



# Weekly One Liner

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**Dear readers,**

Weekly One Liner Updates is a collection of important news and events that occurred in the first week (1-7<sup>th</sup>) of December 2018. This file is important for, **Banking interviews** and all upcoming Banking & Insurance exams.

**Banking & Financial Awareness**

1. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has announced its fifth bi-monthly monetary policy review of the current financial year 2018-19

**Note:**

- Keep the policy repo rate under the liquidity adjustment facility (LAF) unchanged at 6.5 per cent.
- Consequently, the reverse repo rate under the LAF remains at 6.25 per cent, and
- The marginal standing facility (MSF) rate and the Bank Rate at 6.75 per cent
- The decision of the MPC is consistent with the stance of calibrated tightening of monetary policy in consonance.
- Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR) remains unchanged at 4%.
- RBI to cut SLR by 25 bps to align it to LCR requirement.

**Current Policy Rates:**

Policy Repo Rate	6.50 %
Reverse Repo Rate	6.25 %
Marginal Standing Facility Rate	6.75 %
Bank Rate	6.75 %
CRR	4%
SLR	19.25%

2. According to data released by Central Statistics Office, India's economy grew for the second quarter of 2018-19\_\_ **7.1%**.

**Note:**

- The Gross Domestic Product (GDP) at constant prices had grown at 6.35 in July-September quarter of the last fiscal.
- The CSO estimates state that GDP at constant prices was 33.98 lakh crore rupees for second quarter this fiscal, which is a marked increase from 31.72 lakh crore rupees for the same period in 2017-18.

3. According to an official release, The GST collection in the month of November 2018 stood at \_\_\_**97 thousand and 637 crore rupees**.

**Note:**

- Out of the total GST collection, the CGST collection is 16 thousand and 812 crore rupees.
- SGST is over 23 thousand crore rupees while IGST collection stood at 49 thousand and 726 crore rupees.
- 11 thousand and 922 crore rupees have been released to the states as GST compensation for the months of August and September this year.

4. Who has unveiled 200 billion US Dollars in climate action investment for 2021 to 2025\_\_ **World Bank**

**Note:**

- The move represents a significantly ramped up ambition to tackle climate change and sends an important signal to the wider global community to do the same.
- The breakdown of 200 billion dollars would comprise approximately 100 billion in direct finance from the World Bank.

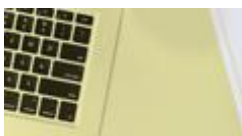
5. The second meeting of the newly constituted NITI Forum for North East held in \_\_\_**Guwahati, Assam**.

**Note:**

- It mainly focusses on issues pertaining to five critical sectors, namely tourism, bamboo, dairy, fisheries and tea.
  - The NITI Forum for North East was constituted in February 2018 to periodically review the development status in North Eastern Region.
6. How many Crores would be spent on MGNREGA (Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act) this year to improve the infrastructure and the quality of life of people\_\_**60 thousand crore rupees.**
- Note:**
- MGNREGA is the largest social security scheme in the world, guaranteeing 100 days of unskilled manual work to all rural households in India.
  - Last year, about 235 crore person-days of work were generated under the scheme.
7. Who will implement an Ombudsman Scheme for Digital Transactions covering services provided by entities falling under Reserve Banks regulatory jurisdiction\_\_**Reserve Bank of India (RBI).**
- Note:**
- The scheme will be notified by the end of January 2019.
  - For customer protection initiative, RBI has issued instructions on limiting customer liability in respect of unauthorized electronic transactions involving banks and credit card issuing non-banking financial companies (NBFCs).
8. According to Credit rating agency 'Fitch', India's GDP growth forecast for current fiscal\_\_**7.2%**
- Note:**
- In its Global Economic Outlook, Fitch projected that for 2019-20 and 2020-21 financial years, India's GDP growth will be 7% and 7.1% respectively.
  - Fitch Ratings Inc. is one of the big three credit rating agencies (other two -Moody's and Standard & Poor's).
  - It is one of the three nationally recognized statistical rating organizations (NRSRO) designated by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in 1975.
9. Who has extended a credit facility of USD 500 million to Tanzania for water supply projects in the country\_\_ **Export-Import Bank of India (Exim Bank).**
- Note:**
- Under this agreement, of the total credit by Exim Bank, goods and services of value of at least 75% of the contract price shall be supplied by the seller from India.
  - The remaining 25% of goods and services may be procured by the seller for the purpose of the eligible contract from outside India.

### Important Dates

1. The World Aids Day is being celebrated every year on \_\_ **1st December.**
- Note:**
- The WAD raises the public awareness about Acquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).
  - The theme of 2018 Aids Day is 'Know your status'.
  - It is a pandemic disease caused due to the infection of Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV).
2. The International Day for the Abolition of Slavery organized every year on \_\_**2nd December.**
- Note:**
- The Day was first celebrated in 1986.
  - The Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others was approved by the United Nations General Assembly on December 2, 1949.
3. International Day of Persons with Disabilities being observed every year on \_\_\_\_**3rd December.**
- Note:**
- International Day of Persons with Disabilities is an international observance promoted by the United Nations (UN) since 1992.
  - The theme for this year is "Empowering persons with disabilities and ensuring inclusiveness and equality".



4. The Indian Navy day is being observed every year on \_\_**4th December**.

**Note:**

- The Navy day is celebrated to honour the courageous attack on the Karachi harbour during the Indo-Pakistan war (on 4th December 1971) by the Indian Naval Missile boats as well as to reverence all the martyrs of that war.
- The navy day observed every year to celebrate achievements and role of the naval force in the country.
- Sunil Lamba is the current Chief of the Naval Staff.

5. The World Soil Day is observed annually on \_\_**5th December**.

**Note:**

- The day focus attention on the importance of healthy soil and advocating for the sustainable management of soil resources.
- The theme for 2018 World Soil Day is - 'Be the Solution to Soil Pollution'.

6. The International Volunteer Day (IVD) observed every year on\_\_ **5thDecember**.

**Note:**

- The theme of IVD 2018 is: 'Volunteers build Resilient Communities'.

7. The Armed Forces Flag Day (Flag Day of India) is being observed annually in India on\_\_**7th December**.

**Note:**

- The objective of the day honours the martyrs as well as men and women in uniform, who valiantly fight on our borders to safeguard the country's honour.

### Obituaries

1. Former US President (41st) passed away in Houston, USA \_\_ **George HW Bush**.

**Note:**

- Bush, the last veteran of World War II to serve as President, was officially the longest living President in US history.
- He had also served as the US Vice President for eight years.

2. Noted agriculturalist Jayaraman passed away in \_\_ **Chennai**.

**Note:**

- Mr. Jayaraman was the pioneered of the protection and propagation of indigenous paddy varieties in Tamil Nadu.
- Jayaraman has been credited with documenting and protecting more than 170 paddy varieties.

3. Congress Lok Sabha MP (Bihar's Kishanganj constituency) passed away due to heart attack\_\_ **Maulana Asrar-ul-Haque Qasmi**.

**Note:**

- Qasmi won the Kishanganj seat in 2009 general elections by contesting on an Indian National Congress ticket after five consecutive failures.
- He was a member of the All India Muslim Personal Law Board and founder member of the All India Milli Council.

### New Appointments

1. Who has been sworn in as the new Mexican President\_\_ **Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador**.

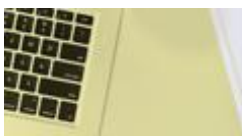
**Note:**

- Lopez Obrador also reaffirmed his intentions to sell Mexico's official presidential plane, to not live in the presidential palace.

2. Who has been appointed as the new Finance Secretary of India\_\_ **Ajay Narayan Jha**.

**Note:**

- The Finance Secretary plays a leadership role in the bureaucracy of the Finance Ministry, Government of India.
- Jha is a recipient of World Bank scholarship to pursue Masters in Economic Policy Management from McGill University in Canada.





3. The International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF) has appointed its new CEO **Jon Ridgeon**.

**Note:**

- Ridgeon (51-years) will take up the new role in March 2019.
- Jon Ridgeon winning silver in the shorter event at the 1987 World Championships.
- The International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF) is the international governing body (founded on 17th July 1912) for the sport of athletics.

4. Former Indian diplomat elected to UN's Socio-Economic Cultural panel **Preeti Saran**.

- Saran was elected to the CESC for a four-year term beginning from 1st of January 2019.
- All States are obliged to submit regular reports to the committee on how the rights are being implemented.

### Important News - India

1. The Border Security Force celebrated its 54th formation day on **1st December 2018**.

**Note:**

- India's Border Security Force (first Line of Defence of Indian Territories) was formed on 1st December 1965, after the Indo-Pak and India-China wars.
- Senior IPS officers Rajni Kant Misra is the present Director General of BSF.
- BSF Jawans have lived up to their motto of Duty Unto Death (जीवन पर्यंत कर्तव्य).

2. Defence Ministry Nirmala Sitharaman has launched the Armed Forces Week from **1st - 7th December**.

**Note:**

- The objective is to encourage citizens to make financial contributions to the families of war heroes and to pay respects to the brave sons and daughters of our nation.
- The Armed Forces Flag Day is observed annually in India on 7th December since 1949.

3. The President Shri Ram Nath Kovind has inaugurated the 13th edition of CII Agro Tech India-2018 in **Chandigarh**.

**Note:**

- A total of 195 exhibitors (including 37 foreign exhibitors from 8 countries) will participate in the expo.
- The expo is one of the biggest confluences of stakeholders from agriculture and allied sectors.
- The UK is a partner country at the CII Agrotech this year.

4. Who will be the Chief Guest at the 2019 Republic Day celebrations in New Delhi **Cyril Ramaphosa (South African President)**.

**Note:**

- Mr. Ramaphosa's visit will further cement business and people to people ties between India and South Africa.
- Since 1950, India has been hosting head of state or government of another country as the state guest of honour for Republic Day celebrations in New Delhi.

5. Air forces of the US and India to hold joint exercise at Kalaikunda and Panagarh Air Force Base in West Bengal(India) **Ex-Cope India 2019**.

**Note:**

- The **objective of the exercise** is to provide operational exposure and undertake mutual exchange of best practices towards enhancing operational capability.
- It is the **fourth edition** (last one taken place in 2010) in the series of bilateral joint exercise held by the Air Forces of the two nations which is conducted in India.
- The exercise will host more than 40 aircraft including F-15 & C-130H aircraft of USAF.

6. The Civil Aviation Ministry have started the registration process through a **portal** for drone operators in the country **Digital Sky platform**.

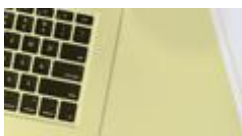
**Note:**

- Earlier, The Union Government has announced the release of its Civil Aviation Regulations to enable safe flying of Remotely Piloted Aerial Systems (RPAS) popularly referred to as drones.
- For drones of micro size and above categories, operators are required to register on the Digital Sky portal.

7. The 80th Session of the Policy Commission of the World Customs Organization (WCO) held in **Mumbai**.

**Note:**

- The Session is being organized by the WCO and hosted by the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC), India.



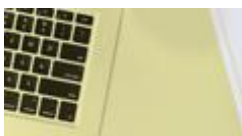
- More than 30 countries along with their delegations will be participating in the three-day long discussion on various matters related to customs.
  - The Indian delegation will be headed by S Ramesh (Chairman CBIC) along with Member PK Das and their team of senior officers.
8. The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has launched media campaign for elimination of industrially produced trans-fat in the food supply \_\_**Heart Attack Rewind**.
- Note:**
- It is in line with FSSAI's objective to get Freedom from 'Trans Fat: India@75'.
  - Globally, trans-fat intake leads to more than 500,000 deaths from cardiovascular disease every year.
  - Trans-fat is made by adding hydrogen to liquid vegetable oils to make them more solid and to increase shelf life of foods.
9. India's first locomotive-less train has breached the 180 kilometres per hour speed limit during a test run at Kota-Sawai Madhopur section in Rajasthan \_\_**Train 18**.
- Note:**
- Train 18 is capable of touching 200 kilometres per hour provided the rest of Indian Railways' system, such as tracks and signals, permit.
  - With 16 coaches, the train will have the same passenger carrying capacity as that of the Shatabdi Express.
  - The fully air-conditioned train offers better passenger comfort and safety, as all equipment are fixed under the carriage so that more space is available on board.
10. The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) successfully launched India's heaviest satellite GSAT-11 (weighing 5,854 kg) by Ariane-5 VA246 rocket from \_\_**French Guiana (South America)**.
- Note:**
- The GSAT-11 (also called -Big Bird) will deliver multi-spot beam coverage over the Indian mainland and nearby islands bringing significant advantages to the user community.
  - The GSAT-11 is the next generation high throughput communication satellite that will play a vital role in providing broadband services across the country.
  - The satellite is expected to have a life span of 15 years.
11. The Union Minister Shri Nitin Gadkari has inaugurated the three days 'India Water Impact Summit 2018' in \_\_**New Delhi**.
- Note:**
- The IWIS-2018 being jointly organized by the National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) and the Centre for Ganga River Basin Management and Studies (cGanga).
  - The India Water Impact Summit is an annual event where stakeholders get together to discuss, debate and develop model solutions for some of the biggest water related problems in the country.
12. International conference on bears held in \_\_**Agra**.
- Note:**
- First time, more than 80 delegates from 11 countries are participating in a four-day International conference on bears being organized in Agra (Uttar Pradesh).
  - The objective of the conference to share knowledge on principles of welfare of bears and other wild animals in zoos, sanctuaries and rescue centers.
13. The five days bilateral air exercise between Japanese Air Self Defence Force (JASDF) & Indian Air Force at A F Station Agra\_\_ **SHINYUU Maitri-18**.
- Note:**
- The theme of the exercise is joint Mobility/Humanitarian Assistance & Disaster Relief (HADR) on Transport aircraft.
  - The focus of the exercise is set for the IAF and JASDF crews to undertake Joint Mobility/ HADR operations.
14. Chief of Naval Staff Admiral Sunil Lanba has released a book \_\_**Blue Waters Ahoy**.
- Note:**
- The unveiling was part of Navy Day reception at the Navy House in presence of President Ram Nath Kovind at Rashtrapati Bhavan, Delhi.
  - The book has been authored by Vice Admiral Anup Singh.
15. India signed an agreement with a country for co-operation and mutual assistance in Customs Matters\_\_ **Peru**.
- Note:**
- It provides a legal framework for the sharing of information and intelligence between the Customs authorities of the two countries.



- The agreement will also help in the proper application of Customs laws, prevention and investigation of Customs offences.
16. Who has launched National Challenge 'Ideate for India - creative solutions using technology' for school students in New Delhi\_ **Ravi Shankar Prasad**.
- Note:**
- It is collaboration between National e-governance Division & Intel India, supported by the Department of School Education and Literacy of Ministry of Human Resources Development.
  - The challenge will help empower the youth to become the next generation of innovators and technology creators.
  - Over 10 lakh students will participate in the challenge.
17. The Indian Coast Guard has conducted the Regional Level Marine Oil Pollution Response Exercise at sea off Port Blair \_\_**Clean Sea - 2018**.
- Note:**
- Coast Guard ships Viswasth, Vijith, Rajveer, Rajshri, 4 interceptor boats and its air assets Dornier and Chetak helicopters participated in the exercise.

### States News

1. Nagaland state celebrated its 55th formation day on \_\_\_**1st Dec**.  
**Note:**
  - On 1st December 1963, Nagaland became the 16th state of India.
  - The union Home Minister Rajnath Singh has also inaugurated 19th Hornbill Festival in Nagaland.
2. Union Minister Nitin Gadkari has inaugurated the second edition of Khasdar Mahotsav at the Ishwar Deshmukh College of Physical Education in \_\_\_**Nagpur**.  
**Note:**
  - It is an attempt to provide our next generation with better infrastructure like roads, homes, education, skill development and make them aware about our rich cultural heritage.
3. The Tamil Nadu state Govt. has announced the hike of health insurance coverage from two lakh rupees a year to\_\_\_**5 lakh rupees**.
  - The decision will benefit 1.58 crore families in the state.
  - So far, 26.96 lakh people have been benefitted by the chief minister's comprehensive health insurance scheme, availed medical treatments worth 5,133 crore rupees.
4. The City has observed the 34th anniversary of gas leak tragedy as on the intervening night of **2nd & 3rd December in 1984** \_\_ **Bhopal**.  
**Note:**
  - Several hundred people were killed, and scores of people were maimed for life when the Methyl Isocyanate gas was leaked from the pesticide plant of Union Carbide.
5. The Union Govt. and Asian Development Bank (ADB) have signed an USD 85 million loan to improve skill development eco-system in\_\_\_ **Bhubaneswar, Odisha**.  
**Note:**
  - The project will help over 1.5 lakh people learn skills in priority sectors, including manufacturing, construction and services for formal employment.
  - The Skill Centre will deliver eight training courses for 13 thousand students and provide training to five thousand teachers.
6. Nagaland becomes first north-eastern state to launch single emergency number \_\_\_**112**.  
**Note:**
  - The Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh has launched the single emergency number '112' under the Emergency Response Support System (ERSS) for the state of Nagaland.
  - It will have a special women safety feature 'SHOUT' to get immediate assistance from police and volunteers.
7. Bihar govt has fixed Rs. 100 as the charge for people to get their property registered after division of \_\_ **family's immovable assets**.  
**Note:**
  - Earlier, the charges for registration of property was 5% of the value of property registration fee (3% stamp duty & 2% registration fee), as per the prevailing minimum value register (MVR) of the area.
  - This is a decision related to public welfare and will reduce tension, disputes, violence and cases in society.



8. The state Govt. has approved 50-crore rupees to Science & Technology Innovation (STI) Fund to provide assistance up to Rs. 50-lakh to UGC and AICTE recognized central and state universities and colleges\_\_ **Gujarat**.

**Note:**

- The assistance will be for a maximum period of three years to develop latent talents, encourage creativity research and development in strategic fields in the knowledge-based ecosystem.
- Earlier, Gujarat Government has announced similar assistance under the Biotechnology Policy and IT Policy.

9. Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis has launched a unique initiative called to transform rural Maharashtra \_\_**SMART**.

**Note:**

- The objective of the World Bank assisted to revamp agricultural value chains, with special focus on marginal farmers across 1,000 villages.
- The project will entail an investment of 300 million US dollars of which World Bank would contribute 210 million US dollars.

10. Chief minister Pinarayi Vijayan has inaugurated the 23rd International Film Festival of Kerala (IFFK) 2018 at \_\_**Thiruvananthapuram**.

**Note:**

- The objectives of the Academy include being a link between the Government and the film industry.
- The International Film Festival of Kerala (IFFK) festival started in 1996 and is hosted by the Kerala State Chalachitra Academy on behalf of Department of Cultural Affairs, Government of Kerala.

11. Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal has launched the 'Mukhyamantri Tirth Yatra Yojana' for \_\_**senior citizens**.

**Note:**

- The pilgrimage for three days and two nights can be undertaken on the following circuits.
- 1,100 senior citizens from every constituency of Delhi (70-Constituency) will be able to avail free travel package.
- Under this free pilgrimage scheme, Delhi resident above 60 years will be eligible to take free pilgrimage.
- The applicant can also take along an attendant above the age of 20 years, if the applicant or his spouse is above 70 years

### Important News - World

1. The Kimberley Process Certification Scheme (KPCS) Plenary 2018 was held in \_\_**Brussels, Belgium**.

**Note:**

- EU handed over the Chairmanship of KPCS to India from 1st January 2019.
- The 4-day Plenary also witnessed discussion on environmental challenges in diamond mining and industry responsibility.
- India is the founding member of KPCS and is actively involved in KP activities to ensure that almost 99% of the diamond trade in the world is conflict free.

2. Nepal's Prime Minister K.P. Sharma Oli has inaugurated the two-day Asia Pacific Summit-2018 in\_\_ **Kathmandu**.

**Note:**

- The theme of Summit is "Addressing the Critical Challenges of Our Time: Interdependence, Mutual Prosperity, and Universal Values".
- Around 1500 participants from 45 countries, including India, attending the summit.

3. The 24th meeting of Conference of Parties (COP-24) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) has begun at\_\_ **Katowice, Poland**.

**Note:**

- The Conference 'COP-24' is very significant as it is expected to finalize guidelines for implementation of the Paris Agreement adopted in 2016.
- The Agreement also focuses on developing countries need to adapt to adverse impacts of climate change, in a manner that it does not put an additional burden on them.
- The union Environment Minister, Dr Harsh Vardhan is leading a delegation from India.

4. OPEC Country has decided to leave the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) from January 2019 (after nearly six decades) and focus more on the production of natural gas \_\_ **Qatar**.

**Note:**

- Qatar has plans to increase its annual exports of liquified natural gas (LPG) from 77 million tons of gas per year to 110 million tons.





- The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) is an intergovernmental organization of 15 nations, founded in 1960 in Baghdad by the first five members (Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, and Venezuela), and headquartered since 1965 in Vienna, Austria.
5. Members of Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) and other oil-producing countries are scheduled to meet in \_\_ **Vienna**.
- Note:**
- OPEC's third-biggest producer Iran has called to be excluded from any decision to cut production.
  - Over the past two months oil prices have plunged and a barrel of Brent crude, the European benchmark.
6. Who will be the first country in the world to make all public transportation free (by summer 2019) as part of a new environmental initiative\_ **Luxembourg**.
- Note:**
- All fares for trains, trams and buses will be scrapped as part of a new environmental initiative.
  - The move is aimed at addressing environmental issues and the problem of traffic congestion.

### Honor & Awards

1. The 'Sahitya Akademi' has announced its annual Sahitya Akademi Awards-2018 in\_\_ **24 languages**.
- Note:**
- Anees Salim has been awarded the 'Sahitya Akademi Award 2018 for English literature category for his novel 'The Blind Lady's Descendants'.
  - Ramesan Nair won the award for his work 'Gurupournami', a poem on the life of social reformer Sree Narayana Guru.
  - An eminent short-story writer, Mushtaq Ahmad Mushtaq, bagged the Award for his collection of short stories "AAKH".
  - The award in the form of a casket containing an engraved copper-plaque, a shawl, and cheque of Rs 1 lakh will be presented to the authors at a special function on 29th January 2019.


### Sports News

1. Indian shooter has been conferred the **sport's highest honour** for his outstanding services as the chairman of the International Shooting Sport Federation's Athletes Committee\_\_\_ **Abhinav Bindra**.
- Note:**
- He was a member of the **ISSF Athletes Committee** (from 2010 to 2014) and chairman (2014 to 2018).
  - He has been bestowed with the Blue Cross (the ISSF's highest award).
  - Bindra created history by winning the 10m air rifle gold at the Beijing Olympics in 2008.
2. Who will launch a school-level project by March-April 2019 in association with the game's world governing body FIFA\_ **All India Football Federation (AIFF)**.
- Note:**
- Under this programme, the AIFF touched about 15 thousand schools across the country.
  - The project, schools league', will be launched on a pilot basis.
  - The Star Sports India Football Forum 2018 organised by SportzPower in Mumbai.
3. Who has won the Pune International Marathon (33rd year) with the timing of 2 hours 17 minutes 17 seconds\_ **Atlawim Debebe (Ethiopia)**.
- Note:**
- Teshome Getachew (Ethiopia) claimed second and Bekele Asefa ((Ethiopia) third position.
  - In women's Full Marathon Pascalia Chepkogei (Kenya) stood first with the timing of 2 hour 50 minutes 27 seconds.
  - Dekebe Tafa and Degefa Gezmu both from Ethiopia are winners of the men's and women's half marathon.
  - In women's Full marathon Urvi Tambe stood first amongst Indian participants.
4. Who has retained women's skeet title at the 62nd National Shooting Championship Competitions (NSCC) \_ **Maheshwari Chauhan**.
- Note:**
- Rajasthan's Maheshwari Chauhan retained her women's skeet title at the 62nd National Shooting Championship Competitions (NSCC) for shotgun events in Jaipur.

- Maheshwari overcame Ganemat 52-51 in the final to clinch the gold.
  - The bronze medal was won by Punjab's Simran Preet Kaur Johal.
5. Former coach of the Indian shooting team has become the first Indian to be elected one of seven members of the Judges Committee of the International Shooting Sports Federation (ISSF) \_\_\_ **Pawan Singh**
- Note:**
- Judges Committee is responsible for the uniform application of the shooting rules, provides guidelines for international judges, prepares and conducts courses for judges and jury members.
6. Minister of State for Home Kiren Rijju has inaugurated the 19th All India Police (AIPDM) Shooting Competition-2018 at \_\_\_ **Manesar (Haryana)**.
- Note:**
- The competition will continue till 11th of this month.
  - More than 750 participants of 31 teams of State Police Forces and Central Armed Police Forces are participating in the event.
  - There will be total 13 matches and 41 medals & 13 Trophies will be awarded to the winners.
7. Former India opening batsman has announced his retirement from all forms of Cricket \_\_\_ **Gautam Gambhir**.
- Note:**
- Gambhir played in 58 Tests (from 2004 to 2016), scoring 4,154 runs at an average of 41.95, with the help of 9 hundred and 22 fifties.
  - He also played in 147 ODIs between 2003 and 2013, besides featuring in 37 T20 Internationals.
8. Delhi Daredevils was renamed as \_\_\_ **Delhi Capitals**.
- Note:**
- Co-owners Parth Jindal (representing JSW Sport) and Kiran Kumar Grandhi(GMR) unveiled the new name of the team.
  - Shreyas Iyer will continue to lead the team despite the presence of Shikhar Dhawan.
  - Australian great Ricky Ponting will continue to coach the team.
9. Croatia's midfielder has won prestigious honour of football, Ballon d'Or award 2018 \_\_\_ **Luca Modrich**.
- Note:**
- His club Real Madrid's third straight Champions League trophy.
  - Cristiano Ronaldo remained second in run of ballon d'or race this year.
  - FIFA Ballon d'Or Award is annual football association award given by FIFA to the male player who has performed the best in previous calendar year.
10. Who has rolled out its revolutionary contracts system for the grapplers \_\_\_ **Wrestling Federation of India (WFI)**.
- Note:**
- The wrestlers have been placed in four Grades.
  - WFI is the only Indian Olympic Association-affiliated National Sports Federation to offer contracts to its athletes and only the second after the BCCI.

Grades	Financial assistance	wrestlers
Grade A	Rs. 30 lakhs	Bajrang Punia & Vinesh Phogat along with Pooja Dhanda.
Grade B	Rs. 20 lakhs	Sushil Kumar & Sakshi Malik (Rio Olympic bronze medallist)
Grade C	Rs. 10 lakhs	Sandeep Tomar, Sajjan Bhanwal, Ritu Phogat, & Divya Kakran (Asian Games bronze medallist)
Grade D	Rs. 5 lakhs	Rahul Aware, Naveen, Sachin Rathi, & Anshu Malik

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