

The supercomputer, named 'Param Kanchenjunga', was formally unveiled by Sikkim Governor Shrinivas Patil at the National Institute of Technology (NIT) Sikkim campus at Ravangla in South Sikkim District. It has been named after Kangchenjunga mountain, the third highest mountain in the world which lies partly in Nepal and partly in Sikkim. Param Kanchenjunga has been jointly developed by Pune-based Centre for Development of Advanced Computing 'C-DAC' and the NIT Sikkim at a cost of three crore rupees. The supercomputer is expected to help achieve excellence in research and engineering education in the north-east region.

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India, US to collaborate on tackling offshore tax evasion

India and the US have agreed to enhance collaboration on tackling offshore tax evasion and increase cooperation in sharing of cross-border tax information.

Union Finance Minister, Arun Jaitley and US Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew told in a Joint Statement that we are committed to continued collaboration and sharing of experience in tackling offshore tax evasion and avoidance, including joint tax audits and tax examination abroad.

The statement was issued after Mr Jaitley and Mr. Jacob Lew co-chaired the 6th US-India Economic and Financial Partnership (EFP) in Washington on the sidelines of the annual Spring Meeting of the IMF and the World Bank.

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As per the Haryana Municipal (Amendment) Bill, 2016 and Haryana Municipal Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2016, what will be the minimum educational qualification for a candidate of the general category ?

A. Class V

B. Class XII

C. Class X

D. Class VIII

Answer & Explanation

Answer – C. Class X

Explanation – The Haryana Assembly passed The Haryana Municipal (Amendment) Bill, 2016 and Haryana Municipal Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2016 making it mandatory for those contesting the polls for urban local bodies to have a minimum educational qualification. As per the amendments, the minimum educational qualification for a candidate of the general category would be Class X.

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The Union Finance Minister has extended the safeguard duty on import of some steel products to how many years ?

A.3

B.5

C.2

D.1

Answer & Explanation

Answer – C.2

Explanation – The Union Finance Minister has extended the safeguard duty on import of some steel products by two years i.e till March 2018. The duty will be on the products which are imported at or above the minimum import price (MIP).

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In accordance with the "The Yearbook" published by UNIDO, India has been ranked at which position in the list of world's 10 largest manufacturing countries ?

A.5th

B.8th

C.6th

D.3rd

Answer & Explanation

Answer – C.6th

Explanation – In accordance with the "The Yearbook" published by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), India has been positioned at 6th place among the world's 10 largest manufacturing countries.

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Recently, HRD ministry released "India Rankings 2016" covering 3500 educational institutes. Which of the following topped the list in university category ?

A. Central University of Hyderabad

B. Indian Institute of Science

C. Institute of Chemical Technology

D. Jawaharlal Nehru University

Answer & Explanation

Answer – B. Indian Institute of Science

Explanation – IISc, Bangalore (which is a deemed University) is rated as the top ranked university.

India's first semi-high speed train "Gatimaan Express" will run between which of the following stations ?

A.Hazrat Nizamuddin – Agra

B.Agra – Mumbai

C.Lucknow – Delhi

D.Chennai – Hazrat Nizamuddin

Answer & Explanation

Answer – A.Hazrat Nizamuddin – Agra

Explanation – India's first semi-high speed train "Gatimaan Express" flagged off by Union Railway Minister Suresh Prabhu. It will run between Hazrat Nizamuddin Railway Station and Agra Cantonment Station.

Union Government has rechristened the Panagrah Airbase in honour of the _____ who was the marshal of the Air Force Station.

A.Arjun Mehta

B.Arjan Singh

C.Mohit Singh

D.Dalbir Singh

Answer & Explanation

Answer – B.Arjan Singh

Explanation : Union Govt. has decided to rename the Panagarh airbase which is located in West Bengal as Airforce Station Arjan Singh in honour of the former IAF Marshal Arjan Singh and this honous came on the 97th Birthday of Arjan Singh.

A famous Travels assistance firm Noble Travels has recently inducted Online Visa assistance portal to get the information and facilitation services. Find the portal?

A.VisaforSure

B.Visaonhand

C.SureforVisa

D.Visaready

Answer & Explanation

Answer – A.VisaforSure

Explanation : Noble Travels has launched its online Visa assistance portal and will be offering information and facilitation services to customers. Earlier launched its hotel room auction and Bidding website.

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Spanish Rafael Nadal won his ninth Monte Carlo Masters title by defeating Gael Monfils of which country in France?

A.Denmark

B.Switzerland

C.France

D.Russia

Answer & Explanation

Answer – C.France

Explanation : Rafael Nadal won the Eight successive titles between 2005 and 2012 and he won his 100th career title clash.

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Finance Minister Arun Jaitley has attended the 93rd meeting of Development Committee of which Organisation to emphasize the FDI inflows in Country?

A.International Monetary Fund

B.World Bank

C.Asian Development Bank

D.BRICS Development Bank

Answer & Explanation

Answer – B.World Bank

Explanation : Finance Ministry accompanied with RBI Governor Raghuram Rajan and Chief Economic Advisor Arvind Subramanian to attend the Spring meetings of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank, a UN session on the drugs problem.

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Silicon Valley's Legendary 'Coach' has passed away in April 2016. Identify the Name.

A. Bill Capedown

B. Bill Campbell

C. Bill Madonna

D. Bill McKenzie

Answer & Explanation

Answer – B. Bill Campbell

Explanation : A former Ivy League football coach Bill Campbell passed away at the age of 75. He was the management guru for Apple co-founder Steve Jobs and other Silicon Valley luminaries and he garnered the name "The Coach" for the sage advice and counsel.

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4th Nuclear Security Summit 2016

The fourth Nuclear Security Summit (NSS) was held in Washington, United States on March 31-April 1 2016. Chinese President Xi Jinping and around 50 other world leaders are gathered to discuss efforts to prevent terrorist acquisition of nuclear materials. At the NSS, the Prime Minister announced that Canada will invest an additional \$42 million in the Global Partnership Program – over the next two years – to improve nuclear and radiological security world-wide. In support of the Global Coalition Against the so-called Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL), Canada announced it would invest \$51 million – over three years – to build the capacity of counter-terrorism programs in the Middle East and North Africa. The first Nuclear Security Summit was held in Washington DC in 2010 and the second NSS was held in Seoul in 2012. The third summit was held in The Hague, Netherlands in 2014.

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"Index" to compute Organisation's Attitude towards Disabled Persons

In order to promote the empowerment of persons with disabilities, "Sugamya Bharat Abhiyan" aka "Inclusiveness and Accessibility Index" has been instigated by the Government of India in partnership with Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI).

It was launched by Urban Development, Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation and Parliamentary Affairs, Shri M Venkaiah Naidu.

This index would help the corporate sector in evaluating their policies for inclusion of the differently-abled.

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Tran Dai Quang Elected Vietnam's new President

The National Assembly (NA) of Vietnam on 2 April elected Tran Dai Quang as the country's president in capital Hanoi. Quang has been elected and sworn in as the president with 452 yes votes out of 481 valid ballots at the ongoing 11th session of the 13th NA. Prior to the election, Quang has been serving as Vietnamese Minister of Public Security from 2011. A resolution on electing Quang as Vietnamese President was later adopted by the NA.

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Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal launched Phase I of Green Delhi initiative

Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal launched the Green Delhi programme by planting trees at the Triangular Park at New Delhi.

The initiative was launched in line with a detailed action plan submitted by the AAP government to the Apex Court after it demanded information on steps being taken to improve air quality and reduce air pollution.

There has been a huge rise in vehicular pollution because the number of vehicles plying on the roads of Delhi is more than that of three Metropolitan cities of Mumbai, Kolkata and Chennai. Air pollution is the 5th largest killer in India by WHO Report.

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World's First White Tiger Safari In Madhya Pradesh

Union Minister for Environment and Forests Prakash Javdekar on 3 April inaugurated a White Tiger Safari at Mukundpur in Satna district of Madhya Pradesh. The Safari is situated adjacent to the Mukundpur Zoo which is spread over 75 hectares. The first of its kind safari has cost 50 crore rupees and is spread over an area of 25 hectares. With its inauguration, the safari houses three white tigers, including one male named Raghu and two females named Vindhya and Radha.

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PM Modi visit to Belgium, USA and Saudi Arabia – An Overview

Prime Minister Narendra Modi was on a 3 nation tour to Belgium, United States and Saudi Arabia from March 30, 2016 to April 3, 2016.

The 13th Summit between the European Union and India took place in Brussels on 30 March 2016.

2016 Nuclear Security Summit

NaMo announced n – security plans in the US as a part of the Summit

Indo – US MoU for LIGO project

5 MoUs were signed between India and Saudi Arabia

NaMo Conferred with Saudi Arabia's highest Civilian order

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Philippines Launches World's First Public Immunization Program For Dengue

The Philippines on 4 April launched the first public immunization program for dengue fever, seeking to administer to a million school children the world's first licensed vaccine against a mosquito-borne disease that the World Health Organization estimates infects 390 million people a year globally. Mexico was first country in the world to approve first-ever Dengvaxia Dengue fever vaccine for the public use and Philippines was the first country in Asia to allow it. However with the launch of first public dengue vaccination programme, Philippines became first country to introduce, adopt and implement the first-ever dengue vaccine through the public health system and under public school settings.

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India hosts Asia-Pacific Remote Sensing Symposium

India hosts Asia-Pacific Remote Sensing Symposium from April 4 to 7 to discuss on the applications of remote sensing technologies for disaster mitigation and to better monitor global climate change. The symposium is organized by the Indian Society of Remote Sensing (ISRS), a professional society of more than 4000 scientists and researchers and attended by the chief of National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) among heads of several other space agencies.

President of French National Space Agency, Vice-President of Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency, Vice-Administrator of China National Space Administration, Director General of EUMETSAT and Mexican Space Agency are also participated at the event.

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RBI cuts Repo Rate by 25 Basis Points To 6.5%

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has cut down repo rate by 25 basis points to 6.5 per cent from 6.75 per cent, with immediate effect. It was announced in the first bi-monthly monetary policy review of the RBI for the 2016-17 fiscal. First bi-monthly monetary policy for the 2016-17 says Repo rate: RBI has reduced the policy repo rate under the liquidity adjustment facility (LAF) by 25 basis points from 6.75 per cent to 6.5 per cent. It is the rate at which RBI lends to the financial system. Cash reserve ratio (CRR): RBI has unchanged CRR and kept it at 4.0 per cent of net demand and time liabilities (NDTL). Reverse repo rate: RBI has adjusted (hiked) reverse repo rate under the LAF to 6 per cent.

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A Historic moment! ! UIDAI produced 100 crore Aadhaars

The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) touched the historic point in a range of five and a half years by producing the 100th crore Aadhaar.

The first Aadhaar was issued in 2010.

This major landmark had achieved just after the government notification of Aadhaar (Targeted Delivery of Financial and other Subsidies, benefits and services) Act, 2016 which will give statutory

support to exchange of subsidies and advantages to qualified individuals having Aadhaar (UID) number.

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Recently, Union Minister of Textiles Shri Santosh Gangwar inaugurated three mega textile projects in which of the following Indian states ?

A.Mizoram

B.Assam

C.Manipur

D.Nagaland

Answer & Explanation

Answer – D.Nagaland

Explanation – Union Minister of State for Ministry of Textiles Shri Santosh Gangwar initiated three mega textile projects in Nagaland as a part of North East Textile Promotion Scheme (NERTPS).

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2016 Asian Nations Cup Chess tournament title has been clinched by which of the following country?

A.Iran

B.India

C.Vietnam

D.China

Answer & Explanation

Answer – B.India

Explanation – 2016 Asian Nations Cup Chess tournament title has been clinched by Indian men by defeating Vietnam in the final round by 3-1 score held in Abu Dhabi.

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Which of the following has appointed as the new Prime Minister of Vietnam?

A. Tran Dai Quang

B. Nguyen Xuan Phuc

C. Truong Tan Sang

D. Nguyen Phu Trong

Answer & Explanation

Answer – B. Nguyen Xuan Phuc

Explanation – National Assembly (Parliament) of Vietnam approved Nguyen Xuan Phuc as the country's eighth Prime Minister.

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United Kingdom's prestigious Founders Award 2016 has been conferred upon which of the following?

- A. Vikram Patel
- B. Rami Ranger
- C. Prakash Lohia
- D. Mother Teresa

Answer & Explanation

Answer – D. Mother Teresa

Explanation – "The saint of the gutters", Mother Teresa has been posthumously conferred with the United Kingdom's prestigious Founders Award 2016.

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Miss India World 2016 title has been conferred upon which of the following?

- A. Pankhuri Gidwan
- B. Navneet Dhillon
- C. Priyadarshini Chatterjee
- D. Sushruthi Krishna

Answer & Explanation

Answer & Explanation

Answer – C. Priyadarshini Chatterjee

Explanation – Delhi girl, Priyadarshini Chatterjee was announced as the winner of FBB Femina Miss India World by Bollywood superstar Shah Rukh Khan during a star-studded ceremony.

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Union Government recently passed the Gurdwara Amendment bill 2016 to provide the Right to _____ Sikhs to vote in the Elections?

A.Sahjhardi

B.Ramgharia

C.Jat

D.Keshdhari

Answer & Explanation

Answer – A.Sahjhardi

Explanation : Under Sikh Gurdwara Act, 1925, every Sikh who is above 21 years of age can cast their vote in the Sikh Gurdwara Prabandhak Committee Election.

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Indian Navy to set up a New Naval detachment at _____ of Lakshadweep as part of measures to enhance surveillance of crucial shipping lanes.

A.Kalpeni

B.Androth

C.Kavaratti

D.Agatti Island

Answer & Explanation

Answer – B.Androth

Explanation : Lakshadweep and Minicoy islands occupy a Strategic location in the Arabian Sea. The Detachment will enhance the surveillance and contribute significant strength to Security and Stability.

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Union Government nods to Memorandum of Understanding of IRDAI with which nation Insurance Authority to pave the way for enhanced cooperation in Insurance supervision?

A.Saudi

B.Qatar

C.UAE

D.Japan

Answer & Explanation

Answer – C. UAE

Explanation : Union government has gives its ex-post facto approval for the MoU that links Hyderabad based Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India and Insurance Authority of United Arab Emirates.

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Who was appointed as the Director General (DG) of Railways Protection Force (RPF) that runs under the authority of Ministry of Railways?

- A.Rajendra Bhahuguna
- B.Surendra Kumar Bhagat
- C.Surender Kumar Bhagat
- D.Rajender Khanna

Answer & Explanation

Answer – C.Surender Kumar Bhagat

Explanation : Uttarakhand cadre Senior IPS officer Surender Kumar Bhagat was appointed as the Director General (DG) of Railways Protection Force (RPF) was approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC). He will serve the Railway Board till the date of his superannuation that is on 30 June 2017.

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Who has been awarded Nelson Mandela Graça Machel Innovation Award for the 2016?

- A.Tabassum Adnan
- B.Malala
- C.Adnan Mehboothi
- D.Madonna

Answer & Explanation

Answer – A.Tabassum Adnan

Explanation : Swat activist Tabassum Adnan wins 2016 Nelson Mandela Award. Pakistani activist Tabassum Adnan, who fights for women's rights, has won the Nelson Mandela – Graça Machel Innovation Award 2016 in the individual activist category.

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Which State/Union Territory has been decided to host National Level Celebration of International Yoga day on 21st June 2016?

- A.Chattishgarh

B.New Delhi

C.Chandigarh

D.Maharashtra

Answer & Explanation

Answer – C.Chandigarh

Explanation : It has been decided that Punjab & Haryana Capital Chandigarh to host International Yoga day for the year 2016 which was firstly observed on 21st June and observed world over by millions on the same day.

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Scientists in Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre lab recently made the world's Lightest material to be used to withstand thermal?

A.Hydrogen aerogel

B.Silica Sol

C.Hydrogen Sol

D.Silica aerogel

Answer & Explanation

Answer – D.Silica aerogel

Explanation : The Space Centre told that it is the world's lightest synthetic material made by man. ISRO is planning to use the material on moon rover in Chandrayan 2 mission.

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Who has been awarded Best Actress award in an International narrative feature honour at Tribeca film festival in New York?

A.Priyanka Chopra

B.RadhikaApte

C.DeepikaPadukone

D.Katrina Kaif

Answer & Explanation

Answer – B.Radhika Apte

Explanation : She is an Indian Film Actress and acted various Languages has won best actress award for her contribution in the Film Madly.

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Union Minister JP Nadda Inaugurates first Central Government Current Good Manufacturing Practise complaint facility for Manufacture of DPT and TT Vaccine in which state?

A.Arunachal Pradesh

B.Himachal Pradesh

C.Andhra Pradesh

D.Madhya Pradesh

Answer & Explanation

Answer – B.Himachal Pradesh

Explanation : At the Central Research Institute, Kasauli in Himachal Pradesh where JP Nadda inaugurates the CGMP Compliant facility and also launched the website of Central Research Institute.

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Indian Army Conducts Battle Exercise 'Shatrujeet' In Rajasthan

The Indian Army conducted major battle exercise named as 'Shatrujeet' in the Thar Desert of Rajasthan near to the border with Pakistan. The sole purpose of the exercise was to evaluate the capability of the Indian Army and fine tune its proactive war strategy to respond swiftly to any threat to nation's security. The 2016 Shatrujeet battle exercise was steered by the Mathura based 1 Corps, one of the three principle strike corps of the Indian Army. It aimed to evaluate the capability of the Indian Army to strike deep into enemy territory in an integrated air-land battle environment. It was an operation-oriented exercise that focused on validating integrated battle theatre fighting concept.

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Jharkhand Government launched Bhimrao Ambedkar Awas Yojana for widows

Jharkhand Government launched Bhimrao Ambedkar Awas Yojana for widows. The special features of the scheme mentioned below.

A target of 11,000 units (houses) has been set in the current financial year for the programme, he said adding Rs 80 crore has been earmarked in the budget for it.

Rs 75,000 would be granted to build a house in districts in hilly terrains and Rs 70,000 in plains in three instalments

The widows would also get pension

Commission for Schedule Caste would be set up soon.

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Rafael Nadal Won 9th Monte Carlo Title

Spain's Rafael Nadal on 17 April defeated France's Gael Monfils to grab the 2016 Monte Carlo Masters title. Nadal, appearing in his 100th Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) Tour final, won 7-5 5-7 6-0 in 2 hours 46 minutes to claim his ninth title, but his first since 2012.

World's largest 'charkha' to be on display at IGI airport

Wooden Charkha -spinning wheel which is largest in the world is planned to be installed at Terminal 3 of the Indira Gandhi International Airport here is ready for dispatch from a unit of Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) in Ahmedabad.

It was the initiative of KVIC Chairman V K Saxena who decided to install the world's largest charkha at the international airport in Delhi.

This is to showcase India's symbol of non-violence to the world through the airport where around 2, 50,000 people/tourists visit every day.

World Heritage Day 2016 Observed Globally

International Day for Monuments and Sites traditionally called World Heritage Day was observed across the world on 18 April with theme 'The Heritage of Sport'. The theme was decided by the International Council for Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) in the backdrop of Rio Olympics 2016 that is to be hosted in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in August 2016. The first world Heritage Day was celebrated on 18 April 1982 by the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) in Tunisia and was approved in 1983 by UNESCO. ICOMOS was created at the Second Congress of Architects and Specialists of Historic Buildings, held in Venice in 1964, which adopted 13 resolutions, the first being the International Charter for the Conservation and Restoration of Monuments and Sites, better known as the Venice Charter, and the second, put forward by UNESCO.

Shri Piyush Goyal Releases Report of Technical Committee on Large Scale Integration of Renewable Energy

Union Minister of Power, Coal and New and Renewable Energy Piyush Goyal released Report of the Technical Committee on Large Scale Integration of Renewable Energy in India.

Ministry of Power constituted a high level Technical Committee with members from, Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC), Central Electricity Authority (CEA), renewable rich states like Gujarat, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal and Various Organisations.

The Committee has published a 15 point Action Plan for facilitating large scale integration of renewable in the country, in a secure and reliable manner.

President Presented Hindi Sevi Samman Awards

"President Pranab Mukherjee on 19 April presented the Hindi Sevi Samman Awards to 39 scholars in seven different categories for the years 2012, 2013 and 2014. The awards were distributed at a function at Rashtrapati Bhavan. The Hindi Sevi Samman Awards were instituted by Central Hindi Institute, Agra in 1989. Fourteen scholars receive this award in seven different categories every year for their contribution in the field of Hindi language and literature."

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PM Modi inaugurates Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Narayana super-specialty hospital in Katra

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated a 230 bedded Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Narayana Super specialty Hospital in Katra in Jammu and Kashmir.

For the hospital operation the board has entered into an agreement with Narayana Hrudayalaya Ltd, Bangalore that operates 32 hospitals across the country.

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Union Govt Merged Rajiv Gandhi Khel Abhiyaan with Khelo India

The Union Government has merged Rajiv Gandhi Khel Abhiyan (RGKA), launched by the UPA government, with the Khelo India programme for development of sports. Two other sport projects, Urban Sports Infrastructure Scheme (USIS) and National Sports Talent Search Scheme (NSTSS), launched by the Congress-led UPA regime have also been absorbed under Khelo India. Khelo India is based on Gujarat's model of Khel Mahakumbh, in which schools and colleges from different parts of the country participate in about 27 disciplines. Similarly, the Sports Authority of Gujarat (SAG) organises summer camps under this project every year.

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Dr. Harsh Vardhan visit to Nagaland

Union Minister for Science & Technology and Earth Science Harsh Vardhan in his a two-day maiden visit to Nagaland.

During the visit he inaugurated DBT created Biotech Infrastructure facility at ICAR- National Research Centre on Mithun, Jharnapani.

The minister also inaugurated Twinning Network Project on Chemical Ecology of North Eastern Region at Nagaland Science and Technology Council.

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New Delhi Based Indian council of Medical research joint venture with which company for research and development in preventive health?

A.Vicks

B.Sun Pharma

C.National Pharma

D.Gloxy Pharma

Answer & Explanation

Answer – B.Sun Pharma

Explanation : ICMR and Mumbai based Sun Pharma have joined into an agreement for research and development in preventive health and it is announced by Union health minister JP Nadda.

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Which of the following has become the first transgender person in Tamil Nadu to contest the assembly elections?

A. Padmini Prakash

B. Salam hailed Devi

C. Rose Venkatesan

D. Kalki Subramaniam

Answer & Explanation

Answer – B. Salam hailed Devi

Explanation – Salam hailed Devi is the first transgender person in Tamil Nadu to contest the assembly elections. She will be contesting on behalf of the Tamil party, NaamTamilarKatchi.

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Which of the following telecom company has become the first entity to receive final approval from the RBI to start a payments bank?

A. BSNL

B. Reliance

C. Vodafone

D. Airtel

Answer & Explanation

Answer – D. Airtel

Explanation – Bharti Airtel's payments bank venture, Airtel M Commerce Services Ltd. has become the first entity to receive final approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to start a payments bank.

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David Gest, who has been recently passed away was related to which of the following fields?

- A. Professor
- B. Musician
- C. Entertainer
- D. Politician

Answer & Explanation

Answer – C. Entertainer

Explanation – Entertainer, producer and reality television star David Gest has died in a London hotel aged 62.

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_____appointed chairman of Industry body Internet and Mobile Association of India payments banks group.

- A.Raghuram Rajan
- B.Vijay Shekhar Sharma
- C.Vijay Sheshathri
- D.Aravind Subramaniyan

Answer & Explanation

Answer – B. Vijay Shekhar Sharma

Explanation : Paytm founder Vijay Shekhar Sharma has appointed as the chairman and Vodafone India business head Suresh Sethi as Vice chairman of the newly formed payments banks group Industry body Internet and Mobile Association of India (IAMAI).

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A famous playwright Arnold Wesker, has died at the age of 83. He belongs to which country?

- A.Sweden
- B.Scotland
- C.British
- D.India

Answer & Explanation

Answer – C.British

Explanation : London born prolific political writer who produced more than 40 plays, as well as books of essays, poetry and short stories, his work also included children's fiction and a first novel, Honey, which was published in 2005.

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Recently India has signed an MOU with which of the following to supply 150 boats and fishing equipment ?

- A.Nepal
- B.Bhutan
- C.Bangladesh
- D.Sri Lanka

Answer & Explanation

Answer – D.Sri Lanka

Explanation – India and Sri Lanka have signed an MOU to supply 150 boats and fishing equipment to the fishermen of Mullaitivu.

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National Stock Exchange (NSE) of India has introduced a new index to its broad market indices. It will consist of how many companies ?

- A.270
- B.150
- C.400
- D.318

Answer & Explanation

Answer – C.400

Explanation – Mumbai headquartered National Stock Exchange (NSE) introduced a new index to its broad market indices "Nifty Mid Smallcap 400". It will comprise of 400 companies which are the constituents of Nifty Midcap 150 and Nifty Smallcap 250 indices.

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Which of the following nation will hold Combat Nuclear Terrorism in 2017 ?

- A.Russia
- B.Belgium

C.India

D.USA

Answer & Explanation

Answer – C.India

Explanation – On the sidelines of 2016 Nuclear Security Summit, India will host a meeting of the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism in 2017.

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2016 Bahrain Grand Prix title has been clinched by which of the following ?

A. Sebastian Vettel

B. Nico Rosberg

C. Kimi Raikkonen

D. Lewis Hamilton

Answer & Explanation

Answer – B. Nico Rosberg

Explanation – Mercedes driver Nico Rosberg claimed the 2016 Bahrain Grand Prix by defeating Ferrari driver Kimi Raikkonen.

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ICC World Twenty20 champions title has been clinched by which of the following ?

A. New Zealand

B. West Indies

C. England

D. India

Answer & Explanation

Answer – B. West Indies

Explanation – ICC World Twenty20 champions title has been clinched by West Indies by defeating England.

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Odisha Govt Launched Adarsh Vidyalaya Project

The Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik on 5 April launched Odisha Adarsh Vidyalaya (OAV) project at Sasan Ambagaon village in his home constituency Hinjli in Ganjam district. The project seeks to provide modern schools on the lines of Kendriya Vidyalayas in the underdeveloped rural areas of the State. The project will be implemented in phases and in the first phase 100 such schools will start functioning on 5 April 2016.

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Anandiben Patel launches 'Maa Annapurna Yojna'

Gujarat Chief Minister Anandiben Patel launched the state-wide implementation of Centre's National Food Security Act, which has been renamed as Maa Annapurna Yojna by the state government.

Under the scheme, a beneficiary holding the Annapurna card will receive wheat at Rs 2 per kilo and rice at Rs 3 per kilo. Currently, Above Poverty Line (APL) card holding families are entitled to a monthly stock of 2.5 kg wheat per member of the family at Rs 7.70 per kg.

Though the implementation of the Act started in Gujarat from April 1, it was officially launched by the CM on the foundation on 6th April.

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Researchers Introduced Graphene Based all-weather Solar Cell

Chinese researchers have developed Graphene based all-weather solar cell that can generate electricity even during rains. The new approach for making an all-weather solar cell by using the 'wonder material' graphene was developed by the team of researchers from the Ocean University of China and Yunnan Normal University. The new all-weather solar cell is made up of highly efficient dye-sensitised solar cell coated with a very thin film of graphene. Graphene is a two-dimensional (2D) form of carbon in which the atoms are bonded into a honeycomb arrangement.

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National Family Planning Summit 2016 held in New Delhi

During the two-day long National Summit on Family Planning in New Delhi Union Health Minister P. Nadda launched the new revamped logo for the family planning media awareness campaign, which if properly implemented, can be a key strategy to reduce maternal and child mortality and morbidities.

The Summit had New Choices, New Horizons as its theme. J P Nadda has also formally launched first indigenously developed natural latex-based female condom.

The new latex version of female condom is manufactured by Kerala based HLL Lifecare Ltd under the brand name Velve

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Saudi Arabia, Egypt To Build Bridge Across Red Sea