Navies of India and Indonesia hold exercise ‘Samudra Shakti’ in the Bay of Bengal on Nov 6-7

Gujarat govt. bans ‘no entry’ board in kitchens of restaurants, hotels in the state

Punjab Assembly passes Bill excluding CM’s advisers from office-of-profit category

Guinness World Record of most students (268) assembling radio kits simultaneously created at India International Science Festival in Kolkata

Sahitya Akademi award and Padma Shri winner litterateur Nabaneeta Dev Sen dies in Kolkata at 81

10th Asian Conference of Emergency Medicine organised in New Delhi

Three new books launched on the teachings of Guru Nanak Dev to commemorate his 550th birth anniversary

The books are titled ‘Guru Nanak Bani’, ‘Nanak Bani’, and ‘Sakhian Guru Nanak Dev’

Union ministers Ramesh Pokhriyal ‘Nishank’ and Harsimrat Kaur Badal launched the books

Six professors awarded Infosys Prize 2019 for science and research

RBS Earth Heroes Awards (REHA) announced by Royal Bank of Scotland (RBS) Group

BIMSTEC Conclave of Ports being held at Vishakhapatnam on November 7-8

IRDAI bars Anil Ambani’s Reliance Health Insurance from selling policies due to its weak financial health
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- Rising Himachal, the Global Investors Meet 2019, held at Dharamshala, Himachal Pradesh
- Hero MotoCorp launches India’s first BS-VI compliant motorcycle Splendor iSmart
- Mercedes-Benz launches ‘V-Class Elite’ MPV at Rs 1.10 crore
- ICJ sentences Congolese rebel chief Bosco ‘Terminator’ Ntaganda to 30 years in jail for war crimes
- Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan re-elected as President of UAE
- ‘No Money For Terror’ Ministerial Conference organised in Melbourne, Australia
- WhatsApp unveils ‘Catalogs’ to let small enterprises showcase products
- Rohit Sharma becomes second cricketer after Pakistan’s Shoaib Malik (111) to play in 100 T20 Internationals
Cabinet approves establishment of a ‘Special Window’ to complete stalled housing projects in the Affordable and Middle-Income Housing sector

The 19th IORA (Indian Ocean Rim Association) Council of Ministers Meeting will be held on November 7 in Abu Dhabi.

SC orders incentives of Rs 100 per quintal for Punjab, Haryana and UP farmers who shun stubble-burning

Rajasthan Patrika group chairman Gulab Kothari wins Raja Ram Mohan Roy Award given by Press Council of India

Coast Guard conducts Regional level Search and Rescue Workshop and Exercise-2019 (ReSAREX-2019) off Goa coast

Himachal Pradesh-based start-up NotOnMap (NoM) wins NASSCOM Foundation’s Social Innovation Forum (NSIF) award

Finland Foreign Minister Pekka Haavisto visits India

National School of Drama’s 11th Bal Sangam to be held in New Delhi from November 9 to 12

President Ram Nath Kovind has given his assent to the ‘Gujarat Control of Terrorism and Organised Crime (GCTOC) Bill’

The anti-terror legislation was passed by the State Assembly in March 2015

Under the new Act, intercepted telephonic conversations would now be considered as legitimate evidence

Theme of the meeting is ‘Promoting a Shared Destiny and Path to Prosperity in the Indian Ocean’

Minister of State in the External Affairs Ministry V Muraleedharan is leading the Indian delegation.
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- International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict observed on November 6
- Freedom House releases its ‘Freedom on the Net’ report for 2019, titled ‘The Crisis of Social Media’
- India gained $755 mn in additional exports to US due to US-China trade war in the first half of 2019: UNCTAD
- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh co-chairs 19th IRIGC-M & MTC meeting with his Russian counterpart General Sergey Shoigu in Moscow
- IRIGC-M & MTC: Inter-Governmental Commission on Military and Military-Technical Cooperation
- Indian Ambassador Manjeev Singh Puri inaugurates Mathadhis building for Budhanilkantha Narayan Temple in Kathmandu
- Brendon Todd of US wins PGA Tour’s Bermuda Championship golf tournament in Los Angeles
- French cyclist Jacques Dupont, who won gold at the 1948 Olympic Games in London, dies at 91
- International Tennis Federation agrees to shift India’s Asia/Oceania Group I Davis Cup tie against Pakistan from Islamabad to a neutral venue
- The new venue of the November 29-30 tie will now be decided by the Pakistan Tennis Federation (PTF)
- All India Tennis Association (AITA) has named former India player Rohit Rajpal as the non-playing captain
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- Tata Literature Live! The Mumbai LitFest will be held from November 14-17.
- Marathi and English writer Shanta Gokhale wins Tata Literature Live! Lifetime Achievement award 2019
- Malayalam poet K. Satchidanandan wins Poet Laureate award
- India-US defence exercise ‘Tiger Triumph’ to be held off Visakhapatnam and Kakinada in Andhra Pradesh from November 13 to 21
- Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Ltd (GRSE) delivers Fast Patrol Vessel (FPV) ICGS Annie Besant to the Indian Coast Guard in Kolkata
- Minister of State for Defence Shripad Naik inaugurates DRDO’s Igniter Complex at High Energy Materials Research Laboratory (HEMRL) in Pune
- Centre reconstitutes Nehru Memorial Museum and Library; PM is President and Defence Minister is Vice-President
- Bihar: Use of government vehicles more than 15 years old banned
- IIT, Madras launches country’s first indigenously designed standing wheelchair named ‘Arise’
- National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG), Jal Shakti Ministry, organise ‘Ganga Utsav’ in New Delhi
- RBI imposes penalty of Rs 5 crore on The Mehsana Urban Co-operative Bank, Gujarat for violating loan giving norms
- RBI hikes cash withdrawal from the scam-hit Punjab & Maharashtra Cooperative (PMC) Bank to Rs 50,000 per account
- India’s sugar output in 2019-20 to be 21.6 million tonnes, 21.5% lower than previous year: Indian Sugar Mills Association
- International Import Expo (CIIE) in Beijing: India among 15 nations given designation of ‘Guest Countries of Honour’
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- Flipkart launches ‘MarQ TurboStream’ streaming stick, price starts Rs 3,499
- US notifies UN of its withdrawal from the 2015 Paris Climate Agreement from November 4, 2020
- NASA’s Voyager 2 becomes second spacecraft after Voyager 1 in 2012 to reach interstellar space
- World Tsunami Awareness Day observed on November 5
- India provides Rs. 38 crores for setting up Nepal-Bharat Maitri Polytechnic at Heated town
- Busts of Mahatma Gandhi and Nelson Mandela unveiled at Tolstoy Farm in South Africa by Mahatma Gandhi Remembrance Organisation
- India contributes USD 1 million for World Food Programme’s humanitarian activities in North Korea
- Manu Bhaker, Yashaswini Singh Deswal & Annu Raj Singh: Bronze in women’s 10m air pistol team event
- Elavenil Valarivan, Anjum Moudgil and Apurvi Chandela: Silver in women’s 10m air rifle team event
- Fujifilm buying Xerox’s stake in Fuji Xerox making it a wholly owned subsidiary
- 14th Asian Shooting Championship is being held in Doha.
- Deepak Kumar: Bronze in men’s 10m air rifle
- Manu Bhaker: Gold in women’s 10m air pistol
SCO Joint Exercise on Urban Earthquake Search and Rescue-2019 being held in New Delhi from November 4 to 7

IPS officer Aditya Mishra appointed as the chairman of the Land Ports Authority of India (LPAI)

India opts out of Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) after its core concerns remained unresolved

launches IT initiative ICEDASH for improved monitoring and pace of customs clearance of imported goods

launches IT initiative ATITHI to facilitate electronic filing of customs baggage and currency declarations by arriving international passengers

ADB to give USD 451 mn loan for Chennai-Kanyakumari Industrial Corridor power links

Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship launches Skills Build platform in Collaboration with IBM

PM Modi attends 14th East Asia Summit in Bangkok

US-Bangladesh Navy exercise ‘Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training (CARAT)- 2019’ in Chattogram from Nov 4 to 7

Commonwealth Law Ministers’ Conference being held in Colombo (Nov 4-7) under the theme Equal Access to Justice and the Rule of Law

‘Quad’ countries (India, US, Japan, Australia) hold consultations on the situation in Indo-Pacific in Bangkok

TV presenter Ellen DeGeneres to receive Carol Burnett Award at 2020 Golden Globe awards in Los Angeles

India B defeated India C by 51 runs to win Deodhar Trophy in Ranchi

USA’s Wesley So wins World Fischer Random chess championship in Oslo
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- Rory McIlroy wins WGC-HSBC Champions golf tournament in Shanghai
- Mercedes driver Valtteri Bottas of Finland wins Formula One United States Grand Prix at Austin
- Mercedes driver Lewis Hamilton of UK and Red Bull’s Max Verstappen of Belgium finish second and third respectively.
- Hamilton wins 2019 Drivers world championship title
- Mercedes also won 2019 Constructors’ title
- 2 out of 21 races in 2019 season remaining: Brazilian Grand Prix (Nov 17) and Abu Dhabi Grand Prix (Dec 1)
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- AYUSH Minister of State (Independent Charge) Shripad Yesso Naik inaugurates National Research Institute of Unani Medicine for Skin Disorders in Hyderabad
- 25 lakh JCB Prize for Literature for 2019 won by Madhuri Vijay for the novel ‘The Far Field’
- 5th India International Science Festival (IISF) being organised in Kolkata from November 5 to 8, 2019
- Theme: RISEN India – Research, Innovation, and Science Empowering the Nation
- Vigyanika-International Science Literature Festival will be organised as part of the 5th IISF
- Industrialist and Chairman of Modi Enterprises Krishan Kumar Modi dies at the age of 79
- India-Uzbekistan joint military exercise ‘Dustlik 2019’ will be held near Tashkent from Nov 4-13
- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh holds talks with his Uzbekistan counterpart Major General Bakhodir Nizamovich Kurbanov in Tashkent
- PM Modi attends 16th India – ASEAN Summit in Bangkok
- Celebrations marking 50 years of operation of Aditya Birla Group in Thailand organised
- Nepal: President Bidya Devi Bhandari removes Governors of all seven provinces appointed by previous govt.
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- 9th round of India Bangladesh Friendship dialogue held in Cox’s Bazar on November 1-2
- Australia’s Ashleigh Barty wins women’s singles title at WTA Finals in Shenzhen
- India’s Lakshya Sen wins men’s singles title at SaarLorLux Open Badminton in Germany
- Women help desks, more anti-human trafficking units to be set up using Nirbhaya fund: WCD Minister Smriti Irani
- MP BJP MLA from Pawai, Prahlad Lodhi, disqualified from Assembly following his conviction in a criminal case
- The government released the maps of newly created Union Territories (UTs) of Jammu and Kashmir, and Ladakh and the map of India depicting these UTs.
  - The UT of Ladakh consists of two districts of Kargil and Leh while the rest of the erstwhile state of J&K is in the UT of J&K.
  - Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) is part of the newly created UT of J&K, while Gilgit-Baltistan is in the UT of Ladakh.
- Golden Jubilee edition of International Film Festival of India (IFFI) 2019 to be held in Goa from November 20 to 28
- French actress Isabelle Huppert to be honoured with the Lifetime Achievement Award
- Rajinikanth to receive special award titled ‘Icon of Golden Jubilee of IFFI’
- China’s Fosun Tourism acquires Thomas Cook brand; the British travel group had declared bankruptcy in September
- Thomas Cook India retains the right to use the brand name till 2024.
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- US Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin meets RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das in Mumbai
- Unemployment data was released by the Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy (CMIE) on November 1
- India’s unemployment rate in October 2019 rose to 8.5%, the highest level since August 2016
- Urban unemployment rate for October 2019 stood at 8.9%, rural unemployment rate was 8.3%
- Among States, Tripura and Haryana saw unemployment levels of more than 20% (the highest)
- Unemployment was the lowest in Tamil Nadu at 1.1%
- India ranks 133rd among 167 countries in 2019 Women, Peace, and Security Index
- Index compiled by the Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace, and Security and National Geographic
- Norway, Switzerland and Finland are the top 3 ranked countries
- Syria, Afghanistan and Yemen are the bottom 3 ranked countries
- PM addresses ‘Sawasdee PM Modi’ community event in Bangkok on Nov 2
- Thai translation of Tamil classic ‘Tirukkural’ released
- Commemorative Coins marking Guru Nanak’s 550th Birth Anniversary released
- PM to attend 16th ASEAN-India Summit on Nov 3 and the 14th East Asia Summit on Nov 4 in Bangkok
- PM to attend the 3rd Summit meeting of nations negotiating a RCEP agreement on Nov 4
- RCEP-Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership

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- 18th meeting of Council of Heads of Government (CHG) of SCO (Shanghai Cooperation Organisation) held at Tashkent in Uzbekistan on November 2, 2019.
- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh attended the as the Special Envoy of PM Modi
- Indian sand artist Sudarsan Pattnaik has won Italian Golden Sand Art Award 2019
- Pattnaik will get the award at the International Scorrana Sand Nativity in Italy being held from November 13 to 18
- Union minister Hardeep Singh Puri inaugurates Indian govt. supported Guru Nanak Chair at the University of Birmingham
- International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists observed on November 2
- South Africa defeat England to lift Rugby World Cup in Yokohama, Japan
- Formation days of 6 states celebrated on November 1 — Chhattisgarh in 2000, Haryana in 1966, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh in 1956
- Elections to the Jharkhand Assembly will be held in five stages from Nov 30 to Dec 20; vote counting on December 23
- Environment Pollution (Prevention and Control) Authority declares public health emergency in the Delhi-NCR region because of high air pollution
- PM Modi and Chancellor Angela Merkel co-chair 5th Indo-German Inter-Governmental Consultations in New Delhi
- External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar holds talks with his German counterpart Heiko Mass in New Delhi

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- Fourth Indian Navy-Russian Federation Navy Staff Talks held in New Delhi
- Punjab govt. to institute Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji Award for Promotion of Peace and Interfaith Understanding
- India’s forex reserves reach a new lifetime high of USD 442.583 billion in the week ended October 25
- Telecom regulator TRAI fixes phone call ring time at 30 sec for mobiles and 60 sec for landline phones
- Now formal sector workers can generate UAN (universal account number) from EPFO (Employees’ Provident Fund Organization) portal directly
- India and the US hold 7th Meeting of the Economic and Financial Partnership (EFP) in New Delhi
- Cochin Shipyard wins Rs 3,000 crore contract to build aircraft carrier for the Indian Navy.
- US govt.’s Award for Corporate Excellence presented to PepsiCo India for saving more than 17 billion litres of water
- Sikh pilgrims from India would only need a valid ID and not a passport to travel to Kartarpur: Pakistan
- Google agrees to buy wearables maker Fitbit for USD 2.1 billion
- US House of Representative approve procedure to impeach President Donald Trump
- Fiat Chrysler and Peugeot owner PSA Group announce $48-billion merger
- The Central Bureau of Health Intelligence’s (CBHI) National Health Profile (NHP) 2019 released.

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- Sex ratio (number of females per 1,000 males) in the country has improved from 933 in 2001 to 943 in 2011.
- In rural areas the sex ratio has increased from 946 to 949.
- In urban areas the sex ratio has increased from 900 to 929.
- Kerala has recorded the highest sex ratio in respect of total population (1,084), rural population (1,078) and urban (1,091).
- Birth rate reduced from 25.8 in 2000 to 20.4 in 2016.
- Death rate declined from 8.5 to 6.4 per 1,000 population over the same period.
- Deepika Padukone is the Chairperson of the trust.
- Golden Gateway Award in the International Competition section won by Ljubomir Stefanov and Tamara Kotevska’s ‘Honeyland’.
- Golden Gateway Award in the Indian Gold section won by ‘Eeb Allay Ooo!’ directed by Prateek Vats.
- India loses case filed by the US at the WTO against domestic export incentive schemes; WTO says these schemes are inconsistent with the international trade norms.
- InterGlobe Aviation Ltd., which runs IndiGo, places an order for 300 A320neo family aircraft worth over $33 billion.
- India among four nations with most conducive environment for financial inclusion: The Economist Intelligence Unit’s 2019 Global Microscope on Financial Inclusion report.
- MG Motor India opens its first digital studio — a showroom with no car on display — in Bengaluru.
- Output of eight core infrastructure industries contracted by 5.2% in September.
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- During the April-September period, the growth of core industries slowed to 1.3%, against 5.5% in the year-earlier period
- World Cities Day celebrated on October 31 with its theme as ‘Changing the world: innovations and better life for future generations’
- Twitter bans political advertisements to ‘curb misinformation’
- Pakistan violated its obligations under the Vienna Convention in Kulbhushan Jadhav case: ICJ President Judge Abduylqawi Yusuf
- Federal Reserve cuts US’ benchmark interest rate by 25 basis points to 1.50%-1.75%
- S. House of Representatives recognises killing of 1.5 mn Armenians by Ottoman Empire (Turkey) in 1915-23 as ‘genocide’
- WhatsApp sues Israeli cyber-surveillance firm NSO Group for using its messaging service for spying
- 66 cities around the world have been designated as UNESCO Creative Cities by the Director-General of UNESCO, Audrey Azoulay
- Cities were selected for their tangible contribution to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals through innovative thinking and action.
- Hyderabad (Gastronomy) and Mumbai (Film) are the two cities selected from India
- Shiva Thapa (63kg) and Pooja Rani (75kg) clinch gold medals at Olympic Boxing Test event in Tokyo
- Switzerland’s Roger Federer wins men’s singles title at Swiss Indoor tennis at Basel
- Austria’s Dominic Thiem wins men’s singles title at Vienna ATP tennis
- Tiger Woods won Zozo Championship golf in Japan for his 82nd US PGA Tour victory, equalling the 54-year-old record held by Sam Snead