

35000 km of highways to be built by 2022 under Bharatmala

According to the President of India, construction or upgradation of about 35,000 kilometres of national highways are to be undertaken by 2022 under the 'Bharatmala Project'. Also under the 'Sagarmala Project', a network of good quality roads are to be constructed in coastal areas and areas adjoining ports.

Sri Lanka launches first satellite Ravana-1 into orbit

Sri Lanka's first satellite 'Ravana-1', designed and developed by two local engineers, was successfully launched into orbit this week from the International Space Station (ISS) along with two other BIRDS 3 satellites from Japan and Nepal

World Archery appoints Bindra to sort AAI trouble

World Archery appointed Abhinav Bindra as an independent person to sort out the ongoing mess in the Archery Association of India (AAI). AAI violated the constitution by unanimously electing two parallel bodies in Chandigarh and New Delhi.

International Day of Yoga

International Day of Yoga, or commonly and unofficially referred to as Yoga Day, is celebrated annually on 21 June since its inception in 2015. An international day for yoga was declared unanimously by the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA). Yoga is a physical, mental and spiritual practice originated in India. In India, the main event was held in Ranchi and the Prime Minister of India, Mr. Narendra Modi led a crowd of over 40,000 people, who attended this event there. **The theme of this year's event was "Yoga for Heart".**

World Music Day 2019

June 21 is celebrated as World Music Day, International Music Day or Fete de la Musique every year. The first ever music day took place in 1982 in Paris. This move was proposed by French Politician Jack Lang and composer Maurice Fleuret to talk about the importance of music.

Pakistan must implement FATF action plan to curb terror funding, expects India

India expects Pakistan to take all necessary steps to effectively implement the action plan of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) fully by September this year. In response to a media query regarding FATF decision to continuously keep Pakistan in the Grey List, External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Raveesh Kumar said, the FATF action plan by Pakistan should be in accordance with its political commitment.

The Paris-based global body is working to curb terrorism financing and money laundering and has asked Pakistan to reassess the operation of banned terrorist outfits in the country.