

PM Modi, Nepal PM to jointly inaugurate Motihari-Amlekhganj cross border petroleum

Pipeline PM Modi and Nepal's PM K.P.Sharma Oli will jointly inaugurate Motihari - Amlekhgunj cross border petroleum products pipeline through video conference. The 69 kms-long pipeline is the first-ever cross-border petroleum product pipeline in the South Asia region. The pipeline from Motihari in Bihar to Amlekhgunj in Nepal has been constructed by India in just 15 months. It has been constructed at the cost of around 350 crore rupees which are entirely borne by Indian Oil Corporation.

UNESCO, Rajasthan government join hands to promote state's intangible cultural heritage

UNESCO New Delhi signed a partnership agreement with the Department of Tourism, Government of Rajasthan, to promote community-based responsible tourism based on the rich Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) of the state. The project will be implemented in the districts of Jodhpur, Barmer, Jaisalmer and Bikaner and seeks to spur the socio-economic growth of selected artist communities. The project will focus on cultural heritage and traditions, such as pottery, weaving and other crafts, as well as music traditions, in order to create community-led and community-benefitting tourism opportunities. The project plans on developing 10 cultural hubs across the four districts of the state. Rajasthan is also home to 3 UNESCO World Heritage sites in India. The Walled city of Jaipur was inscribed on UNESCO's World Heritage List, last July.

India announces \$ 1 Mn Disaster Relief Aid for Bahamas

India announced a humanitarian assistance of USD 1 million to help people in The Bahamas affected by Hurricane Dorian. The death toll from the calamity has risen to over 40 and is likely to increase even more, even as search and rescue teams are still trying to reach out to Bahamian communities isolated by floodwaters and debris in the wake of Hurricane Dorian.

India Pavilion inaugurated at 44th Toronto International Film Festival

The High Commissioner of India to Canada Vikas Swarup inaugurated the India Pavilion at the 44th Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) 2019. The inauguration of India Pavilion at TIFF will provide a platform to showcase Indian Cinema in the overseas market and facilitate new business opportunities. TIFF provides the ideal platform for the global outreach of the 50th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) 2019.

Kerala to set up country's first global trade centre for women

In a major initiative to accelerate women entrepreneurship and secure gender parity, Kerala will set up the country's first International Women's Trade Centre (iWTC), in consonance with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), in Kozhikode. A key project of the state's Gender Park under the Department of Social Justice, it is envisaged as a safe space away from home for women to harness their entrepreneurial capabilities, set up or expand their businesses and get their products marketed globally. The first phase of iWTC, being executed under the Gender Park's "Vision 2020", is scheduled to be completed by 2021.

23-Year Old Anupriya Lakra Becomes First Woman Pilot From Odisha's Maoist-Hit Region

Twenty-three-year-old Anupriya Lakra, a tribal woman from Odisha's Maoist-hit Malkangiri district to become the first female pilot from the backward region. She will join a private airline as a co-pilot.

Noted Odia writer Dr. Pradeep Dash to receive 40th Sarala Puraskar

Noted Odia writer Pradeep Dash will be conferred with the 40th edition of prestigious Sarala Puraskar for his poetry work Charu Chibar O Charjya. The annual award, comprising a cash prize of Rs 5 lakh and a citation, will be presented at a special function to be held on October 26.

International conference on energy efficiency begins in New Delhi

An international conference Augmenting Nature by Green Affordable New-habitat (ANGAN) focussed on energy efficiency in the buildings sector began. The Conference is being organised by the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) under the aegis of the power ministry in collaboration with GIZ under the Indo German Technical Cooperation. The international conference will provide a platform to deliberate on inter-dependence between organizations, sustainability and feedback loops for better resource efficiency.

First helicopter summit held in Dehradun

The Ministry of Civil Aviation organised India's first-ever helicopter summit. The Indian Air Force was invited at the summit to talk on the "role of IAF helicopters in MEDEVAC (Medical evacuation) at the national level". Theme: Expanding connectivity through helicopters.