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Mukesh Ambani tops Forbes' 2017 list of India's 100 richest tycoons

Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL) chairman Mukesh Ambani has topped Forbes annual list of India's 100 richest tycoons of 2017, With a net worth of \$38 billion. The richest newcomer in the list is Wadia Group of companies Chairman Nusli Wadia (No. 25, \$5.6 billion). At \$19 billion, the net worth of Wipro's Azim Premji – who jumped two places up over last year to become the second richest Indian on the list.

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Where are the headquarters of NASA?

- A. Chicago
- B. New York City
- C. Washington D.C
- D. Columbia

Answer and Explanation

Answer: C

Two Independence Square, better known as NASA headquarters, is a low-rise building in the two-building Independence Square complex at 300 E Street SW in Washington D.C.

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This bank has unveiled a novel card variant recently.

- A. IDBI Bank
- B. Andhra Bank
- C. Karnataka Bank
- D. UCO Bank

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

Karnataka Bank has unveiled a novel card variant 'KBL Deposit Only Card'. The card aims to enable hassle free cash deposit transaction at Bank's 24x7 e-Lobby services. This card is specially meant for Bank's Current/Overdraft customers. By using this card they can perform card based cash deposit transactions even with higher deposit limit.

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Former AirAsia India CEO Mittu Chandilya resigns from Adani Group

Former AirAsia India CEO Mittu Chandilya announced his resignation from Adani Group. Mittu's resignation has come at a time, when the Central Bureau of Investigation has registered a case against the airline for allegedly hiring lobbyist to change the 5/20 foreign flying norms.

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Who is the head of National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC)?

- A. Manish Kumar
- B. Rajnish Kumar
- C. Mahesh Kumar
- D. Mahendra Kumar

Answer and Explanation

Answer: A

Manish Kumar (MD & CEO) of National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC).

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The conference on implementation of National Pension System (NPS) by the Central Autonomous Bodies (CABs) was held in _____.

- A. Pune
- B. New Delhi
- C. Chennai
- D. Kolkata

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

The conference on implementation of National Pension System (NPS) by the Central Autonomous Bodies (CABs) was held in New Delhi. It was organized by Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA). The prime objective of the conference was to provide a forum to all the CABs,

where the progress in the implementation of NPS with respect to compliance of timelines in various NPS related activities could be brought to the fore and a way forward could be provided.

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Meghana becomes 1st woman IAF fighter pilot from south India

Flying Officer Meghana Shanbough MR from Karnataka has become the first woman Indian Air Force fighter pilot from south India. Before her, only five other female fighter pilots have joined the ranks. She graduates from the Air Force Academy (AFA) in Dundigal.

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Who is the present Chief of Indian Army?

- A. Bipin Rawat
- B. Dalbir Singh
- C. Vikram Batra
- D. Diljit Singh

Answer and Explanation

Answer: A

The current Chief of Indian Army is General Bipin Rawat, who took office on 31 December 2016 following the retirement of General Dalbir Singh.

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India has agreed to open _____ air gateways to Nepal in the eastern and western part of the country, aimed to facilitate international traffic.

- A. 3
- B. 5
- C. 4
- D. 8

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

India has agreed to open 4 new air gateways to Nepal in the eastern and western part of the country, aimed to facilitate international traffic. The eastern part would connect Patna and Kolkata of India with Kathmandu and Dhaka while the western part would connect Kathmandu with Delhi. The routes will be operational till 2019.

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India's exports hit six month high in May

India's exports grew 20.18 percent to \$28.86 billion in May, recording the highest number in six months. India's trade deficit widened to a four-month high of \$14.62 billion in May as imports surged nearly 15%

Which of the following is India's apex technical organisation in the field of Water Resources ?

- A. Central Water Commission
- B. Ministry of Rural Development
- C. Ministry of Water and Sanitation
- D. Ministry of Ganga and Water rejuvenation

Answer and Explanation

Answer: A

The Central Water Commission (CWC) is the India's apex technical organisation in the field of Water Resources.

ICGS Rani Rashmoni ship was commissioned at _____.

- A. Mumbai
- B. Kolkata
- C. Cochin
- D. Visakhapatnam

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

Additional Director General of the Coast Guard VSR Murthy commissioned the last of the five Fast Patrol Vessel (FPV) project of Indian Coast Guard, ICGS 'Rani Rashmoni', in Visakhapatnam. So far four such ships such as ICGS Rani Abbakka, ICGS Rani Avanti Bai, ICGS Rani Durgavati and ICGS Rani Gaidinliu, have been commissioned and are in active service at various locations on the eastern seaboard.

World's most Powerful Supercomputer unveiled

US scientists have unveiled the world's most powerful and smart scientific supercomputer that can complete over 200,000 trillion calculations per second. The supercomputer will provide

unprecedented computing power for research in energy, advanced materials and artificial intelligence.

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Shillong (Meghalaya) has been selected as the _____ Smart City?

- A. 100th
- B. 99th
- C. 101th
- D. 150th

Answer and Explanation

Answer: A

Shillong, the capital city of Meghalaya has been selected as 100th Smart City after evaluating the proposal submitted by it.

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Which nation withdrew from the United Nations Human Rights Council, recently?

- A. Germany
- B. United States
- C. Russia
- D. Canada

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

The United States withdrew from the United Nations Human Rights Council, accusing it of a "chronic bias against Israel," a move that activists warned would make advancing human rights globally even more difficult. The United Nations Human Rights Council consists of 47 member states, with a specific number of seats given to each region of the world. Members are elected by the U.N. General Assembly for three-year terms and cannot serve more than two terms in a row.

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India among top 5 in e-waste generation

India is among the top five e-waste generating countries in the world besides China, the US, Japan and Germany, according to a report. Among states, Maharashtra contributes the largest e-waste of 19.8% but recycles only about 47,810 tonne per annum (TPA), the report released by Assocham and NEC.

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What is the full form of SCO?

- A. Shanghai Corporate Organisation
- B. Shanghai Cooperation Organisation
- C. Shanghai Cooperative Organisation
- D. Shanghai Cooperations Organisation

Answer and Explanation

Answer: B

The SCO was founded at a Shanghai summit in 2001 that featured the presidents of Russia, China, Kyrgyz Republic, Kazakhstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan.

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This state government has announced an outstanding power bill waiver scheme for laborers and poor families recently.

- A. Maharashtra
- B. Madhya Pradesh
- C. Punjab
- D. Gujarat

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

The Madhya Pradesh government has announced an outstanding power bill waiver scheme for laborers and poor families. The state cabinet headed by Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan approved the Bijli Bill Mafi Yojana 2018 (Power Bill Waiver Scheme) which is expected to benefit about 77 lakh people of the state.

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49th Conference of Governors Concludes in New Delhi

The two-day 49th Conference of Governors concluded in New Delhi. The President exhorted Governors to take the lead in adopting modern technology and methods. The Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the Minister for Home Affairs also addressed the concluding session of the Conference.

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Which Indian Airport recently broke its own record by witnessing 1,003 flight operations in 24 hours

- A. Delhi
- B. Mumbai
- C. Kolkata
- D. Chennai

Answer and Explanation

Answer: B

The Chatrapati Shivaji Airport Mumbai broke its own record by witnessing 1,003 flight operations in 24 hours on Tuesday.

Recently, this state government has banned single-use water bottles in all government offices in the state.

- A. Odisha
- B. Haryana
- C. Telangana
- D. Kerala

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

On the occasion of World Environment Day, the Haryana government has banned single-use water bottles in all government offices in the state. Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar said that a five-point programme would be implemented for maintaining ecological balance in Haryana. It will include plantation of 20 lakh saplings and using LED bulbs.

World Bank forecasts 7.3 per cent growth for India

The World Bank has forecast a growth rate of 7.3 per cent for India this year and 7.5 per cent for the next two years, making it the fastest growing country among major emerging economies.

_____ is BCCI's best Female international cricketer for 2017-18 season.

- A. Smriti Mandhana
- B. Harmanpreet Kaur
- C. Sakshi Singh

D. Deepika Kumari

Answer and Explanation

Answer: A

Indian women's T20I team Captain Harmanpreet Kaur and opener Smriti Mandhana will receive the award for best international cricketer (women) for the 2016-17 and 2017-18 seasons respectively.

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Which state government decides to invest Rs 107 cr to check riverbank erosion?

- A. Manipur
- B. Haryana
- C. West Bengal
- D. Odisha

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

The West Bengal Government decided to invest 107 crore rupees to check erosion at vulnerable areas along the banks of the Ganga and the Padma. A stretch of 15 kilometers will be concretized, to prevent erosion. The work will be completed by March next year. It will protect hundreds of homes and the river bank close to outposts of the Border Security Force on the Indo-Bangladesh border from being washed away by the strong currents.

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Sarita Nayar appointed to Managing Board: WEF

World Economic Forum (WEF) has appointed Sarita Nayar as a member to its Managing board. She is presently working with WEF as Chief Operating Officer.

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Which is the state fruit of Tripura?

- A. Queen Pineapple
- B. Queen Apple
- C. Queen Mango
- D. Queen Maxima

Answer and Explanation

Answer: A

President Ram Nath Kovind on Friday declared Tripura's queen variety pineapple as state fruit and said its export was a major step in connecting the state with world trade.

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Which became the first Indian state to use auto-disable syringes for all clinical purposes to prevent infection?

- A. Andhra Pradesh
- B. Himachal Pradesh
- C. Karnataka
- D. Madhya Pradesh

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

Andhra Pradesh will become the first Indian state to use auto-disable syringes for all clinical purposes to prevent infection. The move will be enforced from the World Hepatitis Day (WHD-2018) when the state government will declare itself as "Safety Injection Use State". The initiative will ensure one injection will be given from one syringe by mandating universal usage of auto-disable syringes in all clinical/therapeutic cases as part of infection prevention. The move would strengthen the healthcare system by lowering the burden of infections and breaking the cycle of cross infection.

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G7 summit 2018 held in Canada

The 44th G7 summit was held on June 2018, in La Malbaie, Quebec, Canada. This was the sixth time since 1981 that Canada has hosted the meetings. The summit received significant attention due to a significant decline of relations of members with the United States. Due to this, the summit was dubbed the "G6+1" by France and some members of the media.

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Rafael Nadal has defeated _____ to win the French Open?

- A. Dominic Thiem
- B. Dominic Themago
- C. Dominic Trusk
- D. Dominic Tank

Answer and Explanation

Answer: A

Rafael Nadal defeated Dominic Thiem 6-4, 6-3, 6-2 in the final and won his 11th French Open title.

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This state has decided to do away with semester system in undergraduate courses and revert to annual examination system.

- A. Telangana
- B. Himachal Pradesh
- C. Uttar Pradesh
- D. Rajasthan

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

The Himachal Pradesh government has decided to do away with semester system in undergraduate (UG) courses and revert to annual examination system. HP Govt had set up a review committee headed by former vice-chancellor to review RUSA (Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan) and it has recommended reverting back to annual examination system. The RUSA was introduced in the state in 2013.

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Vice President Receives the Book 'Vedvigyan Alok'

The Vice President of India, M. Venkaiah Naidu has received the book "Vedvigyan Alok" (Maharishi Aitareya Mahidas Praneet – Aitareya Brahmina ki Vaigyanik Vyakhya) authored by Acharya Agnivarat.

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What is the full form of 'D' in IDBI Bank?

- A. Department
- B. Development
- C. Develop
- D. Departmental

Answer and Explanation

Answer: B

IDBI Bank (Industrial Development Bank of India) was established in 1964 by an Act of Parliament only to provide credit and other financial facilities for the development of the fledgling Indian industry.

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A.R.Rahman has been appointed as the Brand Ambassador of this state to promote and protect the state's achievements nationally and globally.

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Sikkim
- C. Kerala
- D. Odisha

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

Renowned music composer A.R. Rahman has been appointed as the Brand Ambassador of the Sikkim government. Mr. Rahman will promote and protect the state's achievements nationally and globally. Earlier in 2018, Sikkim government had made Mr. A.R. Rahman its Brand Ambassador of tourism and business.

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Punjab Government Launched Mobile App- 'i-Hariyali'

To increase the state's green cover, the Punjab government has launched 'i-Hariyali' app that lets users order free plant saplings. The 'i-Hariyali' app under 'Mission Tandarust' can be downloaded from the app store for free. The users can book a sapling of their choice, a maximum of 25 per person, from a nearby government nursery.

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Under 'India Smart Cities Award' 2018, Under category 'urban environment' category _____ bagged one of the award for public bike-sharing project.

- A. Chennai
- B. Coimbatore
- C. Bangalore
- D. Madurai

Answer and Explanation

Answer: B

Under 'urban environment' category – Bhopal, Pune and Coimbatore bagged the award for public bike-sharing project.

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Which city has set a Guinness World Record for largest number of people performing yoga at one place at the same time on 2018 International Yoga Day (IYD)?

- A. Mumbai
- B. New Delhi
- C. Bangalore
- D. Kota

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

In the 4th edition of International Yoga Day (IYD-2018), the Guinness World Record (GWR) for largest number of people performing yoga at one place at the same time has been set up in Kota, Rajasthan. At the State level yoga function in Kota, around one lakh 60 thousand people performed yoga at one place at a same time on 21st June. Chief Minister Vasundhara Raje and Yoga Guru Baba Ramdev led the people at RAC Ground, where 30 lakh square feet area was prepared for performing yoga.

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Wife of Israel PM charged with fraud over misuse of funds

The wife of Israel's prime minister has been charged with fraud involving the alleged misuse of state funds. Sara Netanyahu has been indicted over claims she fraudulently ordered hundreds of meals to the prime minister's official residence in Jerusalem, spending more than \$100,000 (£76,000) of public money in the process.

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Who has been appointed as SBI's New Managing Director?

- A. Usha Subramaniam
- B. Rajnish Kumar
- C. Arjit Basu
- D. Arundhati Bhattacharya

Answer and Explanation

Answer: C

The government appointed Arjit Basu as Managing Director of the country's largest lender State Bank of India (SBI).

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This company signed an agreement to acquire Bonsai.

- A. Google
- B. Microsoft
- C. Oracle
- D. IBM

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

Microsoft announced that it has signed an agreement to acquire Bonsai, an artificial intelligence (AI) startup based in San Francisco, to boost its AI and machine learning capabilities. Based in Berkeley, California, Bonsai was founded in 2014 and has around 42 employees.

Supreme court judge Jasti Chelameswar resigns

Supreme court judge Jasti Chelameswar will resign after a nearly 07 year tenure in the apex court. Justice Jasti Chelameswar is one of three judges, who has opposed Chief Justice of India (CJI) Deepak Misra's selective allocation of cases.

Karman Kaur Thandi belongs to which sport?

- A. Tennis
- B. Football
- C. Table Tennis
- D. Badminton

Answer and Explanation

Answer: A

Tennis Player Kaur Thandi wins her first ever singles title on ITF Pro circuit.

International Olympic Day is observed on which date?

- A. June 20
- B. June 22

C. June 21

D. June 23

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

The International Olympic Day is celebrated all around the world for commemorating the birth of modern Olympic games on June 23, 1894 at Sorbonne in Paris. Olympic day was introduced in 1948. Olympic Day Run is an international Olympic Movement activity promoting mass participation of sports held in June organized by National Olympic Committees (NOCs).

Justice Chaleswar retires from SC

Jasti Chelameswar has retired as Supreme Court judge on June 2018. Justice Chelameswar, who had held presser along with three other Supreme Court judges to highlight discrimination in allocation of cases to benches, said that the credibility of the highest judiciary in danger.

_____ was honoured with the Outstanding Achievement Award at the ceremony of IIFA 2018?

A. Anupam Kher

B. Sridevi

C. Padmaja Naidu

D. Shammi Kapoor

Answer and Explanation

Answer: A

Anupam Kher, who has over 500 films to his credit, was honoured with the Outstanding Achievement Award at the ceremony.

Which state government makes use of LED bulbs mandatory in govt offices by 15 Aug?

A. Kerala

B. Haryana

C. Bihar

D. Andra Pradesh

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

As per directions of the Haryana's Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar, all halogen, sodium bulbs and tube lights will be replaced with energy-efficient LED bulbs and tube lights. The use of incandescent lamps and purchase of sodium vapour lamps by government sector, government aided sector, boards and corporations and autonomous bodies have already been banned.

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ISRO's scientists discover an 'EPIC' planet

A team from the Physical Research Laboratory, Ahmedabad, has spotted for the first time a distant planet six times bigger than Earth and revolving around a Sun-like star about 600 light years away. Both the planet and the star have been named EPIC.

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How many agreements have recently been signed between India and China?

- A. 2
- B. 3
- C. 4
- D. 5

Answer and Explanation

Answer: A India and China Sign 2 Agreements . The agreements include continuing to share Brahmaputra water data during flood season and exporting non-Basmati rice to China.

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_____ was appointed as Vigilance Commissioner in the Central Vigilance Commission.

- A. Ajay Kumar Singh
- B. Badri Narain Sinha
- C. Sharad Kumar
- D. Vinod Kumar Mehta

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

Former National Investigation Agency (NIA) chief Sharad Kumar was appointed as Vigilance Commissioner in the Central Vigilance Commission. The 62-year-old Kumar, a 1979-batch IPS officer of the Haryana cadre, retired in September last year after heading the National Investigation Agency, an anti-terror probe organization, for over four years.

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Maharashtra most vulnerable state

Maharashtra has been ranked the most vulnerable state in the draft National Disaster Risk Index, followed by West Bengal & Uttar Pradesh. States like Uttarakhand and Himachal Pradesh that are prone to natural calamities have been ranked relatively lower.

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Tata Power bags _____ MW solar project in Maharashtra?

- A. 160
- B. 150
- C. 155
- D. 152

Answer and Explanation

Answer: B

Tata Power on Monday said it has bagged the contract for setting up a 150-MW solar project in the state from the Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Company (MSEDCL).

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Who has taken charge as the Executive Director and Secretary of EEPC India?

- A. Kaushik Basu
- B. Arvind Saxena
- C. Suranjan Gupta
- D. Abhijit Banerjee

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

Suranjan Gupta has taken charge as the Executive Director and Secretary of EEPC India. Suranjan Gupta succeeds Bhaskar Sarkar. He joined EEPC India in 2006. He has vast experience in international economics and trade. He has worked in American Consulate, European Commission and the Indian Chamber of Commerce etc.

India to host first BIMSTEC Military Exercise

India will host the first military exercise of the BIMSTEC (Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation) group focussing on counter-terrorism in September.

What is the capital of Suriname ?

- A. Damascas
- B. Panamaio
- C. Paramaribo
- D. Surivan

Answer and Explanation

Answer: C

Paramaribo is the capital of Suriname

This state government gives a gift to its students who have scored 75 % or more than that in Class 12th.

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Kerala
- C. Telangana
- D. Madhya Pradesh

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

Madhya Pradesh gives a gift to its students who have scored 75 % or more than that in Class 12th, it will give laptops to its genius future of the nation. For this Madhya Pradesh Government gave Rs 25000 to nearly 22035 students via bank transfer. This scheme was launched by CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan.

Mobile Banking rank by SBI's annual report

At 17.2%, Axis Bank commands the largest value share of mobile banking transactions but it's Paytm that tops volumes with 22%. However, Paytm's value share is a meagre 0.25%, according to State Bank of India's (SBI) annual report for 2017-18 which has put out RBI's data for January 2018.

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World Blood Donor Day is observed on _____ June across the globe ?

- A. 14th
- B. 13th
- C. 16th
- D. 15th

Answer and Explanation

Answer: A

World Blood Donor Day being observed on 14th June across the globe.

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India and _____ agreed to hold comprehensive talks to address trade and economic issues.

- A. US
- B. Iraq
- C. Germany
- D. Norway

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

India and the US have agreed to hold comprehensive talks to address trade and economic issues. The decision in this regard was taken during a series of meetings, Commerce and Industry Minister Suresh Prabhu had with US Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross and US Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer. Mr Suresh Prabhu was on a two-day visit to the US.

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Niti Aayog's Composite Water Management Index

Minister for Water Resources Nitin Gadkari released Niti Aayog's composite water management index report in New Delhi. Gujarat topped the list while Jharkhand was adjudged as the worst performer. Gujarat is followed by Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Maharashtra.

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Fitch has raised India's GDP growth forecast to 7.4% for FY19 from _____ earlier?

- A. 7.3
- B. 7.5
- C. 7.2
- D. 7.6

Answer and Explanation

Answer: A

Global rating agency Fitch on Wednesday raised India's GDP growth forecast to 7.4% for 2018-19 from 7.3% earlier. Higher financing costs and rising oil prices should limit the upside to growth.

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_____ tops in the list as per the report of Niti Aayog's composite water management index report.

- A. Maharashtra
- B. Karnataka
- C. Gujarat
- D. Jharkhand

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

Minister for Water Resources Nitin Gadkari released Niti Aayog's composite water management index report in New Delhi. Gujarat topped the list while Jharkhand was adjudged as the worst performer. Gujarat is followed by Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Maharashtra. In the northeastern and Himalayan states, Tripura has been adjudged as the top state in 2016-17 followed by Himachal Pradesh, Sikkim and Assam. Niti Aayog has ranked the states through first of its kind index on the composite water management, comprising 9 broad sectors with 28 different indicators covering various aspects.

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Krishna Murari as CJ of Punjab & Haryana HC

The Union Law Ministry has cleared the appointment of Justice Krishna Murari of the Allahabad High Court as the Chief Justice of Punjab and Haryana High Court.

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India's revenue deficit is __ of budget estimate.

- A. 91%
- B. 101%
- C. 111%
- D. 121%

Answer and Explanation

Answer: B

India's revenue deficit Rs.4.43 tn is 101% of budget estimate.

Which state has approved Minimum Support Price (MSP) for various organic horticultural commodities in the state to protect the interests of the farming community?

- A. Rajasthan
- B. Sikkim
- C. Chhattisgarh
- D. Uttarkhand

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

Sikkim government has approved Minimum Support Price (MSP) for various organic horticultural commodities, mostly vegetables, being produced in the state in order to protect the interests of the farming community. The Sikkimese farmers will get differential MSP for the organic commodities. Sikkim government had banned sale of 27 non-organic food products in the state from April 1, 2018.

India plans to send ___ member contingent to the Asian Games.

- A. 600
- B. 700
- C. 800
- D. 900

Answer and Explanation

Answer: D

India plans to send 900-member contingent to the Asian Games 2018.

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India improves its childhood index global ranking

India has been placed at 113th position in the list of 175 countries in “End of Childhood Index 2018” indexed by global child rights group, Save the Children.

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Who receives Pulitzer Prize in music recently?

- A. Kendrick Lamar
- B. Ryan Kelly
- C. Maneulo Magneto
- D. Andrew Marshall

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

Kendrick Lamar received the Pulitzer Prize in music for his album "Damn". Lamar is the first rapper in history to be given the award. Previous recipients included Bob Dylan, Hank Williams and Duke Ellington. Lamar had received this award at Columbia University.

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Committee to spread Mahatma Gandhi’s legacy

Government has set up an executive committee under the chairpersonship of Narendra Modi to “spread Mahatma Gandhi’s legacy” among the people at national & international level. Committee comprises of cabinet ministers, renowned Gandhians, social activists & public figures.

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India’s passport is world’s ___ most powerful passport.

- A. 56th
- B. 66th
- C. 76th
- D. 86th

Answer and Explanation

Answer: C

India’s passport if 76th most powerful passport.

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The first biannual Indian Air Force Commanders Conference 2018 was held in _____.

- A. Pune
- B. Guwahati
- C. New Delhi
- D. Mumbai

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

The first biannual Indian Air Force Commanders Conference was inaugurated by Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman at Air Headquarters in New Delhi. The two day conference will discuss operational, maintenance and administrative takeaways identified during the military exercise 'Gagan Shakti-2018' and the way ahead. The aim of the Gagan Shakti-2018, which was conducted in April 2018, was real time coordination, deployment and employment of air power in a short and intense battle scenario.

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3rd meeting of India-UK home affairs dialogue held in New Delhi

The Third Home Affairs' Dialogue between India and U.K. was held in New Delhi. The Government of India Delegation was led by Mr Rajiv Gauba, Union Home Secretary and the Delegation from Home Office of the U.K. was led by its Second Permanent Secretary, Ms. Patsy Wilkinson.

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Govt. plans to merge __ banks

- A. 3
- B. 4
- C. 5
- D. 6

Answer and Explanation

Answer: B

Govt plans to merge 4 banks to form 2nd largest bank.

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How many Indian beaches are selected to get the Blue Flag certification?

- A. 15
- B. 10
- C. 13
- D. 18

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

Environment-friendly, clean and equipped with amenities of international standards for tourists, 13 Indian beaches will soon get the Blue Flag certification. These beaches of Odisha, Maharashtra and other coastal states will be the first in not just India, but in Asia, to get the Blue Flag certification. The Indian beaches are being developed by the Society for Integrated Coastal Management (SICOM), an environment ministry's body working for the management of coastal areas.

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India to import first Russian LNG Cargo

India will receive the first-ever cargo of liquefied natural gas (LNG) from Russia as New Delhi diversifies import basket to meet its vast energy needs. State-owned gas utility GAIL India Ltd will bring the shipload of LNG from Gazprom, a Russian supplier, at Petronet LNG Ltd import terminal in Dahej, Gujarat.

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Apple shares have increased by _____.

- A. 0.64%
- B. 0.74%
- C. 0.84%
- D. 0.94%

Answer and Explanation

Answer: C

Apple shares increase by 0.84%.

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Who has been appointed as the RBI's Deputy Governor?

- A. G. Padmanabhan
- B. Ravi Krishan Takkar

- C. MK Jain
- D. Jai Kumar Garg

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

The Centre has appointed MK Jain, Managing Director, and CEO of IDBI Bank, as the RBI's Deputy Governor. Jain will fill a position that had been lying vacant since August 2017 after the retirement of SS Mundra. With the appointment of Jain, the Centre has stuck to the tradition of having a commercial banker occupy this post of RBI Deputy Governor (reserved for bankers). The central bank now has four serving RBI Deputy Governors. Jain has been appointed for a term of three years.

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