

December 07 – International Civil Aviation Day

In 1996 the United Nations General Assembly proclaimed that 7 December was to be the International Civil Aviation Day. The day has been celebrated by the International Civil Aviation Organization since 7 December 1994, the 50th anniversary of the signing the Convention on International Civil Aviation. The purpose of the day is to recognize the importance of aviation, especially international air travel, to the social and economic development of the world.

India-Bangladesh ties transcend strategic partnership

The ties between India and Bangladesh transcend the strategic partnership. Speaking at a function in Dhaka to commemorate the 48th anniversary of India granting recognition to Bangladesh, India's High Commissioner to Bangladesh Riva Ganguly Das said that bilateral relationship between the two countries is at an all time high. She said that India accords top priority to its relationship with Bangladesh.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi has suggested pairing of private and public schools to boost Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat. Mr Modi was addressing Ekal Vidyalaya Sangathan, Gujarat through video message. He noted that the Central Government is working enthusiastically for better education and skill development in the country. He also said, schemes like scholarship for Scheduled Tribe children, Eklavya Model residential school, Poshan Abhiyan and Mission Indradhanush have helped not only in checking the school dropout rates but also promoted the holistic development of children.

PM Modi meets Mauritius PM, talks bilateral ties and development projects

India and Mauritius have agreed to work closely to build upon the close multi-faceted bilateral relations and to explore new avenues of engagement, based on mutual interest and priorities. Prime Minister Narendra Modi met his Mauritian counterpart Pravind Jugnauth in New Delhi. The Mauritius Prime Minister accompanied by his spouse, Kobita Jugnauth is on a private visit to India. Mr Modi said that the government and people of Mauritius can count on India's wholehearted support and continued solidarity in their aspirations to build a more secure, stable and prosperous Mauritius.

AIR's Jammu Regional News Unit celebrating its 49th Foundation Day

Regional News Unit (RNU) of All India Radio Jammu is celebrating its 49th Foundation Day. The news unit was set up in 1971 to counter the malicious propaganda dished out by Pakistan Radio to make people aware of the ground realities about the 1971 Indo-Pak war. Started with one Dogri bulletin, the Jammu News unit of All India Radio has made rapid strides and presently Five Bulletins- 3 Dogri and 2 Gojri – are broadcast from Jammu.

NEFT facility to be available round the clock from December 16



In a bid to promote digital transactions, Reserve Bank has said that round-the-clock transactions will be allowed under the National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT) system from December 16. RBI said that the 24x7 NEFT system will be available on all days of the year, including holidays. NEFT transactions are settled in hourly batches. For weekdays, the batches are from 8 am to 7 pm. On first and third Saturdays, the settlement happens from 8 am to 1 pm.

Banking sector has become stronger than the past, says PM Modi

Prime Minister Narendra Modi said that Indian banking sector has become stronger than it was in the past after several reforms undertaken by his government. He said, his government merged banks to provide a centralized system and provided 2.5 lakh crore rupees for recapitalization. He declared that banking sector has emerged from the crisis of the past and ensured bankers that genuine business decisions will not be questioned. Addressing the Hindustan Times Leadership Summit in New Delhi, Mr Modi said Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code has promised a return of about three lakh crore rupees.

Diabetic population in country is close to hitting alarming mark of 69.9 million by 2025: MoS AYUSH

The diabetic population in the country is close to hitting the alarming mark of 69.9 million by 2025, which is expected to witness an increase of 266 per cent. The Minister said that the Centre of Research in Ayurveda Sciences, an autonomous body under Ayush Ministry, has been engaged in extending research-oriented Ayurveda based or integrative health care services for the management of Madhumeha, which is Diabetes Mellitus.

T-20 Cricket: India beat West Indies by six wickets in Hyderabad

India beat West Indies by six wickets in the first match of three-match T-20 series against West Indies played at Rajiv Gandhi International Stadium in Hyderabad. Chasing a total of 207 runs, India made 209 runs for the loss of 4 wickets in 18.4 overs. Skipper Virat Kohli scored 94 while K L Rahul amassed 62 runs. Virat Kohli was adjudged player of the match for his unbeaten knock.