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Independence Day USA

Independence Day USA is celebrated every year on 4 July. United States Independence Day is also known as the Fourth of July. This day commemorates the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on 4 July, 1776 from the Kingdom of Great Britain.

Cabinet approves proposal for Grant of Organized Group 'A' Service (OGAS) to Group 'A' Executive Cadre Officers

The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has approved the proposal for Grant of Organized Group 'A' Service (OGAS) to Group 'A' Executive Cadre Officers of Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) and extension of benefit of Non-Functional Financial Upgradation (NFFU) and Non-Functional Selection Grade (NFSG). This would result in grant of NFFU to eligible Group 'A' Executive Cadre Officers of CAPF; and The decision would also benefit Group 'A' Executive Cadre Officers of CAPF for availing the benefit of NFSG at an enhanced rate of 30% as per guidelines.

Christine Lagarde nominated as president of European Central Bank

International Monetary Fund Managing Director Christine Lagarde was on Tuesday nominated as the president of the European Central Bank, following which she announced to temporarily relinquish her responsibilities as head of IMF. The nomination means Lagarde will step down two years before the end of her second five-year term at the helm of the IMF.Govt hikes **Minimum Support Price of Kharif crops for 2019-20 season**

In a major boost to the farmers' income, the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has approved the increase in the Minimum Support Prices, MSP for all Kharif crops for 2019-20 Season. MSP of paddy has been increased by 65 rupees per quintal, Jowar by 120 rupees and Ragi by 253 rupees per quintal. MSP of Tur has been raised by 125 rupees, Moong by 75 rupees and Urad pulses raised by 100 rupees per quintal. MSPs of soyabean increased by 311 rupees, sunflower by 262 rupees and sesamum by 236 rupees per quintal which is a major step towards increasing the income of farmers

Puri Jagannath Rath Yatra begins

Puri Jagannath Rath Yatra dedicated to Lord Jagannath, brother Balabhadra and sister Subhadra begins. Jagannath Puri Rath Yatra started with early rituals in the morning. The Rath Yatra marks the journey of Lord Jagannath along with his siblings Lord Balabhadra and Devi Subhadra from Jagannath temple to Gundicha temple. This journey covers a distance of around 17 km in Puri.