

## Today's Headlines: Check Out Today's Top Stories

- Nobel Prizes in Literature awarded to Olga Tokarczuk of Poland for 2018 and Peter Handke of Austria for 2019
- USD 13.92 billion raised for the next three years at a conference of the Global Fund to fight against AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria held in Lyon, France
- Turkey launches a ground offensive against Kurdish-controlled areas in northeastern Syria
- Pradhan Mantri Innovative Learning programme-DHRUV launched by HRD Ministry at the ISRO headquarters in Bengaluru
- Centre launches Surakshit Matritva Aashwasan (SUMAN) initiative aimed at assuring free health care for every woman and newborn and zero tolerance for denial of services
- Air India training IAF pilots to fly new Boeing 777 aircraft for VVIP fleet
- President presents Colours to the Army Aviation Corps in Nashik
- National Postal Week being celebrated in India from October 9 to 15
- EAM S. Jaishankar holds talks with Thailand's Foreign Minister Don Pramudwinai in New Delhi
- RBI quashes the proposed merger of Indiabulls Housing Finance with Lakshmi Vilas Bank
- Moody's Investors Service cuts 2019-20 GDP growth forecast for India to 5.8% from 6.2% earlier
- India Ratings and Research (Ind-Ra) lowers India's GDP growth forecast in 2019-20 to 6.1% from 6.7% in August
- Romania: Govt. of PM Viorica Dancila collapses in a no-confidence vote
- Saudi Arabia to allow women to serve in the armed forces
- World Post Day celebrated on October 9

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- World Sight Day observed by the International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness (IPAB) on October 10
- World Mental Health Day observed on October 10 with 'suicide prevention' as the theme
- 'India Sports Summit – Fitness: \$10 Billion Opportunity' organized by CII in New Delhi

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- 3 researchers — John Goodenough of USA, UK's Stanley Whittingham and Japan's Akira Yoshino – win Nobel Chemistry Prize for development of lithium-ion batteries
- India ranked 68th among 141 economies on 2019 Global Competitiveness Index by Geneva-based World Economic Forum (WEF), Index topped by Singapore
- PM releases a commemorative stamp to honour Marshal of the Air Force late Arjan Singh
- BJP national spokesperson Sudhanshu Trivedi elected unopposed to Rajya Sabha in by-election from UP
- launches 'The WHO India Country Cooperation Strategy (CCS) 2019–2023: A Time of Transition'
- CCS provides a strategic roadmap for WHO to work with the Government of India towards achieving its health sector goals
- launches GEMINI device for ocean states forecast and mapping potential fishing zones
- GEMINI: Gagan Enabled Mariner's Instrument for Navigation and Information
- Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) launches Mahatma Gandhi National Fellowship Programme with IIM Bangalore to boost skill development at the district level
- Motoroyale launches MV Agusta Dragster Series motorcycles with price starting at Rs 18.73 lakh
- US imposes visa restrictions against Chinese govt. officials over human rights violations of Uighur Muslims in Xinjiang

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- Defence minister Rajnath Singh holds Second India-France Ministerial level Annual Defence Dialogue in Paris with his French counterpart Florence Parly
- Indian sprinter Nirmala Sheroen banned for 4 years for doping, stripped off her 2 golds won at 2017 Asian Athletics Championships in 400 m and 4×400 m relay

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- The Indian Air Force on October 8, 2019 received its first Rafale fighter jet from a series of 36 aircraft purchased from France in presence of Defense Minister Rajnath Singh in Merignac, France. Prior to his visit to Merignac, Singh called on French President Emmanuel Macron at Elysee Palace in Paris.
- On the occasion of 87<sup>th</sup> Indian Air Force Day on October 8, 2019, Air Chief Marshal R K S Bhadauria awarded citations to 51 Squadron, the 9 Squadron and the 601 Signal Unit for their role in the airstrike on terror camps in Pakistan's Balakot in February.
- A three-day India International Cooperative Trade Fair will be held in New Delhi from October 11 to 13, 2019. The first-ever such fair is aimed at promoting cooperative to cooperative trade within India and abroad leading to enhanced rural and farm prosperity.
- Canadian-American cosmologist James Peebles and Swiss astronomers Michel Mayor and Didier Queloz on October 8, 2019 won the Nobel Physics Prize for their contribution to the understanding of the evolution of the universe and earth's place in the cosmos.
- United States on October 7, 2019 blacklisted 28 Chinese entities involved in a crackdown on Uighur Muslims in Xinjiang province. Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross said that the US will not tolerate the brutal suppression of ethnic minorities within China.
- Healthy Ministry launches eDantseva website and mobile app for oral health information
- Indian Forest Service officer Ramesh Pandey wins UNEP's Asia Environmental Enforcement Award

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- India launches e-VidyaBharti tele-education and e-ArogyaBharti tele-medicine project for African countries
- National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) is organising 'Ganga Aamantran Abhiyan' river rafting expedition on Ganga from October 10 to November 11
- The Abhiyan would comprise of members primarily from the Indian Armed Forces.
- The Abhiyan will start at Devprayag and culminate at Ganga Sagar covering the entire 2500 km stretch of Ganga River
- E-Assessment Centers launched to implement the faceless assessment system for Income Tax Returns
- India gets first tranche of Swiss bank account details under Automatic Exchange of Information (AEOI) framework
- Vedanta wins Golden Peacock GLOBAL award of Institute of Directors, Delhi for excellence in Corporate Governance
- World Habitat Day celebrated on October 7 (first Monday in October) with its theme as 'Frontier Technologies as an innovative tool to transform waste to wealth'
- World Trade Organisation (WTO) hosts the first World Cotton Day celebrations in Geneva on October 7
- William Kaelin and Gregg Semenza of US, Britain's Peter Ratcliffe win 2019 Nobel Prize in Physiology/Medicine for discoveries on how cells sense and adapt to oxygen availability
- Socialist Party of Portugal's incumbent PM Antonio Costa wins general election
- Anumula Gitesh Sarma appointed India's High Commissioner to Australia
- IAAF World Athletics Championships concludes

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- United States tops medals tally with 29 medals (14 gold, 11 silver and 4 bronze)
- In men's 1,500m, Timothy Cheruiyot of Kenya won gold in 3 min, 29.26 sec
- In men's 10,000m, Uganda's Joshua Cheptegei won gold in 26 min 48.36 sec
- In men's 4x400m, US quartet of Fred Kerley, Michael Cherry, Wil London and Rai Benjamin won gold in 2 min 56.69 sec
- In men's Javelin throw, Anderson Peters of Grenada won with a throw of 86.89m
- In women's 100m hurdles, Nia Ali (USA) won gold in 12.34 sec
- In women's 4x100m, Jamaica's quartet of Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce, Shericka Jackson, Natalliah Whyte and Jonielle Smith won gold in 41.44 sec
- In women's 4x400m, US quartet of Phyllis Francis, Dalilah Muhammad, Sydney McLaughlin and Wadeline Jonathas won gold in 3 min 18.92 sec
- In women's triple jump, Yulimar Rojas of Venezuela won gold in 15.37 metres
- In women's long jump, Malaika Mihambo of Germany won gold in 7.30 metres
- Austria's Christine Wolf wins the Hero Women's Indian Open at the DLF Golf and Country Club course in Gurugram
- Thailand's Suradit Yongcharoenchai wins Mercuries Taiwan Masters golf tournament at Tamsui in Chinese Taipei

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- India declared open-defecation free. Prime Minister Narendra Modi declared India open defecation free on October 2.
- Scientists Discovered 'Ancient River' in Uttar Pradesh. The Union Jal Shakti Ministry unearthed an ancient river in the Prayagraj during a geophysical survey in the region.
- Rajasthan bans Tobacco, Pan Masala on Gandhi Jayanti. The Rajasthan government has banned Tobacco and Pan Masala items under the Food Security Act.
- Mahatma Gandhi's 150th birth anniversary: How Gandhi influenced the world with his life lessons!
- Uttar Pradesh NRC: Campaign starts to detect illegal Bangladeshi migrants
- International Day of Non-Violence is observed across the globe on 02nd October.
- Single-use plastic ban: Single-use plastic items such as plastic bottles, bags, spoons, and cups will be banned on October 2.
- SC gives center 28 days to respond to J&K petitions, next hearing to be on November 14
- President Ram Nath Kovind confers prestigious Science and Technology awards. The President presented the GN Ramachandran Gold Medal to Prof. Amitabha Chattopadhyay of CSIR-CCMB.
- Dr. Herbert Kleber: Google Doodle in memory of American psychiatrist. He was famous for his expertise in de-addiction.



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- Kavitha Gopal becomes the first girl student to win the President of India Prize. Kavitha Gopal has become the first girl student of IIT Madras to be honored with the President of India Prize.
- International Coffee Day 2019: Coffee is the second most traded commodity after oil.

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- Ecuador announces to leave OPEC by 2020 due to fiscal problems
- IRCTC IPO subscribed 112 times, breaks all records
- India-Russia missile deal: What is CAATSA law and its Implications? Last year, India and Russia had signed an S-400 missile defence system during the visit of Russian President Vladimir Putin to India.
- PM Modi and PM of Mauritius jointly inaugurate Mauritius Metro express. PM Modi inaugurated phase-1 of Mauritius Metro Express and a new ENT Hospital in the country.
- Kapil Dev, Shantha Rangaswamy and Anshuman Gaekwad resign from CAC
- ED has registered an ECIR against erring PMC bank officials who helped HDIL secure loans despite repeated failure to pay loans.
- Bahrain's Salwa Eid Naser, 21, surged past Miller-Uibo on the back straight to win in 48.14 seconds, the third-fastest time in history.
- The change began with the Congress's defeat in the Lok Sabha election. The BJP won seven out of 10 parliamentary seats.
- The flood situation in Karnataka and delay in relief funds from the Centre has triggered outrage among the flood-affected people in the state.
- Honey Singh will be travelling to Dubai, Thailand, China and Hong Kong for his concerts. After returning back from the tour, he will have to report to the Nagpur court on December 10.

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- Forever 21 Bankruptcy: "Forever 21 India will not be impacted," announced the brand's Indian franchise partner, Aditya Birla Fashion and Retail Ltd.
- Dr. Herbert Kleber was born on June 19, 1934, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Dr. Herbert Kleber was the founder and head of the Drug Dependence Unit at Yale University.
- Forever 21, US fast-fashion giant, has announced that it will make its exit from most international locations in Asia and Europe.
- The day's updated quizzes cover topics such as Kartarpur Corridor, Forever 21 Bankruptcy, India's most powerful women in media award among others.
- Kartarpur corridor: Pakistan has invited former PM to grace the inaugural event of Kartarpur corridor.
- Kalli Purie honoured with 'India's most powerful women in media' award. India's Kalli Purie receives global honour at the British Parliament.
- Niti Aayog's School Education Quality Index: Kerala tops, UP worst performer. NITI Aayog has prepared the School Education Quality Index (SEQI) based on the data of 2016-17.
- The Indian team defeated Bangladesh by 2-1 in the final match of SAFF under-18 championship. The Indian team has won the SAFF U-18 cup for the first time.
- IRCTC IPO has hit the primary market today via a Rs 645-crore initial public offer. The IRCTC IPO closes on October 3.