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World Mental Health Day

World Mental Health Day, observed on 10th October every year. World Mental Health Day is organized by the World Federation for Mental Health. This year's Day is supported by WHO, the International Association for Suicide Prevention, and United for Global Mental Health. This year, World Mental Health Day is focusing on suicide prevention. Keeping this in mind, the WHO has launched an intervention-based campaign — '40 seconds of action'.

Jaishankar inaugurates tele-education, tele-medicine projects for African countries

External Affairs Minister (EAM) S Jaishankar inaugurated tele-education and tele-medicine project for African countries in New Delhi. The EAM inaugurated e-VidyaBharti and e-ArogyaBharti (tele-education and tele-medicine project) for African countries on the occasion of the 55th Anniversary of India's flagship capacity building programme - Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC). The project(s) will enable African students to access premier Indian education through the comforts of their homes and offer Indian medical expertise to African doctors and patients alike.

38th India Carpet Expo in Varanasi

The Carpet Export Promotion Council (CEPC) is organizing the 38th India Carpet Expo (15th in Varanasi) in Sampurnanand Sanskrit University Ground. The Expo was organized with an aim to promote the cultural heritage and weaving skills of Indian handmade carpets and other floor coverings for the visiting overseas carpet buyers. India carpet expo is a platform for international carpet buyers, buying houses, buying agents, architects and Indian carpet manufacturers and exporters to meet and establish business relationship. The Expo is organized twice a year in Varanasi and Delhi.

Goa replaces traditional 100 dial with new 112

The Goa government has launched "112" as the new integrated emergency number for police, fire and medical emergencies replacing the traditional dial number "100". In the first phase, the dial "112" service will cover only police department.

Antonio Costa re-elected as the PM of Portugal

Antonio Costa has been re-elected as the Prime Minister of Portugal after winning the general elections. Antonio Costa, the Socialist leader and incumbent prime minister, got the most votes in Portugal's general election, leaving it poised to continue leading the government for another four years.

Nobel Prize in Chemistry awarded to 3 scientists for development of lithium-ion batteries

The 2019 Nobel Prize in Chemistry has been jointly awarded to John B Goodenough of the US, Britain's M. Stanley Whittingham and Japan's Akira Yoshino for the development of lithium-ion batteries. The lithium-ion batteries have reshaped energy storage and transformed cars, mobile phones and many other devices in an increasingly portable and electronic world. The award was announced by Göran K Hansson, Secretary General of The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences. Lithium-ion batteries are used in everything from mobile phones to laptops and electric vehicles.



Salford University honours Asha Bhosle with doctorate degree

Ace singer Asha Bhosle was conferred with an honorary doctorate on Monday by the University of Salford in Greater Manchester, England. Fondly called 'Asha Tai', the songstress has won several other prestigious awards including the Guinness Book of World Records as the most recorded artist in music history, in 2011. Bhosle has been a recipient of the Dadasaheb Phalke Award in 2000 and the Padma Vibhushan in 2008.

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