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- 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 87th Indian Air Force Day on October 8, 2019, Air Chief Marshal R K S Bhaduria 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.

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- Sikkim is the Most Innovative State among North-Eastern & Hill States
- Delhi is the Most Innovative among Union Territories
- Neelkanth Mishra, Nilesh Shah and Anantha Nageswaran appointed as part-time members to the Economic Advisory to the Prime Minister
- Kapurthala-Taran Taran road declared as NH- 703 A A named as Shri Guru Nanak Dev Ji Marg
- V. Krishnamoorthy, who served as Station Director of the All India Radio (AIR) in Chennai, dies at 98
- Former PTI journalist Kanwar Sain Jolly died at the age of 86 in Gurugram
- The Railways will run its first Buddhist Circuit train from October 20 to 26, 2019 covering sites related to Gautam Buddha in India and Nepal.
- IRCTC will run the train covering destinations like Lumbini, where Buddha was born; Bodhgaya, where he gained enlightenment; Sarnath, where he gave his first sermon; and Kushinagar, where he attained nirvana
- NITI Aayog with Institute for Competitiveness as the knowledge partner released the India Innovation Index (III) 2019 on October 11, 2019
- Karnataka is the Most Innovative State among Major States
- Facebook to train 5000 tribal girls in Indian villages in digital leadership skills under its 'GOAL' (Going Online as Leaders) initiative
- International Day for the Eradication of Poverty observed on October 17, theme: Acting Together to Empower Children, their Families and Communities to End Poverty
- Air Forces of India and Oman holding Exercise Eastern Bridge-V in Oman from October 17 to 26
- Sri Lanka's third international airport inaugurated in Jaffna with flight arriving from Chennai

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- EU and UK reach an agreement on Brexit deal; UK's PM Boris Johnson and European Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker called it a fair outcome
- Qatar to end the 'kafala' system that ties foreign workers to their employer and requires them to have their company's permission to leave the country: ILO
- Malaysians Ivan Yuen (Men's) and Rachel Arnold (Women's) win singles titles at HCL-Squash Racket Federation of India tour in Chennai

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- Indian Army inducts American precision-guided Excalibur artillery ammunition for indigenous Dhanush howitzer
- The Food Safety Mitra will be a professionally trained person with certification from FSSAI who would assist in compliances related to Food Safety and Standards Act.
- 2nd edition of Indo-French Knowledge Summit to be held at University of Lyon in France on October 17-18
- Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) awards for excellence in biomedical research given to 46 scientists
- Nashri tunnel (9.2 km) that links Kashmir with Jammu on NH 44 will be named after Bharatiya Jansangh founder Dr Shyama Prasad Mukherjee
- Malnutrition behind 69% deaths among children below 5 years in India: UNICEF's State of the World's Children Report
- Health and Family Welfare Minister Harsh Vardhan launches Food Mitra Scheme aimed at encouraging food vendors and people to maintain food hygiene. The scheme also aims to strengthen 'Eat Right India' movement.
- The Food Safety Mitra will have three avatars – Digital Mitra, Trainer Mitra and Hygiene Mitra.
- Bajaj Auto launches Chetak e-scooter
- MasterCard, M S Dhoni launched 'Team Cashless India' campaign to boost digital payments in India
- World Food Day was celebrated on October 16
- The day marks the founding of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations in 1945.

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- Theme for 2019: “Our Actions Are Our Future, Healthy Diets for A #ZeroHunger World”
- India 102nd among 117 countries in Global Hunger Index (GHI) 2019, was 95th in 2018
- GHI Report prepared jointly by Irish aid agency Concern Worldwide and German organisation Welt Hunger Hilfe
- JSW Steel CMD Sajjan Jindal elected Vice-Chairman of World Steel Association (worldsteel)
- Barcelona captain Leonel Messi wins Golden Shoe for being the top scorer in the European leagues with 36 goals

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- ICC scraps boundary count rule; in case of a super over tie there will be a repeated super over until one team has more runs than the other
- FIFA World Cup Qualifier match between India, Bangladesh at Kolkata ends in 1-1 draw
- Air Forces of India and Japan to conduct joint military exercise 'Shinyuu Maitri' in Panagarh, West Bengal from October 17 to 23
- Indian railways start 9 Sewa Service trains to connect small towns with closest major cities
- to set up 14 Authorized World Skills India Training Centres across 9 cities for media and entertainment sector
- Exports fell 2.6% to US\$ 159.57 billion
- Imports declined 6.6% to US\$ 243.28 billion
- Trade deficit eased to US\$ 83.70 billion from US\$ 96.45 billion in April-September 2018
- IMF's World Economic Outlook (WEO) was released on October 15, 2019
- World economy is projected to grow 3% in 2019 and 3.4% in 2020
- India's GDP growth forecast for 2019-20 cut to 6.1% from 7.3% in April
- India's economy to pick up and grow by 7% in 2020-21
- India hands over second pair of Mi-24V helicopters to Afghan forces in Kabul
- Global Handwashing Day observed on October 15, theme for 2019 'Clean Hands for All'
- International Day of Rural Women observed on October 15; 2019 Theme: Rural Women and Girls Building Climate Resilience
- Awarded jointly to two writers for the 1st time
- Canadian writer Margaret Atwood chosen for her novel 'The Testament'

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- British writer Bernardine Evaristo chosen for her novel 'Girl, Woman, Other'
- Both authors to share 50,000 pounds prize

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- Kais Saied elected new President of Tunisia
- Sri Lanka: Jaffna international airport, built with Indian assistance, to commence its operations from Oct 17
- WTO gives US final authorisation to impose tariffs on EU products in retaliation for illegal subsidies given to Airbus
- PM Modi holds talks with King of the Netherlands Willem-Alexander and Queen Maxima in New Delhi
- India and Netherlands launch 2nd phase of LOTUS-HR (Local Treatment of Urban Sewage Streams for Healthy Reuse) project in Delhi
- Names of 25 members of National Medical Commission (NMC) finalised by Union Health Ministry; NMC to replace Medical Council of India (MCI)
- Four sites from India have been chosen for the UNESCO Asia-Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage Conservation announced in Penang, Malaysia on October 14, 2019
- Award of Distinction: Vikram Sarabhai Library, Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Ahmedabad
- Award of Merit: Keneseth Eliyahoo Synagogue (Mumbai) and Our Lady of Glory Church (Mumbai)
- Honourable Mention: Flora Fountain (Mumbai)
- RBI raises withdrawal limit to Rs 40,000 for account holders of troubled Punjab & Maharashtra Cooperative (PMC) Bank
- Wholesale Price Index (WPI)-based inflation dips to 39-months low of 0.3% in September
- Consumer Price Index-based inflation climbed to a 14-month high of 3.99 per cent in September
- World Bank cuts India's GDP growth forecast to 6% in 2019-20 from 7.5% in April in its South Asia Economic Focus report

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- Third India Energy Forum of CERAWEEK organised in New Delhi
- Abhijit Banerjee, Esther Duflo and Michael Kremer of US win 2019 Nobel Economics Prize for 'experimental approach to alleviate global poverty'
- World Standards Day celebrated on October 14 with its theme as 'Video Standards Create a Global Stage'
- World Artistic Gymnastics Championships was organised in Stuttgart, Germany
- US topped medals tally with 5 gold, 2 silver and 1 bronze followed by Russia and Great Britain in 2nd and 3rd positions respectively
- Simone Biles of US won 5 gold medals

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- World Migratory Bird Day was observed by UNEP on October 12, 2019.
- This year's theme is 'Protect Birds: be the Solution to Plastic Pollution'.
- The day is observed on 2nd Saturday of October.
- Tajinder Pal Singh Toor breaks his national record in men's shot put by throwing 20.92m (previous 20.75 m) in Ranchi
- Kenya's Eliud Kipchoge breaks 2-hour barrier (1 hr 59 min 40.2 sec) in men's marathon on a specially prepared course in Vienna.
- India-US joint military exercise 'Vajra Prahar' being held in Seattle (US) from October 13 to 28
- Ministry of Culture of the central government organising Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav in Jabalpur (MP) from October 14 to 21
- Malayalam and Hindi film producer Priyadarshan awarded MP's National Kishore Kumar Samman for 2018-19; actor Waheeda Rehman wins the award for 2017-18
- India International Cooperative Trade Fair organised at Pragati Maidan in New Delhi from Oct 11 to 13
- PM Modi crosses 30 million follower-mark on Instagram, becomes most followed world leader
- Indian nun Mariam Theresia (1876-1926) declared Saint by Pope Francis at the Vatican City
- Union Minister of State for Culture and Tourism (Independent charge) Prahlad Singh Patel attends BRICS Culture Ministers' meeting in Curitiba, Brazil
- Vice President M. Venkaiah Naidu announces opening of a High Commission in Sierra Leone in capital Freetown

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- International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction observed on October 13 with its theme as 'Reduce disaster damage to critical infrastructure and disruption of basic services'
- Women's World Boxing Championship at Ulan-Ude (Russia): India's Manju Rani wins silver medal in 48 kg
- Mercedes driver Valtteri Bottas wins Formula One Japanese Grand Prix at Suzuka
- Russia's Daniil Medvedev wins men's singles title at Shanghai Masters tennis
- India's Lakshya Sen wins men's singles title at Dutch Open Badminton at Almere
- India (601/5 d) beat South Africa (275, 189) by an innings and 137 runs in second Test at Pune, clinch series
- All national and state sports federations, leagues and clubs allowed to organise sports events in all sporting facilities owned by the government from November 1
- Kenya's Brigid Kosgei shattered Paula Radcliffe's 16-year-old women's marathon world record, winning in 2 hours, 14 minutes and 4 seconds.
- Men's race won by Kenya's Lawrence Cherono in 2:05:45.
- India-Japan to organise Dharma Guardian military exercise in Mizoram from Oct 19 to Nov 2
- India to offer e-Tourist visa of a 5-year validity to Chinese tourists with multiple entries from October 2019
- Union Minister Sadhvi Niranjan Jyoti inaugurates SARAS Aajeevika Mela in New Delhi: October 12-23

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- Chinese President Xi Jinping was gifted a hand-woven portrait of his by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the final day of the 2-day Mamallapuram Informal Summit on October 12, 2019.
- The portrait was created by Sri Ramalinga Sowdambigai Handloom Weavers Co-operative Society in Sirumugaipudur in Coimbatore District.
- The two leaders discussed several key issues, including ways to enhance trade and investment and confidence building measures
- India's foreign exchange reserves rise US\$ 4.24 billion to US\$ 437.83 billion in the week ended October 4
- Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla to lead Indian delegation at the Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) in Belgrade, Serbia from Oct 13 to Oct 17
- Mastercard, Visa quit Facebook's global digital currency Libra
- Hollywood actor Robert Forster dies at the age of 78 in Los Angeles
- Typhoon Hagibis slams into Japan killing one
- Turkish forces have taken control of the Syrian border town of Ras al-Ain from Kurds
- Hazzaa al-Mansoori becomes UAE's first astronaut to return to earth after stay at the International Space Station
- Peter Gilchrist of Singapore wins men's world billiards championship in the long-up format in Melbourne.
- The World Youth Chess Championship concluded in Mumbai on October 12, 2019 as India won 7 medals
- U18 Open: Praggnanandhaa R. (IND) 9.0; Shant Sargsyan (ARM) 8.5; Artur Davtyan (ARM) 8.0
- U18 Girls: Polina Shuvalova (RUS) 8.5; Vantika Agrawal (IND) 8.0; Alexandra Obolentseva (RUS) 7.5

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- U16 Open: Rudik Makarian (RUS) 8.5; Stefan Pogosyan (RUS) 8.0; Aronyak Ghosh (IND) 8.0
- U16 Girls: Leya Garifullina (RUS) 8.5; Nurgali Nazerke (KAZ) 8.5; Anousha Mahdian (IRI) 8.0
- U14 Open: Aydin Suleymanli (AZE) 9.0; Srihari L R (IND) 8.0; Sreeshwan Maralakshikari (IND) 8.0
- U14 Girls: Meruert Kamalidenova (KAZ) 8.5; Divya Deshmukh (IND) 8.0; Rakshitta Ravi (IND) 8.0.
- AIBA Women's World Boxing Championships being held at Ulan-Ude, Russia from October 3 to 13
- India's Jamuna Boro wins bronze medal in 54kg after losing to Chinese Taipei's Huang Hsiao-Wen in the semifinal bout of the
- India's Mary Kom wins bronze in 51 kg after losing in semifinal to Turkey's Busenaz Cakiroglu
- India's Lovlina Borgohain wins bronze in 69kg after losing in semifinal to China's Yang Liu
- The Rubik's Cube solver can fix 2x2 cubes and Pyraminx puzzles too. Set the scrambled configuration and let the program find the solution in seconds.

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- 15th Airtel Delhi Half Marathon: Ethiopians Andamlak Belihu (men's) and Tsehay Gemechu (women's) win titles
- Ajeetesh Sandhu wins Jeev Milkha Singh Invitational golf tournament in Chandigarh
- Ex Attorney General K Parasaran given the 'Most Eminent Senior Citizen Award' by Age Care India in New Delhi
- Tamil Nadu CM K. Palaniswami conferred honorary doctorate by the Dr MGR Educational and Research Institute in Chennai
- 14-day long India-Maldives joint military exercise 'Ex EKUVERIN – 2019' culminates in Pune
- 'Bridgital Nation', book written by N. Chandrasekaran and Roopa Purushottam, released
- Second World Statistics Day celebrated on October 20, theme: 'Theme: Better Data, Better Lives'
- Indian President unveils bust of Mahatma Gandhi at the Centre for Peace Education in Miriam college in Quezon City
- in Philippines
- Union Minister Dr Harsh Vardhan attends G20 Health Ministers' Meeting in Okayama City, Japan
- Britain asks EU for Brexit delay beyond the current October 31 deadline, EU leaders to decide
- Kuhoo Garg and Dhruv Rawat win the mixed doubles title at the Egypt International Badminton in Cairo
- Wrestling legend Dadu Chougule dies in Kolhapur, Maharashtra at 73, was a recipient of the prestigious Dhyan Chand Award for lifetime achievement in sports

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- Members of US India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF) led by Chairman John Chambers meets PM Modi in Delhi
- Kurdish-led Syrian Democratic Forces withdraw from border town of Ras al Ain
- Raunak Sadhwani becomes India's 65th chess Grandmaster at 13 years, nine months and 28 days
- Siachen area, world's highest battlefield, now open to tourists: Defence Minister
- Union Culture Minister Prahlaad Singh Patel launches E-Portal, YouTube Channel of Centre for Cultural Resources and Training (CCRT)
- UN World Food Programme (WFP) launches campaign 'Feed Our Future' against hunger and malnutrition in India
- Nepali officers begin training on 'Anti Money Laundering and Countering Financing of Terrorism' in India at the National Academy of Customs, Indirect Taxes and Narcotics (NACIN), Bengaluru
- AYUSH ministry signs MoU with the Defence ministry to provide traditional medicine services at the armed forces' hospitals
- Pakistan has unilaterally stopped postal services to and from India after August 27: Union Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad
- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on October 21, 2019 inaugurated 'Col Chewang Rinchen Setu'
- The strategically important bridge is over Shyok river in Ladakh region.
- The 430-meter-long bridge, built by Border Roads Organisation, connects Durbuk and Daulat Beg Oldie in Eastern Ladakh.
- Police Commemoration Day observed on October 21, 2019.
- The day is observed every year in memory of the policemen killed at Hot Springs in Ladakh by Chinese troops on this date in 1959.

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- Govt rolls out 6th tranche of Sovereign Gold Bond (SGB) Scheme from October 21 to 25; fixes issue price at Rs 3835/gram
- Govt launches BHIM 2.0 with new functionalities, additional language support
- Andy Murray wins men's singles title at European Open tennis in Antwerp
- Japan's Kento Momota: men's singles
- Japan's Nozomi Okuhara: women's singles
- Indonesia's Marcus Fernaldi Gideon & Kevin Sanjaya Sukamuljo: men's doubles
- South Korea's Baek Ha-na & Jung Kyung-eun: women's doubles
- Indonesia's Praveen Jordan & Melati Daeva Oktavianti: mixed doubles

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- Indian Army to conduct exercise codenamed 'Sindhu Sudarshan' in the deserts of Rajasthan from Nov 29 to Dec 4.
- Bureaucrat Braj Raj Sharma appointed Chairman of Staff Selection Commission (SSC)
- Bureaucrat Pankaj Kumar appointed CEO of Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI)
- Union Health Ministry to launch nationwide immunisation program under 'Mission Indradhanush 2.0' from December 2
- Deepika Padukone and P. V. Sindhu named ambassadors for 'Bharat Ki Laxmi' by PM Modi
- With registration of 3.1 lakh FIRs, UP topped the crime list in India accounting for 10.1% of total crimes in 2017: NCRB
- Ashok Malik, former press secretary to President, appointed policy advisor in the Ministry of External Affairs
- Actor Ayushmann Khurrana joins hands with UNICEF and Ministry of Women and Child Development to raise awareness against sexual abuse of children
- IAF conducts test firing of 300 km range BrahMos surface-to-surface missiles from a mobile platform in Andaman Nicobar Islands
- Benelli launches Imperiale 400 motorcycle priced at Rs 1.69 lakh
- ITC launches world's most expensive chocolate priced at Rs 4.3 lakh per kilogram under its Fabelle brand
- Liberal Party, led by Canada's Prime Minister Justin Trudeau wins 157 seats in 338-seat House of Commons
- President Kovind attends enthronement ceremony of Japan's new Emperor Naruhito in Tokyo

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- India (497/9 d) beat South Africa (162, 132) by an innings and 202 runs in third and final test at Ranchi on October 22, 2019, complete 3-0 whitewash.

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- Minister of Panchayati Raj Narendra Singh Tomar conferred the national Panchayat Awards, 2019 in New Delhi
- 246 Awards were given to awardee Panchayats and States in various categories for their best performance at different levels, including the delivery of services.
- Relaxes norms for setting up petrol pumps allowing non-oil companies to venture into the business
- Union Cabinet decides to confer ownership rights to 40 lakh residents of Delhi's unauthorized colonies
- approves raising of 2 operational commands for the ITBP, which guards the LAC with China, at Chandigarh and Guwahati
- International Snow Leopard Day celebrated on October 23
- Economist Bibek Debroy launches English translations of Hindu mythological texts in Sanskrit – 'Markendya Purana' and 'The Bhagavad Gita'
- Delhi HC directs Facebook, Google, Twitter to globally remove links to video disparaging Ramdev
- CBSE, NCERT to launch 'Tamanna' (Try And Measure Aptitude And Natural Abilities) aptitude test for Class 9, 10 students
- MSPs of rabi crops of 2019-20 hiked: Lentil by Rs 325 per quintal, gram by Rs 255 per quintal and of wheat by Rs 85 per quintal
- accords 'Maharatna' status to PSUs HPCL and Power Grid Corporation, thus giving them greater operational and financial autonomy
- Govt to merge BSNL, MTNL; unveils Rs 68,751-cr revival package for both loss-making PSUs
- Former India captain Ganguly takes over as 39th President of BCCI for nine months

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- India improves ranking in Melbourne Mercer Global Pension Index from 33rd in 2018 to 32nd in 2019
- Indian President lays foundation stone for Sri Sathya Sai Sanathana Samskruti Project at Sai no Sato, Kakegawa, Japan
- External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar attends Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) Ministerial Meeting in Baku, Azerbaijan

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- BIHAR: Rashtriya Janata Dal wins from Simri Bakhtiarpur and Belhar, All India Majlis-E-Ittehadul Muslimeen wins from Kishanganj, Independent wins from Daraundha, JD-U from Nathnagar
- CHHATTISGARH: Congress wins from Chitrakoot
- HIMACHAL PRADESH: BJP wins from Dharamshala and Pachhad
- KERALA: Communist Party of India (Marxist) wins from Vattiyoorkavu and Konni, Congress wins from Ernakulam and Aroor, Indian Union Muslim League wins from Manjeshwar
- Haryana Assembly poll results (90/90): BJP: 40, Haryana Lokhit Party: 1, Independent: 7, Congress: 31, Indian National Lok Dal (INLD): 1, Jannayak Janta Party (JJP): 10
- Maharashtra Assembly poll results (281/288): BJP: 102, Congress: 41, Nationalist Congress Party (NCP): 53, Shiv Sena: 56, Independents: 13, Others: 15
- GUJARAT: Congress wins from Tharad, Radhanpur, Kheralu, Bayad; BJP from Amraiwadi and Lunawada
- ARUNACHAL PRADESH: Independent wins from Khonsa (West)
- ASSAM: BJP wins from Rangapara, Sonari and Ratabari; All India United Democratic Front (AIUDF) from Jania
- MADHYA PRADESH: Congress wins from Jhabua
- MEGHALAYA: United Democratic Party wins from Shella
- ODISHA: Biju Janata Dal wins from Bijepur
- PUDUCHERRY: Congress wins from Kamaraj Nagar
- PUNJAB: Congress wins from Phagwara, Mukerian, and Jalalabad; Shiromani Akali Dal wins from Dakha
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- TAMIL NADU: All India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam wins from Nanguneri and Vikravandi
- TELANGANA: Telangana Rashtra Samithi wins from Huzurnagar
- UTTAR PRADESH: BJP wins from Gangoh, Iglas, Lucknow Cantt, Balha (SC), Govindnagar and Manikpur; Samajwadi Party wins from Rampur, Jalalpur, Zaidpur; Apna Dal (Soneylal) wins from Pratapgarh
- Ram Vilas Paswan's Lok Janshakti Party (LJP) retains Samastipur reserved seat in Lok Sabha byelection in Bihar.
- Sharad Pawar's Nationalist Congress Party (NCP) retained Satara seat in Lok Sabha byelection in Maharashtra
- Senior IAS officer Arvind Singh is new Chairman of Airports Authority of India
- Senior IAS officer Sukhbir Singh Sandhu is new Chairman of NHAI
- Senior IAS officer Arvind Singh has been appointed as the chairman of Airports Authority of India
- Senior IAS officer Ganji Kamala V Rao appointed new CMD of India Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC) Ltd
- Senior IAS officer Pramod Kumar Tiwari, appointed new Director General of the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) INDIA
- Armies of India and France to conduct joint exercise code-named 'Ex Shakti -2019' from Oct 31 to Nov 13 at Mahajan Field Firing Ranges in Rajasthan
- Fitch Ratings slashes India's GDP growth forecast in 2019-20 to 5.5% from 6.6% made in June

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- New Zealand tops World Bank's Ease of Doing Business Ranking, India 63rd (77th in 2018)
- India-Pakistan agreement on Kartarpur corridor to allow Indian pilgrims visa-free visit to the shrine of Guru Nanak Dev in Pakistan
- European Parliament awards Sakharov Prize for human rights to Uighur intellectual Ilham Tohti, jailed by China
- France and US agree to develop systems on space situational awareness and traffic management for the commercial space industry
- U.S. Supreme Court judge Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg wins \$1 million Berggruen Prize for philosophy and culture
- The ozone hole over Antarctica is the smallest observed since 1982: NASA
- United Nations Day celebrated on October 24 with its theme as 'UN75: 2020 and Beyond – Shaping Our Future Together'
- World Development Information Day celebrated on October 24
- India's D. Harika won the 'best women's player' prize at the FIDE Chess.com Grand Swiss tournament in Douglas (Isle of Man). The tournament was won by Wang Hao of China.

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- Former Karnataka Lokayukta and former Supreme Court Judge N. Venkatachala dies at 89
- 5th International Conference on Road Tech (sustainable roads and highways) held in New Delhi
- Hindi writer Leeladhar Jagoori wins Vyas Samman for his poetry collection- 'Jitne Log Utne Prem'
- Health Minister Dr. Harsh Vardhan releases the 14th National Health Profile (NHP), 2019 and its e-book in New Delhi
- Former Maharashtra DGP Datta Padsalgikar appointed Deputy National Security Advisor (NSA)
- India signs agreement with Saudi Arabia to launch the RuPay card in the country
- Overseas Citizens of India (OCI) will now be eligible to apply for the National Pension System (NPS) at par with NRIs
- India and Saudi Arabia sign Strategic Partnership Council Agreement to coordinate on important issues
- Pakistan issues Rs 50 commemorative coin to mark the 550th birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev
- Lebanon Prime Minister Saad Hariri resigns
- 6th Parliamentary Speakers' Summit of the G20 countries to be held in Tokyo from November 3 to 5
- Minerva Punjab FC renamed as Punjab Football Club

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- CBI arrests Pailan group chief Apurba Saha in Kolkata Rs 574-crore ponzi scam case
- National Corporate Social Responsibility Awards (NCSRA), instituted by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, presented by the President in New Delhi
- Justice Sharad Arvind Bobde appointed next Chief Justice of India (CJI), will take oath on Nov 18
- Odisha Disaster Preparedness Day observed on October 29
- Delhi Police doubles 'PRAKHAR' anti-street crime vans
- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman released a special commemorative coin to mark 125th birth anniversary of Paramahansa Yogananda
- Yogananda was the founder of two organisations — Yogoda Satsanga Society of India and Self-Realisation Fellowship
- Finance Minister chairs Governing Council (GC) meeting of the National Investment and Infrastructure Fund (NIIF)
- RBI imposes penalty of Rs 1 crore on Bandhan Bank for not bringing down the promoter shareholding to 40%
- India exported organic products worth Rs 5,151 crore in 2018-19: APEDA
- APEDA: Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority
- India, US sign SOI (Statement of Intent) to strengthen dialogue on defence technology cooperation
- HCP Design, Planning and Management wins consultancy bid to redevelop Parliament and the Central Vista
- 2 killed in as an earthquake measuring 6.6 on the Richter scale struck the southern Philippines

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- Argentina's Rafael Grossi elected new Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)
- Japan's Sadako Ogata, the first woman to head the UN's refugee agency UNHCR, dies at 92
- ICC bans Shakib Al Hasan of Bangladesh for two years over breach of Anti-Corruption Code for not reporting being approached by a bookie during IPL in April 2018.
- PM Modi calls on Saudi Arabian King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud in Riyadh.
- PM Modi meets King Abdullah II of Jordan in Riyadh
- Actor Nawazuddin Siddiqui wins Golden Dragon Award at the Cardiff International Film Festival in Scotland.

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- European Union agrees new January 31, 2020 Brexit deadline; UK not leaving EU on October 31
- Alberto Fernandez of Frente de Todos party elected new President of Argentina
- Prominent Soviet-era dissident Vladimir Bukovsky dies at the age of 76 in England
- Delegation of European Union Members of Parliament (MPs) calls on PM Modi and VP M. Venkaiah Naidu in Delhi
- Nicaragua's Foreign Minister Denis Moncada Colindres visits India, to reopen country's embassy in New Delhi
- Air India depicts 'Ik Onkar' on tail of aircraft on Amritsar-Stansted flight to mark 550th birth anniversary of Sri Guru Nanak Dev
- Mercedes driver Lewis Hamilton wins Formula One Mexican Grand Prix at Mexico City
- Indonesia's Marcus Gideon & Kevin Sanjaya Sukamuljo: Men's doubles
- South Korea's Lee So-hee & Shin Seung-chan: Women's doubles
- Praveen Jor1dan & Melati Daeva of Indonesia: Mixed doubles
- Armenia's Evgeny Shtembuliak (Open) and Russia's Polina Shuvalova (Girls) win World Junior (under-20) Chess titles in Delhi
- China's Chen Long: Men's singles
- South Korea's An Se-young: Women's singles

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- Wisden India Almanack Cricketer of the Year awards were won by India's Jasprit Bumrah and Smriti Mandhana, Pakistan's Fakhar Zaman, Sri Lanka's Dimuth Karunaratne and Afghanistan Rashid Khan.
- Former Indian cricketers Gundappa Viswanath and Lala Amarnath inducted into the Wisden India Hall of Fame
- UP govt. breaks its own Guinness World Record for the largest display of oil lamps by lighting 5.5 lakh diyas or earthen lamps in Ayodhya
- Odisha Govt. ties up with UNICEF to provide safe drinking water to every household under 'Drink From Tap Mission'
- Birender Singh Yadav appointed as India's next Ambassador to Iraq
- Nanammal, yoga teacher and 2018 Padma Shri awardee, dies in Coimbatore at the age of 99
- Disabled and people over 80 years of age can now cast their vote through postal ballot
- At present, voting through postal ballot is available to armed forces and those assigned poll duties.
- On the recommendation of the EC, the Law & Justice Ministry has amended the Conduct of Election Rules, 1961
- World Bank President David Malpass calls on PM Modi and Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in Delhi
- Third International Day of Diplomats was celebrated in Madagascar's capital Antananarivo on October 24
- Ministerial meeting of BASIC (Brazil, South Africa, India, China) countries on Climate Change held in Beijing on October 25-26
- Wisden India Book of the Year won by 'Cricket Country: The Untold History of the First All India Team' by Prashant Kidambi

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- Haryana: BJP's Manohar Lal Khattar (65) sworn in as CM for 2nd time, Dushyant Chautala (31) of JJP (Jannayak Janta Party) as Deputy CM by Governor Satyadev Narayan Arya in Chandigarh
- Infantry Day celebrated by Indian Army on October 27
- Islamic State Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi announced dead in a secret US special forces raid in northwest Syria
- Filipe Nyusi of Frelimo party declared re-elected President of Mozambique
- World Day for Audiovisual Heritage celebrated on October 27 with its theme as 'Engage the Past Through Sound and Images'