

Weekly One-Liner

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Important Days

1. Uttarakhand state is celebrating its 19th formation day ____9th November
Note:
 - Chief Minister Trivendra Singh Rawat flagged off Cultural Procession in the state capital Dehradun.
 - On 9th November 2000, Uttarakhand became the 27th state of the Republic of India, being created from the Himalayan and adjoining north-western districts of Uttar Pradesh.
2. World Science Day for Peace & Development is celebrated every year on ____**10th November**.
Note:
 - The day is observed to highlights the important role of science in society and the need to engage the wider public in debates on emerging scientific issues.
 - 2019 Theme: "Open science, leaving no one behind"
3. The nation celebrates the National Education Day on ____**11th November**.
Note:
 - Maulana Abul Kalam Azad was a freedom fighter and independent India's first Education Minister (served from 1947 to 1958).
 - He was awarded the Bharat Ratna in 1992.
 - Human Resources Development Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank has launched SWAYAM 2.0, Study Webs of Active Learning for Young Aspiring Minds in New Delhi.
4. The **World Pneumonia Day** is observed every year on ____**12th November**.
Note:
 - The day raise awareness about pneumonia, the world's leading infectious killer of children under the age of 5.
 - World Pneumonia Day was established in 2009 and seeks to spread awareness of the diseases as a public health issue.
 - The day also aims to generate action, including continued donor investment, to combat pneumonia and other common, deadly childhood diseases.
5. The **World Kindness Day** is being observed every year on ____**13th November**.
Note:
 - The Theme of 2019 for this World Kindness Day 2019 is empathy, encouraging people across the globe to better understand "the pains of others" and touch their lives "positively".
6. The **Public Service Broadcasting Day** is being celebrated on ____**12th November**.
Note:
 - The day commemorate the first and only visit of the Mahatma Gandhi (Father of the Nation) to the studio of All India Radio, Delhi (in 1947).
 - Mahatma Gandhi addressed the displaced people, who had temporarily settled at Kurukshetra in Haryana after partition.
7. **Children's Day** is celebrated on **14th November** every year on the birth anniversary of ____ **Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru**.
Note:
 - Children's Day is celebrated across India to increase awareness of the rights, care, and education of children.
 - Political leaders and eminent persons have paid tribute to him at his Samadhi, Shanti Vana in New Delhi.
 - Children's Day (Bal Divas) was first celebrated in 1964 after the death of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.
8. The **World Diabetes Day** being observed every year on ____ **14th November**.
Note:
 - The world Diabetes Day being observed marks the birthday of the man who co-discovered insulin, Frederick Banting.
 - The theme for World Diabetes Day 2018 and 2019 is 'The Family and Diabetes'.

New Appointments

1. Sheikh Khalifa bin **Zayed Al Nahyan** re-elected as President of ___ **UAE**.

Note:

- The UAE's Supreme Council of the Union has re-elected His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan as its President for a fourth five-year term.
- The United Arab Emirates is a federation of seven emirates consisting of Abu Dhabi (which serves as the capital), Ajman, Dubai, Fujairah, Ras Al Khaimah, Sharjah and Umm Al Quwain.
- Each emirate is governed by a ruler; together, they jointly form the Federal Supreme Council.

2. Who claimed victory in the Prime Minister's election in Mauritius__ **Pravind Jugnauth**.

Note:

- Mauritius's incumbent Prime Minister was sworn in for a five-year term ___ Pravind Jugnauth
- Mr Jugnauth's swearing-in took place at the residence of President Barlen Vyapoory.

3. Who was sworn-in as Chief Justice of the Madras High Court__ **Justice Amreshwar Pratap Sahi**.

Note:

- Tamil Nadu Governor Banwarilal Purohit administered the oath of office to Justice Sahi.
- Justice Sahi succeeds Vijaya Tahilramani who had resigned.
- Prior, Justice Amreshwar Pratap Sahi was the Chief Justice of the Patna High Court.

4. Who took oath as Chief Justice of Meghalaya High Court__ **Justice Muhammad Raffiq**.

Note:

- Meghalaya Governor Tathagata Roy administered the oath of office and secrecy at Raj Bhavan in Shillong.
- Raffiq succeeds Ajay Kumar Mittal who is now the Chief Justice of Madhya Pradesh High Court.
- He also served as acting Chief Justice of the Rajasthan High Court twice.

5. Former prime minister and senior congress leader has been nominated to the parliamentary standing committee on finance___ **Manmohan Singh**.

Note:

- Manmohan Singh was a member of the panel from September 2014 to May 2019 before his tenure in the Upper House ended in June 2019.
- In August 2019, Manmohan Singh was elected unopposed to the Rajya Sabha from Rajasthan.

6. Who sworn in as the Chief Justice of Patna High Court__ **Justice Sanjay Karol**.

Note:

- Bihar Governor Phagu Chauhan administered the oath of office to Justice Karol at the Raj Bhavan.
- Patna High Court is the High Court of the state of Bihar, established on 3 February 1916 and later affiliated under the Government of India Act 1915.

7. President Ram Nath Kovind has accepted the resignation of the Union Council of Ministers__ **Arvind Ganpat Sawant (Shiv Sena MP)**.

Note:

- Earlier, Mr Sawant is the Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises Minister in Narendra Modi government.
- Information and Broadcasting Minister Prakash Javadekar has been assigned the additional charge of the Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises.

8. As per by the New York-based non-governmental organization, who has been selected as the World Monument Watch List for 2020___ **Suranga Bawadi in Bijapur (Karnataka)**.

Note:

- Suranga Bawadi was selected under the category of "Ancient Water System of the Deccan Plateau" along with 24 monuments across the world.
- It was built in the 16th century of Adil Shahi-I in Vijayapura.
- It is one of the integral parts of the ancient Karez system of supplying water through subterranean tunnels.

9. Who has been appointed new Chairman and Managing Director of **India Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC)**__ **G Kamala Vardhana Rao**.

Note:

- Prior to this, **Mr. G Kamala Vardhana Rao** was the Principal Secretary, Kerala government.
- He has also served as the Secretary of Kerala Tourism in 2014-15.

10. Who appointed as the new Chairman of Unilever __ **Nils Andersen**.

Note:

- Nil Andersen will replace Marijn Dekkers.
- Unilever is a British-Dutch transnational consumer goods company co-headquartered in London, United Kingdom, and Rotterdam, Netherlands.

Important News – India

1. Vice President **M Venkaiah Naidu** inaugurated the 10th Asian Conference of Emergency Medicine in __ **New Delhi**.

Note:

- Mr. Naidu has stressed on the urgent need to attach high priority to emergency medicine and services in the country.
- Emergency medicine is the medical specialty that endeavors to the diagnosis and treatment of the acutely ill and injured patients.
- Within Asia, EM was first recognized in Singapore in 1984, followed by the Philippines, Turkey, South Korea, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Malaysia, Japan, Thailand and India.

2. The union minister **Harsimrat Kaur Badal** inaugurated state of **art railway station** in Punjab __ **Sultanpur Lodhi**.

Note:

- The railway station modelled on Sikh architecture has been engineered to facilitate pilgrims visiting the holy city.
- The Minister also released a book on the life and teachings of Shri Guru Nanak Dev Ji to commemorate Guru Sahab's 550th Prakash Purb.

3. The Eleventh edition of **Bal Sangam** has begun in __ **New Delhi**.

Note:

- The four-day festival will showcase enthralling folk and traditional performing arts and folk theatre dedicated to children.
- As many as twelve States including Assam, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan and Gujarat are participating in the event.

4. A five-judge Constitution Bench headed by Supreme Court Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi paved the way for the construction of a Ram Temple at __ **Ayodhya**.

Note:

- It also directed the Centre to allot an alternative five-acre plot to the Sunni Waqf Board for building a mosque at a prominent place in the holy town.

5. Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** inaugurated the Integrated check post of **Kartarpur Corridor** at Dera Baba Nanak in __ **Punjab**.

Note:

- Mr. Modi flagged off the first batch of over 500 Indian pilgrims led by Akal Takhat Jathedar Giani Harpreet Singh to Gurdwara Darbar Sahib through the corridor.
- The corridor connects 'Dera Baba Nanak' (in Gurdaspur district-India) to the 'Gurdwara Darbar Sahib' (in Kartarpur in Narowal district of Pakistan).
- The Kartarpur Gurudwara (Darbar Sahib Kartarpur) is situated on the banks of river 'Ravi', considered to be the first gurdwara ever built.

6. Who conducted the Regional level Search and Rescue Workshop and Exercise - 2019 (ReSAREX - 2019) __ **Indian Coast Guard**.

Note:

- It conducted this exercise to check the preparedness and response measures for search and rescue at sea in a coordinated manner.

- The two days event organised by the Coast Guard District Headquarters - 11 (Goa) comprised of search and rescue workshop and tabletop exercise followed by search and rescue exercise at sea.
7. India will be the host nation for the 'No Money For Terror' Conference to be held in ____ **2020**.
- Note:**
- The 'No Money For Terror' conference is organised by Financial Intelligence Units (FIUs) of over 100 countries, jointly known as the Egmont Group.
8. CJI Ranjan Gogoi releases Assamese version of book ____ **'Courts of India: Past to Present'**
- Note:**
- Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi has inaugurated the Assamese version of the book Courts of India: Past to Present' in Guwahati.
- The book has captured the historical developments which took place in the history of the nation's courts.
- The various chapters of the book narrate the historical events of the court.
9. The 25th Kolkata International Film Festival (eight-day) has begun at the Netaji Indoor Stadium ____ **Kolkata**.
- Note:**
- Bollywood actor Shahrukh Khan inaugurated the festival at a glittering function at the Netaji Indoor Stadium in the city in presence of a galaxy of cine personalities and dignitaries of cultural and sports field.
- Noted film director Mahesh Bhatt referred the contribution of Bengal's Movies in the national perspective.
- 213 feature films and 152 short and documentary films from 76 countries will be screened in 17 venues during the film extravaganza.
10. The Golden Jubilee of **International Film Festival of India (IFFI)** 2019 will screen three films for ____ **differently abled**.
- Note:**
- International Film Festival of India (IFFI) 2019 will have the screening of Accessible India Films.
- This is a collaboration between IFFI, Saksham Bharat and UNESCO with the aim to promote the creation of inclusive spaces for the differently abled to access the joy of cinema through Audio Deion
- This unique film section will witness the screening of three films, two in Hindi - Lage Raho Munna Bhai and M.S. Dhoni: The Untold Story and one in Konkani- Questao De Confusao in Konkani.
11. Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) has organized the 27th Conference of Central and State Statistical Organizations (COCSSO) in ____ **Kolkata**.
- Note:**
- The Conference has been inaugurated by Shri Pravin Srivastava, Chief Statistician of India cum Secretary, MoSPI.
- The theme of this year's Conference "Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)".
12. National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) has launched its **first all-electric experimental aircraft** named ____ **X-57 'Maxwell'**.
- Note:**
- The first delivery of the all-electric experimental aircraft was taken from Empirical Systems Aerospace (ESAero) in California, United States(US).
- Due to current battery limitations, Maxwell's design is envisioned for use in short-haul flights as an air-taxi or commuter plane for a small number of passengers.
13. The **Union government of India** has given **approval for setting up** how many **medical device parks** ____ **Four**.
- Note:**
- The **four parks** will be set up in Andhra Pradesh, **Telangana**, Tamil Nadu and Kerala.
- These parks will provide the necessary infrastructure, where companies can easily plug and play.
- The project of Andhra Pradesh Medtech Zone for creation of Common Facility Centre (CFC) for Superconducting Magnetic Coil Testing and Research was given in-principle approval recently.
14. The 50th- edition of **International Film Festival of India (IFFI)** will showcase how many movies from Russia (focused Country this year) ____ **Eight**.
- Note:**
- 'Andrei Tarkovsky: A Cinema Prayer', is one of the movies to be featured among these Russian movies.
- The documentary by Tarkovsky is considered one of his masterpieces. It recounts the director's life and works told by himself.
- In the film, he shares his memories, view of art and reflections on the destiny of the artist and the meaning of human existence.
15. Newly discovered species of spider named after ____ **Sachin Tendulkar**.

Note:

- Mr. Dhruv Prajapati is a research scholar from the Gujarat Ecological Education & Research (GEER) Foundation.
- One spider species was named after Indian cricketer Sachin Tendulkar as “Marengo Sachin Tendulkar”
- The other was named as “Indomarengo chavarpater” after Saint Kuriakose Elias Chavara, who played a key role in creating awareness on education in the state of Kerala.

16. The defence ministry is organizing Def-Connect to showcase the accomplishments of the Innovations for Defence Excellence (iDEX) initiative in ___ New Delhi.

Note:

- The conference aims to bring together all stakeholders of the iDEX ecosystem, Ministry of defence, iDEX selected startups, Partner Incubators, Defence Innovation Organisation, Nodal agencies (Indian Army, Navy, Airforce), Defence Research

17. The 39th edition of **India International Trade Fair (IITF-2019)** has been inaugurated by the union minister **Nitin Gadkari** at ___ **Pragati Maidan, New Delhi**.

Note:

- The theme for the 39th edition of the fair is ‘Ease of Doing Business’ inspired by India’s unique achievement of rising to 63rd rank on the World Bank’s Ease of Doing Business Index from 142nd rank in the year 2014.
- Several countries, including Australia, Iran, UK, and Vietnam will participate in the 14-day IITF-2019.
- This year the status of ‘Partner Country’ has been accorded to ‘The Islamic Republic of Afghanistan’ and ‘The Republic of Korea’ will be the ‘Focus Country’.
- Bihar and Jharkhand will be the focus states in this edition of the fair.

18. Air Chief Marshal **RKS Bhaduria** has inaugurated the **58th Indian Society of Aerospace Medicine (ISAM)** Annual Conference at ___ **Bengaluru**.

Note:

- The objective of the conference to address contemporary issues and applications in the subject of aerospace medicine.
- The theme for this year’s conference is ‘Changing Paradigms in Aerospace Healthcare’.

Important News – State

1. Sanskrit lovers from **17th countries** are attended the three-day mega event in ___ **New Delhi**.

Note:

- According to Minister of State for External Affairs V.Muraleedharan, Sanskrit continues to be prevalent in the society as it is used by the people across the country.
- Sanskrit words are found in most of the Indian languages. Health and Family Welfare Minister Dr.Harsh Vardhan was also present on the occasion.

2. **Cyclone Bulbul** claims at least ten lives and affected **2.73 lakh families** as it hit the coastal districts of ___ **West Bengal**.

Note:

- The cyclone has also damaged hundreds of houses. Nearly two lakh people have been moved to relief camps set up in nine places of the state.
- Hundreds of uprooted trees have blocked thoroughfares in Kolkata and its fringe areas.

3. The **state Govt.** has given approval to the world’s first **CNG terminal** at Bhavnagar port ___ **Gujarat**.

Note:

- The joint venture of United Kingdom-based Foresight Group and Mumbai-based Padmanabh Mafatlal Group will invest 1,900 crore rupees to set up a CNG terminal at Bhavnagar port.
- Proposed CNG terminal will have an annual capacity of 1.5 metric tonnes.
- At present, the Bhavnagar port is operated by Gujarat Maritime Board, which is handling three metric tones of cargo annually.

4. As per Maharashtra Governor’s **Bhagat Singh Koshyari** recommendation, **President Ram Nath Kovind** signed a proclamation imposing **President’s rule** in ___ **Maharashtra**.

Note:

- The state legislative assembly has been kept under suspended animation
- In India, the president's rule is the suspension of state government and imposition of direct central government rule in a state.

5. Gujarat Chief Minister **Vijay Rupani** has launched an **online registration portal** to facilitate setting up of new ____ **MSME units**.
Note:
 - Mr. Rupani approved the **first online application** through the portal and issued a certificate through an **e-mail** to a woman entrepreneur.
6. The **Supreme Court** upheld the disqualification of **Congress-JD (S) MLA** who had resigned earlier this year__ **17 MLAs**.
Note:
 - Now, the Supreme Court allowed them to contest the election.
 - The speaker of legislative assembly Ramesh Kumar had disqualified 17 rebel MLAs before the confidence motion of the HD Kumaraswamy government in the assembly.
 - Kumaraswamy's government resigned after failing to get a trust vote in the assembly.
7. The Haryana government has decided to bring more crops under its ____ **'Bhavantar Bharpayee Yojna (BBY)' scheme**.
Note:
 - The decision was taken at a BBY's review meeting which was presided by Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar.
 - Under BBY scheme, farmers get compensated for selling their crop at a price lower than that fixed by the government
8. Defence Minister **Rajnath Singh** visited Arunachal Pradesh to attend the Maitree Diwas celebrations (11th edition) at ____ **Tawang**.
Note:
 - Maitree Diwas (Civil-Military Friendship) will be celebrated for two days at Gyalwa Tsangyang Gyatso High Altitude Stadium Tawang.
 - Mr. Rajnath Singh will also inaugurate Sisseri River Bridge and National Highway-52 in East Siang District.
9. Who has constituted an **Economic Advisory Council (EAC)** for **five years to promote industries** in the state__ **Haryana**.
Note:
 - The Economic Advisory Council will comprise membership-based advisory panel and will be headed by the Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar
 - This council would be constituted for 5 years, in which the government members would remain as permanent members of the council, while the members of the private sector would serve a term of 2 years.
10. The Uttar Pradesh government has launched a dedicated web portal and a mobile application for sugarcane farmers of the state__ **e-Ganna App**.
Note:
 - Now, Cane supply slip will be issued to the farmers by sugar mills online.
 - The web portal and e-Ganna App will help in eradicating cane mafia and middleman and strengthen cane development societies.
 - The portal and the App will ensure transparency in the process of getting slips and facilitate sugarcane supply by farmers to mills and check irregularities.
11. The **Assam State Commission for Protection of Child Rights** has launched a mobile app ____ **Sishu Suraksha App**.
Note:
 - The purpose of the app is to empower citizens to take moral responsibility for protecting future generations.
 - The app can be used by anyone in the state to lodge a complaint which will be directly registered at Commission.

Important News – World

1. According to **US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)**, The US has announced the increase of H-1B work visa application fee by ____ **10 US Dollars**.
Note:
 - The non-refundable fee will support the new electronic registration system to make the H-1B cap selection process more efficient.
 - Petitioners seeking to file H-1B cap-subject petitions will first have to electronically register with the USCIS during a designated registration period.
 - The electronic registration system is part of an agency-wide initiative to modernise the immigration system while deterring fraud.

2. Iran and Russia inaugurated a new phase of construction for a second reactor at Iran's sole nuclear power plant in ____ Bushehr.

Note:

- The reactor is one of two officially under construction since 2017 at the Bushehr site.
- The landmark 2015 nuclear deal Iran signed with six major powers, including Russia, placed restrictions on the sort of nuclear reactor Tehran could develop and its production of nuclear fuel.
- As part of the agreement, Moscow provides Tehran with the fuel it needs for its electricity-generating nuclear reactors.

3. Petroleum Minister Dharmendra Pradhan visited the United Arab Emirates (UAE) to attend the inaugural Ministerial session of ____ **Abu Dhabi International Petroleum Exhibition and Conference**.

Note:

- The Minister is scheduled to meet his UAE counterpart Minister of Energy and Industry, Suhail Mohamed Faraj Al Mazrouei.
- Both the countries will discuss issues of bilateral hydrocarbon as well as steel sector engagements.

4. BRICS trade ministers meeting has been started in ____ **Brasilia**.

Note:

- MoU on trade and investment promotion between agencies of all the 5 BRICS countries will be signed after the meeting.
- Commerce minister Piyush Goyal is leading the Indian delegation.
- Later, Power minister R K Singh will attend the meeting of BRICS power ministers where deliberations will focus on clean energy and harnessing the strengths of each other in the energy sector.

5. The fifth edition of **Global Exhibition on Services (GES)**- 2019 will be held at ____ **Bengaluru**.

Note:

- The Global Exhibition on Services is an annual event which aims to engage industry and governments across the world and to promote greater exchange of trade in services between India and the rest of the world.
- GES 2019 is an attempt towards escalating the Indian services bar in the global arena, encompassing participation from 100 countries and hosting sector-specific knowledge sessions.
- India is looking to attract investments and partnerships in strategic areas like aviation and space programme, infrastructure, and telecom projects.

6. Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** attended the 11th BRICS Summit in ____ **Brasilia**.

Note:

- BRICS Business Forum will enhance the business collaborations between BRICS countries and deepen the relations with the New Development Bank.
- The theme of the Summit this year is "Economic Growth for an Innovative Future".
- BRICS brings together five major economies of Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa having 23% of the global GDP and around 17% of the share in world trade.

7. Who will host **19th SCO Heads of Government Council** in 2020 ____ **India**.

Note:

- It is the first such high-level meeting of the eight-member grouping to be organised by New Delhi after its admission into the grouping in 2017.

Honor & Awards

1. West Bengal based writer won an award at Dhaka Lit-fest ____ **Abhisek Sarkar**.

Note:

- West Bengal-based writer Abhisek Sarkar and Bangladeshi poet Rofiquzzaman Rony were given the Gemcon Young Literature Award and Gemcon Young Poetry Award.
- Abhisek and Rofiquzzaman won the awards for their manus, "Nishiddho" and "Dhoashar Tamate Rong," respectively.
- The special focus of this year's lit-fest is on Indigenous Languages as the UNESCO has marked 2019 as the year of Indigenous Language Protection.

2. The Raja Ram Mohan Roy award will be presented to Rajasthan Patrika group chairman ____ **Gulab Kothari**.

Note:

- Mr Kothari was selected for the prestigious award by the Press Council of India for his outstanding contribution in the field of journalism.
- 3. TVS Motor Chairman conferred with Deming award __ **Srinivasan**.
Note:
 - Venu Srinivasan (Chairman of TVS Motor Company and Sundaram Clayton) was conferred with the prestigious Deming Distinguished Service Award For Dissemination and Promotion Overseas.
 - Srinivasan becomes the first industrialist from India to be bestowed this prestigious award for his contributions in the field of total quality management (TQM).
- 4. Who will be honoured with **Lesley Ho Asian Film Talent Award** at the Singapore International Film Festival (SIFF) __ **Nawazuddin Siddiqui**.
Note:
 - He will be awarded for his Netflix's Emmy-nominated original series Sacred Games.
 - Earlier, Nawazuddin Siddiqui was honoured by the Golden Dragon Award at the Cardiff International Film Festival for his excellence in cinema in the International market.
 - The Lesley Ho Asian Film Talent Award is one of the most honourable awards on the global platform.
- 5. Wildlife biologist was awarded the Wildlife Conservation Society's George Schaller Lifetime Award in Wildlife Conservation Science __ **K. Ullas Karanth**.
Note:
 - K. Ullas Karanth has been awarded for his contribution to the field of conservation.
 - His research is described as pioneering and groundbreaking with focus on the ecology of tigers, predator-prey population ecology, sympatric predators and other large mammals, and mitigation of human-wildlife conflicts.
 - The award is instituted by Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS), New York.
- 6. Writer, translator and film critic has been conferred with Tata Literature Live Lifetime Achievement Award 2019 __ **Shanta Gokhale**.
Note:
 - Poet K Satchidanandan was named the Tata Literature Live! Poet Laureate for 2019.
 - Recently, Gokhale published her memoir One Foot on the Ground: A Life Told Through the Body.
 - Satchidanandan has represented the country at several literary meetings overseas and headed many national literary institutions.
- 7. The prestigious **Munin Barkotoki Literary Award 2018** in Assam has been given to young writer-critic __ **Dr Debabhuson Borah**.
Note:
 - He has been awarded for his book on literary criticism titled 'Nirbochon'.
 - The award carries a cash prize of Rs 50,000 along with with a citation and a plaque.
 - The Munin Barkotoki Memorial Trust announced the annual Award instituted to encourage young and promising writers in Assamese.

Sports News

- 1. Who has become the **first Indian man** and **second in world cricket** to complete 100 T-20 Internationals __ **Rohit Sharma**.
Note:
 - He reached the milestone when he led the team in the second match against Bangladesh at the Saurashtra Cricket Association Stadium.
 - Shoaib Malik with 111 games from Pakistan is the only player to have played more than 100 T20 Internationals.
- 2. India will host the 2023 Men's Hockey World Cup from __ **13th to 29th January**.
Note:
 - The decisions were made during FIH's Executive Board Meeting in Lausanne, Switzerland.
 - The venues of both the men's and women's World Cups will be announced by the host nations at a later date.
- 3. Two-time Olympic champion will retire because of fears about her sight __ **Nicola Adams**.
Note:
 - Nicola Adams became the first-ever women's Olympic boxing champion at London 2012.
 - Adams successfully defended her title in the 2016 Rio Olympic Games.

4. Who won China Open 2019 __ **Kento Momota**.

Note:

- Japan's Kento Momota (world number -1) defeated Taiwan's Tien-chen (world number-2) to retain his Fuzhou China Open Badminton title.
- Chinese player Chen Yufei successfully defended the women's title with a victory over Japan's Nozomi Okuhara.
- Chen Yufei beat Okuhara 21-9, 21-12, 21-18.

5. Who won silver medal in **Men's 10m air pistol event** at Asian Championship__ **Saurabh Chaudhary**.

Note:

- Saurabh Chaudhary claimed the silver medal in men's 10m air pistol event to continue India's surge at the 14th Asian Championship in Doha.
- Korea's Kim Song Guk won the top prize with a world record 246.5.
- Iran's Foroughi Javed bagged the bronze.
- India won six Olympic quotas across events from the prestigious championship, taking their total to 15.

6. India's Javelin thrower has won a gold medal in the men's F46 javelin throw event at World Para Athletics Championships in Dubai__ **Sundar Singh Gurjar**

Note:

- Gurjar came up with his season's best effort of 61.22m to claim the top spot
- While Yogesh Kathuniya added a silver for India in men's discus throw F56 event with a best throw of 42.05m yesterday.

7. Who has become the youngest Indian Cricketer to score a half- century in International Cricket__ **Shafali Verma (15-years- and 285 days)**.

Note:

- Shafali Verma's 73 runs (49-ball) in the first T20 International against West Indies surpassing Sachin Tendulkar's 30-year-old record.
- Shafali achieved the feat surpassing batting legend Tendulkar, who had notched up his maiden Test fifty at 16 years and 214 days.

Banking & Financial Awareness

1. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a fine of Rs 5 lakh on prepaid payment instrument __ **Oxigen Services**.

Note:

- The move was taken in exercise of powers vested under Section 30 of the Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007, for non-compliance of regulatory guidelines.
- Oxigen Services facilitates payment processing and money transfer services.

2. Global rating agency **Moody's Investors Service** has lowered the outlook on the government of India's ratings to 'negative' from ____ **stable**.

Note:

- It affirmed the Baa2 foreign-currency and local-currency long-term issuer ratings for India.
- Moody's also affirmed India's local-currency senior unsecured rating and another short-term local-currency rating.
- India's economy grew only 5.0% year-on-year between April and June, its weakest pace since 2013

3. **Bajaj Allianz General Insurance** has launched a new mobile app to help the farmers needs and address their worries__ **Farmitra**.

Note:

- It also resolves with relevant information, which they can use in optimizing their farming practices.
- The app 'Farmitra' provides services for even those who are not customers of Bajaj Allianz.
- Currently, the application is implemented in 6 states (Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka, Maharashtra and Haryana).

4. Reserve Bank has increased the household income limits for borrowers of Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs) and microfinance institutions (MFIs) from 1 lakh to **1.25 lakh rupees**.

Note:

- The move is aimed at strengthening credit to those at the bottom of the economic pyramid in rural areas.
- Similarly, the limit has been increased from 1.6 lakh for urban or semi-urban areas to 2 lakh rupees.
- The limit has been increased after taking into consideration the important role played by microfinance institutions in delivering credit to those at the bottom of the economic pyramid and to enable them to play their assigned role in a growing economy.

5. Public sector banking has lowered its lending rates by 5 basis points across all tenors **State Bank of India**.

Note:

- It has also sharply slashed the deposits pricing between 15 and 75 basis points. It will be effective from 10th of November.
- This is the seventh consecutive cut in lending rates by the bank this fiscal.
- The bank also reduced the interest rate on retail term deposit by 15 basis points for one year to less than two years' tenor.
- The bulk term deposit interest rates have been reduced by 30 to 75 basis points across tenors.

6. Who has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with SFA as part of the growing Singapore-India fintech ecosystems **Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)**.

Note:

- The MoU was signed during the Fourth edition of Singapore Fintech Festival.
- Singapore Fintech Festival is the world's largest financial technology platform along with Singapore Week of Innovation and Technology conducted from 11-13 November 2019.

7. The economic research team from the State Bank of India (SBI) has revised India's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) for the FY20 **5%**.

Note:

- This downgrade was due to global slowdown in the index of industrial production (IIP).
- The SBI economic research team group has projected the second quarter (July-September) GDP growth at 4.2% in their report titled "EcoWrap".

8. Who has launched 'mobile ATMs' in Kalaburagi, among several other districts in the Karnataka **Karnataka Gramin Bank (KGB)**.

Note:

- The special vehicle includes an ATM and a screen to show videos of different banking schemes.
- The mobile ATMs will go to the doorsteps of the farmers and make them aware of the banking schemes and digital operating systems.

9. Who has launched an instant digital savings account along with Fixed Deposit (FD) and Privilege Savings Account to offer distinctive banking and digital services to its customers **Ujjivan Small Finance Bank**.

Note:

- **Instant Digital SA account:** This account has the restriction of Rs 1 lakh deposit & has the unlimited free transactions on the bank's own ATM (automated teller machine) and 6 free transactions for other bank ATMs per month.
- **Instant Fixed Deposit (FD):** With interest rate ranging from 5.5% (7days to 29 days) & up to 8.3% (799 days), the customers can invest in this account up to a maximum of Rs. 1 Lakh without a Savings Account.

Obituaries

1. Former **Chief Election Commissioner** (CEC) passed away in Chennai **TN Seshan**.

Note:

- Mr Seshan (IAS Officer: 1955 batch) was appointed CEC on 12th December 1990 during the P V Narasimha Rao led Congress government.
- He is widely credited for bringing in electoral reforms that changed the face of Indian elections.
- The rules range from issues related to speeches, polling day, polling booths, portfolios, the content of election manifestos, processions and general conduct so that free and fair elections are conducted.

2. Padma Shri-awardee **Dhrupad vocalist passed away___**Ramakant Gundecha**.****Note:**

- He was awarded the Padma Shri for 2012 in the field of Art – Indian Classical Music – Vocal along with his brother Umakant Gundecha.
- Dhrupad is a genre in Hindustani classical music from the Indian subcontinent and is related to the South Indian Carnatic tradition.

3. Sahitya Akademi awardee writer passed away___Nabaneeta Dev Sen**.****Note:**

- She was also the recipient of the Padma Shri in 2000. She is the founder and president of the West Bengal Women Writers' Association.
- Nabaneeta Dev Sen's 1978 book on 'Naxal movement in Bengal' was published in English.

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