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NATIONAL NEWS

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- The road starting from Kapurthala connecting Goindwal Sahib and terminating near Taran in Punjab has been declared as new National Highway - 703 A named as Shri Guru Nanak Dev Ji Marg.
- The naming would be effective from next month. The decision has been taken to mark the 550th Birth Anniversary of Shri Guru Nanak Dev.

National Institute of Nutrition centenary stamp released

- A special commemorative postal stamp of the National Institute of Nutrition (NIN), Hyderabad was released by Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare, Harsh Vardhan.
- The stamp has been brought out under the "Corporate My stamp" scheme of India Posts. These stamps are of limited edition and are made to order.
- Alongside these customised themed stamps, the NIN also opted for printing its centenary logo.
- About 5,000 stamps with a face value of ₹5 per stamp were printed and India Posts would print an additional 1,000 sheets for sale online at e-post office and for display and sale in national and global philately exhibitions by the Department.

Kamal Nath inaugurates 2-day Magnificent Madhya Pradesh Conference

- Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh Kamal Nath formally inaugurated the two-day Magnificent Madhya Pradesh Conference.
- Many well-known industrialists are attending this conference held in Indore. Chief Minister Kamal Nath also inaugurated the Global Trade Exhibition at the Brilliant Convention Centre, Indore.

IIT Kharagpur graduate develops unique device to curb vehicular air-pollution

- A graduate from IIT Kharagpur has developed a unique device that curbs vehicular air pollution by many degrees.
- As per the report, Debayan Saha, a mechanical engineering graduate from IIT Kharagpur, has invented a device that, once fitted on the exhaust pipe of a car will lower the air pollution emitted by the car manifolds.
- In addition to this, the device also claims to neutralise the pollution emitted from other 10 cars in its vicinity.

PM Modi releases book titled Bridgital Nation



- Releasing a book titled 'Bridgital Nation' in New Delhi, PM Modi said that positivity, optimism and faith in talent and resources is the thought of New India.
- He said that technology and talent were not a threat but force multiplier. He added that technology is the bridge between aspiration and achievement.
- The Prime Minister said that the technological interventions have reformed and transformed governance in India in the last five years.
- He mentioned that through technology the government was able to reach the people and provided them Bank accounts, LPG connection and also health care.

INTERNATIONALNEWS

Sri Lanka removed from FATF's Grey List

- Sri Lanka has been removed from the "Grey List" of the international terror financing watchdog FATF, according to a media report.
- The island nation will no longer be subject to the Financial Action Task Force's monitoring under its on-going global anti-money laundering and countering the financing of terrorism (AML/CFT) compliance process, the Colombo Gazette.

Nasa astronauts complete first ever all-female spacewalk

- Two Nasa astronauts have embarked on the first all-female space walk in a historic first.
- Christina Koch and Jessica Meir floated feet-first out of the International Space Station’s (ISS) Quest airlock lunchtime UK time, tasked with replacing a failed power control unit.

DEFENCE

Visakhapatnam: India-Myanmar Naval Exercise commence onboard INS Ranvijay

- The opening ceremony of the second edition of 'India Myanmar Naval Exercise' IMNEX-2019 was conducted onboard INS Ranvijay.
- Myanmar naval ships UMS Sin Phyu Shin (F-14) and UMS Tabinshweti (773) arrived at Visakhapatnam and would engage in professional interaction with Indian Navy personnel for sharing of expertise on various maritime issues between both the navies.
- During Sea Phase scheduled from October 20 to 22, INS Ranvijay, a guided-missile destroyer and INS Kuthar, a missile corvette will be carrying out a joint exercise with Myanmar ships UMS Sin Phyu Shin, a frigate and UMS Tabinshweti, a corvette in the Bay of Bengal.

OBITUARY

Oracle co-CEO Mark Hurd passes away



- Mark Hurd, who until last month was the co-CEO of software giant Oracle, has passed away, the US media reported. He was 62.
- Hurd had taken a leave of absence last month to focus on his health.

BOOK AND AUTHOR

A new book titled “India in a warming world: Integrating Climate Change and Development” set to release

- A new book titled “India in a Warning world: Integrating climate change and Development” is set to release on November 2019. This book is featuring a collection of articles by climate experts including Sunita Narain, Anil Agarwal, Dr Friederike otto & Shibani Ghosh.

SPORTS

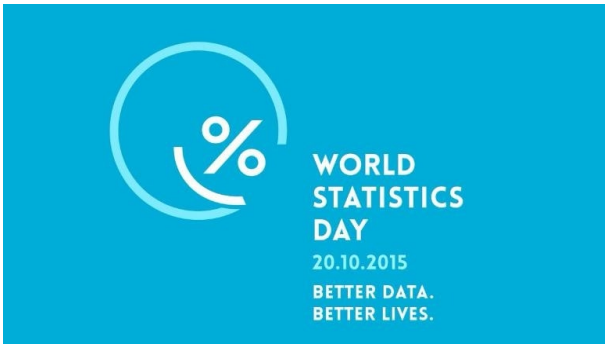
Kuhoo-Dhruv pair wins Egypt International mixed-doubles badminton title



- Kuhoo Garg and Dhruv Rawat put up a brilliant effort to win the mixed doubles title at the Egypt International 2019 in Cairo.
- The unseeded Garg and Rawat held their nerves for a tight 21-16, 22-20 victory over the third seeds Utkarsh Arora and Karishma Wadkar in an all-Indian final.

IMPORTANT DAYS

World Statistics Day is celebrated in every 5 years



- Theme: Better Data, Better Lives
- Started in the year 2010, on October 20, the United Nation's World Statistics Day is celebrated at an interval of every five years. It was last celebrated under the leadership of former General Secretary Ban Ki-Moon in 2015.