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- Reliance Nippon Life Asset Management Has Joined Hands With Google To Enable Customers Of Reliance Mutual Fund To Carry Out Voice-Based Financial Transactions.
- Kotak Mahindra Bank Became The First Lender To Charge For Upi Transactions
- Government Has Infused Rs 205 Crore Into Bank Of Maharashtra. After Infusion, The Shareholding Of Government In Bank Of Maharashtra Has Increased To 87.74 % From 87.01%.
- RBI Sets Wma(Ways And Means Advances) Limit For Government At Rs 75000 Crore For The First Half Of The Fy 2019-20
- First Bi-Monthly Monetary Policy Statement For 2019-20-RBI Cut Repo Rate By 25 Basis Points. Reduced Repo Rate By 25 Basis Points To 6.0% From 6.25% With Immediate Effect. Reverse Repo Rate Adjusted To 5.75%.Marginal Standing Facility And Bank Rate Adjusted To 6.25%.
- RBI Issued New Rs 20 Denomination Banknote. It Has A Base Colour Of Greenish Yellow With Size Of 63*129 Mm. It Have A Motif Of Ellora Caves On Dorsal Side
- Reserve Bank Of India Extended The Ombudsman Scheme Coverage To Non-Deposit Taking (Nbfcs) Non-Banking Financial Companies Having An Asset Size Of Rs.100 Crore Or Higher.
- Irdai has Set Up A Committee To Review Regulatory Framework On Micro-Insurance. A 13-Member Committee Will Be Headed By Suresh Mathur.
- RBI Became The First Asia-Pacific Central Bank To Begin Interest Rate Easing Cycle
- Kotak Mahindra Bank Became The First Destination Bank To Launch Debit Card Based E-Mandates On

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Npci's E -Mandate Api Platform

- Karnataka Bank Entered Exchanged A Memorandum Of Understanding With Bharti Axa Life Insurance Company Ltd For Distribution Of The Latter's Life Insurance Products.
- Chennai-Based Lakshmi Vilas Bank Is Set To Merge With Indiabulls Housing Finance In A Share-Swap Deal, Reflecting The Trend Of Consolidation In The Financial Services Sector.
- The Reserve Bank Of India Came Out With Guidelines For Banks To Set Up New Currency Chests, Which Include Minimum Area Of 1,500 Square Feet For Strong Room. The Central Bank Further Said The Currency Chests Should Have Cbl Of ₹1,000 Crore, Subject To Ground Realities And Reasonable Restrictions, At The Discretion Of The Reserve Bank.
- Emirates Islamic Has Announced The Launch Of Chat Banking Services For Customers Via Whatsapp, Marking A Global First In The Islamic Banking Sector.
- Rbl Bank Said It Has Partnered With Credit Profiler Creditvidya To Improve The Lender's Customer Experience.
- The Institute For Development And Research In Banking Technology (Idrbt), An Arm Of Reserve Bank Of India, Has Launched A 5g Use Cases Lab For Banking And Financial Sector.
- Idbi Bank Has Launched 'Nri-Insta-Online' Account Opening Process For Nris Residing In Financial Action Task Force (Fatf) Member Countries.
- Canara Bank First To Market In India With Emv Acquiring & Aadhaar Authentication – Powered By Aci Worldwide.
- Bandhan Bank Has Received Approval Of The Competition Commission Of India (CCI) For The Proposed Acquisition Of Gruh Finance. Bandhan Bank Has To Transfer 14.9 Per Cent Stake To Hdfc For Merging Gruh With Itself.
- State-Owned Bank Of Maharashtra (Bom) Has Partnered With M1xchange Treds Platform For Msme Bill Discounting. Trade Receivables Discounting System (Treds) Is A Digital Platform To Support Micro, Small And Medium Enterprises (Msmes) To Get Their Bills Financed At A Competitive Rate Through An Auction Where Multiple Registered Financiers Can Participate.
- The Reserve Bank Of India (RBI) Said Exim Bank Has Provided Soft Loans Of Usd 266.60 Million To Rawanda For Various Projects. The Funding, Done In Three Separate Tranches To Rawanda, Is To Support Agricultural Projects, Development Of Special Economic Zones (Sezs) And For Financing Road Project.
- State-Owned Allahabad Bank -0.60 % - The Government Has Increased Its Authorised Capital By Rs

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5,000 Crore To Rs 8,000 Crore.

- RBI Sells Entire Stake in Nhb, Nabard to Govt. For ₹ 1,470 Cr. In Total. RBI Had 100% Shareholding In Nhb, Which Was Divested For ₹1,450 Crore.
- State Bank Of India Launched A Discounted Loan For Buyers Of Such Vehicles Pricing 20 Basis Points Lower Than Its Existing Auto Loans. Sbi Launches Green Car Loan To Promote Use Of Electric Vehicles.
- Public Sector Lender Canara Bank And Its Life Insurance Partner Canara Hsbc Oriental Bank Of Commerce Life Insurance Are Soon Going To Introduce ‘Webassurance’.
- Shares Of Indusind Bank Added Nearly 2 Percent Intraday after National Company Law Tribunal (Nclt) Reportedly approved Merger With Bharat Financial Inclusion (Bfil).
- India’s Gdp Expected To Accelerate Moderately To 7.5% In 2019: Worldbank
- Imf Cuts India Growth Forecast For 2019-20 To 7.3 Per Cent
- General Provident Fund Interest Rate Retained At 8% For April-June Quarter
- Adb Committed To Provide Usd 3 Billion In Sovereign Loans To India In 2018, The Highest Level Of Assistance Since Sovereign Operations Began In The Country In 1986, Said The Annual Report Of Multilateral Lending Agency.
- Buyucoin, Which Is The Second Oldest Cryptocurrency Exchange In India, Announces The Launch Of A New And Unique Platform For Wholesale Cryptocurrency Trading Which Allows Its Users To Trade On A Large Scale With Low Price Fluctuations
- Markets Regulator SEBI Has Reduced The Minimum Subscription Requirement As Well As Defined Trading Lots For Real Estate Investment Trusts (Reits) And Infrastructure Investment Trusts (Invits).
- The Government Has Hiked The Customs Duty On Wheat To 40% From 30% To Curb Imports And Protect The Domestic Industry.
- Customers Of Reliance Mutual Fund Can Now Carry Out Voice-Based Financial Transactions, With Reliance Nippon Life Asset Management (Rnam) Partnering With Internet Major Google.
- It Major HCL Technologies Stated That Its Acquisition Of Us-Based Strong-Bridge Envision Completed. HCL Had Recently Agreed To Acquire The Seattle-Based Company To Enhance Its Digital Transformation Consulting Capabilities. According To Reports, The Deal Was Worth 45 Million Dollars.
- The Securities And Exchange Board Of India (SEBI) Has Given Approval To Paytm Money — The

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Investment And Wealth Management Platform Of The Mobile Payments Company — To Start Offering Broking Services

- The Competition Commission Of India (CCI) Approved Engineering And Construction Major Larsen & Toubro's (L&T's) Proposal To Acquire Up To 66.15 Per Cent Stake In Mindtree.
- Tata Consultancy Services, A Leading Global It Services, Consulting And Business Solutions Organization, Announced That It Has Partnered With Google Cloud To Build Industry-Specific Cloud Solutions That Will Help Organizations Accelerate Their Digital Transformation And Leverage Data-Driven Insights That Power Superior Customer Experiences.
- Department Of Telecom Has Given Approval For The Merger Of Tata Teleservices (Ttsl) With Bharti Airtel, Subject To The Condition That The Sunil Bharti Mittal -Led Firm Furnishes Rs 7,200 Crore Worth Bank Guarantee.
- Online Payment Service Payu Has Acquired California-Based Financial Technology Company Wibmo For \$70 Million (Rs 483 Crore)
- India Was A Net Importer Of Steel During The 2018-19 Fiscal Year, The First Time In Three Years, As The Country Lost Market Share Among Its Traditional Steel Buyers And Imports Jumped On Demand For Higher-Quality Steel Domestically.
- Crisil Board Gives Nod For Transfer Of Ratings Business To New Subsidiary
- Reliance Retail's Strong Run Continues, Revenue Crosses Rs 1.3 Tn In Fy19
- Sbi General Insurance Said It Has Launched A Product To Protect Businesses From Financial And Reputational Losses Due To Cyber Attacks.
- Bajaj Allianz General Insurance And Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance In Collaboration Launched Their First Product 'Total Health Secure Goal'.
- Microsoft Hit The Trillion-Dollar Value Mark For The First Time, Becoming The Third Technology Giant To Reach The Milestone. Shares In Microsoft Rallied Some Five Percent In Early Wall Street Trade After A Robust Earnings Report A Day Earlier To Lift The Value Briefly Above \$1 Trillion.
- Wipro Consumer Care (Wcc) Monday Announced That It Has Signed A Definitive Agreement To Acquire Philippine-Based Personal Care Company Splash Corporation. Splash Personal Care Player In The Philippines, Recorded Revenues Worth \$80 Million In 2018.
- Reserve Bank Of India (RBI) Has Altered The Bad Loan Divergence Rule For Banks Which Aims At

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Improving Transparency In Asset Classification And Preventing Under-Reporting Of Bad Loan`

- Fitch Kept India's Rating Unchanged At Bbb- With Stable Outlook. The Growth Rate Of India Forecasted By Fitch Is 6.8% In Financial Year 2019-20 And 7.1% In Fy2020-2021
- RBI Issues Rs. 50 Notes With Governor Shaktikanta Das' Signature The Dimension Of Rs. 50 Note Is 66 Mm X 135 Mm. In The Back Side Of The Note Has Hampi With Chariot As Motif.
- The Bimal Jalan Committee Formed To Study The RBI's Capital Structure Is Likely To Identify Excess Reserves Of Up To Rs.3 Lakh Crore (\$43million), Bank Of America Merrill Lynch (Bofaml) Said.
- Reserve Bank Of India Has Announced To Extend The Ambit Of Ombudsman Scheme For Nbfcs To All Eligible Nondeposit Taking Nbfcs As Well. The Scheme Which Lays Down Rules For Redressal Mechanism In Cases Of Custome Complaints Was Earlier Applicable Only To Deposit-Taking Nbfcs
- The State Bank Of India Has Re-Priced Home Loans Up To Rs. 30 Lakh By 10 Basis Points. Accordingly, The Interest Rate On Housing Loans Of Such Size Will Now Be In The Range Of 8.6 To 8.9 Per Cent.
- Adb Committed To Provide Usd 3 Billion In Sovereign Loans To India In 2018, The Highest Level Of Assistance Since Sovereign Operations Began In The Country In 1986.
- Bnp Paribas Cardif Sold 5 Crore Shares Of Sbi Life Insurance Through A Block Deal For Rs 2,889 Crore, Which Saw Shares Skidding Over 6 Per Cent On The Local Bourses.
- State-Owned Bank Of Maharashtra Said The Government Has Infused Rs 205 Crore Into The Bank In Lieu Of Preferential Allotment Of Shares.
- The Priority Sector Lending Certificates (Pslcs) Volume Increased To Rs 3.3 Trillion In Fy19, Up From Rs 1.9 Trillion In The Last Financial Year And Rs 50,000 Crore In Fy17. Plsc's Relating To The Small And Marginal Farmers Segment Continued To Be In Most Demand, According To Rating Agency Crisil.
- Bank Of India (Boi) Is Planning To Sell 25.05 Per Cent Equity Stake In Star Union Dai-Ichi Life Insurance For Rs 1,106 Crore At Rs 170.50 Floor Price Of Each Share.
- SEBI Gives Nod To Rs 10,000 Crore _Airport Fund`
- \$1.7 Trillion Needed Per Year To Build Disaster-Resilient Infrastructure In Asia: Adb
- Bank Of India Said It Will Sell 25.05 Percent Stake In Its Insurance Jv Star Union Dai-Ichi Life Insurance Co For At Least Rs 1,106 Crore. The Bank Has Floated A Request For Proposal For Sale Of Over 6.48 Crore Equity Shares, Or 25.05 Percent Stake In Its Joint Venture With Union Bank Of India And Japan's Dai-Ichi Life Holdings Inc.
- The Imf And World Bank Launches -Learning Coinl To Explore Blockchain Technologies

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- Finance Ministry Stated That The Goods And Services Tax (Gst) Collection Stood At Rs. 1.06 Lakh Crore In March, Recording The Highest-Ever Monthly Collection Since Gst Launch.
- The Combined Index Of Eight Core Industries Stood At 125.8 Which Indicates A Marginal Increase Of 2.1 Per Cent During The Month. The Eight Core Industries, Including Coal, Crude Oil, Natural Gas, Refinery Products, Fertilisers, Steel, Cement And Electricity, Are Responsible For Almost 41 Per Cent Of The Weight Of Items Included In The Index Of Industrial Production (Iip).
- Markets Regulator SEBI Extended The Timeline For The Implementation Of Phase 1 Of Unified Payments Interface (UPI) As An Alternative Payment Mechanism For Retail Investors Buying Shares In A Public Issue From March 31 2019 To June 30 2019
- The Government Sold Enemy Shares Worth Around Rs. 1,150 Crore In It Firm Wipro To Life Insurance Corporation And Two Other State-Owned Insurers
- The Total Deposits In Bank Accounts Opened Under The Jan Dhan Scheme Are Set To Cross Rs. 1 Lakh Crore Soon. Government Data Claimed That The Cumulative Balance In 35.29 Crore Accounts Under The Flagship Programme Of The Modi Government Reached Rs. 97,665.66 Crore As On April 3
- Mudra Loans Worth Rs. 2.7 Tln Disbursed Against Rs. 3 Tln Target In FY19-Target Missed For First Time In Last 3 Years

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- The Union Ministry of Home Affairs has distributed around 3,120 special kits among states and union territories. The kits are termed 'SAECKs' (The Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kits) and are also called 'rape investigation kits' that help to collect blood and semen samples for carrying out immediate effective medico-legal investigations on sexual assault cases.
- The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) students will be allowed to use magnifying glasses and portable video magnifiers during the Class X final examination from 2020.
- The Indian Army has achieved a record-breaking feat by constructing 'Maitri', the 260-foot longest suspension bridge over the Indus river in the Leh-Ladakh region in just 40 days.
- The programme organized at Nagaland) during the Aoleang Monyu festival (usually held between 1st April to 3rd April every year) around 5000 Konyak Naga women in their traditional attire attempted to set a Guinness World Record for the 'Largest Traditional Konyak Dance'.

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- The Indian Council of Medical Research has launched the ‘Malaria Elimination Research Alliance (MERA) India which is a conglomeration of partners working on malaria control in order to eliminate the disease from India by 2030.
- India’s first exotic Bird Park ‘EsselWorld Bird Park’ was launched by EsselWorld Leisure Pvt. Ltd., the family entertainment arm of the \$6-billion Essel Group in Mumbai.
- Cabinet approves creation of a single post of Deputy Comptroller and Auditor General in the office of Comptroller and Auditor General of India
- The Union Cabinet, chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, has given the approval for ongoing GSLV continuation programme Phase-4 that consists of 5 GSLV rocket flights during 2021-2024.
- The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, chaired by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has given approval for the proposal of the Department of fertilizers for extension of the duration of New Urea Policy-2015 for existing gas-based area unit from April 1, 2019 until further orders.
- Rs. 4315.15 crores budget has been approved by Union Cabinet headed by PM Narendra Modi, to create over 2 lakhs additional seats in 158 central education institutions. The additional seats were created over next two years to implement 10 per cent Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) reservation.
- Under the Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Electric Vehicles II (FAME II) scheme, the NITI Aayog and Rocky Mountain Institute (RMI) have released a report titled ‘India’s Electric Mobility Transformation: Progress to Date and Future Opportunities’. The report is based on opportunities for the automobile sector and government.
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- A music and poetry festival titled ‘Jashn-e-Ittihaad’ was held at the Jamia Milia Islamia central university in New Delhi to spread awareness about unity amongst the youth
- India and the US have structured the first reliable communication link between the Indian Navy & US Central as well as Pacific Naval Commands under the COMCASA pact at New Delhi, India.
- PCI (Press Council of India) has issued some guidelines for media to do objective reporting on election polls and warned it against the practice of paid news.

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- India's Electoral Commission has issued an order to ban display of any biopic or publicity material during Manual Code of Conduct, which could sub serve the purposes of any political entity or any individual entity connected to it.
- Haryana Chief Electoral Officer Rajeev Ranjan inaugurated India's first-of-its-kind 'Voter Park' in Vikas Sadan building complex, Gurugram
- Vice Admiral Bimal Verma has dropped the petition to challenge the appointment of Vice Admiral Karambir Singh as the next Navy Chief.
- India and Sweden inked a pact that will deal a range of challenges around smart cities and clean technologies among others. The programme is co- sponsored by Indian Department of Science and Technologies (DST) and Swedish agency Vinnova.
- India was agreed to improve the bilateral cooperation with the Netherlands in various fields, including political, economic scientific and cultural cooperation during the Foreign Office Consultations in New Delhi.
- India joined hands with Japan and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) to implement two projects in Africa as it seeks to extend its footprint on the continent as a counter to China's ambitious Belt and Road Initiative (BRI).
- Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) issued an order to suspend the LOC (Line of Control) trade between Jammu & Kashmir and Pakistan occupied Jammu & Kashmir (POJK).
- The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) students will be allowed to use magnifying glasses and portable video magnifiers during the Class X final examination from 2020.
- Telangana has secured the first rank for the second year in a row in the e-Learning training programme of Department of Personal and Training (DoPT), Government of India. known as "Utkal Divas".
- Justice Thottathil Bhaskaran Nair Radhakrishnan sworn-in as the new Chief Justice of Calcutta High Court.
- Odisha celebrates its Foundation day on 1st April every year to commemorate the sacrifices of people for the formation of Odisha province in 1936.
- Chennai Central railway station has been renamed by the Tamil Nadu State Government as Puratchi Thalaivar Dr MG Ramachandran Central Railway Station after its late Chief Minister and founder of the Chennai's ruling govt All India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (AIADMK), Dr. MG Ramachandran.
- Dilip Sarkar, Senior Tripura Bhartiya Janta Party leader and five-time MLA, from Badharghat in Agartala passed away on 1st April, 2019, at a private hospital in Delhi after prolonged acute liver illness.
- Femina Miss India 2017 runner up Sana Dua has been appointed as the brand ambassador of Jammu and Kashmir election department for general polls.

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- Veteran Tamil Scholar and orator Silamboli Su. Chellappan passed away at the age of 91 in Thiruvannamipur, Tamil Nadu.
- Android-based application named “Sahulat” was launched to facilitate and to encourage the elder voters for participating in the elections in Jammu and Kashmir’s Rajouri district.
- The Nagaland government with representatives from the UK and Japan on 4th April, 2019 observed the 75th anniversary of the Battle of Kohima.
- Justice Thottathil Bhaskaran Nair Radhakrishnan sworn-in as the new Chief Justice of Calcutta High Court.
- Kartik Chandra Rath, a veteran dramatist, theatre organiser and Economics teacher passed away at the age of 70 in Cuttack, Odisha due to heart attack.
- Justice Pradeep Nandrajog was sworn in as the Chief Justice of Bombay high Court. Priorly, he was serving as the Chief Justice of the Rajasthan High Court.
- Actor-cum-Director, Colonel Raj Kapoor, 87, has passed away at a Hospital in Delhi due to age-related issues.
- Kannada poet Dr. B A Sanadi passed away at the age of 86 years at his residence near Herevatta region of Kumta Taluka.
- Nizamabad Lok Sabha constituency in Telangana may enter in the Guinness World Records for the maximum number of Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) of M3 version used in the polling booth.
- C R Anandavally, an eminent Dubbing artist of Malayalam films who let her voice to several heroines passed away due to her prolonged illness at a private hospital in Thiruvananthapuram on 5th April, 2019.
- Allahabad High Court judge, Justice Vikram Nath appointed as the first Chief Justice of new Andhra Pradesh High Court at Amaravati by the collegium of Supreme Court containing Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi and justice S A Bobde and justice N V Ramana.
- The Meghalaya Cabinet approved the proposal for the creation of a new Directorate of Dairy Development to boost the milk production.
- Renowned Journalist-writer Subbiah Muthiah passed away at the age of 89 in Chennai due to age-related illnesses.
- veteran IAS officer and former Chief Secretary of Gujarat H K Khan passed away.
- Bengali New Year also known as Pahela Baishakh was celebrated in West Bengal and among Bengali communities in Assam, Tripura and also in Bangladesh.
- JK Ritheesh, actor and former Member of Parliament (MP) of Ramanathapuram passed away due to cardiac arrest.

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- Project Kannamma is an initiative by Rotary Club of Madras North to provide biodegradable sanitary napkins under the brand name, “Aavaram” to the girl students in government schools of Tamil Nadu.
- ‘Ashakiranam’ (A Ray of Hope), an autobiography of noted social worker Sankurathri Chandrasekhar, was released by Religious scholar Chaganti Koteswara Rao.
- Assam’s most awaited festival – the Rongali Bihu, also known as ‘Bohaag Bihu’ which marks the beginning of the new Assamese calendar year started.
- In order to mark the red-lettered day, Governor Acharya Devvrat unfurled the national flag at an event on The Ridge Maidaan in Shimla.
- Former additional chief secretary and writer Dr.Daniel Babu Paul,77, has passed away at a hospital in Thiruvananthapuram due to a heart ailment.
- The Central Government has given its approval for the proposal of the Madhya Pradesh State Government, to change the name of a village in Madhya Pradesh from ‘Durjanpur‘ to ‘Shivdham’.
- The Chandigarh Sahitya Akademi (CSA) honored veteran authors from Chandigarh at Punjab Kala Bhawan.
- Sharath Kamal, Ace table tennis player was titled Sportsperson of the Year Award 2019 at the annual awards and scholarships function organised by the Tamil Nadu Sports Journalists’ Association (TNSJA) and the India Cements in Chennai.
- The Election Commission has appointed Ajay V Nayak, ex-Bihar chief electoral officer, as the Special Observer for West Bengal.
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- Jhulan Goswami, former captain of India national women’s cricket team, awarded the “Sportsperson of the Year” honor at the Calcutta Sports Journalists’ club (CSJC) annual awards function 2019 held at Kolkata, West Bengal while Sukumar Samajpati, former India winger and Sambaran Banerjee, former national selector and Bengal’s Ranji Trophy winning captain honoured ‘Lifetime Achievement’ awards.
- Australia is conducting 7 nation Indian Ocean military exercise along with Sri Lanka, India, Malaysia, Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia and Singapore.
- ‘The Belt and Road Initiative Progress, Contributions and Prospects’ released by the Leading Group for Promoting the Belt and Road Initiative had previously listed the BCIM as a BRI project .
- Etihad Airways, UAE based flag carrier, has become the first major airline in the gulf region to operate a flight without any single-use plastics on board.

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- Kazakhstan under the chairmanship of its Prime Minister, Askar Mamin has set up Coordinating Council for attracting foreign investments inclusive of investments from India.
- To honor the Indian Nobel laureate Amartya Sen, the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) has created the Amartya Sen Chair in Inequality Studies.
- The 1st ever of global coalition on clean and efficient cooling was launched at First Global Conference on Synergies between the 2030 Agenda and Paris Agreement in Copenhagen, Denmark.
- Alphabet, Google's parent company, launched its first commercial drone service through its Wing subsidiary in Canberra, Australia after the country's Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA), granted it regulatory approval.
- Japan has unveiled its New Imperial Era name called "Reiwa"
- The British government has published an "online harms white paper" which is open for public consultation (till July) focuses to make online social media platforms responsible to safeguard users, especially children.
- India's Haj Quota has been increased by about 25,000, raising the number to 2 lakh from 1.75 lakh by Saudi Arabia.
- Indonesia released a special stamp on the theme of Ramayana at the 70th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic ties between India and Indonesia event in the presence of India's Ambassador Pradeep Kumar Rawat and Indonesia's Deputy Foreign Minister Abdurrahman Mohammad Fachir.
- 29th edition of the Abu Dhabi International Book Fair (ADIBF) started and will conclude on 30th April at the Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Centre.
- Iranian President Hassan Rohani and visiting Pakistani Prime Minister Imran Khan have agreed for setting up a joint border 'Reaction Force' to combat the attacks by militant groups on both sides their frontier.
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- Russian President Vladimir Putin and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un hold first-ever talks at the Eastern Federal University Campus on Russky Island in the far eastern Russian Pacific port city of Vladivostok.
- UN's International Labour Organization (ILO) announced that Qatar is set to abolish its exit visa system for all foreign workers by the end of 2019.
- The German-sponsored resolution 2467 (2019), on sexual violence, was adopted by United Nations Security Council (UNSC) condemning rape as a weapon of war after 13 out of 15 members have voted in favour of the resolution while Russia and China abstain from voting.

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- World Health Organization (WHO) has issued recommendations on the use of sedentary screen which includes watching television or videos and playing computer games for children under 5-year-old.
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- Benjamin Netanyahu appeared to head a historic 5th term as Israel's prime minister with close-to-complete unofficial election results giving his right-wing Likud and other nationalist and religious parties a solid majority in parliament.
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- London became the first city in the world to implement a Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) for 24x7 hours a week, inside which vehicles will have to meet tough emissions standards.
- Asian Development Bank's (ADB) report titled 'Asian Development Outlook 2019: Strengthening Disaster Resilience', around 26 trillion dollars from 2016 to 2030, or 1.7 trillion dollars investment needed per year to build disaster-resilient infrastructure in Asia.
- The Indian Institute of Management-Bangalore's (IIM-B) post-graduate programme in Enterprise Management (PGPEM) has secured the 12th rank in APAC (Asia Pacific) listing and came 61st globally in the QS Executive MBA Rankings 2019.
- M S Yadav has been elected as general secretary of the newly formed, All India Federation of PTI Employees' Unions (AIFPTIEU) by the 45 elected council members from different centres of PTI (Press Trust of India) during the two days meeting in Lucknow.
- Vice president for Google India and South East Asia, Rajan Anandan is quitting from the company after an 8 year stint.

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- Air Marshal Anil Khosla PVSM AVSM VM ADC, Vice Chief of the Air Staff retired after four-decade of career span. While Air Marshal Rakesh Kumar Singh Bhadauria will take over as the Vice Chief of Indian Air Force on May 1.
- Algerian president Abdelaziz Bouteflika who was in power for the last 20 years (since 1999) has resigned after prolonged weeks of mass protest.
- former executive director of LIC of India, Siddhartha Mohanty has been appointed as Chief Operating Officer (COO) of LIC Housing Finance.
- Vinod K. Dasari has been appointed as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Royal Enfield and also became an executive director in the board of Eicher Motors, parent organization of Royal Enfield.
- president of Wipro's banking financial services and insurance (BFSI) business unit, Shaji Farooq has resigned from the company after 5 years due to health reasons. He will precede Angan Guha, who will take over as senior VP and global head of the BFSI unit from 1st July.
- Ex-Bollywood actress and Managing Director of Performics (A Performance Marketing Agency), Mayoori Kango has been appointed as the Industry head of Google India. She will lead Google engagement with Publicis (Parent Company of Performics) and DAN
- Amit Jain, Uber's Asia-Pacific region (APAC) Head, announced his resignation at the end of May 2019 after four-year service to spend time with his family.
- Davis Malpass senior Treasury official and staunch supporter of President Donald Trump, was unanimously chosen as the next president of the World bank
- Uday Kumar Varma, a former bureaucrat retired from the post of Secretary, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, resigned from the post of The Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry (Assocham) Secretary-General
- NASSCOM (National Association of Software and services companies), an IT industry body has appointed Keshav Murugesh, CEO of WNS Global Services Group as its Chairman for 2019-20.
- Former Chief Election Commissioner of India (ECI), and ex-civil aviation secretary, Nasim Zaidi has resigned from the post of non-executive and non-independent director of Jet Airways with effect from 21st April 2019, due to personal reasons.
- Gianni Infantino, President of FIFA (Federation Internationale de Football Association) hailed the re-election of Sheikh Salman bin Ebrahim Al Khalifa, Asian football chief to help the region move forward in stability

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- In Ukrainian presidential election 2019, Comedian Volodymyr Oleksandrovyh Zelensky defeated incumbent Petro Poroshenko of Petro Poroshenko Bloc “Solidarity” party
- Shri Anwar Haleem, IFS (Indian Foreign Service, batch of 1991 is appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. He will succeed Mrs. Shubhdarshini Tripathi
- Mukesh Kumar, chief of former Judo Federation of India was re-elected as general secretary of Judo Union, the Asian governing body, at its ordinary congress at Fujairah, UAE.
- Kaushik Shaparia has been appointed as chief executive officer of Deutsche Bank as India’s head with effect from May 2019. He will succeed Ravneet Gill who is the MD & CEO of YES BANK.
- Vikramjit Singh Sahney, Chairman of SUN Group, elected as the President of International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) – India.
- Export Promotion Council for Handicraft (EPCH) board has elevated Ravinder Kumar Passi (previously a vice chairman of EPCH), to the post of its Chairman. He will take charge for the post of Chairman shortly from his predecessor O P Prahladka.
- Head Coach of the India National Cricket Team, former Indian Cricketer and TV commentator, Ravi Shastri, also known as “Champion of Champions” was appointed as Exclusive Corporate Ambassador to the Indian Business Community of Ras Al Khaimah Economic Zone (RAKEZ) in Dubai.
- Prime Minister of Haiti, Jean Michel Lapin confirmed as the country’s new Prime Minister by the President Jovenel Moise. He succeeds Jean-Henry Ceant.
- The Mali government resigned after criticism over the handling of the rising violence in the country and Ogossagou massacre that resulted in the deaths of 160 people on March 2019.
- Former Network 18 Digital CEO, Manish Maheshwari has been appointed as Managing Director of Twitter India with effect from 29th April 2019
- Abdelkader Bensalah (77) has been appointed as Algeria’s first new president in 20 years by the Lawmakers of Algeria. He has been appointed as the interim President of the country.
- Vikas Khanna, Michelin-star chef has been named brand ambassador of Indo-American Arts Council (IAAC), a leading cultural organisation which will organise the annual New York Indian Film Festival (NYIFF) that would showcase the chef’s film ‘The Last Color’ and Nawazuddin Siddiqui-starrer ‘Photograph’.
- Sairee Chahal having extensive experience of customer service ecosystem has been appointed to Board of Directors in Paytm Payments Bank (PPB).

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- Shri N. Kashinath took over as Member (Signal & Telecom) of Railway Board on 16th April, 2019. He was associated with Train Describer Project, Survey for the Mobile Train Radio Communication in Northeast Frontier Railway, etc.
- Indian Foreign Service (IFS) officer Jaideep Sarkar, currently serving as India's ambassador in Bhutan, appointed as the next High Commissioner of India to the Republic of South Africa.
- Shri.Rajendra Kumar Nayak has been appointed as the 52nd Controller General of Defence Accounts (CGDA).
- Additional Secretary of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA), Shiv Das Meena has been appointed as the Chairman cum Managing Director (CMD) of National Buildings Construction Corporation (NBCC).
- The premier Industry body India Electronics and Semiconductor Association (IESA) committed to the development of a vibrant Indian Electronics System Design and Manufacturing (ESDM) ecosystem, has appointed Jitendra Chaddah, Intel India senior director for operations and strategy, as its Chairman.
- US Department of Interior inducted its very first Indian, Delhi-based Sanjay Kumar, CEO of Geospatial Media and Communications and Secretary General of World Geospatial Industry Council (WGIC), to its prestigious National Geospatial Advisory Committee (NGAC).
- General (Retd.) Dalbir Singh Suhag has appointed as the next High Commissioner of India to the Republic of Seychelles. He will succeed Ausaf Sayeed.
- Gargi Kaul, a 1984-batch officer of the Indian Audit and Accounts Service (IA&AS) was appointed as the secretary, Defence Finance as part of a bureaucratic reshuffle. The senior bureaucrat, Kaul currently serving as Financial Advisor (Defence Services), Ministry of Defence.
- Karnam Sekar, Dena Bank's former Managing Director has been newly appointed as the new Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Indian Overseas Bank
- Gagandeep Kang, 56 year old, executive director of Translational Health Science and technology Institute at Faridabad, has become the first Indian female scientist to be elected as a Fellow of the royal Society (FRS) in the UK in the 359 year history of the prestigious scientific academy.
- Mahendra Singh Dhoni has been appointed as the brand ambassador of Bus ticketing platform redBus to strengthen the redBus brand.
- V.P. Pathak took over as Member (Materials Management) Railway Board on 16th April, 2019.

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- National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration Professor Najma Akhtar has been appointed as the first women vice-chancellor of Jamia Millia Islamia University (JMI) for a period of five years by the President of India. She will succeed Talat Ahmad.
- PwC (PricewaterhouseCoopers) India announced the appointment of Padmaja Alaganandan as the firm's new Chief People Officer (CPO). She takes over the role from Jagjit Singh.
- Romanian football manager, Doru Isac has been appointed as the new technical director for Indian football team. He succeeds Savio Madeira, who has been the interim technical director since 2017.
- Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas accepted the oath of office from the new 24-member cabinet headed by Prime Minister Mohammed Ishtayeh.
- Col (Dr) Bibhu Kalyan Nayak, a native of the temple City, became the first Indian to be appointed Chair of International Hockey Federation (FIH) Health and Safety Committee by the world governing body.
- Vice Admiral Bimal Verma has dropped the petition to challenge the appointment of Vice Admiral Karambir Singh as the next Navy Chief.
- Ace cricketer Mithali Dorai Raj, Captain of the Indian women's cricket team, has been named as the goodwill ambassador of the Indian team for the Street Child Cricket World Cup (SCCWC) 2019 .
- Fantasy 11, Gaming startup, has roped in Murali Kartik, former Indian Cricketer as its brand Ambassador
- RECENT APPOINTMENTS
 - Sumeet Jerath – Special Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat.
 - Raj Kumar Goyal – Additional Secretary and Financial Advisor, Ministry of External Affairs.
 - Prem Kumar Kataria – Additional Secretary, Ministry of Textiles.
 - Anil Kumar Jha – Additional Secretary, Department of Revenue.
 - S K G Rahate – Additional Secretary, Ministry of Power.
 - Rajesh Kumar Chaturvedi – Additional Secretary & Financial Advisor, Ministry of Culture.
 - Amitabh Kumar – Director General (Shipping), Ministry of Shipping.
- Emami Limited has roped in Indian actor Varun Dhawan to endorse Navratna Cool.
- Karnam Sekar to be appointed as MD, CEO of Indian Overseas Bank
- Senior IAS officer Dilip Kumar appointed as Officer on Special Duty (OSD) in office of Lokpal
- Punjab National Bank (PNB) has appointed Rajesh Kumar Yaduvanshi as the Executive Director of the bank.
- Other Appointments:

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- R A Sankara Narayanan, former MD and CEO of Vijaya Bank, moved to Canara Bank in the same position.
- R K Yaduvanshi, executive director at Dena Bank, named as executive director of Punjab National Bank.
- Nageshwara Rao, executive director at Vijaya Bank, appointed to Syndicate Bank as officer on special duty and full-time director.
- Murali Ramaswami, another executive director at Vijay Bank, moved to Bank of Baroda.
- former Australia Coach, Graham Reid was appointed as the Chief Coach of Indian men's hockey team.
- American global computer security software company has appointed Sanjay Manohar as its next MD for India operations
- Usha Padhee, has been given additional charge as the Chairman & Managing Director of Pawan Hans Ltd, helicopter services providing company.
- former federal Prosecutor and practicing lawyer has been elected as Chicago's first Black Women Mayor.
- Deputy chief of mission in the embassy of India in Riyadh, Dr. Suhel Ajaz Khan has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the Republic of Lebanon. He hails from Indore, Madhya Pradesh. He will succeed Sanjiv Arora.
- Praful Patel, President of All India Football Federation (AIFF) has been designated to be the FIFA Executive Council member.
- Vikram Kirloskar was designated as president of Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)
- Other Appointments:
 - Uday Kotak, the founder, MD & CEO of Kotak Mahindra Bank was appointed as the President-Designate, at the same time
 - CEO & MD of Tata Steel, TV Narendran was designated as the Vice President for 2019-20.
- Non-executive director of IL&FS (Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services), Chandra Shekhar Rajan has been appointed as managing director of IL&FS.
- Shri Rakesh Malhotra, currently serving as Consul General, Consulate General of India, Melbourne has been appointed as the High Commissioner of India to the Republic of Cameroon.
- Vipin Anand has assumed the charge of Managing Director of the Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC).
- Air Marshal D Choudhury AVSM VM VSM has been appointed as Senior Air Staff Officer, Western Air Command.

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- Former ESPN Star Sports MD, Manu Sawhney has formally joined International Cricket Council (ICC) as its Chief Executive Officer (CEO).
- 2019 India open (Badminton) held in New Delhi from 26th March to 31st March 2019
- Men's Single : Viktor Axelsen (Denmark) , Women's Singles: Ratchanok Intanon (Thailand)
- Lewis Hamilton of Mercedes captured Bahrain Grand Prix 2019 title by beating Mercedes Valtteri Bottas of Finland who secured second position
- India Clinches 25 Medals in 12th Asian Airgun Championship 2019 held in Chinese Taipei
- Miami Open which was the 35th edition of Miami Open, held at Miami Gardens in Florida, USA 2019. Men's Single :Roger Federer (Switzerland), Women's Single: Ashleigh Barty (Australia)
- Saurav Ghosal moved up two places to become the first Indian male squash player to break into the top 10 of the latest PSA (Professional Squash Association) world ranking. He is ranked at 10th Place which is his career best ranking
- Udampur based Northern Command wins air weapon championship for the fourth time in a row
- Dream11 has just become a Unicorn, that is a billion-dollar startup.
- Dave Bautista has officially retired from wrestling aftermath of a defeat at the WWE's (World Wrestling Entertainment) Wrestlemania event on 7th April, 2019.
- A National Anti-Doping Agency disciplinary panel has banned Asian champion woman professional Olympic shot putter, Manpreet Kaur for four years for failing dope tests on four occasions over a period of 84 days during 2017.
- Indian women's hockey team defeated Malaysia by a solitary goal and won by 4-0 in the 5-match bilateral series held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- Meena Kumari Maisnam has clinched gold medal under 54 kg by continuing her enthusiastic form to finish on the top of the podium by edging Thailand's Machai Bunyanut on points in the summit clash at the Cologne Boxing World Cup 2019 in Cologne, Germany on 13th April, 2019.
- Golfer Tiger Woods clinched his fifth US Masters and 15th major title at Augusta National Golf Club, Georgia.
- Kento Momota of Japan defeated Indonesia's Anthony Ginting to win the Men's Singles title in Singapore Open Badminton title by 10-21, 21-19, 21-13 victory at Singapore Indoor stadium in Singapore.
- Men's Singles Kento Momota(Japan)
- Women's Singles Tai Tzu-ying(Taiwan)

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- FC Goa, nicknamed as ‘Gaurs’, emerged as champions of the 2nd edition of Hero Super Cup 2019 after beating Chennaiyin FC 2-1 at the Kalinga Stadium in Bhubaneswar
- Former Brazilian Football Confederation (CBF) president Jose Maria Marin has been banned for life from all football activities by FIFA as he had breached the art. 27 (Bribery) of the FIFA Code of Ethics.
- International Hockey Federation imposes fine of 1,70,000 Euros on Pakistan Hockey Federation (PHF) for disrespecting Pro League commitments
- Italy’s Fabio Fognini clinched Rolex Monte-Carlo Masters after defeating Dusan Lajovic of Serbia by 6-3, 6-4, the first Italian to triumph in more than 15 years. Last time an Italian player Nicola Pietrangeli won the trophy in 1968. This event held every year at the Monte Carlo Country Club in France.
- The 23rd edition of Asian Athletics Championship is held from 21 to 24 April 2019 at the Khalifa International Stadium in Doha, Qatar. Bahrain topped and India in 4th place
 - Indian Athlete’s in Asian Athletics Championships 2019
- United States Cricket Team won their first one-day international status with a third straight victory at the World Cricket League Division Two event in Namibia. The Americans defeated Hong Kong by 84 runs.
- Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) imposed eight-lifetime bans on current and former players and an agent for indulging in match manipulation of international games.
- Ajinkya Madhukar Rahane became the first overseas player from India to represent Hampshire and he will replace Aiden Kyle Markram, who will join South Africa’s World Cup Team
- Australia’s Claire Polosak became the first woman umpire to stand in a men’s ODI in the final match of ICC World Cricket League 2 on April 27.
- Asian Wrestling Championship 2019, Iran table top with 11 gold and 6 silver
- The 42-edition of Porsche Tennis Grand Prix was held in Porsche Arena in Stuttgart, Germany from April 22 to April 28, 2019.
- Valtteri Viktor Bottas (Finland) of Mercedes captured Formula 1 State Oil Company of Azerbaijan Republic (SOCAR) Azerbaijan Grand Prix 2019 by beating Mercedes team-mate Lewis Hamilton at the Baku City Circuit in Baku, Azerbaijan
- ISSF Rifle/Pistol World Cup 2019, India finishes in table top with 3 gold and 1 silver
- List of Indian Shooters who got Olympic Quota
 - Anjum Moudgil (10m Air Rifle women)
 - Apurvi Chandela (10m Air Rifle women)

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- Saurabh Chaudhary (10m Air Pistol men)
- Divyansh Singh Panwar (10m Air Rifle men)
- Abhishek Verma (10m Air Pistol men)
- Indians win 1 silver, 2 bronze at Asian Road Para-Cycling Championships 2019
- Table Tennis player Sathiyan Gnanasekaran became the first Indian to break into the world's top 25 of the latest International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) Rankings
- Indian marathon runner, Nitendra Singh Rawat finished 27th in 2 hours 15 minutes and 59 seconds in the men's Elite race of prestigious Virgin Money London Marathon 2019 at London, UK which was won by Eliud Kipchoge of Kenya for record fourth time.
- The Barcelona Open 2019, also known as Torneo Godó, Trofeo Conde de Godó, and Open Banc Sabadell, was a men's tennis tournament held in clay courts Real Club de Tennis Barcelona tennis club in Barcelona, Catalonia, Spain from April 22 through April 28, 2019. Initiated in 1953, the event of 2019 was the 67th edition.
- Badminton Asia Championship 2019 was held from 23 to 28 April 2019 at the Wuhan Sports Center Gymnasium in Wuhan, China. Japan table top with 3 gold, 1 silver and 2 bronze
- Papua New Guinea, a south-western pacific country got their One Day International (ODI) status and a place in International Cricket Council (ICC) Cricket World Cup League 2 after beating Oman by 145-run.
- Integrated Coach Factory (ICF), Chennai beat South Central Railway, Hyderabad by penalty shootout of 7-5, in the final to bag the second Marshal of the Indian Air Force Arjan Singh Memorial International hockey tournament at the Astro Turf Hockey Ground at Air Force in Chandigarh.
- India's Pankaj Advani, the 21-time world snooker and billiards champion has defeated Ehsan Heydari Nezhad of Iran by 6-4 to clinch the inaugural Asian Snooker Tour title, in Bengaluru.
- Saurabh Chaudhary, 16-year-old, and Manu Bhaker, 17-year-old, clinched the 10m Air Pistol Mixed gold by beating Jiang Ranxin and Pang Wei of China 16-6 in the final at the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) World Cup 2019 in Beijing, China.
- Stephanie Frappart, a French football referee, will become the first female referee, who will take charge of a Ligue 1 Conforama match in French football history. On 28th April 2019, she will be taking charge of the match between Amiens and Strasbourg.
- Services bags the 6th Santosh Trophy Football Tournament title against Punjab at Guru Nanak Stadium
- The International Association of Athletics Federation Disciplinary Tribunal (IAAF) has banned the 2008 Olympic 1,500m champion and 3-time world champion Asbel Kiprop of Kenya for 4 years for doping until February 2022

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- Ethiopian athletes Gelete Burka in women's race and Abreha Birhanemariam in men's race have won the 43rd edition of the Paris Marathon by leading a record of 60,000 participants through the French capital, Paris on 14th April, 2019.
- ICC partners with UNICEF to deliver '#OneDay4Children' at Men's Cricket World Cup 2019
- Kento Momota of Japan defeated Indonesia's Anthony Ginting to win the Men's Singles title in Singapore Open Badminton title at Singapore Indoor stadium in Singapore.
- India has retained ICC Test Championship mace for the third year in a row after finishing at the top of ICC Test team rankings on the cut-off date of April 1. It has also won the purse of USD 1 million.
- FIFA (The Federation Internationale de Football Association) world football rankings, Belgium has edged the World Cup winners France to retain at the first rank.
- The 2019 Malaysia Open, officially known as the CELCOM AXIATA Malaysia Open 2019, is a badminton tournament which takes place at Axiata Arena in Malaysia.
- Men's Singles Lin Dan (China)
- Women's Singles Tai Tzu-Ying (Chinese Taipei)
- The 2019 Monterrey Open aka 2019 Abierto GNP Seguros was the 11th edition of Monterrey Open, held at Monterrey in Mexico. It was a women's tennis tournament played on outdoor hard courts.
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- Meena Kumari Maisnam has clinched gold medal under 54 kg by continuing her enthusiastic form to finish on the top of the podium by edging Thailand's Machai Bunyanut on points in the summit clash at the Cologne Boxing World Cup 2019 in Cologne, Germany on 13th April, 2019.
- Indian women's hockey team defeated Malaysia by a solitary goal and won by 4-0 in the 5-match bilateral series held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- MCC (the Marylebone Cricket Club) has bestowed the honour of 'Honorary Life Members' to Pakistan's Inzamam-ul-Haq and South Africa's Mark Boucher for their exemplary achievements in the field of cricket.
- British racing driver, Lewis Hamilton has achieved his 75th career victory in Formula One's 1000th race at the Chinese Grand Prix on 14th April, 2019. He has delivered a crushing performance to win this title.

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- India's Harsheel Dani, a former junior national champion, defeated Mads Christophersen of Denmark, world no 149, to clinch the 20th Victor Dutch International Badminton title at Wetering, The Netherlands with a 15-21, 21-12, 21-13 victory in a 47 minute clash.
- The Indian Publishing company, Garuda Prakashan Private Limited, launched its two books "#Modi Again" and "Saffron Swords – Centuries of Indic Resistance to Invaders".
- Jeff Kinney, an eminent author has emerged out with a new book titled "Diary of an Awesome Friendly Kid: Rowley Jefferson's Journal".
- Journalist Saba Naqvi has composed a book named "Politics of Jugaad: The Coalition Handbook" in which she examines the possibility of a coalition government after the 2019 Lok Sabha polls.
- A biography of Indian nationalist, diplomat, and politician V K Krishna Menon, titled "Chequered Brilliance: The Many Lives of V K Krishna Menon" has been written by Former union minister and writer Jairam Ramesh.
- Mangaluru Bishop Peter Paul Saldanha has released A Konkani translation of the Indian Constitution at the Rosario cathedral.
- book containing English translation of the 100 year old classic Punjabi poem about Jallianwala Bagh massacre, 'Khooni Vaisakhi' has been released in Abu Dhabi and was commended by India's Ambassador to the UAE Navdeep Singh Suri.
- a booklet of the 'Selected speeches of Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar in the Constituent Assembly' was released by Prasar Bharati Chairman, A Surya Prakash to mark 128th birth anniversary of Dr B R Ambedkar (April 14), at an event in New Delhi.
- "Kundan: Saigal's Life & Music", book authored by documentary filmmaker and former DDG of Doordarshan Sharad Dutt was released on 4th April, on the 115th birth anniversary of Saigal.
- South Korea has unveiled the world's first nationwide 5G mobile networks.
- American conglomerate, General Electric in association with IIT Madras, established India's first 'Cold Spray' SMART (Surface Modification and Additive Research Technologies) Laboratory in the institution.
- China launched two Tianhui II-01 satellites from Taiyuan Satellite Launch Centre, also known as Base 25.
- Researchers at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in the US have manufactured a tiny spectrometer that can be used in smartphone-sized devices to identify dangerous chemicals based on a unique "fingerprint" of emitted and absorbed light

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- Research team led by Kiran Ambatipudi from the Biotechnology Department at the Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee has identified a new method to detect breast and ovarian cancer. The research published in the journal, 'FASEB Bioadvances'.
- The Northrop Grumman Antares rocket and its unscrewed Cygnus Spacecraft launched which contains tons of NASA's supplies and 40 live mice to the International Space Station (ISS), from the Mid-Atlantic Regional Spacecraft at NASA's Wallops Flight Facility on Wallops Island in Virginia.
- Researchers at Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, have developed an ultrasensitive quantum thermometer by using graphene quantum dots. It can precisely measure a wide range of temperature from 27 degree C to -196 degree C.
- ISRO's workhorse launch vehicle Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV C-45), in its 47th mission, has successfully launched the 436 kg Electronic intelligence satellite EMISAT and 28 co-passenger satellites into their designated orbits from Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh.
- SpaceX, a private Aerospace company, will provide launch services for NASA's Double Asteroid Redirection Test (DART) mission, the first-ever mission to redirect an asteroid.
- Kerala's Periyar River has turned black near the Pathalam Regulator cum Bridge. This discolouration of Periyar and fish kills have been a serious issue for last couple of years.
- National Green Tribunal (NGT) has imposed a penalty of Rs 100 crore on the Andhra Pradesh government for illegal sand mining in the state.
- Flipkart-owned PhonePe, digital payments platform having over 150 million users in India is the first company to launch a special keyboard that will allow users to do transactions easily and securely while using their Android phone.
- US scientists used HIV to make gene therapy that cured eight infants of "bubble boy" disease
- The research team from IIT Madras has used a multi-lingual Optical Character Recognition (OCR) scheme to develop a method for reading documents in Bharati script.
- world's largest airplane a Stratolaunch's behemoth named "Roc" has made its first test flight in California, over the Mojave Desert .
- new state of matter which can be solid and liquid at the same time has been discovered by scientists of the University of Edinburgh.
- Astronomers have discovered a new exoplanet using NASA's exoplanet-hunting space telescope, Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite (TESS).

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- Helium hydride ion (HeH⁺) : Universe's first molecule, formed 14 billion years ago, detected in space
- The researchers at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), US created a 3D-printed device that can produce electricity from falling snow.
- The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)'s Hubble Space Telescope ejected measurements validating that the Universe is expanding about 9% faster than expected based on its trajectory seen shortly after the big bang. It was published in Astrophysical Journal Letters on April 25.
- Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) has issued guidelines for Candida auris, multi-drug resistant yeast that causes fatal invasive infections. Since 2009, the infection has been reported worldwide.
- new technique named dual-PWS, has been developed by the researchers to study the movement of cells without using labels or dyes.
- The election commission of India launched a voters turnout app to enable the people of India to watch realtime voter turnout.
- In order to check the authenticity of information during Lok Sabha Election, Messaging app WhatsApp unveiled a platform named "Checkpoint Tipline", which can review the content in the form of pictures, video links or text.
- Mars InSight lander of NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) has recorded first "marsquake," quake on the mars due to volcanic eruptions or land tides. The first faint signal, equal to a 2.5 magnitude earthquake came on April 6, the lander's 128th Martian day, or sol.
- NASA (The National Aeronautics and Space Administration) has revealed that Mercury, the smallest planet in the solar system has a massive solid inner core.
- National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) has chosen a team led by an Indian American student, Keshav Raghvan to have its CubeSat which is a mini research satellite to be sent to space to detect cosmic rays.
- Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency, or JAXA has dropped an explosive from its Hayabusa2 spacecraft.
- The Center for Cell and Molecular Biology (CCMB) scientists have discovered a new enzyme called "Murein EndopeptidaseK" while studying the cell growth in bacteria.
- Researchers improve Lithium-ion battery performance to charge them faster, by substituting cobalt oxide with vanadium disulfide (VS₂)
- modern money lending platform named Money Loji has launched an application which offers loan to salaried professionals within 5 minutes with flexible repayment options starting from 7 days to a maximum of 90 days.

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- Japanese scientists have successfully created the first-ever artificial crater on an asteroid, which gave some clue on how the solar system evolved.
- Astronomers Captured the First Image of a Black Hole which was a halo of dust and gas, tracing the outline of a colossal black hole at the center of the galaxy M87 (Messier 87) with the help of The Event Horizon Telescope (EHT) observations.
- Mariana Trench (the deepest part of the Earth's oceans, approximately 11,000 metres) of Western Pacific Ocean, scientists have discovered a unique oil-eating bacteria that can help in sustainable ways of cleaning up man-made oil spills.
- A paper on 'NASA Twins' has revealed that spaceflight has an effect on the gut microbiome; the effects however appear to be significant and temporary.
- A group of researchers, led by astronomers at San Diego State University, by using data from NASA's Kepler Space Telescope, detected the new Neptune-to-Saturn size planet orbiting between two previously known planets Kepler-47b and Kepler-47c.
- rating agency ICRA (Investment Information & Credit Rating Agency) has estimated 7-7.5 GW solar power capacity addition in 2019-20, which includes 1 GW of rooftop solar based on tendering and awards of projects in the last 12-15 months.
- China successfully launched its first second generational data relay satellite named Tianlian II-01 with the help of a Long March-3B Carrier rocket from Xichang Satellite Launch Centre in Sichuan Province. It was the 301st mission of the Long March carrier rocket series.
- The Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite (TESS) has discovered an Earth-sized planet, HD 21749b and a s"sub-Neptune" world, revolving around the star, HD 21749.
- Google has launched a new open platform named 'Anthos' to run and manage apps from anywhere.
- Scientists from Tsinghua University and the Chinese Academy of Sciences' Institute of Genetics and Development Biology have discovered a mechanism named "death switch" in the plant's immune system that can keep the plant healthy.
- The 70 MW 'Akademik Lomonosov', world's first floating nuclear power plant successfully tested by Rosenergoatom, operator subsidiary of Rosatom, state owned atomic energy cooperation of Russia. The ship was named after famous academician Mikhail Lomonosov.
- The world's first armed amphibious drone boat named "Marine Lizard", which is guided by China's BeiDou Navigation Satellite System has been successfully tested by China.

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- Nepal has launched its first satellite “NepaliSat-1” into space from the Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport at NASA’s Wallops Flight Facility on Virginia’s East Shore.
- Researchers at the Lund University Diabetes Centre, Sweden, have discovered how lifestyle affects genes and disease development in a human body in a new study called ‘Epigenetic Mechanisms’.
- magnetic field of the sun is ten times stronger than previously thought according to a new study by the Queen’s University Belfast and Aberystwyth University.
- Bharti Airtel has launched a mobile app, “My Circle” in collaboration with FICCI Ladies Organisation (FLO) to assist women in case they face any panic situation or problem.
- The world’s first malaria vaccine RTS, S is also known as Mosquirix has launched in Malawi, one of three countries in Africa in a landmark pilot programme coordinated by the World Health Organisation (WHO).
- Sri Lanka launched its first satellite ‘Raavana-1’ weighing 1.05 kg into space from the Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport at NASA’s Wallops Flight Facility on Virginia’s East Shore.
- SpaceX carried out its first commercial operational mission by launching its Falcon Heavy rocket to place a Saudi telecoms satellite into orbit operated by Arabsat.

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