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## NATIONAL NEWS

### India to host World Trade Organization Meeting in New Delhi

**• India will hold an informal ministerial meeting of the world Trade organization (WTO) from May 13-14. New Delhi had organised such a meet of select nations in March last year. The year's meeting is expected to be attended by about 25 developing nations.**

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Nepal, Sri Lanka launches their First-ever Satellites

**• Nepal and Sri Lanka on Thursday successfully launched 'NepaliSat-1 and Raavana-1' their respective first -ever Satellites, into space from the US. Both the Satellites were developed under the BIRDS-3 Satellite Project.**

### Saudi Arabia to host G20 Summit in 2020

**• Saudi Arabia will host the 15th annual G20 leader's summit in 2020 0n November 21-22 in its capital Riyadh. This will be the first G20 Summit to hold in the Arab world.**

## BANKING NEWS

### Bandhan Bank gets CCI Approval for Gruh Finance Merger

**• Bandhan Bank Ltd has received approval of the competition Commission of India (CCI) for the proposed acquisition of Gruh Finance, the affordable housing finance arm of HDFC ltd. Was taken over by Bandhan Bank in a share-swap deal in January.**

**• Bandhan Bank HQ-Kolkata**

**• CEO- Chandra Shekhar Ghosh**

### World Press Freedom Index 2019

**• India has dropped two places in the 2019 world press Freedom Index released by Reporters without Borders, Ranking 140 out of 180 countries. At least six Indian journalists were killed in connection with their work in 2018.**

## AWARD

### 150 Indian peacekeepers in South Sudan Awarded Medal of Honour

**• A total of 150 Indian peacekeeper serving with the UN mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) have received medals of honour.**

**• South Sudan capital-juba**

- **Currency- pound**

## APPOINTMENT

- **Ravinder Kumar Passi Appointed Chairman of Export Promotion Council for Handicrafts**
- **McAfee Appointed Sanjay Manohar as Managing Director for India.**
- **Mali’s PM soumeylow Boubeye Maiga Resigns**