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Nation observes 77th anniversary of Quit India movement

The 77th anniversary of the August Kranti Din or Quit India movement observed across the India on August 8 Quit India movement is considered as one of the important milestones in the history of freedom struggle of our country. 8th August 1942 Mahatma Gandhi launched the Quit India Movement at the session of the All -India Congress Committee in Mumbai.

Rajasthan assembly passed anti-mob lynching bill

The Rajasthan Assembly passed Bills against mob lynching and honour killing, which make the, cognisable,non-bailable and non-compoundable offences with life imprisonment and fine up to Rs 5 lakh. The bill to curb honour killing also has a provision of death penalty for the convict.Rajasthan has become the second state after Manipur which passed a law to curb lynching cases.

Udaipur set to host India's largest education Brainstorm

The third edition of India's largest education brainstorming event, the ScooNews Global Educators Fest(SGEF) will be held on August 09 and 10 in Udaipur, Rajasthan The theme for this year's fest is 'Education for Sustainability: Moving on from conformity to creativity' Lakshyaraj Singh Mewar of Udaipur Royalty is the patron of this year's edition.

RBI allows round-the-clock fund transfers under NEFT from December

RBI has decided to allow round-the-clock fund transfers through NEFT from December this year in order to promote digital transactions Currently, the National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT) operated by the RBI as a retail payment system is available for customers from 8 am to 7 pm on all working days with the exception of second and fourth Saturdays of a month As mentioned in the Payment System Vision Document 2021, the Reserve Bank will make available the NEFT system on a 24x7 basis from December 2019 There is no cap on the minimum and the maximum amount for NEFT.

NCAER projects India's GDP growth at 6.2% in 2019-20

According to National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER) India's GDP growth is projected to be 6.2 per cent during 2019-20 (FY 20), down from 6.8 per cent in 2018-19 (FY 19) The NCAER has projected industrial growth rate at 6.1 per cent and services expansion at 6.9 per cent. The Centre's fiscal deficit is estimated at 3.5 per cent of GDP for 2019-20 while current account deficit will be around 0.6 per cent of GDP for 2019-20

Former President Pranab Mukherjee to be conferred with Bharat Ratna award

Former President Pranab Mukherjee, will be honoured with India's highest civilian award, Bharat Ratna by President Ram Nath Kovind . The 83-year-old served as India's 13th President from 2012-2017. Mukherjee also served as the Union Finance Minister from 2009 to 2012. Along with Pranab Mukherjee, Late Assamese singer Shri Bhupen Hazarika and social activist Late Shri Nanaji Deshmukh will be conferred with the Bharat Ratna, posthumously

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Iran unveiled three new precision-guided missiles

Iran has unveiled three new precision-guided missiles The air-to-air missiles are called the "Yasin" and the "Balaban," as well as a new series of the "Qaem" missile, and were developed jointly by the Iranian Defense Ministry and Sa Iran (Iran Electronics Industries). Yasin is a smart guided missile with folding wings that can be fired from a range of 50 km.

India to participate with Pakistan, China in Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) exercise

India and Pakistan will be participating in a major upcoming exercise under the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation in Russia next month The exercise called 'Tsentr (Centre) 2019' is tentatively scheduled to be held from September 10 to 21 at Orenburg, Russia. All the eight Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) member states, including India, Pakistan and China, will be taking part in the exercise

India secures 1st position in first phase of 5th 'International Army Scout Masters Competition'

Indian Army took the pole position in the first phase of 5th 'International Army Scout Masters Competition The competition is taking place in Rajasthan's Jaisalmer. Teams from 8 countries, Kazakhstan, Russia, Uzbekistan, China, Belarus, Armenia and Sudan participated in the competition.

Mary Kom and Lovlina Borgohain selected for world boxing Championship

Six-time world champion M C Mary Kom and Lovlina Borgohain have been selected for the upcoming women's world boxing championships The world boxing championships are scheduled from October 3 to 13 in Russia.

Latest International Cricket Council Test rankings.

No. 1 Test Team – India India topped the ICC Test team rankings while New Zealand is placed 2nd and South Africa is in 3rd position

No. 1 Test Batsman - Virat Kohli (India Captain)

No. 1 Test Bowler - Pat Cummins (Australia)

No. 1 Test all-rounders - Jason Holder (West Indies)

Serena Williams tops Forbes list of best-paid female athlete

Serena Williams topped the Forbes annual list of best-paid female athlete for a fourth consecutive year with estimated total earnings of \$29.2 million. Japan's Naomi Osaka is second with earnings of \$24.3 million Indian badminton star PV Sindhu and Thai golfer Ariya Jutanugarn were the other non-tennis players in the top 15.

South Africa's Colin Ackermann becomes the first bowler to get 7 wickets in T-20

South African spinner Colin Ackermann claimed a new Twenty20 world record when he took seven wickets for just 18 runs in an English county match. Malaysian bowler Arul Suppiah held the previous world record when he claimed 6-5 for Somerset against Glamorgan in 2011.

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