

### **To spread peace and brotherhood, a music and poetry festival titled ‘Jashn-e-Ittihaad’ was held in New Delhi**

On 6th April 2019, a music and poetry festival titled ‘Jashn-e-Ittihaad’ was held at the Jamia Milia Islamia central university in New Delhi to spread awareness about unity amongst the youth.

### **Around 5000 Konyak women dance to set a Guinness World Record at Mon, Nagaland**

On 8th April 2019, in the programme organized at Mon (Nagaland) during the Aoleang Monyu festival (usually held between 1st April to 3rd April every year) around 5000 Konyak Naga women in their traditional attire attempted to set a Guinness World Record for the ‘Largest Traditional Konyak Dance’.

The theme of the Aoleang Monyu festival aka Mini Hornbill festival was ‘**Empowering women for cultural heritage.**’

### **World Bank estimates India’s GDP grow to 7.5% in Fiscal Year 2019-20**

The World Bank notified that India’s GDP growth boosted by continued investment strengthening, especially private-improved export performance and consumption, is expected to accelerate reasonably to **7.5 per cent 2019-20 (fiscal year)**.

**World Bank-Washington D.C.**

**Head-David Malpass**

### **Guwahati Railway station first to get ISO certification in India**

The Guwahati Railway Station has become the first ever railway station in the Indian Railways to get an ISO (International Organisation for Standardisation) certification from the National Green Tribunal (NGT).

#### **Key points**

- i.** It has been given this certificate for providing passenger amenities in a clean and green environment.
- ii.** ISO certification received by Guwahati Railway Station is ISO-14001, which is for Environment Management System as per international norms which were upgraded in 2015.

## Isaak Hayik, 73, set a new record as world's oldest soccer player

73-year-old Israeli Isaak Hayik set a new world record as the world's oldest person to play in a professional soccer match.

### Key Points:

- i. The previous record holder was **53 years old Uruguayan Robert Carmona** who was played a professional match in 2015.
- ii. Hayik was born in Iraq and immigrated to Israel with his parents. He was officially recognized in an award ceremony attended by representatives from the **Guinness World Record organization**.

### About Israel

- ◆ **Prime minister:** Benjamin Netanyahu
- ◆ **Capital:** Jerusalem
- ◆ **Currency:** Israeli new shekel
- ◆ **President:** Reuven Rivlin

### **2019 Malaysia Open**

The 2019 Malaysia Open, officially known as the **CELCOM AXIATA Malaysia Open 2019**, is a badminton tournament which takes place at **Axiata Arena in Malaysia**. It has a total purse of **\$700,000**. This year, sports event was held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia from **2nd to 7th April, 2019**.

EVENT	WINNER	RUNNER UP
Men's Singles	Lin Dan (China)	Chen Long (China)
Women's Singles	Tai Tzu-Ying (Chinese Taipei)	Akane Yamaguchi (Japan)

### **On 4th April 2019 Nagaland observes 75th Anniversary of the Battle of Kohima**

The Nagaland government with representatives from the UK and Japan on 4th April, 2019 observed the **75th anniversary of the Battle of Kohima**. The theme of their speech was **'Remembrance, Reconciliation and Rebirth'**.

The Battle of Kohima often referred to as the **"Stalingrad of the East"** was fought in **three stages from 3rd April 1944 to 22nd June 1944** during the **Second World War**.