Parliament – Sasindran Muthavel • Peter O'Neill |
| Philippines | Rodrigo Duterte , Capital- Manila |
| S.Africa | Jacob Zuma wins Presidential election. (Party African national congress). Capital: Johannesburg. Indian origin – Ela Gandhi – Pravasi Bharatiya Samman 2014 |
| South Korea | President : Moon Jae-in , Capital Seol . Park Geun-hye, was the country's first female head of state. |
| South Sudan (2011) | Salva Kiir Mayardit , Capital Juba , 193 member of UNO |
| Syria | President Bashar al Assad , Capital – Damascus – Frequently in news |
| Turkey | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President Abdulla Gul • PM Recep Tayyip Erdogan. Capital – Ankara |

Some Indexes

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| Ease of Doing Business Index Doing Business (world bank) 2016 | 130. Singapore tops |
| Gender Gap (WEF) | 87th position among 144 countries in World Economic Forum. leading 5 nations: Iceland (1), Finland (2), Norway (3) and Sweden (4). (5) Rwanda |
| Global hunger index | 97 th Rank |



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| Global Slavery Index | India ranks 4 th in 2016 |
| Human Capital index(WEF) | India was ranked low at 105th position out of 130 countries (2016) |
| Human development index (UNDP) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ 131 rank in the latest UNDP✓ India's human development index (HDI) value of 0.624✓ top three countries in HDI are Norway (0.949), Australia (0.939) and Switzerland (0.939) |
| Global Innovation Index | India ranks 60 |
| World Press Freedom Index 2016 | India ranks 136 |
| Global competitive index 2016 | rank 39 |
| Global Peace Index (GPI) | India has ranked 137th out of 163 |
| World Happiness Index 2016 | India ranked at 122 out of 155 countries |
| Transparency International's corruption perception index | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• India at rank 79. |
| UNCTAD World Investment Report- 2016 | India – 4th (Asia) & 10th (World) |
| Sustainable Development Index | Sweden – First India – 110 |
| Cleanest city survey 2017 | Indore , Madhya Pradesh |
| World Risk Report 2016 | India- 77 |
| Global cyber security Index – 2017 | India ranks 23 |
| Social Progress index | India ranked 93 rd |
| National Institutional Framework ranking | IISc Bangalore tops |
| Inclusive development index | India ranks 79 |

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I wish for the meritorious accomplishments of all his endeavors in near future.

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Important Summits

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| 17th NAM | Venezuela 2016, held in every three year 16 th summit iran , Tehran , |
| ASEAN | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2017 , Philippines , Manila • 2016 Vientiane, Lao |
| BIMSTEC , 1997 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2017 Nepal • 2016 , Goa , India |
| BRICS | 2017 , China , Xiamen (Theme- Stronger Partnership for a Brighter Future) 2016 india , Goa |
| CHOGM | Commonwealth heads of government 22nd meeting in |



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| | <p>Colombo, Sri Lanka (Nov 2013)</p> <p>2015 – Malta</p> <p>2018 Britain to Host</p> |
| G-20 Summit | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 11th G20 Meeting 2016 ,China Hangzhou• 12th G20 Meeting 2017 , Hamburg , Germany |
| G-7 summit | <p>G8 NOW –G7 _Summit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 42nd G 7 , Summit Japan• But after Ukraine issue, Russia withdrawn from membership G8 -> G7 + hosted in Brussels• The 43rd G7 summit was held on May 26–27, 2017 in Taormina, Sicily, Italy. |
| SAARC | <p>SAARC Summit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 18th SAARC Summit 2014– Kathmandu, Nepal (in November 2014)• 5th SAARC health minister meet – new delhi• 19th SAARC summit – islamabad , Pakistan, 2016 (not held) |
| UNFCC | <p>2013: COP 19 in Warsaw Poland.2014: COP 20 in Lima, Peru,</p> <p>2015 paris</p> <p>22nd Conference of Parties (CoP) summit in Morocco, 2016</p> |
| WTO | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ministerial conference After every 2 years• 10th ministerial conference , Kenya , Nairobi• 9th ministerial conference held in bali• 11th ministerial Conference 2017 <p>Afghanistan became the 164th WTO member on 29 July 2016</p> |



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| NATO | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ NATO Summit 2016 – Poland, Warsaw▪ NATO Summit 2017 - Belgium, Brussels▪ NATO Summit 2018 – Turkey, Istanbul |
| UNFCC (CONFERENCE OF PARTIES | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 17th meeting 2015 - Paris, France▪ 18th meeting 2016 - Marrakech, Morocco▪ 19th meeting 2017 - Bonn, Germany |
| Nuclear Security Summit (NSS) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 1st NSS 2010 – Washington, D.C, USA▪ 2nd NSS 2012 - South Korea, Seoul▪ 3rd NSS 2014 – Hague, Netherlands▪ 4th NSS 2016 – Washington, D.C, USA |
| shanghai Cooperation Organisation summit | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 2017, held from 8-9 June in Astana, the capital of Kazakhstan.▪ India and Pakistan today became full members |
| 20th National Conference on e-Governance | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Visakhapatnam. |

TamilNadu Who is who?

| | |
|------------------------|--|
| Chief Minister | K.Edappadi Palanisamy (After Independence 13th chief minister of Tamil Nadu) (29th chief Minister from 1921) |
| Governor | R.Vidyasagar Rao (Incharge) (As on 08/07/17) |
| Speaker | P.danabal |
| Deputy Speaker | Pollachi Jeyaraman |
| Opposition Leader | M.K Stalin |
| Chief Secretary | Dr.Girija Vaidyanathan |
| Advocate General | Muthukumarasamy |
| Chief Election Officer | Rajesh Lahkani |

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| Tamilnadu Election Commissioner | M Malik Feroze Khan |
| Local body appellate Tribunal | Cho. Ayyar |
| State Information Commission | K.Ramanujam |
| Human Rights Commission | D.MeenaKumari |
| State women Commission | ----- |
| State commission for children | ----- |
| TNPSC | Dr K.Arulmozhi |
| Chief Justice of high court | Indira Banerjee (the second woman chief justice of MHC next to Justice Kanta Kumari Bhatnagar) |
| Tamilnadu state child protection commission | M.P Nirmla |

Some Tamilnadu Government Awards

- ✓ Thiruvalluvar Award, P Veeramani
- ✓ Thanthai Periyar Award , Panruti S Ramachandran,
- ✓ Ambedkar Award R Duraisamy
- ✓ Perarignar Anna Award, Kooram M Durai
- ✓ Perunthalaivar Kamarajar Award, T Neelakandan
- ✓ Mahakavi Bharathiyar Award- S Ganapathi Raman
- ✓ Paventhar Bharathidasan Award- Ko Bharathi
- ✓ Thiru Vi. Ka Award- Dr. Maraimalai Illakuvanar
- ✓ K A P Viswanatham Award. Meenatchi Murugarathinam

Chithirai Tamil New Year awards for 2016 and Thamizh Chemmal awards for 2015

- ✓ Manavar Mandram, a Tamil literary forum, has been chosen for Thamizh Thai award for 2016.
- ✓ LK Agniputhiran (Kabilar award)
- ✓ MA Venkatakrishnan (UVeSa award)
- ✓ Ilangai Jayaraj (Kambar award)
- ✓ B Manikandan (Sollin Selvar award),
- ✓ Vaidehi Herbert (GU Pope award)



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- ✓ M Abdul Kader (Umarupulavar award)
- ✓ N Nanjundan (Ilangovadigal award)
- ✓ Hamsa Dhanagopal (Amma literary award)
- ✓ S Selva Murali received Kanini Tamil award for 2015.

SOME IMPORTANT SUMMITS WHICH WERE NOT ADDED IN ABOVE TABLE

- ✓ BRICS Women Parliamentarians' Forum meet held in Jaipur, Rajasthan forum passes Jaipur Declaration,
- ✓ World sufi Forum held in New Delhi
- ✓ World Congress on Drug Discovery & Development-2016", which is scheduled on 23rd, 24th & 25th November 2016 , Bangalore
- ✓ 18th World Congress of Criminology held at O. P. Jindal University Campus in New Delhi, India from the 15th to 19th December, 2016.
- ✓ 6th World Congress on Biotechnology, organized during October 05-07 at New Delhi
- ✓ 4th India Africa Hydrocarbons Conference – New Delhi
- ✓ Raisina Dialogue 2017 – New Delhi
- ✓ 3rd World Internet Conference –China's Wuzhen
- ✓ 1st International Agro-biodiversity Congress that was held from 6 November to 9 in New Delhi
- ✓ 45th All India Police Science Congress being organized at Kovalam, Thiruvananthapuram
- ✓ 1to 4, December 2016; 7th World Ayurveda Congress (WAC) was held at Science City in Kolkata, West Bengal
- ✓ 15th Pravasi Bhartiya Diwas held in Bengaluru
- ✓ The 7th World Ayurveda Congress (WAC) held on from 2nd – 4th December, 2016 at Science City, Kolkata.
- ✓ Andhra Pradesh Legislative Assembly hosted in February the country's first National Women's Parliament in Amravati
- ✓ The second edition of the International Spice Conference was held at Kovalam in Thiruvananthapuram , Kerala



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- ✓ Shri Radha Mohan Singh inaugurates Indian Seed Congress – 2017 in Kolkata The theme of Seed Congress is “Seed of Joy”
- ✓ The South Asian Speakers' Summit 2017 concluded on 20 February 2017 in Indore, Madhya Pradesh.
- ✓ National Biodiversity Congress 2017 was held in Kerala
- ✓ Mobile World Congress (MWC) 2017 in Barcelona , Spain
- ✓ The Vice-President of India led the Indian delegation to the first Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) Leaders' Summit held on 7 March 2017 in Jakarta Indonesia
- ✓ United Nations Conference on Legally Binding Instrument Leading towards Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons held in New York
- ✓ The three days “International Buddhist Conference” at Rajgir , Bihar
- ✓ The Gem and Jewelry Export Promotion Council (GJEPC) will host the International Diamond Conference, held in Bombay theme "Mines to Market 2017" is the theme
- ✓ 2017 National Theatre festival , Trivandrum
- ✓ 19th commonwealth forestry conference held in Uttarakhand
- ✓ Thaawarchand Gehlot, Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment inaugurated a “National Conference on Autism” in New Delhi.(World Autism Awareness Day 2017: 2 April)
- ✓ The 136th Mega-Conference of World Parliamentarians held in Dhaka on April 1, 2017, Bangladesh

IMPORTANT COMMITTEES

- ✓ ShyamBenegal – Cinematography Act review / central board of film certification
- ✓ Justice R M Lodha – BCCI Reforms
- ✓ ArvindPanagariya – Fast Track Bullet Trains
- ✓ P K Sinha-To process the recommendations of the 7th Pay Commission
- ✓ Anil R Dave – To investigate the living conditions and salary of Nurses
- ✓ Tapan Roy -To examining and making recommendations on changing of the Companies Act, 2013.



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- ✓ T.S.R Subramanian -To evolve the New Education Policy
- ✓ Mahesh Kumar Singla -To recommend the modalities for Granting of SC status to six OBC communities in Assam
- ✓ B Tandon -To oversee the guidelines set for government advertisements
- ✓ Ashok Lahiri- the imposition of central Excise duty on jewellery.
- ✓ Ayyapan Committee -prepare a draft national policy on marine fishery
- ✓ Arvind Subramanian - consider a reasonable increase in minimum support price (MSP)
- ✓ T V S N Prasad – 7 members - alternatives to pellet guns in Kashmir
- ✓ Amitabh Kant- e-commerce rules on foreign direct investment norms
- ✓ Shri Madhukar Gupta – Border Management
- ✓ Ratan P. Watal headed the Committee on Digital Payments
- ✓ SS Mundra Task Force to speed up the process of recalibration of ATMs
- ✓ KS Valdiya committee submitted report to the Government Saraswati River so far considered mythical, actually existed
- ✓ The Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) Committee headed by Shri N.K. Singh
- ✓ DB Shekatkar committee for defense Fiscal management
- ✓ Ashok Dalwai committee formed by the Centre to double farmers' income by 2022 is considering major reforms in the agriculture sector
- ✓ Recent Committee on poverty line Aravind panagariya
- ✓ Eminent scientist, former Chief of ISRO and Padma Vibhushan Dr. K. Kasturirangan has been appointed Chairman of the committee tasked with preparing the final draft of the National Education Policy.
- ✓ Pradeep Kumar committee to look stressed asset of Banking Sector constituted by RBI

SPORTS RELATED NEWS

- ✓ Qatar Open 2017 - Singles Novak Djokovic (Serbia)

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- ✓ Indian tennis ace Sania Mirza won the 2017 Brisbane International women's doubles title with-Bethanie Mattek-Sands
- ✓ 2017 Chennai Open title Roberto Bautista Agut (Spain) ICC Test Rankings India tops
- ✓ Malaysia Masters Grand Prix Women's Singles P. V. Sindhu
- ✓ Australian Open 2016 - Men's Singles Roger Federer picked up his 18th grand slam title. He beat Rafa Nadal-(He becomes the first man in history to win five or more titles at three different Grand Slam events - five Australian Opens, five US Opens and seven Wimbledons.) Women's Singles Serena Williams is the women's champion, 23rd Grand slam
- ✓ Australian Open 2017 - Henri Kontinen of Finland and John Peers of Australia beat Bob and Mike Bryan
- ✓ Australian Open 2017 - Bethanie Mattek-Sands and Lucie Safarova took out the Australian Open women's doubles
- ✓ Manushi Chhillar from Haryana wins the title of Miss India 2017
- ✓ 2017 world women chess championship held in Tehran . Harika Dronavalli won Bronze .
- ✓ Official sponsor for the Indian contingent to the Rio Olympics 2016- Amul
- ✓ First Indian Gymnast to Qualify for Olympics DipaKarmakar
- ✓ 2018 Commonwealth Judo Championships will be held in India
- ✓ Mumbai Indians beat Rising Pune Supergiant to win IPL 2017

Chennai Open 2017

| | | |
|----------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| Men's Singles | Roberto Bautista Agut (Spain) | Daniil Medvedev (Russia) |
| Mens's Doubles | Rohan Bopanna and Jeevan Nedunchezhiyan (India) | Purav Raja and Divij Sharan (India) |

12th South Asian Games – 2016

Important Points

- ✓ Held at Guwahati (Indira Gandhi Athletic Stadium) and Shillong (Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium)

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- ✓ Name of the mascot: Thikor (a baby rhinoceros)
- ✓ India Ranks First , 188 Medals

Paralympics held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Ranks in Paralympics Game

Rank first Five

1, china 2, Great Britton , 3 Ukraine , 4, Us , India 43rd place

India's performance

- ✓ Thangavelu Mariyappan - Gold in Men's High Jump
- ✓ Devendra Jhajharia - Gold in Men's Javelin Throw
- ✓ Deepa Malik - Silver in Women's Shot Put
- ✓ Varun Singh Bhati - Bronze in Men's High Jump

Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna

Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna, India's highest sporting honor, will be given to four athletes in the same year

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|---------------------|------------|
| Ms. P.V. Sindhu | Badminton |
| Ms. Dipa Karmakar | Gymnastics |
| 3. Shri Jitu Rai | Shooting |
| 4. Ms. Sakshi Malik | Wrestling |

Note: other awards have more lists so we can't memory those names

Rio Olympic an Overview

- ✓ Venue: Rio de Janeiro
- ✓ Motto: A new world
- ✓ Opening and closing ceremony at: Maracana Stadium



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- ✓ Athlete's oath taken by: Brazilian sailor Robert Scheidt
- ✓ Olympic cauldron was lit by: Vanderlei Cordeiro de Lima (Brazilian long distance runner)
- ✓ Golf and Rugby Sevens were introduced after a gap of 112 and 92 years respectively.

Important Achievement

- ✓ Michael Phelps: American swimmer won 5 gold medals and 1 silver medal at this Olympics and carried his total Olympic gold medals to 23 and total medals to 28
- ✓ Usain Bolt: He won 3 gold medals in 100 m, 200 m and 4 x 100 m relay for the third time in Olympics completing a triple triple.
- ✓ The youngest athlete to participate in the Olympics was Nepal's Gaurika Singh.
- ✓ The youngest in the Indian contingent was golfer Aditi Ashok.
- ✓ First time entrants Kosovo, South Sudan, and the Refugee, took part.

| Country | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
|------------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| 1. U.S.A. | 46 | 37 | 38 | 121 |
| 2. Great Britain | 27 | 23 | 17 | 67 |
| 3. China | 26 | 18 | 26 | 70 |
| 4. Russia | 19 | 18 | 19 | 56 |
| 5. Germany | 17 | 10 | 15 | 42 |
| 67. India | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |

India performance

- ✓ The Indian Olympic Association (IOA) had sent a total of 123 athletes.
- ✓ This was the nation's largest ever delegation in Summer Olympic history.



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- ✓ Flag bearer Abhinav Bindra leads Indian contingent as Olympic Games declared open
- ✓ Badminton player P V Sindhu won historic silver medal in women's singles badminton event. With this, she became the first Indian woman to clinch a silver medal in Olympics.
- ✓ Sindhu become the fifth female athlete from India to a medal in Olympics.
- ✓ Wrestler Sakshi Malik secured a bronze in the 58 kg category to become India's first female wrestler to win an Olympic medal.
- ✓ Dipa Karmakar became the first Indian female ever to book an Olympic spot in the apparatus events and all-around event at the Olympic Test Event.
- ✓ Indian athletes have won a total of 28 medals so far, all at the Olympic Games
- ✓ Sakshi Malik, who won India's first medal in the Rio Olympics, was on Sunday announced as the country's flag bearer at the Summer Games Closing Ceremony.

Books and Author

- ✓ Tolerance Mamata Banerjee
- ✓ The Turbulent Years – 1980-1996 – Vol II Pranab Mukherjee
- ✓ Transcendence -APJ Abdul Kalam
- ✓ Indian Paper Money Razack
- ✓ Who was Shivaji ? Sri Govind Pansare
- ✓ Gandhi: An Illustrated Biography Pramod Kapoor
- ✓ The Householder, The Star Shashi Kapoor
- ✓ My Favourite Nature Stories Ruskin Bond
- ✓ The Unseen Indira Gandhi Dr KP Mathur
- ✓ 'Ace Against Odds' Sania Mirza
- ✓ India's most Powerful Women Mrs. Prem Ahluwalia
- ✓ One Indian Girl Chetan Bhagat
- ✓ The People's President: APJ Abdul Kalam - S.M. Khan



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- ✓ Jinnah often came to our House - Kiran Doshi (won The Hindu Prize 2016)
- ✓ The Golden House - Salman Rushdie
- ✓ Veerappan, Chasing the Brigand - K. Vijay Kumar
- ✓ Ministry of Utmost Happiness – Arunthathi Rai

Apps and Portals

- ✓ Killkari- 72 audio messages about pregnancy, child birth and child care
- ✓ Pinakin app - benefit of both domestic and international tourists,- TN Government
- ✓ SURYAMITRA app- Ministry of power –
- ✓ NIVARAN Portal –Ministry of railway
- ✓ POCSO e-Box-Union Minister for Women and Child Development-For reporting child sexual abuse
- ✓ ShaGun – Ministry of HRD for SSA monitoring
- ✓ Shri Piyush Goyal launched TAMRA (Transparency, Auction Monitoring and Resource Augmentation) portal and Mobile Application
- ✓ E-Cinepramaan to censor corruption- Clean Cinema Clean India Online Film Certification System
- ✓ e-Service Book – Online Vigilance system
- ✓ The Madhya Pradesh government has e-nagarpalika 'launched an app to provide various municipal services online.
- ✓ Karnataka launches women safety app 'Suraksha'
- ✓ Manipur Chief Minister Nongthombam Biren Singh launched DARPAN' web portal to check corruption
- ✓ ISRO launched a Solar Calculator app that can accurately calculate all the benefits of installing solar panels in different parts of the country
- ✓ Shri Rajnath Singh inaugurated the web portal and mobile application named "Bharat ke Veer. to enable willing donors to contribute towards the family of a braveheart who sacrificed his/her life in line of duty. Maximum amount 15 lakhs



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- ✓ INAM-Pro - common platform to bring cement buyers and sellers together.

Important Awards

- ✓ Prof Waghmare to get 26th GD Birla Award for Scientific Research
- ✓ Margaret Atwood wins 2016 PEN Pinter prize
- ✓ American author Akhil Sharma has won the 2016 International DUBLIN Literary Award for his novel Family Life
- ✓ Sarangi maestro Pandit Ram Narayan was selected for the prestigious Pandit Bhimsen Joshi award.
- ✓ Golden Globe Awards -Best Picture (Drama) – The Revenant
- ✓ The Indian novelist and journalist Anuratha Roy awarded the 2016 DSC Prize for South Asian Literature for her novel Sleeping on Jupiter
- ✓ Polly Umrigar Award – Virat Kohli- 2015
- ✓ Eminent modern Bengali poet Shankha Ghosh has been chosen for the prestigious Jnanpith Award for 2016
- ✓ Ms. Kanyakumari was the first woman violinist to get Sangita Kalanidhi award of the Music Academy this year.
- ✓ Telugu writer Kolakaluri Enoch 29th Moortidevi Award by Bharatiya Jnanpith for his novel Ananta Jeevanam
- ✓ Kaisa Matomaki and Maksym Radziwill have been jointly won the 2016 SASTRA-Ramanujan award.
- ✓ Stephanie Del Valle has won the title of Miss World 2016
- ✓ Environmental activist Kehkashan Basu won Children's Peace Prize.
- ✓ International Maritime Organisation Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea – Radhika Menon
- ✓ Eminent Konkani writer Mahabaleshwar Sail has been honoured with the Saraswati Samman 2016 for his novel Hawthian.



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- ✓ French mathematician Yves Meyer was today awarded the 2017 Abel Prize for his work on wavelets, a mathematical theory with applications in data compression, medical imaging and the detection of gravitational waves.
- ✓ 2017 Tyler Prize for Environmental Achievement to pioneering Mexican ecologist Professor José Sarukhán, for his scientific contributions to the field of biological diversity and institution-building.

Golden Globe Awards 2017 – Movies

| Award | Drama | Musical or Comedy |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Best Movie | Moonlight | La La Land (won highest no of award) |
| Best Actor | Casey Affleck (Manchester by the Sea) | Ryan Gosling (La La Land) |
| Best Actress | Isabelle Huppert (Elle) | Emma Stone (La La Land) |
| Best Director | Damien Chazelle (La La Land) | |
| Best Animated Feature Film | Zootopia | |

PADMA VIBHUSHAN

| Name | Field | State |
|---|-----------------------|----------------|
| Shri K J Yesudas | Art-Music | Kerala |
| Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudev | Others-Spiritualism | Tamil Nadu |
| Shri Sharad Pawar | Public Affairs | Maharashtra |
| Shri Murli Manohar Joshi | Public Affairs | Uttar Pradesh |
| Prof. Udipi Ramachandra Rao | Science & Engineering | Karnataka |
| Late Shri Sunder Lal Patwa (Posthumous) | Public Affairs | Madhya Pradesh |
| Late Shri PA Sangma | Public Affairs | Meghalaya |



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(Posthumous)

Padma Bhushan

| | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|------------|
| H.R.H. Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn (Foreigner) | Literature & Education | Thailand |
| Late Shri Cho Ramaswamy (Posthumous) | Literature & Education – Journalism | Tamil Nadu |

Padma shree Winner

| | | |
|---|------------------------|------------|
| Shri T K Murthy | Art-Music | Tamil Nadu |
| Shri Michel Danino | Literature & Education | Tamil Nadu |
| Smt. Nivedita Raghunath Bhide | Social work | Tamil Nadu |
| Shri Mariyappan Thangavelu | Sports-Athletics | Tamil Nadu |
| Late (Smt.) Suniti Solomon (Posthumous) | Medicine | Tamil Nadu |

November Current Affairs

- ✓ India's first female captain in merchant navy who has become the first woman in the world to be awarded International Maritime Organisation Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea – Radhika Menon
- ✓ The Princess of Thailand Maha Chakri Sirindhorn who has been conferred the first 'World Sanskrit Award'
- ✓ Airtel has launched India's first payments bank offering 7.25% interest on savings bank accounts – Rajasthan
- ✓ Russia has decided to withdraw from the membership of the International Criminal Court
- ✓ Chhattisgarh become the first in the country to adopt a resolution on demonetisation of Rs. 500 and Rs. 1000 notes.
- ✓ 1st International Agro-biodiversity Congress that was held from 6 November to 9 in New Delhi
- ✓ seventh session of the Conference of the Parties (COP7) to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) held from 07 to 12 Nov 2016 New Delhi

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- ✓ country's first LNG fuelled bus was launched in – Thiruvananthapuram
- ✓ Aditi Ashok golfer has become the first woman from India to win a Ladies European Tour title (Indian Open at Gurgaon)
- ✓ Amitabh Kant committee headed by to form a strategy to expedite the process of transforming India into a cashless economy.
- ✓ SS Mundra Task Force to speed up the process of recalibration of ATMs
- ✓ joint military exercise by the defence forces of India and Bangladesh- Exercise Sampriti
- ✓ toll-free Aadhaar helpline number, 1947
- ✓ Post-truth the word which has been chosen as the word of the year by Oxford Dictionary
- ✓ An Era of Darkness written by Shashi Tharoor
- ✓ Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan (PMSMA) was launched by the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. fixed day strategy to be provided to the beneficiaries on the 9th day of every month
- ✓ India's first digital village is Akodara located in Gujarat
- ✓ PINK Bollywood movie which dealt with crime against women, has been invited for a special screening at the United Nations
- ✓ Malini Subramaniam Journalist who has been conferred with the International Press Freedom Award for her reporting from Chhattisgarh's Naxal-infested Bastar area
- ✓ Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Akhilesh Yadav inaugurated India's longest expressway from Agra to Lucknow. The length is 302 km
- ✓ City Union Bank launched India's first banking robot called Lakshmi
- ✓ the theme of the 2016 National Children's Film Festival
- ✓ India has conducted its first successful flight test of the indigenously developed Rustom-II medium-altitude, long-endurance unmanned aerial vehicle .
- ✓ 2 November 2016 Kerala declare itself as India's third open defecation-free state of India. First , Sikkim, second, Himachal Pradesh
- ✓ third World Internet Conference was held from 16 to 18 Nov 2016 - Wuzhen, China
- ✓ Nikki Haley South Carolina Governor of Indian-origin who has been named as the United State's ambassador to the United Nations by US President-elect Donald Trump
- ✓ International Oil and Gas Conference and Exhibition Petrotech-2016 held in new Delhi
- ✓ Germany becomes World's first hydrogen-powered and zero-emission passenger train.
- ✓ Mariano Rajoy re-elected as the Prime Minister of Spain after winning a parliamentary vote
- ✓ 13th World Robot Olympiad began at the India Expo Mart in Greater Noida.
- ✓ The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India established October 1, 2016.
- ✓ On 20 November 2016 Prime Minister, Narendra Modi formally launched "Housing for All" to every rural household by 2022 in Agra
- ✓ The National Student Startup Policy is formulated by AICTE(All India Council for Technical Education)



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- ✓ On 10 November 2016 All India Radio launched its first-ever Gojri news bulletin, reaching out to lakhs of people of the Gujjar community in Jammu and Kashmir.
- ✓ 2016 Global Youth Development Index (YDI) India Ranked 133.
- ✓ On 21 November 2016 INS Chennai, a P 15A Guided Missile Destroyer, was commissioned into the Indian Navy Defence Minister Manohar Parrikar at an ceremony held at the Naval Dockyard, Mumbai
- ✓ 22 November 2016 Veteran Carnatic music exponent Dr M Balamuralikrishna passed away in Chenna. He innovated the tala system and the Carnatic music system without disturbing its rich tradition. He is also a recipient of France's Chevalier of the Ordre des Arts et des Lettres.
- ✓ Government of India has appointed Justice Jagdish Singh Khehar, as the new Executive Chairman of the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA)
- ✓ Meng Hongwei has been elected as the new of President of INTERPOL
- ✓ Special Director of Intelligence Bureau is S.K. Sinha
- ✓ India born Sarabjit Singh Marwah has become the first Sikh to be appointed to the Canadian Senate (upper house)
- ✓ Ross Sea, Antarctica will become the world's largest marine protected area (MPA)
- ✓ e-pashuhaat the portal launched to connect farmers and breeders of bovine animals
- ✓ Rajasthan is set to launch Annapurna rasoi program.
- ✓ 5th International Tourism Mart-2016 was organized in Imphal, Manipur.
- ✓ India's First Cherry Blossom Festival was launched in Meghalaya

December Current Affairs

- ✓ The Maternity Benefit (Amendment) Bill, 2016 passed by Rajya Sabha on 11th August, 2016 which inter-alia include increasing maternity benefit to woman from 12 weeks to 26 weeks up to two surviving children.
- ✓ Dipa Karmakar: The Small Wonder" has been authored by sports journalists Vimal Mohan, Digvijay Singh Deo and Dipa Karmakar's coach Bishweshwar Nandi
- ✓ National Waterways (NWs) Act 2016 to promote inland waterways for trade came into effect on April 12, 2016. It has declared 106 new waterways as NWs
- ✓ International Solar Alliance (ISA) was launched on On 28 December 2016.
- ✓ India becomes Associate Member of CERN, Geneva on 21 November 2016.
- ✓ the Agreement for Cooperation in the Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy signed between the India and Japan, 11 November 2016
- ✓ The Right of Persons with Disabilities Bill, 2014 is based on the recommendations of the Sudha Kaul Committee. On 14th December, 2016 the Rajya Sabha passed. The new bill covers 19 conditions, instead of seven disabilities specified in the Act. Additional Fact: Bill mentions that individuals with at least 4,5 respetivly per cent of a disability are entitled to benefits like reservations in education and employment.
- ✓ Name 'Vardah' was given to the recent Cyclone hitting Chennai. This name was suggested by Pakistan. The name Vardah, which means red rose



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- ✓ Supreme Court ordered that national anthem should be played in all cinema halls across the country before the screening of a movie. The court's directions came on a PIL filed by Shyam Narayan Chouksey Article 51(A) of the Constitution which makes respecting the National Anthem a fundamental duty of every citizen.
- ✓ On 25 December 2016 Government of India launched Lucky Grahak Yojana and DigiDhan Vyapar Yojana in order to promote digital payment methods. NITI Aayog, along with the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) as its implementation partner, launched the two major schemes – Lucky Grahak Yojana for consumers and Digi-Dhan Vyapar Yojana for merchants.
- ✓ Union Government has appointed Rajiv Jain as the new chief of Intelligence Bureau (IB)
- ✓ Savita Vaidhyathan, an Indian-American woman has been elected as the new Mayor of Cupertino City
- ✓ Bollywood Actress Priyanka Chopra, appointed as UNICEF's newest global Goodwill Ambassador.
- ✓ Fidel Castro, the revolutionary leader of Cuba, died. He was 90. Fidel Castro governed Cuba as its Prime Minister from 1959 to 1976•Castro also served the country as its President from 1976 to 2008.
- ✓ the first international cricket stadium named as Rajiv Gandhi International Cricket stadium of Uttarakhand was open for public in Dehradun
- ✓ Himachal Pradesh has achieved 100 percent Aadhar saturation on the basis of population of year 2015. It is the sixth state after Delhi
- ✓ Majuli the District which is set to become the country's first ever Carbon Neutral district by 2020
- ✓ Eminent modern Bengali poet Shankha Ghosh has been chosen for the prestigious Jnanpith Award for 2016. Instituted in 1961, one of the 22 Indian languages listed in Schedule Eight of the Indian Constitution
- ✓ ICC Test Cricketer of the Year: Ravichandran Ashwin (India)
- ✓ Kaisa Matomaki and Maksym Radziwill have been jointly won the 2016 SASTRA-Ramanujan award. They are awarded for their 'revolutionary' collaborative work on short intervals in number theory.
- ✓ Stephanie Del Valle has won the title of Miss World 2016. She belongs to Spain
- ✓ Environmental activist Kehkashan Basu won Children's Peace Prize.
- ✓ On 29 December 2016 Swachh Swasth Sarvatra', an inter-ministerial joint initiative between the Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation and the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare was launched in New Delhi
- ✓ 11 December 2016 the President of India, Pranab Mukherjee marked his 81st birthday by launching a '100 Million for 100 Million' Campaign organized by the Kailash Satyarthi Children's Foundation at Rashtrapati Bhavan. , to end child labour, child slavery, violence against children and promote the right of every child to be safe, free, and educated, over the next 5 years



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- ✓ Ratan P. Watal headed the Committee on Digital Payments constituted by the Ministry of Finance, Department of Economic Affairs.
- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi lay the foundation stone of the first ever “Indian Institute of Skills” in the country at Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh.
- ✓ The Union Cabinet has given its approval for signing of the revised Air Services Agreement (ASA) between India and Nigeria.
- ✓ 45th All India Police Science Congress being organized at Kovalam, Thiruvananthapuram
- ✓ 1to 4, December 2016; 7th World Ayurveda Congress (WAC) was held at Science City in Kolkata, West Bengal
- ✓ Good Governance Day is celebrated on 23 December
- ✓ National Mathematics Day is celebrated on 22 December, 2012 as the National Mathematical Year.
- ✓ National Energy Conservation Day is celebrated on-14 December
- ✓ On 5 December 2016; World Soil Day was celebrated across the world.
- ✓ Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Mehbooba Mufti flagged off the first children-special train in the state
- ✓ a mobile application to promote breastfeeding called ‘Stanpan Suraksha,.
- ✓ The Lifeline Express or Jeevan Rekha Express is World’s first hospital train run by the Impact India Foundation
- ✓ Gujarat chief minister Vijay Rupani dedicated India’s first laser technology-based advanced AVMS RTO check-post at Shamlaji of Aravalli district
- ✓ The Bihar Cabinet declared 50% reservation in all judicial services for candidates who belongs to the extremely backward classes, other backward classes, Schedule Caste and Schedule tribes.
- ✓ BHIM (Bharat Interface for Mobile) mobile application was launched by PM Narendra Modi for Aadhaar-based digital payment.
- ✓ Meghalaya has been chosen to host the National Games in 2022
- ✓ Dinanath Bhargava the renowned painter, who sketched and illuminated the national emblem and extracted its motto Satyameva Jayate from Mundka Upanishad, who died on 24th December 2016
- ✓ Odisha has approved Malaria Elimination Scheme DAMAN to be implemented in 8000 tribal dominated villages of 8 districts in the state.
- ✓ To ensure transparency in implementation of rural electrification programme, Union Power Minister Piyush Goyal launched a new app Garv-II
- ✓ India Ranked the Global Wind Power Capacity status as per reports released by Global Wind Energy Council for the year 2015
- ✓ Cyclone ‘Nada’ means “giving” in Arabic and “hope” in Russian and Scandinavian. The name recommended by Oman.



January Current Affairs

- ✓ It is the seventh largest producer of chemicals worldwide and the third largest producer in Asia after China and Japan.
- ✓ Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces of United Arab Emirates is visited India as the Chief Guest for the 2017-Republic Day celebrations from 24-26 January 2017
- ✓ Desert Eagle is the bilateral exercises between Indian air force and United Arab Emirates air force
- ✓ Varishtha Pension Bima Yojana – 2017 will be implemented through Life Insurance Corporation. Under this scheme insurance company major LIC will provide a guaranteed return of 8 per cent for 10 years, as part of government's social security and financial inclusion programme.
- ✓ January 20 Tamilnadu Government Amended (Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960) to allow conduct of Jallikattu in the state with Centre's backing
- ✓ Adoption Regulations, 2017 framed by 'Central Adoption Resource Authority' (CARA) is effective from 16 January 2017
- ✓ The 2nd Edition of Raisina Dialogue was held New Delhi
- ✓ The 14th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas 2017 Convention was held in Bengaluru Prime Minister of Portugal Dr. Antonio Costa was the Chief Guest for 14th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas 2017
- ✓ The 104th Indian Science Congress-2017; was held from 3-7 January at the Sri Venkateswara University Campus, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh.
- ✓ India has been ranked 79th among 176 countries in the Corruption Index
- ✓ On 1 January 2017; China launched its first freight train to London pass through Kazakhstan, Russia, Belarus, Poland, Germany, Belgium and France before arriving in London.
- ✓ Inclusive Development Index (IDI) released in World Economic Forum's India ranked 60
- ✓ On 30 December 2016; President of India has approved the promulgation of the Specified Bank Notes (Cessation of Liabilities) Ordinance, 2016. Person holding more than 10 old notes after the grace period will face a penalty of Rs. 10,000, or five times the amount in excess of the allowance.
- ✓ Researchers Yeshaiahu Fainman, Boubacar Kante, Ashok Kodigla and Babak Bahari at the University of California San Diego (USA) have demonstrated the world's first laser based on an unconventional wave physics phenomenon called Bound states In the Continuum (BIC).
- ✓ On 12th January, 2017 Khanderi, the second of Indian Navy's Scorpene' class stealth submarine, was launched. The Scorpene submarines are being progressed with transfer of Technology from France.
- ✓ Tukhaev Adam, the winner of 9th Chennai Open International Grandmaster Chess Tournament 2017 belongs to Ukraine



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- ✓ Saina Nehwal became the second Indian to win Malaysia Masters Grand Prix
- ✓ On 12 January 2017 Tata Sons named Natarajan Chandrasekaran as its new chairman.
- ✓ Antonio Tajani has been elected the new president of the European Parliament. He belongs to Italy
- ✓ Alok Kumar Verma as the new CBI Director.
- ✓ Former Governor Surjit Singh Barnala passed away. He was born in Ateli village in Gurgaon district of Haryana. Barnala authored a book Story of an Escape and in December 2007 he authored book titled My Other Two Daughters
- ✓ President has appointed Prof. David R. Syiemlieh, Member, Union Public Service Commission, to perform the duties of the post of Chairman, Union Public Service Commission\
- ✓ Indian Olympic Association (IOA) accepted Meghalaya's bid to host the National Games for 2022.
- ✓ Border Security Force (BSF) launched operation 'Sard Hawa' at the western international border of Rajasthan.
- ✓ Abhinav Bindra is the chairman of the Target Olympic Podium Committee
- ✓ Madhya Pradesh has become the first State of the country where Aanandam programme has been started to help the needy persons.
- ✓ Shri Rajnath Singh laid the Foundation Stone of New 10th NDRF Campus in Krishna district of Andhra Pradesh.
- ✓ Hyperloop is a proposed mode of passenger and freight transportation that propels a podlike vehicle through a near-vacuum tube at more than airline speed.
- ✓ Mr. Manohar Lal inaugurated country's first Digital Investigation, Training and Analysis Centre (DIATC) at Gurugram
- ✓ India and Sri Lanka signed an MoU to construct 3000 rain water harvesting systems.
- ✓ The Global Forum for Food and Agriculture is an International Conference organized by Germany during 19-21, January 2017 in Berlin
- ✓ 21st National Youth Festival was held at Rhotak. This year the theme of the Festival 'Youth for Digital India'.
- ✓ World Hindi Day is celebrated on 10 January
- ✓ Indian Council of Agricultural Research celebrated 'Jai Kisan Jai Vigyan' Week across the country.
- ✓ theme of 7th National Voters Day observed on 25 January 2017 - Empowering Young and Future Voters
- ✓ Ashok Amritraj has been appointed Goodwill Ambassador for the Sustainable Development Goals for the United Nations (UN) in India
- ✓ Dr Vijay Bhatkar father of India's first supercomputer and head of RSS-affiliated science body Vijanan Bharti who has been appointed the Chancellor of the Nalanda University
- ✓ HDFC Bank has become India's first bank to deploy a robot inside their branch for customer service purpose



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- ✓ Union ministry of electronics and information technology under its Digital India programme announced Karang as the first cashless island in India.
- ✓ Kiran Doshi won The Hindu Prize 2016 for his fictional work, Jinnah Often Came to Our House
- ✓ Aaditya India's first solar ferry boat which was launched by Kerala's Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan in the 2.5-km Vaikom-Tavanakkadavu sector
- ✓ Patna will host world's first Gender Literature Festival from April 7th to April 9th
- ✓ a scheme named "Aakhiri Ahuti" to carry bodies of underprivileged residents of northeast India, who die in the national capital, to their homes free of cost
- ✓ Iris Mittencaere the French woman who was crowned Miss Universe 2016 at a beauty pageant held in Manila, Philippines
- ✓ Eugene Cernan US astronaut, who was the last man to walk on the moon, who passed away on January
- ✓ Netherland became first in the world to run all its electric trains on 100% wind power
- ✓ On 24 January 2017; National Action Plan for Children, 2016 (NPAC) was launched in New Delhi. Yoga and Development is not included in the four key priority areas in the recently launched National Action Plan for Children
- ✓ NS Vikramaditya got an ATM onboard
- ✓ Goa will become the first state in the country to opt for electronic transmission of postal ballot to service voters
- ✓ Tamil Nadu becomes 21st State to join UDAY on January 9
- ✓ India became an Associate member of CERN
- ✓ India's first transgender school opened in Kochi on Friday. The school, named Sahaj International,

February

- ✓ 24th February central Excise Day is commemorated every year all across the India
- ✓ Surinder Verma has been chosen for the Vyas Samman 2016 by the KK Birla Foundation for his novel "Kaatna shami ka vriksha padma-pankhuri ki dhar se
- ✓ Jehan Daruvala Indian car racing driver who has become the first Indian to win Grand Prix by winning the New Zealand Grand Prix 2017
- ✓ BharatQR Developed by National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI),
- ✓ Shurhozelie Liezietsu was elected on 20th February as the Chief Minister of Nagaland
- ✓ Barren Island India's only volcano situated in Andaman and Nicobar Islands has become live again
- ✓ 104 satellites were launched by Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) in a single mission on February 15 from its space centre in Sriharikota, ISRO's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle 37 carried Cartosat-2 series satellite for earth observation and 103 other co-passenger satellites. USA (96), The Netherlands (1), Switzerland (1), Israel (1), Kazakhstan (1) and UAE



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- ✓ (1).
- ✓ Gujarat has become the first state in the country for establishing cashless system in its public distribution system (PDS) of food grains
- ✓ The Golden House written by Salman Rushdie
- ✓ NITI Aayog, Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion (DIPP) and Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) together launched a mega initiative "India Innovation Index. India currently ranks 66th out of 128 countries on the Global innovation Index (GI) 2016.
- ✓ National Deworming Day was observed in India 10th February

- ✓ India ranked at 43rd position out of 45 countries in the 5th Annual
- ✓ International Intellectual property (IP) Index
- ✓ Neelu Rohmetra was appointed as the Director of Indian Institute of Management Sirmaur, first female to head one of India's 20 IIM.
- ✓ NASA discovered a new solar system hosting 7 earth-like planets orbiting a star 400 light years away
- ✓ World Day of Social Justice 20th February
- ✓ Safer Internet Day with the theme "Be the change: Unite for a better internet" was observed across the world on 7th February
- ✓ Gujarat Narmada Valley Fertilizers and Chemicals (GNFC) township in Bharuch has become country's first ever "cashless township".
- ✓ 'Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan' (PMGDISHA) to make 6 crore rural households digitally literate
- ✓ On 7th February, 2017, Parliament passed The Payment of Wages (Amendment) Bill 2017
- ✓ India's ranking in the 2017 INDEX OF ECONOMIC FREEDOM is 143
- ✓ 'MyAgriGuru', an advisory platform for farmers that has been introduced as a mobile app. By Mahindra Agri Solutions Ltd
- ✓ Income Tax Department (ITD) has initiated Operation Clean Money.
- ✓ Ireland becomes the world's first country to fully divest from all fossil fuels,
- ✓ Kohli becomes only the second Indian, after Sachin Tendulkar in 2014 following his retirement from the game, to be featured on the cover of 'The Bible of Cricket'. Wisden magazine is reputed as The Bible of Cricket
- ✓ Dr. M. s. Sahoo current chairperson of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India
- ✓ Sanjeev Sanyal has been appointed as Principal Economic Adviser in the Ministry of Finance
- ✓ , Anjali Lama made history at India's Lakmé Fashion Week by being the first transgender model to walk at an Indian fashion week
- ✓ Arunachal Pradesh became the first state in the northeast to implement e-Cabinet solution for the state cabinet members.
- ✓ China has emerged as world's biggest producer of solar energy



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- ✓ Britain-based Indian-origin artist and human rights activist Anish Kapoor has been honoured with the 2017 Genesis Prize given by the Genesis Prize Foundation. The prize was awarded by the Genesis Prize Foundation, the Government of Israel and the Jewish Agency
- ✓ Rs 60000 is the income limit for a person to be entitled to avail the benefit of Supreme Court's recently announced Middle Income Group Scheme
- ✓ Sports Minister Vijay Goel laid the Foundation Stone at Gandhinagar, Gujarat for the first ever training center dedicated for Para Athletes.
- ✓ The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare launched Measles Rubella (MR) vaccination campaign in the country at a function in Bengaluru (Rubella is generally a mild infection, but has serious consequences if infection occurs in pregnant women, causing congenital rubella syndrome (CRS), which is a cause of public health concern.)
- ✓ the third National Dam Safety Conference was organized at Roorkee, Uttarakhand
- ✓ Union Minister for Science & Technology and Earth Sciences Dr. Harsh Vardhan released the Special Edition of "Atlas for Visually Impaired"
- ✓ Qatar Airways launched world's longest commercial flight to Auckland, New Zealand, from Doha.
- ✓ 3.5 lakh people set a new world record by singing the national anthem at an event at Kagvad in Rajkot, Gujarat.
- ✓ A Festival of India is being organized in Senegal . west African country , capital is Dakar
- ✓ National Productivity Day is celebrated on Feb 12th
- ✓ Justice Abhay Manohar Sapre has been appointed the chairman of Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal (CWDT).

March

Five States Election result

- ✓ Election results for five states- Goa, Manipur, Punjab, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand were announced on 11th March, 2017
- ✓ Elections were conducted in 1 phase in Goa, Uttarakhand and Punjab; Two Phases in Manipur and 7 Phases in Uttar Pradesh.
- ✓ Uttar Pradesh's Sahibabad assembly seat saw the winner with highest victory margin of 1,50,685 votes
- ✓ Adityanath Yogi took oath as the 21st chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh
- ✓ Trivendra Singh Rawat took oath as the new Chief Minister of Uttarakhand. total strength of the state assembly 70
- ✓ Manohar Parrikar became the new chief minister of Goa
- ✓ Congress leader Capt. Amrinder Singh took oath as the 26th Chief Minister of Punjab
- ✓ Nongthombam Biren Singh along with 8 ministers took oath as the Chief Minister of Manipur.



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- ✓ Uttarakhand High Court declared Rivers Ganga and Yamuna to be given the status of living human.
- ✓ The Mental Healthcare Bill 2016 secured parliamentary approval on 27th March, 2017 with the Lok Sabha's assent to the legislation. One of the clauses in the bill decriminalises suicide, stating that a person who attempts suicide should be presumed to have severe stress, and shall not be punished.
- ✓ 20th March, 2017, the Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi approved four GST related bills.
 - ✓ The Central Goods and Services Tax Bill 2017 (The CGST Bill)
 - ✓ The Integrated Goods and Services Tax Bill 2017 (The IGST Bill)
 - ✓ The Union Territory Goods and Services Tax Bill 2017 (The UTGST Bill)
 - ✓ The Goods and Services Tax (Compensation to the States) Bill 2017
- ✓ Country's first 'Made in India' EMU Train, Medha, flagged off at Dadar station on March 18, 2017. Integral Coach Factory, Chennai as been manufactured the train
- ✓ On 15th March, 2017, The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi approved the National Health Policy, 2017.
 - ✓ The policy proposes raising public health expenditure to 2.5% of the GDP in a time bound manner from current 1.04 percent.
 - ✓ Increase Life Expectancy at birth from 67.5 to 70 by 2025
 - ✓ Reduction of TFR to 2.1 at national and sub-national level by 2025.
- ✓ The National Family Health Survey 2015- 16 (NFHS-4), the fourth in the NFHS series, was released by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
- ✓ ROLL-ON ROLL-OFF (RO-RO) is a new initiative taken by Ministry of Railways
- ✓ First Integrated Heliport is located at Delhi
- ✓ India's first floating elementary school was inaugurated in Manipur
- ✓ The place of India in Human Development Index (HDI) of 2015, for Human Development Report . India is ranked 131 with HDI value of 0.624 and is classified as a 'Medium Human Development' Country
- ✓ fifth 'World Happiness Report-2017' has released by the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network. India is ranked 122nd
- ✓ Central Board of Excise & Customs (CBEC) is being renamed as Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs
- ✓ IDFC (Infrastructure Development Finance Company) Bank launched IDFC Aadhaar Pay, India's first Aadhaar-linked cashless merchant solution
- ✓ Lok Sabha passed the Specified Bank Notes (Cessation of Liabilities) Bill, 2017
- ✓ National Physical Laboratory(NPL)- CSIR dedicates the first "Pristine air-quality monitoring station at Palampur" to the Nation
- ✓ India successfully test-fired its latest 450- km range version of the BrahMos supersonic cruise missile from the Odisha coast



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- ✓ Indo – Nepal Joint Military Exercise ‘Surya Kiran – XI’ commenced on 7th March, 2017 at Pithoragarh Uttarakhand.
- ✓ Tan Zhongyi won the Women’s World Chess Championship titled, 2017, in Tehran. Bronze medal won by -Harika Dronavalli (India)
- ✓ Chennais Srinath Narayanan is set to become Indias 46th Grandmaster after he defeated Spanish GM David Anton Guijarro
- ✓ American President Donald Trump named Indian American diversified expert Amul Roger Thapar as the judge in the U.S. Court of Appeals
- ✓ South Korea’s President Park Geun-hye was formally removed from power. Park has becomes South Korea’s first democratically elected leader
- ✓ Mr. Amjad Hussain B. Sial assumed charge of the office of Secretary General (SAARC).
- ✓ Senior Indian Police Service officer Ms D.R. Doley Barman was appointed as Director of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy Hyderabad.
- ✓ Nand Kuamr Sai assumed charge as the chairman of National Commission for Scheduled Tribes
- ✓ Gopal Baglay was appointed spokesperson in the External Affairs Ministry succeeding Vikas Swarup,
- ✓ United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) has recently started the project ‘Blue Heart Campaign’, which is related to Human trafficking
- ✓ central government lay the foundation stone of the banana research center in Vaisali
- ✓ Rajasthan has become the second largest crude oil producing state in the country.
- ✓ Tendulkar has selected Donja village in Osmanabad district for development under the Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojna.
- ✓ ‘Global Teacher Prize’ -2017 - Maggie McDonnell.
- ✓ BCCI Lifetime Achievement Award, created for the first time, has been awarded to India’s first Test captain Shantha Rangaswamy.
- ✓ Ravichandran Ashwin is selected for Dilip Sardesai Award
- ✓ Virat Kohli has been selected for ESPN cricinfo 2016 Best Captain Award
- ✓ Dr P Raghu Ram, president of Association of Breast Surgeons of India, has won the prestigious Dr B C Roy national award.
- ✓ The Reserve Bank of India set up an Inter-disciplinary Standing Committee on Cyber Security under the chairmanship of Meena Hemchandra
- ✓ Chief Minister of Telangana Chandrashekar Rao has announced the launch of ‘KCR Kit’ scheme for maternal and child welfare. There are 16 essential things for a newborn in KCR Kit
- ✓ Nama Canteen was announced for the city of Bangalore during the presentation of the budget of State Karnataka in fiscal policy
- ✓ India’s largest Floating Solar PV Plant installed at Rajiv Gandhi Combined Cycle Power Plant Kayamkulam, Kerala



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- ✓ Railway Minister Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu flagged off the first Antyodaya Express (Weekly) will run between Ernakulam and Howrah
- ✓ Hamsafar Express train (weekly) will run between Sri Ganganagar and Tiruchirappalli. Hamasafar is a fully air-conditioned AC train.
- ✓ Madhya Pradesh has recently announced the Deen Dayal Kitchen Scheme
- ✓ 105th session of Indian Science Congress will be hosted by Osmania University (O.U) Hyderabad
- ✓ The President of India, Shri Pranab Mukherjee inaugurated the 'World Conference on Environment' organized by the National Green Tribunal in New Delhi
- ✓ Gem and Jewellery Export Promotion Council of India (GJEPC) organised International Diamond Conference at Hotel Hyatt Mumbai
- ✓ The first ever Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) Leaders' Summit was held in Indonesia's capital city of Jakarta. The Association comprises of 21 Member States
- ✓ Nepal has proposed to host the fourth summit of the Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC)-2017.
- ✓ the three-day International Spice Conference was held at The Leela, Kovalam, Kerala
- ✓ World Water Day was celebrated on March 22, 2017 all over the world. The theme of this day for year 2017 is 'Why Waste water?
- ✓ On March 20, 2017, 'International Day of Happiness' was celebrated
- ✓ National Science Day was observed across the country on 28th February, 2017. Science and Technology for specially-abled persons
- ✓ Chief minister of Jammu & Kashmir Mahbooba Mufti declared to observe year 2017 as 'Year of Apple
- ✓ India hoisted the tallest tricolour in the country at the Attari border.
- ✓ Kanha Tiger Reserve in Madhya Pradesh has become the first tiger reserve in India to officially introduce a mascot which has been named Bhoorsingh the Barasingha
- ✓ Tamil Nadu become the first state in India to win all the BCCI senior trophies after winning the Deodhar Trophy
- ✓ Vidya Pillai Indian female snooker player who won silver medal at the Women World Snooker Championship in Singapore
- ✓ Barak missile Surface-to-air system from its aircraft carrier INS Vikramaditya successfully conducted the maiden trial
- ✓ India won 73 medals in the 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games held in Austria
- ✓ former Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM) director Dev Raj Sikka known as the 'monsoon man' and the Father of Indian Meteorology died
- ✓ 10th edition of the International Conference on Theory and Practice of Electronic Governance (ICEGOV 2017) was held in Delhi
- ✓ Iceland became the first country in the world to force companies to prove they pay all employees the same, regardless of gender, sexuality or nationality
- ✓ Donald Tusk has been re-elected as President of the European Council for a second term



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- ✓ Prominent Tamil writer and Sahitya Akademi winner Ashokamitran passed away. In a career spanning over six decades, he wrote eight novels, 20 novellas, hundreds of short stories, commentaries on a wide range of issues, and profiles of personalities. He was given the Sahitya Akademi award in 1996 for *Appavin Snegidhar*. He also wrote with authority on films. His novel, *Karaindha Nizhalgal*,
- ✓ The Centre has released Rs 1,712.1 crore for Tamil Nadu from the National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) for drought and cyclone relief
- ✓ Tamilnadu government appointed Justice T V Masilamani as chairman of the Private Schools Fee Determination Committee.
- ✓ A rail museum would be built at Kumbakonam where Swami Vivekananda delivered his elated speech.
- ✓ Kurukh, an endangered tribal language of the Dravidian family, is set to get a new lease of life in West Bengal. The language was given official status
- ✓ Jiratchaya Sirimongkolnawin was crowned 'Miss International Queen 2016 in transgender'
- ✓ Sharad Singh Negi appointed as the chairperson The Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI),

April

- ✓ Nepal's first woman President, Vidya Devi Bhandari, was on a state visit to India from 17-21 April, 2017
- ✓ Malaysia's Prime Minister, Mohammad Najeeb Bin Tun Abdul Razak and his wife, Rosmah Mansor, were on state visit to India.
- ✓ 'India Rankings -2017' prepared by the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) rankings for higher educational institutions in India. . Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore tops
- ✓ the Union Cabinet approved the Constitution (123rd Amendment) Bill, 2017 and National Backward Classes Commission (Repeal) Bill, 2017
- ✓ Telangana Legislative Assembly passed a Bill to hike the reservation quota for backward Muslims and the Scheduled Tribesto 12 percent and 10 percent respectively.
- ✓ Ban on plastic (Carry) bags in the State of Madhya Pradesh came into effect
- ✓ Travel and Tourism Competitiveness Report-2017 India ranks 40
- ✓ India and the UK announced the launch of an Early Market Engagement for the joint UK-India Fund. £120 Million
- ✓ Japan has officially recognized Bitcoin and digital currencies as legal tender (money) with effect from April 01, 2017
- ✓ joint bilateral naval exercise, between India and France's navies, 'Varun' commenced at, the Toulon port on the Mediterranean coast of France
- ✓ extensive coastal security exercise 'Sagar Kavach' was organized to take stock of preparations of various security agencies on the coastline of Goa.



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- ✓ Scientists from the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) have found the solution to the growing plastic problem in the form of soil fungus *Aspergillus tubingensis*.
- ✓ First Asian Snooker (Women) Championship, 2017 was held in Chandigarh, India.
- ✓ Justice Geeta Mittal was appointed Acting Chief Justice of the Delhi High Court replacing Justice G Rohini
- ✓ United Nations Secretary General Antonio Guterres named Nobel Peace Prize winner Malala Yousafzai as 'Messenger of Peace' to the United Nations
- ✓ Ms. Vanaja N. Sarna was appointed as Chairman, Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC)
- ✓ Rajiv Kumar Chander was appointed as Ambassador and Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations Offices in Geneva
- ✓ Mizoram become the 27th state to join the Ujwal DISCOM Assurance Yojana (UDAY)
- ✓ Goa planned to become a "beggar free state"
- ✓ famous film director and actor Kasinadhuni Viswanath was announced to be conferred with 48th Dadasaheb Phalke Award for the year 2016
- ✓ Sahitya Akademi announced to give translation prize in English 2016 to Aniruddhan Vasudevan. Vasudevan will receive this prize for his 'One Part Woman', a translation of Perumal Murugan's controversial Tamil novel Maadhhorubaaga.
- ✓ Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Planning Rao Inderjit Singh informed the House that the government has reduced the number of schemes sponsored by the Center from 66 to 28
- ✓ The first wildlife DNA bank of North India is being set up by the Indian Veterinary Research Institute, Bareilly.
- ✓ the 18th International Mental Health Conference – 2017 be held in Australia
- ✓ first World Ocean Festival, which will run from 5 to 9 June, will be organized in New York, America
- ✓ The first meeting of G-20 Digital Ministers on the digital economy was held in Dusseldorf, Germany.
- ✓ The 9th World Environmental Education Congress will be held in Vancouver BC, Canada from 9-15 September, 2017.
- ✓ April 22, 2017, World Earth Day was celebrated all over the world ." theme for this year Environmental & Climate Literacy".
- ✓ On April 02, 2017, World Autism Awareness Day was celebrated across the globe
- ✓ The Union Cabinet approved the establishment of Indian Institute of Petroleum and Energy (IIPe) in Visakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh).
- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi released the book 'Matoshree' written by Lok Sabha Speaker Sumitra Mahajan
- ✓ The Ministry of Science and Technology launched the 'nakshe' portal. on 250th Anniversary of Indian Survey (SOI)



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- ✓ UDAN 'Regional Connectivity Scheme' was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. PM Modi fags off first such flight on Shimla - Delhi route
- ✓ Sankha Ghosh has been awarded the 52nd Jnanpith Award for Bengali literature
- ✓ Aamir Khan has been awarded the 75th Dinanath Mangeshkar Award for his film Dangal
- ✓ Srishti Kaur became the first Indian to be crowned Miss Teen Universe 2017 in Nicaragua in Central America
- ✓ Madhya Pradesh has been selected for the prestigious Krishi Karman Award, fifth time in succession, for highest production of wheat
- ✓ Sagar Baheti has become the first visually impaired Indian runner to complete the historic Boston Marathon, the world's oldest, most competitive and the hardest marathon
- ✓ Raman Roy has been appointed chairman of the National Association of Software and Services Companies (Nasscom) for 2017-18
- ✓ India will buy Barak missile from Israel
- ✓ Asia's longest bi-directional highway tunnel, the Chenani-Nashri tunnel was inaugurated on 2nd April 2017 by Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- ✓ El Salvador became the first country in the world to ban mining of metals for environmental protection
- ✓ Giuseppina (Giusi) Nicolini mayor of the Italian island of Lampedusa who was awarded UNESCO Peace Prize for her commitment to saving the lives of migrants and refugees
- ✓ Myanmar become the seventh member of South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation (SASEC) Program
- ✓ Haldia port become the cleanest port in India
- ✓ IIT Kharagpur will soon introduce courses in the traditional Hindu system of architecture
- ✓ Manonmaniam Sundaranar Award 2016 conferred to Karisal literature writer Ki. Rajanarayanan
- ✓ 64th National Film Award. Tamil best film Joker
- ✓ India's guided missile destroyer INS Chennai arrived on maiden visit
- ✓ India's First Biogas Bus Service Launched in Kolkata
- ✓ Venkaiah Naidu launches 'Gandhi in Champaran' written by DG Tendulkar

May current Affairs

- ✓ ransomware attack spread wave of concern across the globe. The ransomware, known as WannaCry or WannaCrypt targeted computers running the Microsoft Windows (Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In))
- ✓ President of Palestine Mr. Mahmoud Abbas was on a state visit to India from 14-17 May
- ✓ Indore (Madhya Pradesh) was declared as the cleanest city in India. Tiruchy rank 6th place
- ✓ Narendra Modi participated as the chief guest at the 14th International Vesak Day celebrations in srilanka
- ✓ On May 26, 2017, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated India's longest bridge – the 9.15 km long Dhola-Sadiya Bridge in Assam. Mahatma Gandhi Setu with total length of 5750 meters has become the second longest and Bandra-Worli sea link in Mumbai



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officially known as Rajiv Gandhi Sea Link is the third longest bridge with total length of 5575 meters.

- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi gave ex-post facto approval to PanIndia implementation of Maternity Benefit Program which now has been extended to all districts of the country w.e.f. 01.01.2017. will receive benefit of Rs.5000/- in three installments for the birth of the first live child by Ministry of Women and Child Development.
- ✓ Madhya Pradesh government accorded the status of living entity to Narmada River.
- ✓ On 1 May 2017 Prime Minister Narendra Modi released a stamp on the occasion of the one thousandth birth anniversary of the great social reformer and Saint Shri Ramanujacharya.
- ✓ a suicide attack was carried out during the American singer Ariana Grand's pop concert at Manchester Arena in Manchester City, UK.
- ✓ Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction was held in Cancun Mexico
- ✓ On May 08, 2017, India was unanimously elected as the President of the UN-Habitat after 10 years
- ✓ Singapore-India Maritime Bilateral Exercises, 'SIMBEX-17', organized in the South China Sea
- ✓ Mumbai Indians was the winner of recently concluded IPL-10
- ✓ Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus was appointed the new Director General of the World Health Organization (W.H.O.)
- ✓ Renu Satti was appointed as the first Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Paytm Payment Bank Ltd.
- ✓ Anshu Jamsenpa from Arunachal Pradesh became the first woman to climb Mount Everest twice in 5 days
- ✓ Emmanuel Macron took oath as the new President of France on May 14, 2017
- ✓ World Health Organization appointed legendary Indian film star Amitabh Bachchan as its Goodwill Ambassador for Hepatitis in South-East Asia Region
- ✓ Moon Jae-in, the Democratic Party's candidate was sworn in as the new president of South Korea.
- ✓ Mallikarjun Kharge has been appointed new chairperson of parliament's Public Accounts Committee.
- ✓ Justice Leila Seth passed away. She was the first woman to become chief justice of a High Court. Her autobiography is "On Balance"
- ✓ Union government appointed Braj Bihari Kumar as Chairman of the Indian Council of Social Science Research
- ✓ Madhya Pradesh became the first state to switch to January-December financial year from the existing April-March cycle
- ✓ Indian Space Research Organization was presented with the Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development for the year 2014.
- ✓ Border Security Force conducted operation 'Garam Hawa' in Jaisalmer, Rajasthan to step up vigilance along the international border



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- ✓ Sharada Prasad Committee is related to Skill Development
- ✓ MP became the first State in the country which formed the Real Estate Regulatory Authority and has published its rules
- ✓ On May 22, 2017, the country's first high speed, air-conditioned Tejas Express was introduced between Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus Mumbai and Karmali, Goa.
- ✓ Tarang Sanchar, a web portal for Information sharing on Mobile Towers and EMF Emission Compliances.
- ✓ India's first and longest ropeway to connect Mumbai with the famous Elephanta Island in the Arabian Sea is planned to be constructed by the Mumbai Port Trust.
- ✓ The first National Conference of the Micro Mission of National Police Mission was organized in New Delhi
- ✓ The 13th International Permaculture Convergence (IPC) will be held on November 27 to December 2, 2017 in Hyderabad.
- ✓ International Museum Day is celebrated on may 18
- ✓ On May 15, 2017 the 'International Day of Families' was observed across the world
- ✓ Army Chief General Bipin Rawat declared 2018 as the "year of war disabled"
- ✓ Ravichandran Ashwin won the coveted International Cricketer of the Year award at the CEAT Cricket Rating (CCR) International awards 2017
- ✓ Sanjay Gubbi of Karnataka and Purnima Barman of Assam have won the prestigious Whitley Award for their efforts in wildlife conservation. This award is popularly known as: Green Oscars
- ✓ Shrinivas Kulkarni has won the prestigious Dan David prize for his contributions in the field of astronomy
- ✓ Shiva Thapa Indian boxer who won silver medal in the 60-kg category at the Asian Boxing Championship held in Tashkent, Uzbekistan
- ✓ For the students of Bangladesh the Government of India is offering "Muktijoddha Scholarship Scheme" for the academic year 2016-2017
- ✓ the world's largest circular swing was planted in China
- ✓ Tamil Nadu hiked the reservation for Persons with Disability (PwD) from three to four per cent in all public services,
- ✓ Tamil Nadu Revenue Department has been changed to Revenue and Disaster Management Department.
- ✓ Tamil Nadu Governor formation of a new search committee for the appointment of the next vice chancellor to Anna University. Iodha nominated as Governor representative
- ✓ The State government has bifurcated existing taluks and created five new ones Srimushnam (from the erstwhile Kattumannarkoil Taluk) in Cuddalore district, Andimadam (Udayarpalayam) in Ariyalur district, Koothanallur (Needamangalam) in Tiruvarur district, Kayathar (Kovilpatti and Ottapidaram) in Thoothukudi district and Singampunari (Tirupathur) in Sivaganga district .



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- ✓ 7.4-kilometre underground stretch of the Chennai Metro Rail Limited (CMRL) from Thirumangalam to Nehru Park on May 14th inaugurated
- ✓ Chief Minister Edappadi K Palaniswami presented Avvaiyar award for 2017 to Padma Venkataraman
- ✓ NASA launches world's smallest satellite designed by 18-year old Tamil Nadu student Rifath Sharook and his team. Named as Kalamsat. the tiny satellite weighs around 64 grams.

June Current Affairs

- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi was on three nation visit to Portugal, United State and Netherlands from June 24th to 27th, 2017.
- ✓ the Urban Development Ministry launched the 'City Liveability Index' to measure the quality of life in 116 major cities of the country.
- ✓ The Tamil Nadu Human Development Report 2017-kanyakumari tops followed by virudhunagar , Tutucorin , Chennai and kanchi puram. Bottom districts are Perambalur and Villupuram,
- ✓ June 14, 2017, three public sector oil marketing companies – Indian Oil Corporation (IOC), Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) and Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd (HPCL) signed an agreement to jointly set up the world's largest refinery and petrochemical complex at Ratnagiri district of Maharashtra
- ✓ Social Progress Index 2017 was released by the nonprofit organization 'Social Progress Imperative'. India has been ranked 93rd in total of 128 countries in 2017
- ✓ 17th Summit of the Heads of the Member States of the Sanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) concluded in Astana, Kazakhstan India and Pakistan were granted the status of the member countries of the organization
- ✓ India is the largest recipient of remittances sent by its citizens working abroad followed by China, Philippines, Mexico and Pakistan
- ✓ 'Global Innovation Index -2017', India has been ranked 60th
- ✓ 2017, the incumbent President of Iran, Dr. Hassan Rouhani got a decisive victory
- ✓ In the Global Peace Index -2017, India is placed at 137th position
- ✓ Montenegro became the 29th member of North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)
- ✓ World Investment Report (WIR) 2017 was released by UNCTAD (United Nations Conference on Trade and Development)
- ✓ the target set up by Government of India for Renewable Energy Sector by 2022 175 GW
- ✓ June 29, 2017, India's latest communication satellite, GSAT-17 was launched using the European Ariane 5 Launch Vehicle from Kourou, French Guiana.
- ✓ Researchers from America have discovered 2D magnet
- ✓ Pakistan won the Champions Trophy final defeating India at the Oval by 180 runs. Golden bat – Shikhar Dhawan (India), highest of 338 runs



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- ✓ Srikanth Kidambio became the first Indian player to win the men's singles title of the Indonesia Open Super Series
- ✓ Stephen Cottalorda of France has been appointed as the first foreign coach for Indian female boxers
- ✓ Palbinder Kaur Shergill became the first turbaned (amritdhari) Sikh woman to be appointed judge of the Supreme Court of British Columbia in New Westminster (Canada)
- ✓ Central Board of Excise and Customs made the famous Bollywood actor Amitabh Bachchan as the brand ambassador of Goods and Services Tax (GST)
- ✓ Central Government appointed senior IAS officer Rajiv Gouba as the new Home Secretary
- ✓ Renowned law expert Neeru Chadha was elected as the first Indian woman judge of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS).
- ✓ He was the 17th Chief Justice of the India from 1985 to 1986. He is credited with introducing Public Interest Litigation (PIL) in Indian judicial system. In 2007, Justice Bhagwati was awarded the Padmabhushan.
- ✓ Government appointed Hoshiar as the new registrar of copyrights.
- ✓ Indian cricketer Sachin Tendulkar has been associated with the 'Super Dad' campaign. It is a new UNICEF initiative
- ✓ Preet Gill was elected as the first female Sikh MP for the UK parliament elections.
- ✓ United Nations General Assembly elected the foreign minister of Slovakia Miroslav Lajcak as the president of 72nd General Assembly
- ✓ Ram Shankar Katheria as the Chairman of the National Commission for Scheduled Castes.
- ✓ the building of Taj Mahal Palace Hotel (Hotel Taj), located in Mumbai, became country's first trademarked building.
- ✓ Man Booker International Prize for 2017 was awarded to David Grossman (Israel), author of 'A Horse walks in a Bar'
- ✓ Vice President Hamid Ansari launched 'M Power' programme under the 'Anuyatra campaign' of Government of Kerala for persons with special needs
- ✓ the Central Government constituted a committee for preparation of final draft of National Education Policy under the Chairmanship of eminent Scientist Dr K. Kasturirangan
- ✓ June 17, 2017, President Pranab Mukherjee dedicated the last section of the first phase of Bengaluru Metro Rail Project, popularly known as 'Namma Metro' to the city
- ✓ Government of India announced to implement India's first Rural LED Street Lighting Project in Andhra Pradesh.
- ✓ NITI Aayog launched SATH (Sustainable Action for Transforming Human capital) programme with the State Governments.
- ✓ Assam's famous 'Ambubachi Festival' began on June 22, 2017.
- ✓ World Hydrography Day' was celebrated all over the world on June 21, 2017
- ✓ On June 8, 2017, World Oceans Day was celebrated
- ✓ World Milk Day was celebrated on June 1, 2017 all over the world.



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- ✓ Kerala government announced the implementation of Green Protocol for Environment friendly weddings
- ✓ Odisha become the first state in the country to have a blood bank for the cattle?
- ✓ Priyanka Chopra was appointed as the ambassador for Skill India campaign of National Skill Development Corporation.
- ✓ N N Vohra has been appointed as the new President of the India International Centre (IIC)
- ✓ ISRO's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle PSLV-C38 successfully launched the 712 kg Cartosat-2 Series Satellite along with other co-passenger satellites on June 23, 2017 from Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SHAR), Sriharikota. PSLV-C38 CARRIED 31 satellites
- ✓ Bengaluru become India's first city to deliver diesel at home
- ✓ Nisha Dutt has been awarded Social Entrepreneur of the Year award at the 7th Asian Award held in London
- ✓ Indore has become the India's first city to use robot to control its ever growing and unruly traffic
- ✓ Axis bank first Indian bank to launch bio-degradable prepaid gift cards
- ✓ world's first hybrid "aeroboat" capable of travelling on land, water, snow and sand has been built by joint venture between India and Russia
- ✓ Habibganj near Bhopal is set to become India's first private railway station
- ✓ India ranked among 63 countries in the 2017 IMD World Competitiveness Index
- ✓ Varanasi Indian city will get the country's first 'freight village' spread over around 100 acres.
- ✓ Sharjah as named World Book Capital for the year 2019
- ✓ first-ever International MSME Day 2017 was celebrated on 27th June
- ✓ first United Nations Oceans Conference was held at USA
- ✓ USA .withdraw itself from 2015 Paris Agreement on Climate Change
- ✓ M S Dhoni became the first Indian batsman to hit more than 200 sixes in One Day International (ODI) cricket.
- ✓ Unnatam farmer market opened In dindugul
- ✓ Tamil poet S. Abdul Rahman, popularly known as 'Kavikko,' passed away in Chennai . When he got the Sahitya Akademi award in 1999 for his collection of poems, *Aalapanaai*,

July 1- 14

- ✓ India has slipped to 88th place in terms of money parked by its citizens with Swiss banks, while the UK remains on the top.
- ✓ A new fast-growing Israeli flower was named after Prime Minister Narendra Modi Israeli Crysanthumun flower will now be called "MODI"
- ✓ The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) and Israel Space Agency (ISA) also agreed for cooperation in atomic clocks



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- ✓ The Malabar naval exercise involving Indian, American and Japanese navies will kick start on July 10 in the Bay of Bengal, amid China's growing military assertiveness in the disputed South China Sea.
- ✓ PM Modi inaugurates filling of Aji Dam at Rajkot by Narmada water
- ✓ SIERRA ODC building has been recognised as the world's second highest ranking Green Building
- ✓ Rajeev Pratap Rudi and Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan have laid the foundation stone of the country's biggest Global Skill Park in Bhopa
- ✓ The President gave his assent to the bill passed by Karnataka Assembly to legalise traditional buffalo race 'Kambala'.
- ✓ Senior Advocate and Constitution Law Expert KK Venugopal has been appointed the 15th Attorney General for India
- ✓ India ranks 23rd in Global Cybersecurity Index (GCI) 2017
- ✓ 12th G20 Summit held in Hamburg, Germany.
- ✓ Minister of State (I/C) for Petroleum and Natural Gas, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan will be visiting Istanbul, Turkey from 10 - 12 July 2017 to represent India at the 22nd World Petroleum Congress (WPC) International Conference.
- ✓ A men-only Okinoshima island in Japan where women are banned has been declared a UNESCO World Heritage site
- ✓ A proposal to establish an exclusive university for Dalit students in Hyderabad is under active consideration of the Telangana government
- ✓ The Walled City of Ahmedabad, founded by Sultan Ahmed Shah in the 15th century, has been declared India's first World Heritage City.
- ✓ Finance Minister Arun Jaitley launched a new tax payer service module called Aaykar Setu
- ✓ The famous blue-bordered sari of Mother Teresa, who has been canonized as Saint Teresa of Calcutta by the Vatican, has been recognized as an Intellectual Property of the Missionaries of Charity
- ✓ Shri J P Nadda launches new family planning initiatives 'Mission Parivar Vikas' on World Population Day (11 July)
- ✓ India to host 8th international Theatre Olympics in 2018
- ✓ Training centre for high-speed rail to come up in Gujarat
- ✓ Indigenous Doppler weather radar, capable of predicting with increased accuracy weather events such as cyclone occurring in 500-km radius from Kochi,
- ✓ Khaltmaa Battulga of the opposition Democratic Party, a businessman and former judoka, has won the Mongolian presidential election with more than 50 percent votes.
- ✓ On Cricket Advisory Committee's recommendation, BCCI have decided to appoint Ravi Shastri as the chief coach while Zaheer Khan will be appointed bowling coach for a period of two years.
- ✓ India's largest Fresh water aquarium has opened by Raghubar Das, Chief Minister of Jharkhand



- ✓ Mumbai's 'Vikrikar Bhavan' was renamed as 'GST Bhavan'
- ✓ DGP Sanjay Kumar has been appointed as the new chief of the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF)

GST Over View

- ✓ In 2003, the Kelkar Task Force on indirect tax had suggested a comprehensive Goods and Services Tax (GST)
- ✓ A proposal to introduce a National level Goods and Services Tax (GST) by April 1, 2010 was first mooted in the Budget Speech for the financial year 2006-07.
- ✓ In order to amend the Constitution to enable introduction of GST, the Constitution (115th Amendment) Bill was introduced in the Lok Sabha in March 2011.
- ✓ Constitution (122nd Amendment) Bill was introduced in the 16th Lok Sabha on 19.12.2014.
- ✓ Goods and Services Tax bill is India's biggest reform in India's indirect tax structure.
- ✓ The Constitution (One Hundred and Twenty-second Amendment) Bill, 2016, for introduction of Goods and Services Tax (GST) in the country was accorded assent by the President on 8th September, 2016. 101st Constitution Amendment Act coming into force on 8th September, 2016
- ✓ been notified as the Constitution (One Hundred and First Amendment) Act, 2016
- ✓ As per Article 279A (1) of the amended Constitution, the GST Council has to be constituted by the President within 60 days of the commencement of Article 279A. The notification for bringing into force Article 279A with effect from 12th September, 2016 was issued on 10th September, 2016.
- ✓ As per Article 279A of the amended Constitution, the GST Council will be a joint forum of the Centre and the States. This Council shall consist of the following members namely: -
 - ✓ Union Finance Minister... Chairperson
 - ✓ The Union Minister of State, in-charge of Revenue of finance... Member
 - ✓ The Minister In-charge of finance or taxation or any other Minister nominated by each State Government... Members
- ✓ Creation of the GST Council Secretariat, with its office at New Delhi;

President Election

- ✓ Head of the state
- ✓ Parliament consist of president , rajya sabha , Lok sabha
- ✓ Article 52 states that there shall be a President of India., 53 Supreme commander of Armed Forces
- ✓ 70th amendment Act, 1992
- ✓ Indirect Election , Proportional Representation
- ✓ V.V. Giri First Acting president
- ✓ 12th President Pradhiba patil,India, First women president



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- ✓ Article, 72 for pardoning power , Article 123 for Ordinance
- ✓ Appointing various Constitutional posts

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- ✓ 1951: The First Amendment placed reasonable restrictions on free speech, and created the Ninth Schedule that protects laws placed in it from judicial scrutiny.
- ✓ 1956: The Seventh Amendment paved the way for reorganisation of states along linguistic lines.
- ✓ 1960: The Eight Amendment extended the period of reservation of seats for the SCs, STs and Anglo-Indians in the Lok Sabha and the State Legislative Assemblies till 1970. Since then, it is being extended every decade.
- ✓ 1961: The 12th Amendment led to incorporation of Goa, Daman and Diu as a Union Territory, consequent to acquisition from Portugal.
- ✓ 1971: The 26th Amendments led to abolition of privy purse paid to former rulers of princely states which were incorporated into the Indian Republic.

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- ✓ 1975: The 35th and 36th Amendments made Sikkim part of the Indian Union.
- ✓ 1975: The 39th Amendment negated the judgment of Allahabad High Court invalidating PM Indira Gandhi's election to parliament. It placed restrictions on judicial scrutiny of post of PM.
- ✓ 1976: 42nd Amendment passed during Emergency curtailed fundamental rights, imposed a set of fundamental duties and added the words 'secular' and 'socialist' to the Preamble.
- ✓ 1978: The 43rd and 44th Amendments restored civil liberties post-Emergency and removed the Right to Property from the Fundamental Rights.
- ✓ 1985: The 52nd Amendment added 10th schedule to the Constitution i.e. anti defection law. It provides for disqualification of legislators in case of defection from one party to other.
- ✓ 1989: 61st Amendment lowered the voting age from 21 to 18.
- ✓ 1992: 73rd and 74th Amendments provided for direct election to all seats in Panchayats and urban local bodies.
- ✓ 1994: 76th Amendment enabled continuance of 69% reservation in Tamil Nadu by including the relevant Tamil Nadu Act under 9th Schedule of the constitution.
- ✓ 2002: The 86th Amendment provides for Right to Education until the age of fourteen and early childhood care until the age of six.
- ✓ 2006: The 93rd Amendment enables provision of reservation (27%) for OBCs in government as well as private educational institutions.
- ✓ 2014: The 99th Amendment paved the way for appointment and transfer in higher judiciary by creating National Judicial Appointment Commission. It was struck down by the SC in 2015.
- ✓ 2015: The 100th Amendment enabled exchange of certain enclaves with Bangladesh.
- ✓ 2016 GST: 101 Amendments

List of Presidents of the Congress Party

- ❖ C. Vijayaraghavachariar 1920 Nagpur
- ❖ Deshbandhu Chittaranjan Das 1922 Gaya
- ❖ Mohandas Gandhi 1924 Belgaum
- ❖ Sarojini Naidu 1925 Kanpur
- ❖ S. Srinivasa Iyengar 1926 Gauhati
- ❖ Mukhtar Ahmed Ansari 1927 Madras
- ❖ Motilal Nehru 1928 Calcutta
- ❖ Jawaharlal Nehru 1929 & 30 Lahore
- ❖ Vallabhbhai Patel 1931 Karachi
- ❖ Madan Mohan Malaviya 1932 Delhi
- ❖ Madan Mohan Malaviya 1933 Calcutta
- ❖ Rajendra Prasad 1934 & 35 Bombay
- ❖ Jawaharlal Nehru 1936 Lucknow
- ❖ Jawaharlal Nehru 1936 & 37 Faizpur



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- ❖ Subhas Chandra Bose 1938 Haripura, Gujarat Subhas Chandra Bose (resigned) Rajendra Prasad replaced Bose after the session.
- ❖ 1939 Tripuri, Madhya Pradesh / Chhatisghadh
- ❖ Abul Kalam Azad 1940–46 Ramgarh
- ❖ J. B. Kripalani 1947 Meerut
- ❖ Pattabhi Sitaraimayya 1948 & 49 Jaipur
- ❖ Purushottam Das Tandon 1950 Nasik

INTERIM GOVERNMENT-1946

- ❖ External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations : Jawaharlal Nehru
- ❖ Defence : Baldev Singh
- ❖ Home (including Information and Broadcasting) : Vallabhbai Patel
- ❖ Finance : Liaquat Ali Khan
- ❖ Posts and Air : Abdur Rab Nishtar
- ❖ Food and Agriculture : Rajendra Parsad
- ❖ Labour : Jagjivan Ram
- ❖ Transport and Railways : M. Asaf Ali
- ❖ Industries and Supplies : John Matthai
- ❖ Education and Arts : C. Rajgopalacharia
- ❖ Works, Mines and Power : C.H. Babha
- ❖ Commerce : I.I. Chundrigar
- ❖ Law : Jogindar Nath Mandal
- ❖ Health : Ghazanfar Ali Khan

Important Years Announced by UNO

- ❖ 2017- International Year of Sustainable Tourism for Development
- ❖ 2016 International Year of Pulses
- ❖ 2015 -International Year of Light and Light-based Technologies- International Year of Soils
- ❖ 2014- International Year of Solidarity with the Palestinian People ,International Year of Small Island Developing States,International Year of Crystallography, International Year of Family Farming
- ❖ 2013--International Year of Water Cooperation, International Year of Quinoa
- ❖ 2012--International Year of Cooperatives, International Year of Sustainable Energy for All
- ❖ 2011--International Year for People of African Descent, International Year of Chemistry , International Year of Forests, International Year of Youth
- ❖ 1996--International Year for the Eradication of Poverty
- ❖ 1979----International Year of The Child
- ❖ 1975----International Women's Year
- International Weeks
- ❖ 1–7 February (first week of February) ,World Interfaith Harmony Week
- ❖ 19–23 April Global Soil Week

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- ❖ 4–10 October World Space Week

International Decades

- ❖ 2015–2024---International Decade for People of African Descent
- ❖ 2014–2024----United Nations Decade of Sustainable Energy for All
- ❖ 2011–2020---Third International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism , United Nations Decade on Biodiversity, Decade of Action for Road Safety
- ❖ 2008–2017----Second United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty
- ❖ 1997–2006----Decade for The Eradication for Poverty

STATES/UTs YEAR

1. Maharashtra & Gujarat 1960
2. Dadra & Nagar Haveli 1961
3. Goa, Daman & diu 1962
4. Goa (Statehood) 1987
5. Puducherry 1962
6. Nagaland 1963
7. Haryana, Chandigarh 1966
8. Himachal Pradesh (Statehood) 1971
9. Manipur, Tripura & Meghalaya (Statehood) 1972
10. Sikkim (full – fledged State) 1975
11. Arunachal Pradesh & Mizoram 1987
12. Chhattisgarh, Uttarakhand & Jharkhand 2000
13. Telangana 2014

First in India and World

- ❖ Aircraft Carrier Indian Ship I.N.S. Vikrant
- ❖ American president to visit India Dwight David Eisenhower
- ❖ Asian Games organized in India Delhi (in 1951)
- ❖ Atomic Submarine of India I.N.S. Chakra
- ❖ British Prime Minister to visit India Harold Mc Millon
- ❖ British to visit India Hawkins
- ❖ Chief justice of India Justice Hiralal J. Kania
- ❖ Chief of Air Staff of India Air Marshal Sir Thomas Elmhirst
- ❖ Chief of Army Staff of India General M.Rajendra Singh
- ❖ Chief of Naval Staff of India Vice- Admiral R.D Katari
- ❖ Chinese pilgrim to visit India Fa-hien
- ❖ Commander-in-chief of free India General K.M. Cariappa
- ❖ Commander-in-chief of Free India General Roy Bucher
- ❖ Dalit Speaker of the Lok Sabha G.M.C. Balyogi



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- ❖ Deputy prime Minister of India Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel
- ❖ Education Minister of Independent India Maulana Abdul Kalam Azad
- ❖ Election Commissioner of India Sukumar Sen
- ❖ Emperor of Moghul Dynasty in India Babar
- ❖ field Marshal of India General S.F.J. Manekshaw
- ❖ Foreign recipient of Bharat Ratna Khan Abdul Gaffar Khan
- ❖ Governor General of Bengal Warren Hastings (1774-85)
- ❖ Governor General of Ind. India Lord Mountbatten
- ❖ Governor General of India Lord William Bentic (1833-35)
- ❖ Governor of Bengal Lord Clive (1757-60)
- ❖ Home Minister of Independent India Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel'
- ❖ Indian air Chief of India Air Marshal S. Mukherjee
- ❖ Indian author to get Anderson Award Ruskin Bond
- ❖ Indian Cosmonaut (to go into space) Sqn. Ldr. Rakesh Sharma
- ❖ Cricketer to make double centuries 5 times Rahul Dravid
- ❖ WOmAn to win in a Wimbledon tourament Sania Mirza
- ❖ Governor general of Independent India C.Rajgopalachari (21 June,1948
- ❖ I.C.S. Officer Satyaendra Nath Tagore
- ❖ Woman to win a medal in World Athletics Anju Bobby George
- ❖ Missile Prithvi Woman to win the Miss Great Britain Title Preeti Desai
- ❖ Pilot J.R.D. Tata (1929)
- ❖ Prime Minister to loose an election Indira Ghandi
- ❖ Prime Minister to resign from office Morarji Desai
- ❖ Recipient of Nobel Prize in Economics Dr. Amartya Sen
- ❖ Scientist to get Nobel Prize C.V. Raman (Physics)
- ❖ Submarine I.N.S. Cauveri
- ❖ United Nations Civilian Police Advisor Ms. Kiran bedi'
- ❖ To climb Mount Averest Tenzing Norgay
- ❖ To fly the U.S. space shuttle Dr. Kalpana Chawla
- ❖ To get Bhart Ratna Award Dr. S. Radhakrishnan
- ❖ To get Inanpeeth Award G. Shankar Kurup
- ❖ To get Paramvir Chakra Major Somnath Sharma
- ❖ To make printing press popular in India,James HickyTo pass ICS,Surendra Nath Benerjee
- ❖ To reach Antarctica Lt. Ram Charan (1960)
- ❖ To reach the south Pole Col. I.K.Bajaj
- ❖ To ski to the north pole Ajeet Bajaj
- ❖ To Swim Across English Channel in India Mihir Sen
- ❖ To win Magsaysay Award Acharya Vinoba Bhave (1958)
- ❖ To win Stalin Award Saiffudin Kichlu
- ❖ To win world Billiards Trophy Wilson Jones



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- ❖ Weightlifter to win bronze medal in Olympics Karnam Malleshwari
- ❖ Woman Airline Pilot Durga Banerjee
- ❖ Woman Air-vice-Marshal P. Bandopadhyaya
- ❖ Woman Chairman and Managing Director of NABARD Mrs. Ranjana Kumar
- ❖ Woman cricketer to score adouble century Mithali Raj
- ❖ Woman I.P.S. Officer Kiran Bedi
- ❖ Woman Merchant Navy Officer Sonali Banerjee
- ❖ Woman president of Indian National Congress anni besant (1917)
- ❖ Woman indian president of Indian National Congress sarojini naidu
- ❖ Woman Speaker of State Assembly in India Mrs. Shanno Devi
- ❖ Woman to become Miss Universe Sushmita Sen
- ❖ Woman to become Miss World Miss Reita Faria
- ❖ Woman to get Ashok Chakra Nirja Mishra
- ❖ Woman to get Bharat Ratna Smt. Indira Gandhi
- ❖ Woman to get Jnanpith Award Ashapura Devi
- ❖ Woman to get the Nobel Prize Mother Teresa (1979)
- ❖ Woman to go into space Kalpana Chawla
- ❖ Woman Lt. General in the Indian Army Puneeta Arora
- ❖ Woman to swim across the English Channel
- ❖ Miss Arati Saha (now Mrs. Arati Gupta)
- ❖ Woman to win a Gold Medal in Asian Games Kamaljeet Sandhu
- ❖ Woman to win the Booker Prize Arundhati Roy
- ❖ woman to win WTA Title Sania Mirza
- ❖ Woman yo cross seven important seas by swimming Bula Chaudhury
- ❖ World Chess Champion Vishwanathan Anand
- ❖ Muslim President of Indian National Congress Badruddin Tayab Ji
- ❖ Muslim President of Indian Republic Dr. Zakir Hussain
- ❖ Nuclear Centre of India Tarapur
- ❖ President of Constituent Assembly of India Dr. Rajendra Prasad
- ❖ President of India to die in office Dr. Zakir Hussain
- ❖ President of Indian National Congress W.C. Banerjee
- ❖ to win Nobel prize in Physics Subrahmanium Chandrasekhar
- ❖ Sikh Prime Minister of India Dr. Manmohan Singh
- ❖ Speaker of lok Sabha G.V. Mavlankar (1952-57)
- ❖ To win an individual Olympic gold for India. Abhinav Binr
- ❖ Talkie Film in India Alam Ara
- ❖ Test Tube Baby of India Indira (Baby Harsha)
- ❖ Vice-President of India to die in harness Krishna Kant
- ❖ Woman Chief Justice of a High Court in India Smt. Leela Seth
- ❖ Woman Judge in Supreme Court in India Mrs. Meera Sahib Fatima Biwi



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National Symbols Related Facts

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| The National Emblem is an adaptation from the Sarnath Lion Capital of Ashoka. |
| The four smaller animals at the bottom of national emblem are horse and bull (visible) and lion and elephant (not visible). |
| The National Emblem was adopted by the Government of India on 26 January 1950. |
| 'Satyameva Jayate' inscribed below has been taken from the Mundaka Upanishad. |
| National Anthem |
| The national anthem 'Jana Gana Mana' was first sung at Calcutta session of Indian National Congress in 1911, 27 Dec. |
| It was adopted by the Indian constitution on 24 Jan 1950. |
| Its English rendering has been given by Tagore himself. |
| The song was composed originally in Bengali by Rabindranath Tagore, the National Anthem is its Hindi version. |
| The complete song consists of five stanzas. The first stanza contains the full version of the National Anthem. |
| The playing time for full version of the song is 52 seconds. |
| National Song |
| The national song Vande Mataram has been taken from Bankim Chandra Chatterji's Anand Math. |
| It was first sung at 1896 session of INC. |
| Its English rendering has been given by Shri Aurobindo. |
| The national calendar based on the Saka Era was adopted on 22 Mar 1957. |
| Chaitra is the first month of the year whose 1st day falls on 22 March normally and on 21 March in a leap year. |
| The national calendar also has 365/366 days |
| Chaitra has 30 days normally and 31 days in a leap year. |
| The design of the national flag was adopted on 22 July 1947. |
| The ratio of width of the flag to its length is two to three. |
| The design of the wheel at the centre is taken from the abacus of the Sarnath Lion Capital of Ashoka. |



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The 'Dharmachakra' (wheel) at the centre has 24 spokes.

The display of the National Flag is governed by Flag Code of India, 2002, which took effect on 26 Jan 2002.

As per the provisions of the Flag Code of India, 2002, there shall be no restriction on the display of the National Flag by members of general public, private organisations, educational institutions, etc., except to the extent provided in the Emblems and Names (Prevention of Improper Use) Act, 1950 and the Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971 and any other law enacted on the subject.

Other National Symbols

The national bird is Peacock (*Pavo cristatus*)

The national fruit is Mango (*Mangifera indica*)

The national flower is Lotus (*Nelumbo Nucifera*)

The national tree is Banyan (*Ficus benghalensis*)

The national animal is Tiger (*Panthera tigris*)

The national aquatic animal is River Dolphin (*Platanista gangetica*), in 2009

The national river is the Ganges

Comparison - National Anthem and National Song

| | National Anthem | National Song |
|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Name | Jana Gana Mana | Vande Mataram |
| Author | Rabindranath Tagore | Bankim Chandra Chatterji |
| Originally written in | Bengali | Sanskrit |
| 1st sung in | 1911, Kolkata | 1896, Kolkata |
| English rendering by | Tagore | Shri Aurobindo |



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Classical and Folk Dances of India

| STATE | NAME OF THE DANCE |
|-------------------|--|
| Andhra Pradesh | Kuchipudi, Kolattam, Dhimsa, Veeranatyam |
| Arunachal Pradesh | Bardo Chham |
| Assam | Bihu, Jumar, Bagurumba, Ali Ai Ligang |
| Bihar | Paika, Kajari, Bidesia, Jhijhian |
| Chhattisgarh | Panhi, Raut Nacha |
| Gujarat | Raas, tippani, Padhar, Garba |
| Haryana | Dhamal, Daph, Phag, Ghoomar, Jhumar, Loor |
| Himachal Pradesh | Kinnauri Nati, Namgen |
| Jharkhand | Karma |
| Jammu & Kashmir | Kud, Dumhal, Rouf, Bhand Pather, Bachha Nagma, Hafiza Dance, Bhand Jashan, Wuegi-Nachun |
| Karnataka | Yakshagna, Bayalata, Dollu Kunitha, Veeragaase dance |
| Kerala | Mohiniattam, Kathakali, Padayani |
| Madhya Pradesh | Tertali, Charkula, Jawara, Matki dance, Phulpati dance, Maanch, Gaur Maria, Grida |
| Maharashtra | Pavri Nach, Lavani, Dangi, Koli |
| Manipur | Thang Ta, Dhol Cholom |
| Mizoram | Cheraw Dance |
| Nagaland | Chang Lo or Sua Lua |
| Odisha | Ghumura, Chau, Goti Pua, Nacni, Odissi, Dhap, Dalkhai, Baag Naach |
| Punjab | Bhangra, Jhumar, Karhi, Kikkli, Malwai Giddha, Sammi, Jindua |
| Rajasthan | Ghoomar, Kalbelia, Bhavai, Chirami, Gair, Tera Tali |
| Sikkim | Singh Chaam |
| Tamil Nadu | Bharata Natyam, Devarattam, Kamandi, Kummi, Karagattam, Mayil Attam, Paampu attam, Oyilattam |
| Telangana | Perini Thandavam, Lambadi, Dappu, Tappeta Gullu, Burra Katha, Pagati Vesham |
| Tripura | Hojagiri |
| Uttar Pradesh | Charkula, Kathak, Karma, Dadra |



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| Uttarakhand | Barada Nati, Botiya, Cancheri, Chhapelia, Choliya, Jagars, Jhora, Romala |
| Goa | Dekhni, Fugdi, Corridinho, Dashavatara |
| Meghalaya | Nongkrem, Shad Suk mynsiem, Behdienkhal, Lahoo |
| West Bengal | Gambhira, Kalikapatadi, Nanci, Alkap, Domni |

Famous Cities and Nick Names

| Nick Name | Place |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Golden City | Amritsar |
| Manchester of India | Ahmedabad |
| City of seven islands | Mumbai |
| Sorrow of Bengal | Damoda river |
| Sorrow of Bihar | Kosi River |
| Blue Mountains | Nilgiri |
| Queen of Arabian Sear | Kochi |
| Space City | Bengaluru |
| Garden City of India | Bengaluru |
| Silicon valley of India | Bengaluru |
| Electronic City of India | Bengaluru |
| Pink City | Jaipur |
| Gateway of India | Mumbai |
| Twin City | Hyderabad-Sikandarabad |
| City of festivals | Mudurai |
| Deccan Queen | Pune |
| City of Buildings | Kolkata |
| Dakshin Ganga | Godavari |
| Old Ganga | Godavari |
| Egg bowls of Asia | Andhra Pradesh |
| Soya region | Madhya Pradesh |
| Manchester of the South | Coimbatore |
| City of Nawabs | Lucknow |
| Venice of the east | Kochi |
| Queen of the Mountains | Mussoorie (Uttarkhand) |
| Sacred river | Ganga |



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| Hollywood of India | Mumbai |
| City of Castles | Kolkata |
| State of five rivers | Punjab |
| City of weavers | Panipat |
| City of lakes | Srinagar |
| Steel city of India | Jamshedpur (called Tatanagar) |
| City of Temples | Varanasi |
| Manchester of the north | Kanpur |
| City of Rallies | New Delhi |
| Heaven of India | Jammu & Kashmir |
| Boston of India | Ahmedabad |
| Garden of spices of India | Kerala |
| Switzerland of India | Kashmir |
| Abode of the God | Prayag (Allahabad) |
| Pittsburg of India | Jamshedpu |

Nicknames of Eminent Persons

| Nickname | Person |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Father of the Nation | Mahatma Gandhi |
| Bapu | Mahatma Gandhi |
| Frontier Gandhi, Badshah Khan | Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan |
| Grand Old man of India | Dadabhai Naoroji |
| Strong (Iron) Man of India | Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel |
| Man of Peace | Lal Bahadur Shastri |
| Punjab Kesari | Lala Lajpat Rai |
| Bengal Kesari | Ashutosh Mukherji |
| Bihar Kesari | Dr. Srikrishna Singh |
| Andhra Kesari | T. Prakasam |
| Sher-e-Kashmir | Sheikh Abdullah |
| Bangabandhu | Sheikh Mujibut Rahman |



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| Deshbandhu | Chitta Ranjan Das |
| Deenbandhu | C.F. Andrews |
| Lokmanya | Bal Gangadhar Tilak |
| Loknayak | Jayaprakash Narayan |
| Jana Nayak | Karpuri Thakur |
| Rajarshee | Purushottam Das Tandon |
| Gurudev | Rabindranath Tagore |
| Guruji | M.S. Golwalkar |
| Desh Ratna | Dr. Rajendra Prasad |
| Ajatshatru | Dr. Rajendra Prasad |
| Mahamana | Pt. Madan Mohan Malaviya |
| Netaji | Subhash Chandra Bose |
| Chacha | Jawaharlal Nehru |
| Rajaji/C.R. | Chakravarti Rajagopalachari |
| Sparrow | Major General Rajinder Singh |
| Young Turk | Chandra Shekhar |
| Tau | Chaudhury Devi Lal |
| Sahid-e-Azam | Bhagat Singh |
| Nightingale of India | Sarojini Naidu |
| Lady with the lamp | Florence Nightingale |
| Swar Kokila | Lata Mangeshkar |
| Udanpari | P.T. Usha |
| Mother | Mother Teresa |
| Vishwa Kavi | Rabindranath Tagore |



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| Kaviguru | Rabindranath Tagore |
| Sardar | Vallabhbhai Patel |
| Tota-e-Hind | Amir Khushro |
| Lal, Bal, Pal | Lala Lajpat Rai, Bal Gangadhar Tilak and Bipin Chandra Pal |
| Bihar Vibhuti | Dr. Anugrah Narayan Singh |
| Babuji | Jagjeevan Ram |
| Napoleon of India | Samudra Gupta |
| Shakespeare of India | Mahakavi Kalidas |
| Machiavelli of India | Chanakya |
| Akbar of Kashmir | Jainul Abdin |
| Father of Gujarat | Ravi Shankar Maharaj |
| Grandfather of Indian Films | Dhundiraj Govind Phalke |
| Morning Star of India Renaissance | Raja Ram Mohan Roy |
| King Maker of Indian History | Sayyed Bandhu |
| Anna | C.N. Annadurai |
| G.B.S | George Bernard Shaw |
| Haryana Hurricane | Kapil Dev |
| Little Master | Sunil Gavaskar |
| Magician of Hockey | Dhyanchand |
| Deshpriya | Yatindra Mohan Sengupta |
| Kuvempu | K.V. Puttappa |
| Little Corporal | Napoleon Bonaparte |
| Man of Destiny | Napoleon Bonaparte |



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| Fuehrer | Adolf Hitler |
| King Maker | Earl of Warwick |
| Uncle Ho | Ho Chi Minh |
| Bard of Avon | William Shakespeare |
| Li-Kwan | Pearl Buck |
| Father of English Poetry | Geoffery Chaucer |
| Grand Old man of Britain | William E. Gladstone |
| Maiden Queen | Queen Elizabeth I |
| Maid of Orleans | Joan of Arc |
| Man of Blood and Iron | Otto Van Bismark |
| Il Duce | Benito Mussolini |
| Desert Fox | Gen Ervin Rommel |
| Quaid-i-Azam | Md. Ali Jinnah |

Awards and Respective Fields

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| Nobel Prize | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nobel Prize is given every year Physics• Chemistry• Medicine• Peace• Literature• Economics <p>Apart from Economics, all other categories have been given since 1901. Economics Nobel Prize was instituted in 1967 and was first given in 1969</p> |
| Magsaysay Awards | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Instituted in 1957 and named after Ramon Magsaysay, the former President of Philippines. Regarded as the Nobel Prize of Asia. |



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| Pulitzer Prize | For accomplishments in journalism, literature and music. |
| Right Livelihood Award | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Instituted in 1980 by the Right Livelihood Society, London.• Known as alternate Nobel Award• To promote and contribute in the fields of environment and social justice. |
| Mahatma Gandhi Peace Prize | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Instituted in 1995 by Government of India.• It is presented for international peace on the lines of Nobel Prize. |
| Man Booker Prize | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Highest literary award to authors of British, Irish and Commonwealth countries |
| Indira Gandhi Award For International Disarmament Development and Peace | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presented by Indira Gandhi Memorial Fund in India |
| Bharat Ratna | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Highest civilian award of India• Presented by the Government of India.• Presented for exceptional public service and rarest achievements in the field of art, literature and science.• Instituted in 1954• First recipient was C. Rajagopalchari |
| Bhartiya Jnanpeeth Awards | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Instituted in 1965• Given for distinguished works in any recognized language by a scholar. |
| Sahitya Akademy Awards | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Instituted in 1955• Given for any exclusive writing in any of the 24 languages including English literature. |
| Saraswati Samman | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Instituted in 1991 by the K.K. Birla Foundation• Given for any distinguished literary work made during last 10 years in any of the Indian |



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| | language. |
| Vyas Samman | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Instituted in 1992 by the K.K. Birla Foundation• For outstanding contribution to Hindi literature. |
| Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Awards | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Given to the Indian scientists for their exceptional performance. |
| R.D. Birla Award | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Given in the field of medical sciences |
| Dhanvantri Award | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• These awards are given for the extra ordinary performance in medical sciences. |
| Arjuna Awards | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Instituted in 1961• Given by Sports Ministry, Government of India.• These are given for the special achievements in different types of sports. |
| Dronacharya Awards | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Instituted in 1985• Given by Sports Ministry, Government of India.• These are given to sports coaches. |
| Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• It was instituted in 1992• Presented for commendable display by the players. |
| Burlog Award | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• For agriculture from 1992 |
| Shankar Award | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indian , philosophy, Art and Culture |

Important Schemes

| S.No. | Schemes Programme | Year of Beginning | Objective/Description |
|-------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 | Employment | 1972 | To assist the economically |

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| | Guarantee Scheme of Maharashtra | | weaker sections of the rural society. |
| 2 | Crash Scheme for Rural Employment (CSRE) | 1972 | For rural employment |
| 3 | Training Rural Youth for Self-Employment (TRYSEM) | 1979 | Program for Training rural youth for self employment. |
| 4 | Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) | 1980 | All-round development of the rural poor through a program of asset endowment for self employment. |
| 5 | National Rural Employment Program (NREP) | 1980 | To provide profitable employment opportunities to the rural poor. |
| 6 | Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Program (RLEGP) | 1983 | For providing employment to landless farmers and laborers. |
| 7 | Self-employment to the Educated Unemployed Youth (SEEUY) | 1983 | To provide financial and technical assistance for self-employment. |
| 8 | Self-Employment programme for Urban Poor (SEPUP) | 1986 | To provide self employment to urban poor through provision of subsidy and bank credit. |
| 9 | Jawahar Rozgar Yojana | 1989 | For providing employment to rural unemployed. |
| 10 | Nehru Rozgar Yojana | 1989 | For providing employment to urban unemployed. |



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| 11 | Scheme of Urban Wage Employment (SUWE) | 1990 | To provide wages employment after arranging the basic facilities for poor people in the urban areas where population is less than one lakh. |
| 12 | Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS) | 1993 | To provide employment of at least 100 days in a year in village. |
| 13 | Swarnajayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) | 1997 | To provide gainful employment to urban unemployed and under employed poor through self employment or wage employment. |
| 14 | Swarna Jayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SYGSY) | 1999 | For eliminating rural poverty and unemployment and promoting self employment. |
| 15 | Jai Prakash Narayan Rojgar Guarantee Yojana (JPNRGY) | Proposed in 2002-03 budget | Employment guarantee in most poor distt. |
| 16 | National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme | 2006 | To provide atleast 100 days wage employment in rural areas. |
| 17 | Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana | 2001 | To provide wage employment and food security in rural areas and also to create durable economic and social assets. |
| 18 | Food for Work Programme | 2001 & 2004 expanded | To give food through wage employment in the drought affected areas in eight states. Wages are paid by the state governments partly in cash and |



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| | | | partly in foodgrains. |
| 19 | Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) | 2005& 2006 | To create a right based framework for wage employment programmes and makes the government legally bound to provide employment to those who seek it. |
| 20 | Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) | 2008 | To generate employment opportunities in rural as well as urban areas through setting up of new self-employment ventures/projects/micro enterprises. |
| 21 | SEBI | 1992 | To regulate share market |
| 22 | Ganga Kalyan Yojana | 1997-98 | To Provide Fiancial Assistance to Farmers use of Ground Water |
| 23 | Anna poorna Yojana | 1999 | To provide 10 KG food Grains to Senior Citizens |
| 24 | Shiksha Sahyog Yojana | 2001-2002 | Education for Children Below Poverty Line |
| 25 | Antodana Anna Yojana | 2000 | To provide Food Security to the Rural People |
| 26 | Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan | 2001 | To Provide Primary Education |
| 27 | Janani Suraksha Yojana | 2005 | National Maternity Benefit Scheme |
| 28 | Bharat Nirman | 2005 | Development of Rural Infrastructure |
| 29 | NRHM: National Rural Health Mission | 2005 | To enhance the health facilities in rural area |
| 30 | JNNURM: Jawaharlal | 2005 | To construct pakka houses for |



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| | Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission: | | urban and Transport System |
| 31 | Rajiv Awas Yojana | 2009 | Urban Housing |
| 32 | Indra Awas Yojana | 1985 | Rural Housing |
| 33 | INTEGRATED CHILD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (ICDS) | 1975 | for early childhood care and development. |
| 34 | Accredited Social Health Activist (ASHA) | 2005 | To Promote Institutional Delivery |
| 35 | Rashtriya Uchchar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) | 2013 | Higher Education |
| 36 | JAN DAN YOJANA | 2014 | Financial Inclusion |
| 37 | Make in india | 2014 | aimed at reviving the job-creating manufacturing sector |
| 38 | (HRIDAY) | 2015 | to preserve the heritage character of each Heritage City. |
| 39 | STARTUP INDIA | 2016 | 19-point action plan for start-up enterprises in India |

Tamilnadu Government Scheme

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| AMMA Thittam” | 2013 |
| Amma Marundhagams | 2014 |
| “Cradle Baby Scheme” | 1992, |
| M.G.R. | 1982 |



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| Nutritious Meal Programme | |
| Tamil Nadu Village Habitations Improvement (THAI) | 2011 |
| "Amma Magapperu Sanjeevi | Jan , 2016 |
| Pudhu Vaazhvu Project | 2005 |
| Moovalur Ramamirtham Ammaiyar Ninaivu Thirumana Nidhi Udhavi Thittam | 1989 |
| dharmambal Ammaiyar Ninaivu Widows Remarriage Scheme | 1975 |
| E.V.R.Maniammayar Ninaivu Poor Widow Daughter's Marriage Assistance Scheme | 1981 |
| Muthulakshmi Reddy Ninaivu Intercaste Marriage Assistance Scheme | 1967 |
| Amma Cement | 2014 |
| Thalikku thangam thittam | 2011 |
| Amma Kudineer | 2013 |
| Amma baby care kits (16 types of baby-products) | 2014 |
| Pannai Pasumai Nugarvor Kootturavu Kadai | 2013 |
| Amma Unavagam | 2013 |
| Amma seeds | Jan, 2016 |
| Amma Arogya Thittam' | March 1 , 2016 |

Census 2011

The Census of India has been conducted 15 times, As of 2011. It has been conducted every 10 years, beginning in 1871.

- ✓ Census 2011 were released in New Delhi on 31st March 2011 by Union Home Secretary GK Pillai and RGI C Chandramouli.
- ✓ Census 2011 was the 15th census of india & 7th census after Independence



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- ✓ The motto of census 2011 was “Our Census, Our future”.
- ✓ First census in 1872.
- ✓ Total Population – 1,210,569,573 (1.21 Billion)
- ✓ India in 2nd rank in population with 17.64%. decadal growth & China is 1st rank with decadal growth 19% (over 1.35 billion)
- ✓ Population – 1210.19 million [Males – 623.7 million (51.54%) Females – 586.46 million (48.46%)]

| Top Populous of the Country | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| 1 | Uttar Pradesh | 19,98,12,341 |
| 2 | Maharashtra | 11,23,74,333 |
| 3 | Bihar | 10,40,99,452 |
| 4 | West Bengal | 9,12,76,115 |
| 5 | Andhra Pradesh | 8,45,80,777 |
| Least Populous of the Country | | |
| 1 | Lakshadweep | 64,473 |
| 2 | Daman and Diu | 2,43,247 |
| 3 | Dadra and Nagar Haveli | 3,43,709 |
| 4 | Andaman and Nicobar Islands | 3,80,581 |
| 5 | Sikkim | 6,10,577 |

Population Highlight

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| Highest Populous UT | Delhi |
| Least Populous UT | Lakshadweep |
| Highest Populous state | Uttar Pradesh |
| Least populous state | Sikkim |
| Highest urban Population in india (state& UT) | Maharashtra – 4,11,00,980 |
| Lowest urban Population in india (state& UT) | Lakshadweep – 26,967 |
| Highest Rular Population in india (state& UT) | Uttar Pradesh – 13,16,58,339 |
| Lowest Rular Population in india (state& UT) | Lakshadweep – 33,683 |

Sex Ratio (Females per 1000 Males)

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| Sex ratio in India | 943 |
| Highest sex ratio in state | Kerala (1084) |
| Lowest sex ratio in state | Haryana (879) |
| Highest sex ratio in UT | Pondicherry (1037) |
| Lowest sex ratio in UT | Daman and Diu (618) |
| Child (0-6 years) sex ratio | 914 |
| Highest child (0-6) sex ratio in state | Mizoram (971) |
| Lowest child (0-6) sex ratio in state | Haryana (830) |

Literacy Rate in India

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| Total Person Literacy Rate | 74% |
| Males | 82.14% |
| Females | 65.46% |
| Highest Literacy Rate in State | Kerala (94%) |
| Lowest Literacy Rate in State | Bihar (61.8%) |
| Highest Literacy Rate in UT | Lakshadweep (91%) |
| Lowest Literacy Rate in UT | Dadra and Nagar Haveli (76.24%) |

Tamilnadu Related Facts

- ✓ Total Population: 7,21,38,958, Males , 3,61,58,871, Females, 3,59,80,087
- ✓ Population Density , 555
- ✓ Sex Ratio, As per Provisional 995, final (995)
- ✓ Child Sex Ratio, 946
- ✓ Literacy Rate, 80.33, Males, 86.81, Females, 73.86
- ✓ decadal growth, 15.60% in 2001-2011
- ✓ The highest sex ratio "The Nilgiris" (1041)
- ✓ The lowest sex ratio Dharmapuri district 946

India Five year Plans at a Glance

| Plan | Period | theme/Model/target |
|----------|--------|--|
| 1st | 51-56 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Harrod Domar Model • Main focus: Agriculture, irrigation and power. • Got more GDP growth than its original target. |
| 2nd | 56-61 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P.C.Mahalanobis Model • Socialist model, Rapid industrialization, heavy industries. |
| 3rd | 61-66 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sukhmoy Chakraborty and Sanddy • Also called "Gadgil Yojana". • Failed to achieve its target due to droughts and wars with Pak-China |
| Holidays | 66-69 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holiday declared |



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| 4th | 69-74 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ashok Rudra-Alon Manneygrowth with stability and self-reliance. [#EPICFAIL due to Bangladeshi refugee problem and drought. |
| 5th | 74-79 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">C.Subramaniam and later redrafting by D.P.DharOriginally it was a 10 year long term perspective plan with focus on poverty removal and self-reliance |
| RollingPlan | 78-80 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Morarji Desai's Janta government came up with Rolling plan system – we'll measure progress every year and make new plans accordingly for next year. |
| 6th | 80-85 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Poverty removal (Garibi Hatao), IRDP, NREM, TRYSEM etc. |
| 7th | 85-89 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Pranav MukherjeeFocus on employment. Jawahar Rozgar Yojana started. |
| 2 Annual plans | 89-91 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Political instability at Centre. Hence only annual plans. |
| 8th | 92-97 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">John W.Miller model.PV Narasimha Rao- LPG reforms |
| 9th | 97-02 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Growth with social justice and equity. Mostly "indicative" planning.EPICFAIL due to global slowdown after Asian financial crisis. |
| 10th | 02-07 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">8% GDP growth rate, double per capita income in 10 years. |
| 11th | 07-12 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Theme: "inclusive growth"C.Rangarajan framed it with targets: 8-10% growth rate, 70 million new jobs, lower IMR, CMR, TFR etc. |
| 12th | 12-17 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Theme: "Faster, More inclusive and sustainable growth".Target growth rates: 9% GDP, 4% Agriculture, 10% Mfg.10% reduction in poverty, create 50 million new jobs.Get IMR:26, MMR:1000, Child Sex ratio: 950, TFR: 2.1Increase mean school years, forest cover, infrastructure investment, rural tele-density. |

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