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Important Days

National Important Days

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Day</u> | <u>Theme</u> |
|---|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | Gujarat's 61st Statehood | _ |
| May 1 | Day | |
| Ividy I | Maharashtra's 61st | _ |
| | Statehood Day | _ |
| Moy 7 | 61st Raising Day OF Border | |
| May 7 | Roads Organisation | - |
| May 9(2nd Sunday of May) | Mother's Day | - |
| May 11 | National Technology Day | Science and Technology for |
| May 11 | National Technology Day | a Sustainable Future |
| Sikkim's 46 th Statehood Day | | - |
| May 16 | National Dengue Day | - |
| Third Friday of May (May 21 in 2021) | National Endangered Species Day | Wildlife Without Borders |
| Mov 24 | Commonwealth Day/ | Delivering a Common |
| May 24 | Empire Day | Future |

INTERNATIONAL IMPORTANT DAYS

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Day</u> | <u>Theme</u> |
|---------------------------------|--|--|
| May 1 | International Labour Day/May Day/Antarrashtriya Shramik Divas/Kamgar Din | maintaining safety and security at the workplace |
| May 2 (First Sunday of May) | World Laughter Day | - |
| May 2 | World Tuna Day | - |
| May 3 | World Press Freedom Day | Information as a Public Good |
| May 4 | International Firefighters' Day | - |
| May 4 (First Tuesday of May) | World Asthma Day | Uncovering Asthma Misconceptions |









| May 5 | World Hand Hygiene Day | Achieving hand hygiene at the point of care Slogan -"Seconds Save Lives-Clean Your Hands" |
|----------|--|---|
| Ividy 5 | International Day of the | Follow the Data: Invest in |
| | Midwife | Midwives |
| | World Cartoonist Day | - |
| May 6 | International No Diet Day | Symbol-Blue Ribbon |
| May 7 | World Athletics Day | - |
| | World Red Cross Day/Red Crescent Day | Together we are #unstoppable! |
| May 8 | International Thalassemia Day | Addressing Health Inequalities Across The Global Thalassemia Community |
| May 12 | International Nurses Day | A Voice to Lead- A Vision for future healthcare |
| | International Day of | Families and New |
| | Families | Technologies |
| May 15 | International Kangaroo Mother Care Awareness Day | - |
| May 16 | International Day of Living Together in Peace | - |
| iviay 10 | International Day of Light | - |
| | 14 th World Agri Tourism Day | |
| | World Hypertension Day | Measure your blood pressure, control it, live longer! |
| May 17 | World Telecommunication Day | Accelerating digital transformation in challenging times |
| | The International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia | Together, Resisting, Supporting, Healing |
| M10 | International Museum Day | The Future of Museums: Recover and Reimagine |
| May 18 | World AIDS Vaccine Day | Global solidarity, shared responsibility |









| | World Bee Day | Bee engaged – Build Back Better for Bees |
|---------|---|---|
| May 20 | World Metrology Day | Measurement for Health |
| , | The International Human Resources (HR) Day | HR Shaping the New Future |
| | Anti-Terrorism Day | To mark the death anniversary of former PM Rajiv Gandhi |
| May 21 | The World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development | - |
| | International Tea Day | - |
| May 22 | The International Day for Biological Diversity | We're part of the solution #ForNature |
| | World Turtle Day | Turtles Rock! |
| May 23 | International Day to End Obstetric Fistula | Women's rights are human rights! End fistula now! |
| | World Thyroid Day | Mother-Baby-Iodine: The Importance of Iodine on the Woman and her Baby |
| May 25 | International Missing Children's Day | Official Emblem-Forget Me Not Flower |
| | World Wrestling Day | - |
| May 28 | Menstrual Hygiene Day | Action and Investment in Menstrual Hygiene and Health |
| Widy 20 | World Hunger Day | Access Ends Hunger |
| | The International Day of Action for Women's Health | - |
| | International Everest Day | - |
| May 29 | International Day of UN Peacekeepers | The Road to a lasting peace: Leveraging the power of youth for peace and security |
| | World Digestive Health Day | Obesity: An Ongoing Pandemic |
| May 31 | World No Tobacco Day | Commit to Quit |









SPORTS

RETIREMENT

Cricket

- Thisara Perera All-rounder retires from International Cricket Sri Lanka
- ➤ B J Watling New Zealand wicket-keeper batsman
- Harry Gurney Former Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) and England left-arm speedster
- Boyd Rankin Ireland pacer retires from cricket.
- Alex Wakely Former Northamptonshire captain announced his retirement from all forms of cricket with immediate effect.

Football

➤ Sami Khedira – Germany's World Cup winner midfielder announces retirement (2014-FIFA World Cup, Brazil)

Rugby

Kieran Read - Former New Zealand captain retired from rugby

BANNED OR SUSPENDED

Cycling

➤ Matteo Spreafico (Italy-Rider)- ban for three years after failing two anti-doping tests during the Giro d'Italia in October

Cricket

➤ Tamim Iqbal (Bangladesh-Skipper) – Fined 15% of his match fee for breaching level 1 of ICC Code.









GRAND PRIX

Portuguese Grand Prix 2021

| Rank | Winner | Country | Team |
|------|-----------------|---------|----------|
| 1st | Lewis Hamilton | Britain | Mercedes |
| 2nd | Max Verstappen | Belgium | Redbull |
| 3rd | Valtteri Bottas | Finland | Mercedes |

Spanish Grand Prix 2021

| Rank | Winner | Country | Team |
|------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|
| 1st | Lewis Hamilton | UK | Mercedes |
| 2nd | Max Verstappen | Netherlands | Red Bull Racing |
| 3rd | Valtteri Bottas | Finland | Mercedes |

Monaco Grand Prix

| Rank | Winner | Country | Team |
|-----------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------|
| 1 st | M. Verstappen | Netherlands | Red Bull Racing |
| 2 nd | C. Sainz Jr. | Spain | Ferrari |
| 3 rd | L. Norris | Belgium | McLaren |

COMPETITION Badminton

> PV Sindhu + Michelle Li - athlete ambassadors for IOC's 'Believe in Sports' campaign

Cricket

- > England top by ICC T-20 ranking after annual update; India retained the second place
- ➤ ICC Player of the month for April Babar Azam-Pakistan (Men's)+Alyssa Healy-Australia (Womens').
- > BCCI Appoint Ramesh Powar as the Indian Women's Cricket Team Head Coach

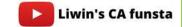
Rowing

> Rowing - India's Arjun Lal and Arvind Singh qualified for Tokyo Olympics









Tennis

- ArynaSabalenka (Belarus) beat world number one Ashleigh Barty(Australia) to win the Madrid Open for the first time.
- Madrid Open women's doubles final, BarboraKrejcikova and Katerina Siniakova, both from the Czech Republic, defeated Gabriela Dabrowski of Canada and Demi Schuurs of France
- ➤ Alexander Zverev (German) beat Berrettini (Italy) to win 2nd Madrid Open Title
- ➤ Rafael Nadal (Spain) beat World No 1 Novak Djokovic (Serbia) for 10th Rome Open title.
- ➤ IgaSwiatek (Poland) the Women's Singles title of Italian Open defeated ninth seed Karolina Pliskova (Czech Republic)
- ➤ BarboraKrejcikova (Czech Republic) Maiden WTA title at the Strasbourg International victory over SoranaCirstea (Romania).
- Novak Djokovic (Serbia) the Belgrade Open with a over Slovakian Alex Molcan

Football

- ➤ Bayern Munich 9th successive Bundesliga champions for the 2020-21 season
- ➤ India FIFA U-17 Women's WC to be held in Oct 2022
- ➤ Atletico Madrid Defeat Valladolid to win La Liga 2020-21 title.

Boxing

- ➤ The World Championship of boxing for men October 26 to November 6, 2021 in Belgrade, Serbia.
- ➤ Pooja Rani Won her 2nd Gold in women's 75 kg final with Indian women sign off with 10 medals at the Asian Elite Boxing Championships in Dubai, UAE

Racing

- Finnish GP Cancelled due to COVID-19
- Australian rider Jack Miller Won the French MotoGP.

Wrestling

> Arjan Bhullar - First Indian-origin fighter to win top-level MMA (Mixed Martial Arts) title

Athlete

➤ Tejaswin Shankar -a gold medal at the Big 12 Outdoor Track and Field Championships in Manhattan, USA









Golf

Lee-Anne Pace – South African Women's Open title

Weiightlifting

India's AchintaSheuli – silver medal in the 73 kg bodyweight category during the IWF Junior (Men and Women) World Weightlifting Championships at Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Others

2021 Asia Cup (Cricket) – Postponed to 2023, will be hosted by Sri Lanka

OBITUARY

Actor

- Pandu Tamil comedian
- Anjan Bandyopadhyay Eminent journalist and popular TV anchor

Film Maker/ Producer/Cinematographer

IromMaipak - Acclaimed cinematographer of Manipur

Musician

- Vanraj Bhatia National award-winning veteran music composer; Padma Shri in 2012
- Lloyd Prince (America) Singer-song writer; Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1998
- Kevin Clark (Chicago) Played drummer in 'School of Rock'.
- B.J. Thomas (America) Grammy-winning singer.

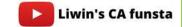
Writer/Author

- JaraganahalliShivashnkar Well-known poet, Kannada literary personality and thinker
- HomenBorgohain Eminent Assamese litterateur and journalist
- Ki.Rajanarayanan Sahitya Akademi award winner and the grand old man of Tamil literature
- Enakshi Chatterjee Renowned Bengali writer and translator.









Politician

- Jagmohan Former Union Minister and Former Governor of Jammu and Kashmir, Lieutenant Governor of Delhi and Goa, Padma Shri in 1971, Padma Bhushan in 1977 and Padma Vibhushan in 2016
- > Ajit Singh Former Union minister and Rashtriya Lok Dal (RLD) leader
- Vinod Kumar Singh alias Pandit Singh Senior Samajwadi Party leader and former Uttar Pradesh minister
- Raghunath Mohapatra Renowned sculptor, BJP MP; Padma Shri in 1975, Padma Bhushan in 2001 and Padma Vibhushan in 2013, Party-Indian National Congress
- Raghunandan Lal Bhatia Former Union Minister, former Governor of Kerala and Bihar and six times MP
- ShivbalakPasi Former Uttar Pradesh minister and Congress leader
- Shivraj Singh Lodhi (BJP) Former Damoh MP.
- ➤ Jagannath Pahadia Former Rajasthan chief minister and ex-governor of Haryana and Bihar (Indian National Congress)
- ➤ K R Krishna Former Karnataka Assembly Speaker
- ➤ Poul Schlueter Longtime Danish Prime Minister
- > MythiliSivaraman Veteran Marxist leader & AIDWA former VP
- ➤ Sardarni Surjit Kaur Kalkat A veteran Congress leader and two-time MLA from Tanda and former Punjab Minister.

Sports

- Yash Pal Vohra Rajasthan Royals' opener, a former hockey player of Punjab
- KishanRungta Former BCCI selector and Rajasthan captain
- Vivek Yadav a former Rajasthan leg-spinner and a member of their Ranji Trophy-winning squad
- ➤ MK Kaushik Former India hockey player and coach; Arjuna Award in 1998, before being bestowed with the Dronacharya award in 2002.
- > Ravinder Singh Sodhi Former hockey umpire and technical official
- > Rajendrasinh Jadeja Former Saurashtra pacer and BCCI match referee
- Prashant Mohapatra Cricketer, BCCI Referee
- Monali Gore International shooting coach
- Shakti Mazumdar Veteran boxer
- Ranjita Rane Former Mumbai All-Rounder









Others

- Manas Bihari Verma Aeronautical Scientist; In 2018, he was conferred Padma Shri, who played a developmental role in Light Combat Aircraft (LCA)-Tejas
- K R Ramaswamy Prolific social activist and crusader, popularly known as Traffic Ramaswamy
- Indu Jain Times Group chairperson; Padma Bhushan in 2016.
- ➤ Prof. M S Narasimhan Distinguished mathematician Padma Bhushan in 1990, the only Indian to receive the King Faisal International prize in the field of Science.
- > Siddharth Shriram Industrialist and former chairman of Usha International
- Sunderlal Bahuguna Environmentalist and 'Chipko' movement pioneer
- Col Panjab Singh Vir Chakra awardee and a decorated veteran of the 1971 war
- David Klein Former governor of 'Bank of Israel'
- > H S Doreswamy Centenarian freedom fighter
- Munirathna Anandakrishnan Educationist and former Vice-Chancellor of Anna University; Padma Shri in 2002

RANKING

NATIONAL RANKING

Jadavpur University - the 18thRank in Indian higher educational institutions in CWUR rankings

<u>Centre for World University Ranking</u>

| Global Rank | Institution |
|-------------|--|
| 1 | Harvard University, US |
| 2 | Massachusetts Institute of Technology, |
| | US |
| 3 | Stanford University, US |

Indian Institutions:

| Indian Rank | Global Rank | Institution |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | 415 | IIM Ahmedabad |
| 2 459 | Indian Institute of | |
| 2 | 459 | Science, Bengaluru |
| | | Tata Institute of |
| 3 | 543 | Fundamental Research, |
| | | Mumbai |









The Asia university rankings 2021-Released by Times Higher Education

| 2021 rank | Institution | Country/region |
|-----------|---|----------------|
| 1 | Tsinghua University | China |
| 2 | Peking University | China |
| 3 | National University of Singapore | Singapore |
| 4 | University of Hong Kong | Hong Kong |
| 5 | Nanyang Technological University, Singapore | Singapore |
| 37 | IISc Bangalore | India |
| 55 | IIT Ropar | |
| 78 | IIT Indore | |

INTERNATIONAL RANKING

Savitribai Phule Pune University (SPPU) (1,329th) + the Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER)(1,124th) - top 2,000 universities in the world by the Centre for World University Rankings (CWUR) 2021-2022.

Prime Global Cities Index Q1 2021 - Knight Frank

| Rank | City |
|------|-----------|
| 1 | Shenzhen |
| 32 | New Delhi |
| 36 | Mumbai |
| 40 | Bangalore |
| 48 | New York |

Deloitte report- Reliance Retail Ltd has been ranked 2nd fastest growing retailer in the world in 2021

Global Powers of Retailing - Deloitte report

| Rank | Country | |
|------|------------------------------------|--|
| 1 | US giant Walmart Inc | |
| 2 | Amazon.com Inc | |
| 3 | Costco Wholesale Corporation of US | |
| 4 | Schwarz Group of Germany. | |
| 53 | Reliance Retail Ltd | |











Eight major cities in health infrastructure related parameters - Housing.com

| | <u> </u> |
|------|----------------------------|
| Rank | City |
| 1st | Pune |
| 2nd | Ahmedabad |
| 3rd | Bengaluru |
| 4th | Mumbai Metropolitan Region |
| 5th | Hyderabad |
| 6th | Chennai |
| 7th | Kolkata |
| 8th | Delhi NCR |

ICC Test Team rankings after annual update

| Rank | Team |
|------|--------------|
| 1st | India |
| 2nd | New Zealand |
| 3rd | England |
| 4th | Australia |
| 5th | Pakistan |
| 6th | West Indies |
| 7th | South Africa |
| 8th | Sri Lanka |
| 9th | Bangladesh |

Forbes' highest-paid athletes list 2021

| Rank | Athletes | Country | Earnings |
|------|--|-----------|---------------|
| 1st | McGregor (MMA Boxer) MMA – Mixed Martial Artist | Ireland | \$180 million |
| 2nd | Lionel Messi (Football) | Argentina | \$130 million |
| 3rd | Cristiano Ronaldo (Football) | Portugal | \$120 million |

The Fortune-World's 50 greatest leaders 2021 report

| Rank | Person |
|------|--|
| 1 | Jacinda Ardern, Prime Minister of New Zealand |
| 2 | MRNA Pioneer |
| 3 | Daniel H Schulma, American business executive and president and CEO of |
| | PayPal |
| 10 | Adar Poonawalla, CEO of the Serum Institute of India. |









The list of the Bloomberg Billionaires Index

| <u>Rank</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Source</u> |
|-------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | Jeff Bezos | Amazon |
| 2 | Bernard Arnault& family | LVMH |
| 3 | Elon Musk | Tesla, SpaceX |

EY's Renewable Energy Country Attractiveness Index

| Rank | Country |
|------|---------|
| 1st | USA |
| 2nd | China |
| 3rd | India |

Bloomberg Asia's Billionaires Index

| Rank | Name | Net worth |
|------|----------------|-----------|
| 1 | Mukesh Ambani | 76.5 |
| 2 | Gautam Adani | 66.5 |
| 3 | Zhong Shanshan | 63.6 |
| 4 | Ma Huateng | 60.5 |
| 5 | Jack Ma | 48.7 |
| 6 | Colin Huang | 44.8 |
| 7 | Zhang Yiming | 44.5 |
| 8 | Tadashi Yanai | 40.2 |
| 9 | William Ding | 34.8 |
| 10 | Zeng Yuqun | 33.6 |

> Forbes - Bernard Arnault - Overtake Jeff Bezos to become world's richest person

FIFA men's Rankings

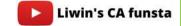
| | <u> </u> |
|-------|----------|
| Rank | Country |
| 1st | Belgium |
| 2nd | France |
| 3rd | Brazil |
| 105th | India |











BANKING AND FINANCE

BANKING

Small Savings Scheme Rates

| Scheme | Interest Rate |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| PPF | 7.1% |
| NSC | 6.8% |
| Senior Citizen Savings Scheme | 7.4% |
| 5-Year Recurring deposits | 5.8% |
| One-year to Three-year deposits | 5.5% |
| Five-year time deposits | 6.7% |
| Post office savings deposits | 4% |
| Sukanya Samriddhi Account | 7.6% |
| Kisan Vikas Patra | 6.9% |

RBI

- Rs 50,000 crore cheap loans for vaccine, health firms amid Covid-19 crises
- Fresh loan moratorium to Individual, small borrowers having loans up to Rs 25 crore
- ➤ Give an extension to the restrictions on a Karnataka based Millath Co-operative bank by three months till August 8, 2021
- Cancel the license of United Co-operative Bank Ltd of West Bengal as the bank does not have adequate capital and earning prospects

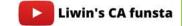
Penalty

- ➤ The RBI a monetary penalty of Rs 3 crore on ICICI Bank "Contravention of certain directions issued by the RBI contained in Master Circular on 'Prudential Norms for Classification, Valuation and Operation of Investment Portfolio by Banks'
- ➤ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) a monetary penalty of ₹25.50 lakh on Jumbo Finvest (India) Ltd, Jaipur non-compliance with provisions of two of its directions.
- ➤ RBI Monetary penalty of Rs 1 Lakh on Maharashtra based Priyadarshini Mahila Nagari Sahakari Bank.
- ➤ RBI Monetary penalty of Rs one crore on City Union Bank Limited
- ➤ RBI penalty of Rs 1 crore on Tamilnad Mercantile Bank (HQ-Thoothukudi) for noncompliance with certain provisions of directions issued by it on Cyber Security Framework in Banks.
- > RBI monetary penalty of Rs 10 lakh on Daimler Financial Services India Private Limited
- > IRDAI Rs 24 Lakh Penalty on Policybazaar For Violating Advertisement Norm
- > RBI Imposed a penalty of Rs 10 crore for deficiencies in regulatory compliances









PUBLIC SECTOR BANKS

State Bank of India

- Rs 71 crore support various initiatives in combating the second wave of Covid-19 and is in talks with various designated authorities to explore partnerships for setting up makeshift hospitals.
- > SBI Cards and Payment Services (SBI Card) raised Rs 455 crore by issuing bonds
- SBI + IBA Various support measures and launch of new loan products by all Public Sector Banks.

Canara Bank

Canara Jeevanrekha healthcare business loan + Canara Chikitsa + Canara Suraksha personal loan scheme - 3 Loan Schemes Amid Fight Against COVID-19.

PRIVATE SECTOR BANKS

Federal Bank

> Federal Bank + Mashreq Bank - offer instant money transfers from UAE to India

HDFC Bank

- ➤ HDFC Bank + CSC-Launch of 'Eva'digitalseva portal to support VLE's
- Set Up Medical Infrastructure For Covid-19 Relief.

ICICI Bank

- ➤ Link UPI ID facility to its 'Pockets' digital wallet
- Use satellite data to assess creditworthiness of farmers.

IDBI Bank

- Offer KYC updation facility through video identification process
- > Fully digitized, end-to-end, Loan Processing System (LPS) for its MSME and Agri products

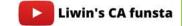
Kotak Mahindra Bank

➤ A digital payments partner by the National Agriculture Market (eNAM).









Yes Bank

> The implementation of TransUnion's onboarding solution, which will enable it to onboard its credit card customers seamlessly

INSURANCE

- Max Bupa health insurance 'Senior First', a tailor-made plan for providing healthcare services to senior citizens.
- Max Life Insurance Max Life Saral Pension', a non-linked, non-participating single premium, individual immediate annuity plan.
- ➤ Edelweiss General Insurance IPOS (Integrated Partner On-boarding Solution).
- Aditya Birla Sun Life Insurance ABSLI Vision LifeIncome Plus Plan that provides guaranteed regular income plus flexible bonus pay outs
- ➤ Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance All-inclusive support to its employees for navigating the Covid-19 pandemic crisis
- ➤ ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Retirement plan with guaranteed returns.

SMALL FINANCE BANK

- ➤ Jana Small Finance Bank 'I Choose My Number' feature for all its customers can choose last 10 digits of their bank account numbers
- Equitas Small Finance Bank First SFB to offer end to end online process for NRI account opening.

PAYMENTS BANK

Paytm - 'COVID-19 Vaccine Finder' to help citizens check the availability of vaccination slots

WORLD BANK

| <u>Amount</u> | <u>Purpose</u> |
|------------------|---|
| \$127mn | improve food security in Yemen |
| USD 80.5 million | Sri Lanka for COVID-19 vaccination drive. |
| USD 153mn | Pakistan to aid COVID-19 vaccination drive. |
| 600 million US | two projects in Bangladesh to help over 1.75 million poor and |
| Dollars | vulnerable people in the country |









ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

| <u>Amount</u> | <u>Purpose</u> |
|----------------|---|
| \$5.5 million | Grant to Tonga to support safe COVID-19 vaccination |
| \$ 1.5 million | Grant to Tuvalu |

SEBI

- > SEBI- Released Business Responsibility and Sustainability Report (BRSR).
- > SEBI Ban Tree House Education promoters from capital market

NABARD

| <u>Amount</u> | <u>Purpose</u> | |
|----------------|---|--|
| Rs 1,236 crore | Rural Infrastructure Development Fund for Assam in FY21 | |

European Investment Bank

| <u>Amount</u> | <u>Purpose</u> | | |
|------------------|---|--|--|
| Euro 150 million | 2nd tranche for Pune Metro Rail project | | |
| 250,000 euros | Covid-19 crisis in India | | |

IRDAI

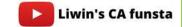
- > IRDAI Standard travel insurance policies to help consumers.
- ➤ IRDAI Imposed penalty of Rs 30 lakh on SBI General Insurance











OTHERS

- ➤ The gross GST revenue in the month of April 2021 set a new record of Rs. 1,41,384 crore
- > BHIM UPI transactions come down slightly to Rs 4.94 trillion in April
- ➤ Muthoot Finance Limited + NIRA Provide personal loans to Rs 1 lakh
- > Bajaj Finserv 'SavdhanRahein. Safe Rahein', a Public Awareness Campaign
- Western Union + Google cross-border payments via Google Pay app
- ➤ IMF Propose \$50 billion Global Vaccination plan
- ➤ NPCI + PayCore Enable RuPaySoftPOS Solutions in India
- BharatPe India's first Covid Vaccination Cashback' program to encourage Covid vaccination for merchants
- Freecharge 'Pay Later' facility for its customers.
- ➤ BCT Digital Cloud-ready 'rt360 Credit Risk Suite' enabling Banks, NBFCs.
- ZipLoan + InCred Provide micro-loans to MSMEs.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

Microsoft

- Microsoft +Nigerian govt Collaborate to create about 27,000 new digital jobs over next 3 vears
- Microsoft + LaLiga Expand partnership to digitally transform football experience
- ➤ Leonardo + Microsoft Team up to help digitalise Italy's public systems

Others

- ➤ Boeing organisations providing relief, including medical supplies and emergency healthcare for communities and families battling Covid-19 \$ 10 million
- Accenture pledge USD 25 million (about Rs 185 crore) for pandemic relief efforts in the country.
- > Snapdeal 'Sanjeevani' to connect covid patients with plasma donors
- > Twitter Donate USD 15 million for covid-19 relief in India
- ➤ IBM a new app dubbed LineChaser to help people with visual disabilities maintain a safe distance from others around them amid the COVID-19 pandemic.
- ➤ Ola + GiveIndia To give free oxygen concentrators at doorstep
- ➤ UN report Indian economy will grow 10.1% in 2022.
- ➤ Verisk Maplecroft report Asian cities face the greatest risk from environmental issues.
- World Bank report India received over USD83 billion in remittances in 2020, a drop of just
 0.2 per cent from the previous year, despite a pandemic that devastated the world economy
- Asian Development Bank (ADB) \$3.92 billion in sovereign loans for 13 projects to India in 2020.









- ➤ Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd Rs 1-lakh health insurance for new tractor customers
- ➤ IEA Report 'Net Zero by 2050: a Roadmap for the Global Energy Sector
- ➤ Reliance Jio undersea cable system -expected to be ready for services by mid-2023.
- > Tata Projects SecuresRs 2000 crore order from CMRL for nine-km stretch of Chennai Metro's underground Line
- ➤ India Record Highest Ever FDI Inflow of US\$ 81.72 Billion in FY21.
- ➤ Govt data India's fiscal deficit at 9.3% of GDP in 2020-21.

ACQUISITION AND MERGERS

| <u>Company</u> | Acquire company | Percent stake | <u>Amount</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Amazon | MGM Studios | | USD 8.45 billion. |
| Anjani Portland | Bhavya Cements | 82.5% | Rs 607.18 crore |

BOOKS AND AUTHORS

| Book | <u>Author</u> | <u>Published</u> | Released by |
|--|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| Life in the Clock Tower Valley | Shakoor Rather | Speaking Tiger | - |
| Bene Appetit: The Cuisine of Indian Jews | Esther David | HarperCollins | - |
| Born a Muslim: Some Truths about Islam in India | Ghazala Wahab | Aleph Book Company | - |
| Republic of Hindutva: How the Sangh is Reshaping Indian Democracy | Badri Narayan | Penguin/ Viking | - |
| How Beautiful We Were | ImboloMbue | Canongate Books Ltd | - |
| A Red-necked Green Bird; Ambai | G.J.V. Prasad | Simon & Schuster India. | - |
| India and Asian Geopolitics: The Past, Present | Shivshankar Menon | Allen Lane/ PRH | - |
| "Nehru, Tibet and China" | Avtar Singh Bhasin | Penguin | - |
| Billie Eilish: In Her Own Words | Billie Eilish | - | - |
| STARGAZING: The Players in My Life | Ravi Shastri | HarperCollins | - |



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APPOINTMENTS

NATIONAL APPOINTMENTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Designation</u> | <u>Organization</u> | <u>Replaced</u> |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Justice P C Pant | Acting Chairperson | National Human Rights Commission | - |
| Mamata Banerjee | Chief Minister (3 rd term) | West Bengal | - |
| Ujjwala Singhania | 38th National President | FICCI Ladies Organization | Johnabi Phookan |
| Dr V IraiAnbu | Chief Secretary | Tamil Nadu | Mr Rajeev Ranjan |
| Justice (retd) AmbadasHaribhau Joshi | Lokayukta | kta Goa | |
| Muthuvel Karunanidhi Stalin | | Tamil Nadu | Edapaddi K. Palaniswami |
| N Rangasamy | Chief Minister | Puducherry | V Narayanasamy |
| Dr HimantaBiswaSarma | | Assam | SarbanandaSonowal |
| Rajeev Khushu | Chairman India Electronics and Semiconductor Association (IESA) | | Satya Gupta |
| Pinarayi Vijayan | Chief Minister | | |
| Narinder Batra | President International Hockey Federation | | - |
| HimantaBiswaSarma | Member | BWF Council | - |
| Prashant Kumar Mishra | Chief Justice | Chhattisgarh High Court | - |
| Aashritha V Olety | India's 1st woman flight test engineer | | - |
| Alapan Bandyopadhyay | Chief Secretary | West Bengal | - |
| Subodh Kr Jaiswal | Director CBI | | Praveen Sinha (interim) |
| Sunil Mittal | Chief Executive Officer | CSS Corp | - |
| Mr Subrahmanyam | Secretary | Commerce | - |
| AK Mehta | New chief secretary | Jammu and Kashmir | - |
| Kuldiep Singh | Director General National Investigation Agency | | YC Modi |
| T V Narendran | President | CII | Uday Kotak |









INTERNATIONAL APPOINTMENTS

| Name | <u>Designation</u> | <u>Organization</u> | Replaced |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|----------|
| Kamala Harris | Chair | National Space Council | - |
| Yoweri Museveni | President | Uganda | - |
| K P Sharma Oli | Prime Minister | Nepal | - |
| Fiame Naomi Mataafa | First Female Prime Minister | Samoa | - |
| Guillermo Lasso | President | Ecuador | - |
| Anatole CollinetMakosso | Prime Minister | The Democratic Republic of the Congo | - |
| Frank-Walter Steinmeier | President | Germany | - |
| Bashar al-Assad | president | Syria | - |

AMBASSADORS/HIGH COMMISSIONERS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Designation</u> | Country/ Organization |
|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Ram Karan Verma | Next ambassador of India | Central African Republic |
| S Balachandran | Next ambassador of India | Suriname |
| Pradip Kumar Yadav | Next ambassador of India | Liberia |
| Vishnu Kumar Sharma | Next ambassador of India | South Sudan |











BANKING APPOINTMENTS

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Designation</u> | <u>Bank</u> | Replaced |
|----------------|---|--|------------|
| T Rabi Sankar | deputy governor | RBI | BP Kanungo |
| Sudatta Mandal | Deputy Managing Director | SIDBI | - |
| Jose Kattoor | Executive Director Reserve Bank of India | | - |
| Indranil Pan | Chief Economist | Yes Bank | - |
| Abhay Tewari | Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer | Star Union Dai-ichi Life Insurance Company Ltd | - |
| Rajesh Bansal | CEO | Reserve Bank Innovation Hub | - |

COMMITTEE

| Person name | Committee | <u>Board</u> | <u>Members</u> |
|---------------|--|--------------|----------------|
| S Janakiraman | Advisory Group To Assist Regulatory Review Authority | RBI | - |











AWARDS

NATIONAL AWARDS

| Person | Award Name | Category | Given by | <u>Details</u> |
|---------------------------------|---|---|-----------------------------------|---|
| Karnataka Vikas Grameen Bank | 5 awards | - | - | Various campaigns held for enrolment of APY from PFRDA |
| IREDA | 'Green Urja Award' | - | - | Being the Leading Public Institution in Financing Institution for Renewable Energy this year by ICC |
| CSS Corp | The Gold Stevie Award | Company of the Year-Computer Services category | - | - |
| NukluPhom | Prestigious Whitley Awards 2021(known as the Green Oscar) | - | - | - |
| Ramesh PokhriyalNishan k | International Invincible Gold Medal | - | Maharshi Organization | Outstanding service to humanity |
| Larsen & Toubro | Fourth edition of Dubai's Taqdeer Awards | - | - | Providing best working conditions for labour |
| Hockey India | Etienne Glichitch award | - | - | - |
| Shaji .N.M. | India Biodiversity Award 2021 | Individual category | PPV&FR Authority, New Delhi | Conservation of domesticated species |
| Breathe Applied Sciences | TDB National Award 2021 | | - | Developing a commercial solution for conversion of CO2 to chemicals and fuels |









| Dr Nageshwar Reddy | Renowned 'Rudolf V Schindler' Award | - | The American Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy | - |
|--------------------------|---|---|---|---|
| SpiceHealth | Gold Stevie Award 2021 | 'Most Valuable Medical Innovation' und er coronavirus disease (Covid- 19) response category | - | - |
| C.N.R. Rao | International Eni Award in Energy Frontiers (also called Nobel prize in Energy Research) | - | - | - |
| Amartya Sen | Spain's top Princess of Asturias Award | Social sciences category | - | - |
| Thamizh'sSethth umaan | Grand Jury Award for Best Feature | - | - | The Indian Film Festival of Los Angeles |
| Nammude Kozhikode | 1st prize in the Digital Governance Mobile Challenge | - | - | - |

INTERNATIONAL AWARDS

| <u>Person</u> | Award Name | Category | Given by | <u>Details</u> |
|---------------|---|----------|----------|--|
| Sohan Roy | 2021 Fame Times International Excellence Award (FTIEA) - 'Best Visionary Entrepreneur of the Year | - | - | recognize business leaders who have created a benchmark for themselves and others in their respective fields |







| Shakuntala HaraksinghThilsted | World Food Prize 2021 | - | World Food Prize Foundation | research in developing holistic, nutrition-sensitive approaches |
|---|---|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| Drake | Artist of the Decade Award at the 2021 Billboard Music Awards | - | - | |
| KONE Elevator India | The Economic Times Best Workplace for Women 2021 | - | - | - |
| Andrea Meza of Mexico | Miss Universe | - | - | Miss India AdlineCastelino |
| Mohini Singh | British Order of Merit | - | - | - |
| Jennifer Nansubuga Makumbi + Patrice Lawrence | Jhalak Prize 2021 | - | - | - |
| Nitin Rakesh + Jerry Wind | International Book of the Year 2021 award | - | - | Note: The book "Transformation in times of crisis" |

Others

- ➤ Kami Rita Sherpa(Nepal) new record to climb Mt Everest for 25th time
- > Tsangyin-Hung (Hong Kong)Mountaineer-became the fastest woman to climb Mt Everest in 25 Hours 50 miniutes

2021 Laureus World Sports Awards

- > Tennis legend Rafael Nadal has won the Sportsman of the Year award at the 2021 Laureus World Sports Awards that were unveiled at a digital awards ceremony from Seville, Spain.
- > The Sportswoman of the Year award went to Naomi Osaka (Japan).
- > The World Team of the Year award was picked by the Bayern Munich football team.









- The Athlete Advocate of the Year was won by Formula One champion Lewis Hamilton for his continuous efforts to raise social awareness and Liverpool footballer Mo Salah received the Sporting Inspiration Award.
- > The Lifetime Achievement Award went to Billie Jean King (American Tennis player)

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

IIT IN NEWS

IIT MADRAS

- > IIT-Madras + UK develop paper-based sensor to detect antimicrobial pollutants
- > IIT-Madras + Rice University Algorithms for lensless, miniature cameras
- > First tech magazine Shaastra
- > IIT-Madras +IBM Quantum computing education & research.

IIT GUWAHATI

Smart window materials for automatic climate control of buildings

IIT HYDERABAD

- ➤ IIT Hyderabad + NIMS Japan Research centre for materials research
- > To develop oral solution to treat black fungus

IIT ROPAR

- Develop a prototype of a moveable electric cremation system which claims to be using first of its kind technology that involves smokeless cremation despite using wood
- > "AmbiTAG"- India's first indigenous temperature data logger.

IIT Mumbai

► IIT-Mumbai + Indian Army - First green solar energy harnessing plant, Sikkim

IIT ALUMNI COUNCIL

> The IIT Alumni Council-founded Megalab - Rs 300-crore seed funding and is developing a two-dose Ayurveda-based coronavirus vaccine









IIT-Allahabad

A nanotechnology-based rapid testing kit for Covid-19

OTHERS NEWS IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

SPACE NEWS

- > NASA celebrates May as Asian American, Pacific Islander (AAPI) heritage month
- SpaceX Successfully launch its newest and biggest rocket SN15 in fifth attempt SpaceX - launched 'DOGE-1 Mission to the moon' in 1st quarter of 2022
- Google + Elon Musk's SpaceX Starlink satellite Internet service
- China's first Mars rover Zhu Rong successfully landed on Mars
- China- Long March-4B rocket carrying the Haiyang-2D (HY-2D) satellite from the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Centre in northwest China
- > NASA Send its first mobile robot to search for water on the moon in 2023
- NASA Earth System Observatory, ISRO will be a key partner
- Bellatrix Aerospace Successfully test India's first privately developed hall-effect thrusters.
- > China Successfully launch cargo spacecraft to dock with space station module
- > SpaceX Falcon 9 Rocket 60 More Starlink Internet Satellites To Orbit.

DRDO

- DRDO's Centre for Artificial Intelligence and Robotics (CAIR) + support of 5C Network & HCG Academics Artificial Intelligence algorithm that can detect the presence of COVID-19 disease in Chest X-rays
- DRDO COVID-19 antibody detection kit DIPCOVAN

Others

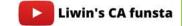
- Stratolaunch Build world's biggest airplane with 6 Boeing 747 engines completes successful test.
- Indian Navy Design 'Oxygen Recycling System' to mitigate current oxygen crisis.
- Iran most powerful supercomputer to date, Simurgh
- China Develop UAV with plateau ops capabilities, to deploy at LAC
- CSIR-CSIO UV disinfection technology to combat SARS-CoV-2.











INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Portugal

 Portugal- World's longest pedestrian suspension bridge above the river 'Paiva' – 516 meters (Bridge Name-Arouca)

UK

- ➤ UK first G-7 foreign ministers meeting since start of pandemic
- ➤ UK Plans for global pandemic radar to detect Covid-19 variants

Indonesia

- India + Indonesia-PASSEX in Southern Arabian Sea
- > China + Indonesia joint naval exercises near Jakarta, Indonesia

Japan

- ➤ Japan + US + France First joint military drill in southwestern, Japan.
- > Japan Send USD 18.5 Mn worth COVID-19 aid to India
- > Japan Deliver \$14.8mln worth of extra medical equipment to India.

Oman

India + Oman – Renew MoU on military cooperation along with its annexure as well as on maritime issues.

Pakistan

Pakistan – Chinese-assisted 1,100MW nuclear power plant in Karachi

Israel

> India + Israel - Sign work program for development in Agriculture cooperation

South Korea

South Korea - high-performance computing infrastructure to establish an exascale supercomputing system by 2030

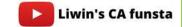
France

 Join the international consortium that will build the Square Kilometre Array Observatory (SKAO)









Cyclones

- > The First Cyclone of 2021 'Taukte' form over Arabian Sea, the name given by Myanmar
- > 2nd Cyclone-named 'Yaas'-Bay of Bengal, the name given by Oman

Others

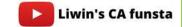
- Serum Institute India (SII) invest 240 million pound in Britain to expand its vaccine business
- India launch a Connectivity Partnership with the EU, cooperation on transport, energy, digital and people-to-people contacts
- > World Economic Forum Cancel Singapore meet in view of Covid pandemic
- > WHO + Switzerland Launch BioHub for pathogen storage and analysis.
- > India Participate in first physical meeting of UNSC since December.
- Chinese Zhang Hong First blind Chinese mountaineer climbs Mount Everest











NATIONAL AFFAIRS

Prime Minister – Narendra Modi

- > Rs 20,667 cr to 9.50 cr farmers under PM-KISAN scheme
- > 51st Indian Handicrafts and Gift Fair Delhi Fair-2021.
- PM CARE Offers Free Education, Rs 10 lakh fixed deposit for children who lost their parents due to covid

Defence - Rajnath Singh

- Rajnath Singh the first batch of DRDO-developed anti-Covid drug 2-DG
- > 'SeHAT OPD portal' for defence personnel, veterans.
- > Ajay Kumar, Defence Secretary Directorate General National Cadet Corps (NCC) Mobile Training App Version 2.0 in New Delhi.

Road Transport and Highways and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Nitin Gadkari

Road construction of worth 15 lakh crore rupees in next two years.

Finance and Corporate Affairs - Nirmala Sitharaman

- > 1st installment Rs 8873.6 crore under State Disaster Response Fund to states for the year 2021-22.
- Release the second monthly instalment of revenue deficit grant of Rs 9,871 crore to 17 states
- > Release Rs 8,923 crore to 25 states for providing grants to the rural local bodies for various prevention and mitigation measures needed to combat the COVID-19 pandemic
- > Finance Ministry + NDB Organize seminar on 'Social Infrastructure Financing and use of Digital Technologies'.
- Banks sanction over Rs 15 lakh crore under Mudra Yojana
- > 43rd GST Council meet begins via video conference









Education - Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank'

 CBSE + Education Ministry's Innovation Cell + AICTE - the 'Innovation Ambassador – Online Teaching Programme

Tribal Affairs - Arjun Munda

> Tribal Affairs Ministry + Microsoft - MoU for digital transformation of Tribal Schools.

Women and Child Development and Textiles - Smriti Irani

 WCD ministry + Indian Academy of Pediatrics – To provide expert care of Child Care Institutions (CCI).

Health and Family Welfare, Science and Technology; and Earth Sciences - Dr Harshavardhan

- Chair the opening session of the 33rd Conference of Health Ministers of Commonwealth Countries
- Chair 74th World Health Assembly.
- > Participate in a meeting with Ministers of Health of the NAM Countries.
- > Annual plan worth Rs. 1163.40 cr for J&K under National Health Mission

Petroleum and Natural Gas and Steel - Dharmendra Pradhan

Jumbo Covid-care facility with gaseous oxygen in Burnpur, West Bengal.

Labour and Employment - Santosh Kumar Gangwar

Hike Variable Dearness Allowance For Workers In Central Sphere









Youth Affairs and Sports; AYUSH - Kiren Rijiju

A massive nationwide campaign to distribute its proven poly herbal Ayurvedic drugs AYUSH
 64 and Sidha drug KabasuraKudineer

STATES

Andhra Pradesh

- Nuzvid in Andhra Pradesh SCR's 200th Kisan Rail
- > Release Socio Economic Survey 2020-21.
- Release Andhra Pradesh Industrial Gases and Medical Oxygen Manufacturing Policy 2021-22.
- > Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy Rs 1,820.23 Cr under YSR Free Crop Insurance scheme.

Arunachal Pradesh

'Chief Minister Bal Seva Scheme' for children who have lost both parents or guardian due to Covid-19 with the support of Rs 2000 per child/month

Assam

- Rupsi airport- northeast India's 15th airport and Assam's 7th airport, would starts commercial operations
- > Revamp monthly pension amount of journalists' pension scheme the journalists' pension scheme will be increased to Rs 10,000 from Rs 8,000 in the state

Bihar

> 'HIT Covid App' to ensure regular monitoring and tracking of those Civid-19 patients, who are in home isolation across the state.

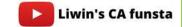
Chhattisgarh

> 'CG Teeka' web portal for convenient covid vaccination registration process









Goa

- > Solar-based electrification programme for remote villages
- > ₹2 lakh compensation to sole breadwinners who died due to COVID 'MukhyamantriAnath Aadhar Yojana'

Gujarat

'My Village – Corona Free Village' campaign helped in checking spread of Covid-19 in rural areas

Haryana

- > Ayurvedic telemedicine facility for Corona patients, helpline no-1075
- > First state to reimburse GST on Covid-related donations
- > Deloitte + Haryana government Launch initiative against COVID-19.

Himachal Pradesh

- Dedicated COVID-19 Helpline 'MukhyamantriSewaSanklap Helpline 1100' for facilitating the people regarding COVID related issues in Shimla.
- > "AYUSH GharDwar" a wellness program for Covid 19 Patients in collaboration with Art of Living for their timely cure and welfare

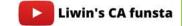
Jharkhand

- "Sanjeevani Vehicles" oxygen trucks to rush to any hospital in state capital Ranchi in case of an SOS.
- > Extending Rs 50 lakh insurance cover for frontline workers that include doctors, nurses and health workers
- > Book hospital beds online through 'Amrit Vahini' App
- > 'Chatboat' App to provide online information related to Covid-19.
- Palash Home Delivery App which is run by the Jharkhand State Livelihood Promotion Society









Karnataka

- > To provide free meals thrice-a-day at Indira Canteens.
- > Bengaluru India's first city-wide environmental surveillance platform for COVID.

Madhya Pradesh

- > The 'Mukhyamantri COVID Upchar Yojana provide free treatment for Covid to all the economically weaker families of the state
- > Children who lost their parents or guardians to COVID will be provided free education and Rs 5,000 monthly pension.
- > Ankur Scheme- to award people for planting trees
- > The first tranche of Rs. 1,184.86 Crores have been released by the National Jal Jeevan Mission

Maharashtra

- > The Nation's first 'Drive in Vaccination Center' was inaugurated by MP Rahul Shewale in Mumbai.
- Mission Oxygen new scheme to boost oxygen production
- > Mission Oxygen Self-Reliance" scheme to meet the state's oxygen needs.

Manipur

- MOMA(Manipur Organic Mission Agency) Market mobile application for home delivery of fresh vegetables
- > Freshcart Store, a mobile application for home delivery of fresh vegetables and other items
- Manipur Home Isolation Management (MHIM) Mobile Application for Home Isolation Patients at Chief Minister's Secretariat

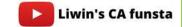
Meghalaya

Re-introduce Provision Essential Kits to people to lessen their COVID-19 hardships









Odisha

- Present 'Manoj Das International Literary Award' in memory of eminent litterateur Manoj Das
- "SachetanaRathas" to sensitize people on covid 19 second wave.
- Covid Test Report website to help people check their Covid test status

Punjab

- > An online citizen portal to provide all property related services in a seamless manner
- Delivery of free cooked food to poor coronavirus patients and a subsistence allowance of ₹3,000 to all registered construction workers amid a surge in COVID-19 cases.
- Malerkotla as the 23rd district of the state, which is bifurcated from Sangrur district
- Pind Covid Fateh Programme to tackle corona spread in villages
- Covid care Whatsapp chatbot for self-care during home isolation
- > Rs 1,500 per month for children orphaned in COVID pandemic
- 'SAANS' campaign to prevent & treat pneumonia in children.
- Provide free treatment to all COVID patients who are enrolled under state health insurance policy – SarbatSehatBeemaYojna – at empanelled private hospitals
- New initiative of youth cadre to fight Covid under Mission Fateh 2.0
- > Udaan scheme for providing free sanitary pads to needy women & girls
- the Smart Village campaign has started de-watering and de-silting of ponds across the state
- Drive to eradicate tobacco use on World No Tobacco Day

Rajasthan

- Universal health scheme covering all families, which will provide cashless insurance coverage of Rs 5 lakh.
- Provide free ambulance service to Covid-19 patients for their admission in hospitals and for ferrying them to dedicated facilities in case of referrals.
- > Introduce social security scheme for dependents of those who succumbed to Covid

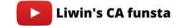
Tamil Nadu

- Covid pandemic time relief of Rs 2,000 for the people of the state
- Rs 25 lakh compensation to 43 doctors families who lost their lives in treating covid affected patients









 NSE Academy + Bharathiar University – Creating a Centre of Excellence for the Capital Markets.

Telangana

- > T-Hub + Nine New leading companies Help its startups during pandemic.
- > NHA + Telangana govt Integrate AB-PMJAY with Aarogyasri scheme
- Provide 'Anywhere Anytime Online Services'through T App Folio Mobile App.

Tripura

- > 'Auro Scholarship Programme' of Sri Aurobindo Society for all the students of the state.
- A 24×7 dedicated educational channel named Vande Tripura to offer lessons on the school syllabus

Uttar Pradesh

- > Health insurance of Rs 5 lakh for labourers and also a cover of Rs 2 lakh if they die in an accident or become physically disabled.
- > 'Women Employment Generation Programme' under the 'Mission Shakti' campaign for the protection, honor, self-reliance and income earning of women and girls.
- > 25% subsidy for new units making medical equipment
- > The surveillance system on Ganga river by drones

Uttarakhand

- > A drive called "Mission Hausla" to help people get oxygen, beds and plasma for COVID-19 patients
- Vatsalya Yojana –Rs 3000 per month for children orphaned due to Corona

West Bengal

> Implementation of a monthly income support scheme for eligible families - a new Rs10 lakh credit card scheme for all eligible students to pursue higher education, as well as the programme of free doorstep delivery of monthly ration to 1.5 crore households.









Union Territory

Delhi

- Portal through which people from around the world can donate funds or medical equipments to strengthen its fight against the raging Covid-19 pandemic.
- Provide free ration to all ration cardholders for the next two months.
- > Rs 5,000 each to all the autorickshaw drivers and taxi drivers in the national capital.
- "COVI Van Helpline" for senior citizens
- A program 'NETRA' coordination with the Information Technology Department to provide guidance telephonically and through WhatsApp to COVID-infected employees in home isolation
- Rs 5,000 financial assistance to drivers and permit holders of autorickshaws, e-rickshaws, taxis, Phat PhatSewa, eco-friendly Sewa, GraminSewa and maxi cabs
- Rs 50,000 ex-gratia to families of those who died due to COVID-19.

Puducherry

Achieve 100% tap water connection in rural areas under JJM

Jammu and Kashmir

- Incentive Rs 10,000 per month for resident doctors, PGs and Medical Officers, Rs 7,000 per month for nursing and paramedical staff, and Rs 5,000 per month for drivers, sweepers and attendants
- > Scheme 'SASCM' for families lost bread earner
- The first Union Territory to provide relief to COVID affected; Saksham to provide special pension and scholarship to COVID victims' families

Ladakh

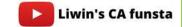
Ladakh's Yountan Society – Approves Rs 167.25 cr plan for Samagra Shiksha











Renamed News

- Rajasthan 'Miyon ka Bara' station renamed as Mahesh Nagar
- Mohali hockey stadium Named after Padma Shri Balbir Singh Senior
- ➤ Indian Broadcasting Foundation Renamed as Indian Broadcasting and Digital Foundation

Government News

- Govt Reduce IGST on import of oxygen concentrators for personal use to 12 pc from 28 pc.
- ➤ Govt. Allocated Rs. 2250 Crore for development of horticulture sector during 2021-22.
- > Center Approve 1.5lakh units of DRDO's Oxygen supply systems
- ➤ Government Approved Rs 18,100 cr PLI scheme manufacturing ACC battery.
- ➤ Government Rs. 5,968 Crore Central grants to 15 States under Jal Jeevan Mission for financial year 2021-22.
- ➤ Centre Rs 20.67 cr financial assistance to Haryana for 4th Khelo India Games.
- Govt Provide assistance of Rs 1500 to each Transgender person to meet basic requirements in view of COVID pandemic
- Cabinet nod To open a new Consulate in Addu city Maldives
- > Govt Extend deadline for mandatory hallmarking of gold jewellery till June 15.
- Centre Rs 1605 crore to 8 North Eastern states under Jal Jeevan Mission to provide tap water supply to rural homes
- > Govt Rs 1000 crore financial aid to Odisha, West Bengal & Jharkhand
- Centre Rs 3411 Cr grant to Gujarat under Jal Jeevan Mission

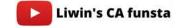
OTHERS

- Indian Navy Operation Samudra Setu-II to augment the ongoing national mission for meeting the Oxygen requirements
- > Operation CO-JEET launch by armed forces to fight covid-19 in India
- PepsiCo + Sustainable Environment and Ecological Development Society (SEEDS) launch a community COVID-19 vaccination drive and set up COVID care centres.
- ➤ Bolo Indya + Mygov India Launch Awareness Programme Around COVID-19 Vaccines and Myths.
- ➤ NDDB + EESL Offer energy efficient solutions to dairy industry.
- DGIC (Drugs Controller General of India) Approves DRDO's anti-COVID oral drug for emergency use
- CBSE 'Dost for Life' for psycho social wellness of students and parents









- Chandigarh University Student Satellite Designing and Training program 'CUSAT' + has become North India's first University to launch the advanced training program for the students in the field of Aerospace Engineering
- Chandigarh-based startup Jupitice Justice Technologies the world's first private digital court under the Private Justice System
- Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package insurance scheme COVID 19 health workers extended for 180 days
- Arunachal's TashiYangjom First Indian Woman Climber to Scale Everest In 2021.
- National Gallery of Modern Art Start month long online summer workshop- NAIMISHA 2021 from 17th May
- ➤ MCCIA + NABARD India's first Agriculture Export Facilitation Center (AEFC) in Pune.
- ➤ Indian Railway Commission Wi-Fi facility at 6,000th station Hazaribagh in Jharkhand.
- ➤ CBIC Special GST Refund Disposal Drive from 15th to 31st May.
- INS Rajput Decommission at Naval dockyard in Vizag
- ➤ Hindustan Unilever Limited Mission HO2PE in Assam
- ➤ Tentative list (6 sites) of UNESCO World Heritage Sites Satpura Tiger Reserve, Iconic riverfront of the historic city of Varanasi, Megalithic site of Hire Benkal, Maratha Military Architecture in Maharashtra, Bhedaghat-Lametaghat in Narmada Valley- Jabalpur, and temples of Kanchipuram.
- > Solar Industries India Ltd Deliver first lot of 40,000 grenades to Indian Army
- > Supreme Court of India's E-Committee a manual for its top citizen-centric service-free "e-Courts Services Mobile app" in 14 languages.
- ➤ Common Services Centres + PayPal Fight against Covid-19 in rural India
- ➤ Khelo India Youth Games-2021 Schedule for only 10 days.
- Indian Navy Skill development training' for maintenance of Oxygen plants
- ➤ DRDO Critical near isothermal forging technology for aero-engines
- ➤ NGT Impose Rs 1.17 cr penalty on 21 stone crushers in Andhra Pradesh.
- ➤ ICG ship 'Sajaji' Commissioned by National Security Advisor Ajit Doval
- ➤ The CSC E-Governance India Ltd (CSC SPV) the launch of an e-marketplace or portal for agri services, mainly to help small farmers
- ➤ Emergency medical ICU unit Instal in Indian Navy ALH helicopter.
- IFFCO Kisan + Ajooni Biotech Supply of BIS mark cattle feed
- > South Central Railway the Integrated Video Surveillance System (VSS) Control Room
- ➤ CBSE To engage 5 million youths To Join 'Young Warrior Movement' To Combat COVID-19.











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