

Good Governance Day (India)

Good Governance Day in India is observed on 25 December to commemorate the birth anniversary of AtalBihari Vajpayee.

His Samadhi namely 'SadiavAtal' was dedicated to the nation and reflects his personality as a poet, humanist, statesman, and a great leader.

He died at the age of 93 on 16 August, 2018. The Good Governance Day was established in 2014 to pay tribute to the former PM AtalBihari Vajpayee to raise awareness about the accountability in governance among the people of India.

Digital Radio to be launched in 2024: Prakash Javadekar

Information and Broadcasting Minister PrakashJavadekar has stated that NDA government is bringing Digital Radio in 2024. Addressing the annual Akashvani awards function in New Delhi ,MrJavadekar stated that the audio of digital radio will be more clear and its reach will be higher.

PM Modi to launch AtalBhujalYojana.

Prime Minister NarendraModi will launch AtalBhujalYojana in New Delhi . The Central Government scheme will promote Panchayat led ground water management and behavioural changes with primary focus on demand side management. Union Cabinet approved the 6,000 crore rupees scheme at a meeting. Information and Broadcasting Minister PrakashJavadekar stated that, the scheme will be implemented over a period of 5 years in identified areas in Gujarat, Haryana, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh.

Rohtang tunnel named after Vajpayee

On the eve of the birth anniversary(25TH Dec) of former Prime Minister late AtalBihari Vajpayee, the Central government announced to name the Rohtang tunnel, a road link between Kullu and landlocked Lahaul Valley in Himachal Pradesh, after Vajpayee.

The Union Cabinet approved two schemes in his honour: one to improve groundwater management in villages and the other to rename the tunnel being built under the Rohtang Pass after him.

The tunnel, being constructed from Manalito Leh, would be renamed as the 'Atal Tunnel'.

NiranjanHiranandani Takes Over As New Assocham President

NiranjanHiranandani, Co-Founder and Managing Director of the respected and well-diversified Hiranandani Group has taken over as the new President of the Associated

Chambers of Commerce & Industry of India (ASSOCHAM), the country's apex organisation of industry and trade.



About ASSOCHAM

The Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India is one of the apex trade associations of India. The organisation represents the interests of trade and commerce in India, and acts as an interface between issues and initiatives.

Headquarters: New Delhi

Founded: 1921

HemantSoren set to be sworn in Jharkhand CM

HemantSoren is an Indian politician from Jharkhand, who is the current 11th Chief Minister designate of Jharkhand. He had also served as the 5th Chief Minister of Jharkhand. He is elected as the Chief Minister of Jharkhand second time. He is also the president of the Jharkhand MuktiMorcha, a political party in Jharkhand.

About Jharkhand

Capital: Ranchi

Governor: DraupadiMurmu

UNICEF award to Kamareddy dist. for Swachh Bharat implementation

Kamareddy district in Telangana secured the United Nations International Children's and Education Fund (Unicef)-2019 Award for effective implementation of Swachh Bharat Mission in water sanitation and hygiene sectors.

India successfully test-fires Quick Reaction Surface to Air Missile system

India successfully test-fired its Quick Reaction Surface to Air Missile (QRSAM) system, likely to be inducted into the armed forces by 2021, from a base off Odisha coast.

The missile, developed by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), was flight-tested from the Integrated Test Range (ITR) at Chandipur.

The QRSAM was flight-tested with full configuration in deployment mode intercepting the target mid-air.

The QRSAM weapon system, which operates on the move, comprises fully automated command and control, active array battery surveillance radar, active array battery multifunction radar and launcher.

Tamil Nadu tops in coverage under micro-irrigation

Tamil Nadu has emerged as the topper in coverage of area under micro-irrigation (MI) this year.

Of about 3.64 lakh hectares brought under MI, Tamil Nadu accounts for around 1.39 lakh hectares, accounting for 38% of the total coverage in the country, according to the website of

the PradhanMantriKrishiSinchayeeYojana (<https://pmksy.gov.in>), a scheme aimed at improving on-farm water use efficiency through a number of measures such as MI.



ICC Test rankings: Kohli finishes 2019 as top ranked batsman; Rahane slips to seventh

ViratKohli will end the year as the top ranked batsman in the latest ICC Test rankings issued . With 928 points, Kohli is 17 points ahead of Australia’s Steve Smith who occupies the second spot.

New Zealand skipper Kane Willamson ends the year at number three with 864 points.

CheteshwarPujararetained his fourth place but Rahane slipped to seventh. He was replaced by Pakistan’s Babar Azam. India’s MayankAgarwal occupies the 12th position while limited overs Vice Captain Rohit Sharma occupies the 15th spot.

Among the bowlers, JaspritBumrah, retains his sixth spot in the list headed by Australia’s Pat Cummins. Among Test all-rounders, India’s RavindraJadeja remains at number 2.

In the ICC World Test Championship, India stand on top with 360 points. Australia with 216 points occupies 2nd spot. Pakistan is in third spot with 80 points.

Manu Bhaker, AnishBhanwala clinch five gold medals at National C’ships

Commonwealth Games champions Manu Bhaker and AnishBhanwala clinched gold medals at the 63rd National Shooting Championships in Bhopal. The 17-year-old Bhaker, representing Haryana, clinched four gold medals (individual and team events in senior and junior) in the women’s 10 meter air pistol. She shot 243 to emerge triumphant in the eight-woman final. She then shot 588 to top qualifications and equal the record set by Annu Raj Singh in the South Asian Games.