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IMPORTANT DAYS

National Important Days

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Edition</u>	<u>Theme</u>
January 06	Marathi Journalism Day	From 1832	-
January 08	Youth Pravasi Bharatiya Divas	From 2001	"Bringing together Young Achievers from India and Indian Diaspora"
January 09	Pravasi Bharatiya Divas	16 th	"Contributing to Aatmanirbhar Bharat"
January 10	World Hindi Day or Vishwa Hindi Divas	From 2006	-
January 12	National Youth Day or Yuva Diwas	From 1985(24 th)	"Channelizing Youth Power for Nation Building"
January 14	Indian Armed Forces Veterans Day	5 th	-
January 15	The Army Day	73 rd	-
January 18 to February 17	National Road Safety Month	1 st	"Sadak Suraksha- Jeevan Raksha"
January 19	National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) Raising Day	16 th	-
January 21	Manipur Foundation Day	1972(49 th)	-
January 21	Meghalaya Foundation Day	1972(49 th)	-
January 21	Tripura Foundation Day	1972(49 th)	-
January 23	"Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Jayanti"or "Parakram Divas (Day of Valour)	125 th	-
January 24	National Girl Child Day	From 2008	-
January 24	Uttar Pradesh Foundation Day	71 st	'Self-reliant Uttar Pradesh: Women, youths, Farmers: Development of all, Honour to All.' Sabka Vikas Sabka Samman '
January 25	National Voters Day	From 2011(11th)	Making Our Voters Empowered, Vigilant, Safe and Informed
January 25	National Tourism Day		'Dekho Apna Desh'









January 26	India's Republic Day	From 1950 (72th)	-
January 30	Martyrs' Day or Shaheed Diwas	From 1948	-
January 31	polio vaccination day or National Immunisation Day (NID) or "Polio Ravivar"	From 1995	-

International Important Days

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	Edition	Organized By	<u>Theme</u>
January 01	Global Family Day	From 2000	United Nations General Assembly	-
January 04	World Braille Day	From 2018(3 rd)	United Nations General Assembly	-
January 06	The World Day of War Orphans	ı	French based SOS Enfants En Detresses (SOSEED)	-
January 24	International Day of Education	From 2019(3 rd)	United Nations General Assembly	'Recover and revitalise education for the COVID-19 generation'
January 26	International Customs Day	From 1953	World Customs Organization (WCO)	
January 27	International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust	From 2006	United Nations	"Customs bolstering Recovery, Renewal and Resilience for a sustainable supply chain"
January 31(Last Sunday of January)	World Leprosy Eradication Day	-	-	-











Month/Week/Year	Day
January 2021	"Month of the girl child" (Punjab)
January 24 to 30	National Girl Child week
2021-2022	The Indo-French Year of the Environment

SPORTS

- Wayne Rooney England's record goal-scorer announces retirement + Becomes fulltime manager at Derby County
- ❖ Lasith Malinga Retire from franchise cricket
- ❖ Bruce Oxenford Umpire Retirement from international cricket
- ❖ Sofia Dmitrieva + Alija Merdeeva Ban for life for match-fixing
- Cheteshwar Pujara Only the 11th Indian to crossed the 6000-run mark in Test cricket.
- Thangarasu Natarajan The first Indian cricketer to make his international debut across all three formats during the same tour.
- ❖ **Rishabh Pant** Surpass the iconic Mahendra Singh Dhoni to become the fastest Indian wicketkeeper-batsman to reach the 1000-run mark in Test cricket.
- ❖ World Test Championship final Postpone, to be played from June 18-22
- ❖ BCCI Hold Hazare Trophy as per state units' wish, no Ranji Trophy for first time in 87 years.
- Aryna Sabalenka Third straight tour title and 15th straight match by beating Veronika Kudermetova in the Abu Dhabi Open final.
- ❖ Leon Mendonca 67th chess Grandmaster of India second GM from Goa.
- ❖ Elavenil Valarivan Women 10m air rifle T1 national selection trials at the Dr. Karni Singh Shooting range.
- Hriday Hazarika Men 10m air rifle T1 national selection trials at the Dr. Karni Singh Shooting range.
- ❖ Ladakh A 13-day Khelo India Zanskar Winter Sport & Youth festival 2021 18th till 30th January
- ❖ AFC Women's Asian Cup − Will be held in India from Jan 20 to Feb 6 2022.
- ❖ The Yonex Thailand Open was a badminton tournament which took place at the Impact Arena in Thailand from 12 to 17 January 2021.









Cotogony Winner			Runner		
Category	Player	Country	Player	Country	
Men's Singles	Viktor Axelsen	Denmark	Angus Long	Hong Kong	
Women's Singles	Carolina Marin	Spain	Tai Tzu-ying	Taiwan	
Men's Doubles	Lee Yang	Toiwon	Goh V Shem	Malayaia	
Men's Doubles —	Wang Chi-Lin Taiwan		Tan Wee Kiong	Malaysia	
Women's	Greysia Polii		Jongkolphan	Thailand	
		Indonesia	Kititharakul		
Doubles Apriyni Rahayu			Rawinda Prajongjai		
Dechapol		Praveen Jordan			
Mixed Doubles	Puavaranukroh	Thailand	Praveen Jordan	Molovojo	
	Sapsiree	THAIIAIIU	Melati Daeva	Malaysia	
	Taerattanachai		Oktaviant		

The Asian Online Shooting Championship Men -10m air pistol:

Prize	Winner	Country
Gold	Saurabh Chaudhary	India
Sliver	Javad Foroughi	Iran
Bronze	Sarabjot Singh	India

Women - 10m air pistol:

Prize	Winner	Country
Gold	Haniyeh Rostamiyan	Iran
Sliver	Sebghatollahi Golnoush	Iran
Bronze	Manu Bhaker	India





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OBITUARY

- Cloris Leachman Oscar-winning actress (1971).
- Cicely Tyson the pioneering Black actor Oscar Award (2013) Emmy Award (1994).
- Michael Apted Film Maker.
- Gerry Marsden Lead singer Sang the anthem of Liverpool Football Club.
- Joanne Rogers An accomplished concert pianist.
- Ustad Ghulam Mustafa Khan Legendary Indian classical musician -The Padma Shri (1991), Padma Bhusan (2006), Padma Vibhushan (2018), Sangeet Natak Akademi award (2003).
- ❖ Narendra Chanchal Popular Bhajan singer.
- Hilton Valentine Animals guitarist.
- ❖ Neil Sheehan Reporter and Pulitzer Prize-winning author.
- ❖ Turlapati Kutumba Rao Journalist Padma Shri award (2002).
- Hanumanth Hugar Rajyotsava awardee (2015) and Journalist.
- ❖ Madhavan Tamil writer The Sahitya Akademi award in 2015.
- Challa Ramakrishna Reddy Senior YSR Congress Party member of Andhra Pradesh legislative council.
- ❖ Buta Singh Senior Rajasthan Congress leader and former MP from Jalore.
- Modibo Keita Former Prime Minister of Mali.
- Vilas Patil Undalkar Former Maharashtra cabinet minister and seven-time Congress MLA.
- Madhavsinh Solanki Former foreign minister, Congress veteran and serve as chief minister of Gujarat.
- ❖ BS Gnanadesikan Former Member of Parliament and vice-president of Tamil Maanila Congress (TMC) party.
- Kamal Morarka Former Union minister and noted businessman Rajya Sabha member from Rajasthan from Janata Dal.
- * K G Shankar Puducherry Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) legislator and treasurer.
- Gajendra Singh Shaktawat Congress MLA from Vallabhnagar in Udaipur district.
- Jamal Uddin Ahmed Congress Party Assam.
- Krishan Dev Sethi Last surviving member of J&K Constituent Assembly.
- ❖ Alan Burgess The world's oldest living first-class cricketer New Zealand
- Prasanta Dora Former India goalkeeper.
- ❖ Colonel Narinder 'Bull' Kumar An avid mountaineer Padma Shri (1965) + Param Vishisht Seva Medal (PVSM) + Kirti Chakra + Ati Vishisht Seva Medal (AVSM).
- Satya Paul Ace fashion designer.
- ❖ David Barclay British billionaire and Daily Telegraph co-owner.









- D Prakash Rao Noted Social Activist and Padma Shree (2019).
- Dr V Shanta Senior oncologist and chairperson of the Adyar Cancer Institute -Padma Shri (1986), Padma Bhushan (2006), Padma Vibhushan (2016), Ramon Magsaysay Award (2005).
- **❖ Larry King** Broadcasting giant for half-century.
- ❖ Arik Brauer Austrian artist.
- ❖ Temjen Toy Nagaland Chief Secretary.
- ❖ Paul J. Crutzen Nobel Prize in Chemistry (1995).

RANKING

List of making largest charitable gifts in 2020 - Chronicle of Philanthropy

Rank	Person
1	Jeff Bezos
2	Phil Knight
3	Penny

The list of CCTV coverage per square kilometer - South Asia Journal

Rank	City	CCTVs Per Square KM	CCTVs per 1,000 People
1	Chennai	657	25.5
2	Hyderabad	480	30.0
3	Harbin	411	39.1
4	London	399	67.5
5	Xiamen	385	40.3

List of thermal power comes from "unclean" coal-based power plants Centre for Science and Environment (CSE)

Rank	State	Percentage
1	West Bengal	84
2	Telangana	74
3	Gujarat	71

Highest call quality user ratings for the month of November - TRAI

Rank	Network Company
1st	Vodafone-Idea
2nd	Airtel
3rd	BSNL
4th	Reliance Jio









Second edition of the India Innovation Index-2020 – NITI Aayog Maior States category – Top Ranking

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Rank	State
1	Karnataka
2	Maharashtra
3	Tamil Nadu

Major States category - Bottom Ranking

Rank	State
1	Jharkhand
2	Chhattisgarh
3	Bihar

The North East and Hill States category

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Rank	State
1	Himachal Pradesh
2	Uttarakhand
3	Manipur

The Union Territories and small States category

Rank	State
1	Delhi
2	Chandigarh

The List of best performing Chief Minister - India Today Group-Karvy Insights Mood of the Nation (MOTN) poll

Rank	CM Name	State
1	Yogi Adityanath	Uttar Pradesh
2	Arvind Kejriwal	Delhi
3	Mamata Banerjee	West Bengal

India Justice Report

- The report was an initiative of Tata Trusts, along with the Centre for Social Justice, Common Cause, CHRI, DAKSH and TISS-Prayas and Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy.
- Large and mid-sized States: 18.
- Small States: 7.









Overall Ranking Large and mid-sized states

Rank	State
1st	Maharashtra
2nd	Tamil Nadu
3rd	Telangana
18th	Uttar Pradesh

Small states

Rank	State
1st	Tripura
2nd	Sikkim
3rd	Goa
7 th	Meghalaya

Judiciary ranking: Large and mid-sized states

Rank	State
1st	Tamil Nadu
2nd	Punjab
3rd	Kerala

Small states

Rank	State
1st	Sikkim
2nd	Himachal Pradesh
3rd	Mizoram

Prisons Ranking: Large and mid-sized states

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Rank	State
1st	Rajasthan
2nd	Telangana
3rd	Bihar

Small states

Rank	State
1st	Himachal Pradesh
2nd	Tripura
3rd	Arunachal Pradesh









Legal aid ranking: Large and mid-sized states

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Rank	State
1st	Maharashtra
2nd	Bihar
3rd	Punjab

Small states

Rank	State
1st	Goa
2nd	Tripura
3rd	Sikkim

Police ranking: Large and mid-sized states

Rank	State
1st	Karnataka
2nd	Chhattisgarh
3rd	Odisha

Small states

Rank	State
1st	Sikkim
2nd	Himachal Pradesh
3rd	Meghalaya

List of the Richest People in the world - Bloomberg Billionaires Index

Rank	Name	Net worth	Country	Industry
1	Elon R Musk	\$195B	United States	Technology
2	Jeff Bezos	\$185B	United States	Technology
3	Bill Gates	\$134B	United States	Technology
4	Bernard Arnault	\$116B	France	Consumer
5	Mark Zuckerberg	\$102B	United States	Technology
13	Mukesh Ambani	\$73.4B	India	Energy







The most powerful passport in the world - Henley Passport Index

❖ Total Countries: 191 Countries

Rank	Country
1	Japan
2	Singapore
3	South Korea
3	Germany
85	India

2020 Hurun Global 500 ranking

Rank	Company
1 st	Apple
2 nd	Microsoft
3 rd	Amazon
54 th	Reliance Industries
73 rd	Tata Consultancy Services
105 th	HDFC Bank
190 th	Hindustan Unilever
201st	Infosys
249th	HDFC
284th	Kotak Mahindra Bank
316th	ICICI Bank
440th	Bharathi Airtel
451st	Bajaj Finance
480th	ITC

The world's most congested cities in the world - TomTom Traffic index

- Participation: 400 cities in 57 countries.
- Released by TomTom

Rank	City	Congestion Level
1	Moscow, Russia	54%
2	Mumbai, India	53%
3	Bogota, Colombia	53%
6	Bengaluru, India	51%
8	New Delhi, India	47%









World's fastest-growing mature tech ecosystem in the world since 2016 -Released by Dealroom.co data analyzed by London & Partners

416 cities across 56 countries.

Rank	City	Country
1	Bengaluru	India
2	London	UK
3	Munich	Germany
6	Mumbai	India

BWF Junior Rankings Men Singles category

RANK	COUNTRY / TERRITORY	PLAYER
1	Denmark	Mads Juel Møller
2	India	Varun kapur
3 Nepal		Prince Dahal
11	India	S.Sankar Muthusamy Subramanian

BWF Junior Rankings Women Singles category

RANK	COUNTRY / TERRITORY	PLAYER
1	Indonesia	Stephanie Widjaja
2	India	Samiya Imad Farooqui
3	Thailand	Pornpicha Choeikeewong
4	India	Tasnim MIR
8	India	Treesa Jolly
10	India	Aditi Bhatt
12	India	Tanya Hemanth
15	India	Gayatri Gopichand Pullela

List of 2021 Military Strength Ranking by independent defense analytics website Global Firepower

Total countries - 138

Rank	Country
1	United States of America
2	Russia
3	China
4	India

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The Global Climate Risk Index 2021 – Germanwatch 10 most affected countries in 2019

Rank	State
1st Rank	Mozambique
2nd Rank	Zimbabwe
3rd Rank	The Bahamas
7th Rank	India

10 countries most affected from 2000 to 2019

Rank	State
1st	Puerto Rico
2nd	Myanmar
3rd	Haiti
20th	India

List of most-valued IT services brand globally - Brand Finance

Rank	Company
1st	Accenture
2nd	IBM
3rd	TCS

List of corruption perception index (CPI) in 2020 -

Released by Transparency International (TI)

Count: 180 countries

Rank	Country		
1	New Zealand, Denmark		
3	Finland, Switzerland, Singapore, Sweden		
86	Morocco, India, Burkina Faso, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey,		
	Timor-Leste		
179	Somalia, South Sudan		













List of COVID-19 "performance index" released by Lowy Institute

Countries: 98

Rank	Country/Territory	Average
1	New Zealand	94.4
2	Vietnam	90.8
3	Taiwan	86.4
86	India	24.3
98	Brazil	4.3

BANKING AND FINANCE

BANKING

- ❖ To construct a composite Digital Payments Index (DPI) with March 2018 as the base period - capture the extent of digitization of payments across the country
- Introduce LEI for large-value transactions in RTGS/NEFT from April payment transactions of value ₹50 crore and above - LEI is a 20-digit number
- The license of Maharashtra-based Shivam Sahakari Bank has been cancelled as it does not have adequate capital and earning prospects.

Penalty

Organization	Amount	Bank/Institution	Reason
RBI	Rs 2 crore	Standard Chartered	Delays in reporting of
KDI	RS 2 CIOIE	Bank-India	frauds to it.
			Invoking securities
SEBI	Rs 1 crore	HDF(:Bank ' '	pledged by stock broker
	KS I CIOIE		BRH Wealth Kreators in
			viola.
UAE central bank Rs 13.56 crore Bank of Baroda		Violating anti-money	
UAE CEITI'AI DAIIK	RS 13.30 CIOIE	Dalik UI DalUUd	laundering law

- ❖ UAE central bank Rs 13 crore monetary sanction on Bank of Baroda.
- ❖ Mahindra Life space Developers + SBI Faster home loan approvals as well as to offer special discounts to customers and employees of both the companies.
- Extend "MSME PRERANA" a Business Mentoring Program for MSME entrepreneurs in Uttar Pradesh.









- ❖ Bank of Baroda + Andhra Pradesh State Civil Supplies Corporation + BC/SC/ST and Minorities corporations - finance 9,260 mini trucks to the beneficiaries selected by the respective welfare corporations
- Central Bank of India + NABFOUNDATION Provide loans to self-help groups.
- Axis Bank + Hyundai Motor India Limited (HMIL) offer the auto retail financing solutions to its customers through the car makers end-to-end online automotive retail platform 'Click to Buy'.
- WhatsApp banking Services such as instant account opening, balance enquiry, deposit opening, mini statement, PIN generation for net/mobile banking and bill payments
- HDFC Bank + Common Service Centres Launch EMI collection service for business correspondents.
- iDelights New Year Bonanza a new year campaign with offers available on various brands and e-commerce platforms
- Launch a new mobile application 'InstaFX' authorised money changers to help customers of any bank get 'ICICI Bank Forex Prepaid Card' swiftly.
- ❖ To Introduce Video KYC Account Opening (VAO) facility to open Savings Bank Accounts.
- ❖ Tata Motors + Karnataka Bank introduce financing offers for customers.
- Instant in-principal sanction of home loans on its digital platform Kotak Digi Home Loans.
- ❖ Launch YES MSME To strengthen MSMEs with speedy and easy access to funds.
- LIC new campaign to revive lapsed policies amid Covid-19
- Universal Sompo General Insurance + J&K finance corporation provide customized general insurance solutions and innovative products for the MSME sector.
- ❖ Bharti AXA General Insurance Krishi Sakha App Empower farmers with apt information and protection solutions
- FSS + India Post Payments Bank Promote financial inclusion among underserved and unbanked segments.
- NSDL Payments Bank + Mobileware Technologies TransXT To Boost Digital Payments Capability.











World Bank

Amount	State/Country	ry Purpose	
		Provide emergency cash	
USD 246		assistance to nearly 800,000	
	Lebanon	Lebanese reeling under the	
million		country's compounded economic	
		and health crises	
USD 500	six Indian states	STARS to improve the quality and	
million	SIX IIIUIAII States	governance of school education	
\$12 billion	Africa	Support vaccination programs	

❖ World Bank's IFC - Invest \$45 million equity in upGrad Education.

ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

Amount	State/Country	Purpose	
USD 10	Himachal Pradesh	Support project preparation to	
million	Hilliachai Frauesh	expand horticulture	
USD 190	Bengaluru city	Modernize and upgrade the power	
million	Bengalulu City	distribution system	

NDB

Amount	State/Country	Purpose	
\$323 million	Andhra Pradesh	Roads and Bridges Reconstruction	
Alidila Pladesii		Project	
\$323 million	Andhra Pradesh	Mandal Connectivity and Rural	
\$323 IIIIII0II Allulla Fladesii		Connectivity Improvement Project	













Penalty

Organization	Penalty By	Amount	Reason
IRDAI	Bharti AXA General Insurance Company	Rs 10 lakh	Non-compliance with minimum obligations under regulations concerning third-party motor insurance business.
IRDAI	Bharti AXA General Insurance Company	Rs 5 lakh	Violation of the guidelines which prohibit payments, directly or indirectly, to the motor insurance service provider or any of its associate company.
SEBI	Reliance Industries	Rs 25 crore	Manipulating shares of
SEBI	Mukesh Ambani	Rs 15 crore	Reliance Petroleum Ltd (RPL) in November 2007
RBI	Bajaj Finance	Rs 2.50 crore	Violating RBI's directions on fair practices code (FPC) and outsourcing of financial services by a non-banking financial company

- ❖ SBI + IOCL Launch a Co-branded Contactless RuPay Debit card Pay with a tap (contactless card) for a single transaction of upto Rs. 5000/-
- ICICI Bank + Niyo Tie-up to issue prepaid cards to workers of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) 'ICICI Bank Niyo Bharat Payroll Card' powered by Visa upto Rs 1 lakh into the card account.
- ❖ Yes Bank + Aditya Birla Wellness Private Limited The 'YES BANK Wellness' and 'YES BANK Wellness Plus' Credit Cards aimed at the holistic health, self-care and wellness of consumers.
- * Axis Bank Credit card named AURA' loaded with health, wellness benefits.
- ❖ Airtel Payments Bank 'Airtel Safe Pay' A mode of safe digital transactions to protect its customers from online payment frauds.
- Pine Labs All Tap app for contactless payments.
- ❖ Bank of India Visa Signature International Contactless Debit Card for its customers in both metal and plastic variants



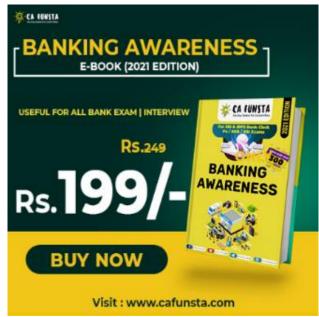






- ❖ ADB + the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) set up a technical support unit for supporting the National Urban Health Mission- Centre of Excellence.
- ❖ IFC around \$31 million (around Rs 230 crore Parag Milk Foods Limited in the form of non-convertible debentures to support the company's working capital needs and long-term capex plans.
- **❖ IRDAI** propose extension of regulatory sandbox guidelines by 2 years.
- Income Tax Department Faceless penalty scheme Penalty proceedings will be conducted in an 'e-proceeding' facility.
- ❖ ADB + EIB Formed a new clean and sustainable ocean partnership Support initiatives in Asia and the Pacific to help meet SDGs and climate goals of the Paris Agreement.
- ❖ IIFL Home Finance + Standard Chartered Bank Co-lending for extending credit to MSME loans.
- ❖ BSE + Maharashtra Create awareness about benefits of listing among small and medium enterprises (SMEs) of the state.













BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

- Amazon + Startup India + Sequoia Capital India + Fireside Ventures To boost ecommerce exports.
- **L&T Hydrocarbon Engineering** Bag an over to ₹7,000 crore project to set up dual feed cracker unit in Rajasthan.
- ❖ UNICEF Estimate 371,504 babies were born around the world on New Year's Day.
- ❖ Government Data The Centre's fiscal deficit will touch at least 6.1 % of GDP in 2020-21.
- Adani Green Energy Ltd (AGEL) 25 MW solar power plant in Chitrakoot, Uttar Pradesh.
- ❖ NITI Aayog + Flipkart Launch the revamped Women Entrepreneurship Platform.
- Amazon India Launch of Amazon Academy to help students preparing for the JEE (Joint Entrance Examination) for entrance to engineering colleges.
- ❖ Adani Enterprises Limited Rs 1,838-crore highway project from the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) in Kerala - The 40.80-km project
- ❖ WMO Global temperatures in 2020 were among the highest on record and rivalled 2016 as the hottest year ever
- ❖ International Data Corporation (IDC) China will surpass the US to become the world's largest Internet of Things (IoT) market in 2024.
- Larsen & Toubro (L&T) An up to Rs 5,000 crore contract from Rail Vikas Nigam Ltd (RVNL) in Uttarakhand
- ❖ WE HUB + Western Digital Launch accelerator programme for women entrepreneurs.
- ❖ Tata Power Solar An order worth Rs 1,200 crore from NTPC for setting up of 320 MW ground mounted solar project
- SpaceX 143 spacecraft into space, a new record for the most spaceships deployed on a single mission.
- ❖ Government FDI inflows in Apr-Nov 2020 rise 22% to \$58.37 bn.
- ❖ CGA India's fiscal deficit soars to Rs 11.6 trillion at December end.
- ❖ The Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) The last two Su-30MKIs of the 272 aircraft contracted from Russia and is all set to deliver them to the IAF.

ACQUISTION AND MERGERS

Company	Acquire company	Percent stake	Amount
French oil and	Adani Green Energy	20	\$2.5 Billion
energy group Total	Limited (AGEL)	20	\$2.5 billion









BOOKS AND AUTHORS

Book	Author	Published	Released by
Right Under our Nose	R Giridharan	Rupa Publications	-
Preparing: For Death	Arun Shourie	-	-
Unscripted: Conversations on Life and Cinema	Vidhu Vinod Chopra + Abhijat Joshi	Penguin	-
"The Population Myth: Islam, Family Planning and Politics in India"	S Y Quraishi	HarperCollins India.	-
Beautiful World, Where Are You	Sally Rooney	Faber	-
The Language of History: Sanskrit Narratives of Muslim Pasts	Audrey Truschke	Penguin India	-
The Tyranny of Big Tech	Sen. Josh Hawley	Regnery	-
Sometimes Mama, Sometimes Papa	Nandini Nayar	Penguin Random House	-









Book	Author	Published	Released by
Maharashtra			
Karnataka			
Simawad:			
Sangharsh Ani			
Sankalp	Deepak Pawar	-	-
(Maharashtra-			
Karnataka Border			
Dispute: Struggle			
and Resolve).			
"At the Human	Dr. Marcus Ranney	Embassy Books	
Edge"	Di. Maicus Railley	LITIDASSY DUUKS	_
"Yearbook"	Seth Rogen	Penguin Random	_
i earbook	Setti Rogeti	House	_

APPOINTMENTS

Name	Designation	Organization	Replaced
Justice S Muralidhar	Chief Justice	Orissa High Court	Justice Mohammad Rafiq
Ashish Pethe	Chairman	All India Gem &	-
Saiyam Mehra	Vice chairman	Jewellery Domestic Council	-
Karan Bajwa	New leader for Asia Pacific	Google Cloud	Rick Harshman
Justice Hima Kohli	Chief Justice	Telangana high court	Justice Raghavendra Singh Chauhan
justice Raghavendra Singh Chauhan	Chief Justice	Uttarakhand High Court	Justice Ramesh Ranganathan
Justice Sudhanshu Dhulia	Chief Justice	Guwahati High Court	-







Name	Designation	Organization	Replaced
Lalit Jalan	Chairman	Indian operations of 3Lines Venture Capital	-
Kiren Rijiju	The charge of the Ministry of AYUSH	-	-
Justice Gita Mittal	Chairperson	Broadcasting Content Complaints Council (BCCC)	-
Shrishti Goswami	Chief Minister	Uttarakhand for one day.	-
RS Sharma	Chief	Ayushman Bharat	Indu Bhushan
Dr Tanvi Arora	Member	International Geoscience Programme (IGCP) Scientific Board	-
Aditya Puri	Advisor	Global pharma major Strides Group	-
Sadyr Zhaparov	President	Kyrgyzstan	-
Sandeep Aggarwal	Chairman	The Telecom Equipment and Services Export Promotion Council.	Shyamal Ghosh
Yoweri Museveni	President	Uganda	-
28 non-official members	-	National Startup Advisory Council	-
Kaja Kallas	First-ever woman Prime Minister	Estonia	-
Janet Yellen	First woman treasury secretary	USA	-









Name	Designation	Country/ Organization	Replace
Jay Shah	President	Asian Cricket Council (ACC)	-
Alexander Ellis	The new British High Commissioner	India	Sir Philip Barton
Dr Raj Iyer	First Chief Information Officer	USA Army	-
Samantha Power	Administrator	The United States Agency for International Development (USAID)	-

Name	Organisation
Naomi Osaka	Louis Vuitton
Sara Ali Khan	Lifestyle brand Chumbak

Name	Designation	Bank	Replaced
Swaminathan Janakiraman, Ashwini Kumar Tewari	MD	SBI	-
Anish Shah	Chairman	Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services Limited	Dhananjay Mungale
Kalpana Sampat	MD & CEO	Pramerica Life Insurance	Anoop Pabby
Rama Mohan Rao Amara	MD & CEO	SBI Card	Ashwini Kumar Tewari







Committee

Person name	<u>Committee</u>	<u>Board</u>	<u>Members</u>
RS Sharma	Chairperson of an empowered committee for administration of Covid-19 vaccine	empowered committee for ministration of	
-	Digital lending as frauds come into sharp focus.	RBI	6
Subhash C. Khuntia	Examine availability of health insurance products	IRDAI	-
Justice Adarsh Kumar Goel	To look into a plea alleging illegal mining and stone crushing in Odisha.	National Green Tribunal	-
-	Investigate human rights abuses committed during the last phase of the armed conflict with the LTTE in 2009.	Sri Lanka	3











AWARDS

Person	Award Name	Category	Given by	Details
Chief of Army Staff General MM Naravane	Guard of Honour	-	Republic of Korea Army	-
Dr Shailla Cannie	Prestigious National Florence Nightingale Award 2020	-	-	Principal, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi College of Nursing
ITC Limited	'Best Governed Company' at the 20th ICSI National Awards for Excellence in Corporate Governance, 2020	The 'Listed Segment: Large Category'	-	_
Shri Amresh Kumar Chaudhary	"Chief of Army Staff Commendation"	-	-	Outstanding contribution to Armed Forces during critical period of Covid19 pandemic and its various operations
Shri Biswajit Chatterjee	Indian Personality of the Year Award	-	-	At the 51st edition of the International Film Festival of India











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Ramesh	International		Writers'	
Pokhriyal	honour 'Canada	-	Guild,	-
Nishank	Sahitya Gaurav'		Canada	
	Doot Overall			On all-India basis
Tamali Niada	Best Overall			for various oil and
Tamil Nadu	Performance	-	-	gas conservation
	award			activities
	Skoch			Contributions to
Karuna Gopal	Challenger	-	-	public policy on
	Award			urban development.
	'Press Club		Press Club	
Azim Premji	Person of the	-	of	-
	Year'		Bangalore	
Sustainable				
Environment and	The Subhash	Excellent		
Ecological	Chandra Bose			
Development	Aapda	work in	-	-
Society + Dr.	Prabandhan	Disaster		
Rajendra Kumar	Puraskar	Management		
Bhandari				
Artist Sajan Mani	Berlin Art Prize	-	-	visual arts
Uttar Pradesh	The best tableau			
tableau	in the Republic	-	-	-
tableau	Day Parade			
AR Rahman +	The Alert Being	_	_	_
Hari Krishnan	Icon Award	-	-	-











Person	Award Name	Category	Given by	Details
Tyler Perry + the Motion Picture and Television Fund	Jean Hersholt Humanitarian Award	-	-	At the 93rd Oscars Awards
Srivastava + Marcus + Spielman	Michael and Sheila Held Prize	-	-	Solving long-standing questions on the Kadison-Singer problem and on Ramanujan graphs.













Dadasaheb Phalke Award

- The prestigious Dadasaheb Phalke Award is held every year to honor the industry's finest talents.
- The award covers four film industries of South India, including Tamil, Malayalam, Telugu, and Kannada

Tamil		
Category	Winner	
Most Versatile Actor	Ajith Kumar	
Best Actor	Dhanush (Asuran)	
Best Actress	Jyotika (Raatchasi)	
Best Director	R Parthiban (Oththa Seruppu Size 7)	
Best Film	To Let	
Best Music Director	Anirudh Ravichander	

Telugu		
Category	Winner	
Most Versatile Actor	Akkineni Nagarjuna	
Best Actor	Naveen Polishetty	
Best Actress	Rashmika Mandanna	
Best Film	Jersey	
Best Director	Sujeet for Saaho	

Mal	Malayalam			
Category	Winner			
Most Versatile Actor	Mohanlal			
Best Actor	Suraj Venjaramoodu			
Best Actor	(Android Kunjappan Ver 5.25)			
Best Actress	Parvathy Thiruvothu (Uyare)			
Best Director	Madhu C Narayanan			
Dest Director	(Kumbalangi Nights)			
Best Film	Uyare			
Best Music Director	Deepak Dev			









Kannada		
Category	Winner	
Most Versatile Actor	Shivrajkumar	
Best Actor	Rakshit Shetty	
	(Avane Srinamnnarayana)	
Best Actress	Tanya Hope (Yajamana)	
Best Director	Ramesh Indira (Premier Padmini)	
Best Film	Mookajjiya Kanasugalu	
Best Music Director	V Harikrishna	

Digital India Awards

- ❖ The Digital India Awards (DIA), instituted under the aegis of National Portal of India, serve the purpose of bringing to the fore innovative digital solutions & thereby inspiring emulation by all government entities.
- Presented by Shri Ram Nath Kovind, President of India.
- Edition: 6th

Jury Members

Name	Designation
Shri Ajay Sawhney	Secretary, MeitY(Chairperson)
Dr. Rajendra Prasad	Additional Secretary, MeitY
Dr. Neeta Verma	Director General, NIC
Prof. M.P. Gupta	Dept. of Management Studies, IIT Delhi
Dr. Jaideep KumarMishra	Joint Secretary (e-Gov), MeitY
Ms. Rama Vedashree	CEO, Data Security Council of India
Prof. Anjali Kaushik	MDI, Gurgaon
Shri Abhishek Singh	President and CEO, NeGD CEO, MyGov, MeitY
Ms. Alka Mishra	Deputy Director General, NIC
Shri Arvind Kumar	Director General, STQC







Participant Members

Name	Designation
Shri Ram Nath Kovind	Hon'ble President of India
	Minister of Law & Justice,
Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad	Communications and Electronics &
	Information Technology
Shri Sanjay Dhotre	Minister of State
	Electronics and Information
	Technology, Communications and
	Education
Shri Ajay Sawhney	Secretary,
	Ministry of Electronics and Information
	Technology
Dr. Neeta Verma	Director General,
	National Informatics Centre













Digital Awards

Innovation in Pandemic Innovation in Pandemic Innovation in Pandemic Gold Gold Gold Gold Forum (Collection Management System) Apda Sampoorti Portal Pravasi Shramik and Rojgar Setu Portal Pravasi Shramik and Rojgar Setu Portal Platinum Excellence in Digital Governance Ministry / Department (Central) Excellence in Digital Governance State/UT Forum (Central) Forum (Digital Awards		
Innovation in Pandemic Innovation in Pandemic Gold Gold Silver - Covid-19 Sample Collection Management System - Aapda Sampoorti Portal - Pravasi Shramik and Rojgar Setu Portal - Platinum Excellence in Digital Governance Ministry / Department (Central) Silver Platinum - Platinum Platinum Platinum - Haryana - Changlang - Arunachal Pradesh - Kamareddy, - Telangana - Department of - Health and Family - Welfare	<u>Category</u>	<u>Rank</u>	Winner
Innovation in Pandemic Gold Gold Covid-19 Sample Collection Management System Apda Sampoorti Portal Pravasi Shramik and Rojgar Setu Portal Platinum Excellence in Digital Governance Ministry / Department (Central) Excellence in Digital Governance State/UT Formula Silver Platinum Formula Silver Platinum P	Innovation in Pandemic	Platinum	National Telemedicine
Silver Portal Pravasi Shramik and Rojgar Setu Portal Platinum		Gold	Covid-19 Sample Collection Management
Excellence in Digital Governance Ministry / Department (Central) Silver Platinum Supreme Court of India, Department of Justice Department of Posts Department of Fertilizers Department of Land Resources Platinum Platinum Platinum Excellence in Digital Governance State/UT Silver Platinum Platinum Platinum Excellence in Digital Governance District Gold Famil Nadu Uttar Pradesh West Bengal Khargone, Madhya Pradesh Pradesh Changlang, Arunachal Pradesh Kamareddy, Telangana Department of Health and Family Welfare		Silver	Portal • Pravasi Shramik and
Department (Central) Silver Platinum Excellence in Digital Governance State/UT Silver Platinum Platinum Excellence in Digital Governance District Gold Fertilizers Department of Land Resources Platinum Haryana Uttar Pradesh West Bengal Khargone, Madhya Pradesh Changlang, Arunachal Pradesh Silver Platinum Open Data Champion Platinum	Excellence in Digital	Platinum	Supreme Court of India, Department of
Silver Silver Pertilizers Department of Land Resources Platinum Haryana Famil Nadu Uttar Pradesh West Bengal Platinum Platinum Excellence in Digital Governance District Gold Fold Fold Fold Fold Fold Fold Fold F	Governance Ministry /	Gold	 Department of Posts
Excellence in Digital Governance State/UT Silver Platinum Excellence in Digital Governance District Platinum Gold • Tamil Nadu • Uttar Pradesh • West Bengal • Khargone, Madhya Pradesh • Changlang, Arunachal Pradesh • Kamareddy, Telangana • Department of Health and Family Welfare	Department (Central)	Silver	Fertilizers • Department of Land
Excellence in Digital Governance State/UT Silver Platinum Excellence in Digital Governance District Open Data Champion Gold Silver Figure Silver Flatinum Flatinu		Platinum	Harvana
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Excellence in Digital Governance District Gold Gold Silver Pradesh Changlang, Arunachal Pradesh Kamareddy, Telangana Department of Health and Family Welfare	_	Silver	Uttar Pradesh
Gold Arunachal Pradesh Silver • Kamareddy, Telangana Open Data Champion Platinum Platinum Open Data Champion Gold Arunachal Pradesh • Kamareddy, Telangana • Department of Health and Family Welfare		Platinum	
Open Data Champion Sliver Telangana • Department of Health and Family Welfare		Gold	
Open Data Champion Platinum Health and Family Welfare		Silver	-
Gold Pasagrah Data	Open Data Champion		Health and Family Welfare
Colu • Research Data		Gold	Research Data









		Management in ICAR
		Food Corporation of
		India
	Silver	 Ministry of Micro,
		Small and Medium
		Enterprises
	Platinum	Port Community
		System PCS1x -
		National Maritime
Evemplery Product		Single Window
Exemplary Product	Gold	ServicePlus
		 Integrated Temple
	Silver	Management
		System - ITMS
Jury Choice Award	• eOffice	
	 AarogyaSetu 	

PMAY-U AWARDS 2019

- In order to recognize the outstanding contribution by States, UTs,Urban Local Bodies and beneficiaries, the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs has introduced annual awards for excellence in implementation of PMAY-Urban.
- ❖ Presented by: The Minister of State Housing and Ministry of Urban Affairs.











Category	Winner
Best Performing State - First Prize	Uttar Pradesh
Best Performing State - Second Prize	Madhya Pradesh
Best Performing State - Third Prize	Andhra Pradesh
Best Performance (North East Region & Hilly States)	Tripura
	Visakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh)
Best Performing Municipal Corporation	Chindwara (Madhya Pradesh)
	Salem (Tamil Nadu)
Best Performing Municipal Corporation (North East Region & Hilly State)	Agartala (Tripura)
	Mirzapur (Uttar Pradesh)
	Jhumri Tilaiya (Jharkhand)
Best Performing Municipal Council	Dongargarh (Chhattisgarh)
	Mukkom (Kerala)
	Khurai (Madhya Pradesh)
Post Performing Municipal Council	Thoubal (Manipur)
Best Performing Municipal Council (North East Region & Hilly State)	Belonia (Tripura)
(North East Region & Filly State)	Naharlagun (Arunachal Pradesh)
	Malihabad (Uttar Pradesh)
	Athmallik (Odisha)
Best Performing Nagar Panchayat	Hariharpur (Uttar Pradesh)
	Thedavur (Tamil Nadu)
	Sheohar (Bihar)
Best Performing Nagar Panchayat	Dineshpur (Uttarakhand)
(North East Region & Hilly State)	Lawngtlai (Mizoram)
(North East Region & Hilly State)	Nonpoh (Meghalaya)
Best Performing UT	Puducherry
Project Monitoring Tools	Andhra Pradesh
Policy Initiatives	Gujarat
Innovative Construction Technology	Andhra Pradesh
Community Mobilization Initiatives	Jharkhand
Best AHP on Public Land	Madhya Pradesh
Best AHP on Private Land	Gujarat
Best ISSR Project	Gujarat
Convergence	Chhattisgarh









Asadharan Aasuchana Kushalata Padak-2020

Ministry of Home Affairs has announced Asadharan Aasuchana Kushalata Padak-2020 for seven officers of Jammu and Kashmir Police for displaying exceptional courage and skills.

Designation	Person
Senior Superintendent of Police	Rajouri Chandan Kohli
Superintendent of Police (Operations)	Srinagar Tahir Ashraf
Assistant Superintendent of Police	Budgam Amit Verma
Sub-Divisional Police Officer	Akhnoor Ajay Sharma
Inspector	Dilraj Singh
Inspector	Syed Parveez Sajad
Assistant Sub-Inspector	Farooq Ahmad Mantoo

Pravasi Bharatiya Samman award

- The award is the highest honour conferred by the President of India as part of the Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) Conventions on a Non-Resident Indian (NRI), Person of Indian Origin (PIO), and organisation or institution established and run by NRIs or PIOs.
- ❖ President Ram Nath Kovind, who delivered the valedictory address on the third and final day of the 16th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas celebrations, presented the awards at a virtual event.









Name	Country
Chandrikapersad Santokhi (President)	Suriname
Eugene Rhuggenaath (Prime Minister)	Curacao
Priyanca Radhakrishnan (Minister)	New Zealand
Dr. Rajani Chandra D'Mello	Azerbaijan
Baburajan Vava Kalluparambil Gopalan	Bahrain
Jamal Ahmad	Botswana
Janakiraman Ravikumar	Cameroon
Debashish Chaudhuri	Czech Republic
Mohammed Husein Hasanali Sardharwala	Ethiopia
Balasubramanian Ramani	Germany
Lal Lokumal Chellaram	Hong Kong
Dr. (Prof.) Muralidhar Miryala	Japan
Rajib Shaw	Japan
Salil Panigrahi	Maldives
Ravi Prakash Singh	Mexico
Mohan Thomas Lazarus Pakalomattom	Qatar
Arvind Phukan	US
Nilu Gupta	US
Sudhakar Jonnalagadda	US

Organisation	Country
NGO Cultural Diversity for Peaceful Future	Armenia
Sai Prema Foundation	Fiji
Indian Cultural Association	Nigeria
Federation of Indian Associations	New York, New Jersey and Connecticut

Name	Organisation
Mukhesh Aghi (President and CEO)	US-India Strategic Partnership Forum











National Society of Film Critics' awards - 2020

Category	Person	Movie
Best picture	-	"Nomadland"
Director	Chloé Zhao	"Nomadland"
Screenplay	Eliza Hittman	"Never Rarely Sometimes Always"
Cinematography	Joshua James	"Nomadland"
Actress	Frances McDormand	"Nomadland"
Actor	Delroy Lindo	"Da 5 Bloods"
Supporting actress	Maria Bakalova	"Borat Subsequent Moviefilm"
Supporting actor	Paul Raci	"Sound of Metal"
Nonfiction film	-	"Time"
Foreign-language film	-	"Collective"
Film heritage award	 The Brattle Theatre in Cambridge, Mass. Women Make Movies. Film Comment 	

Critics' Choice Super Awards

Award category	Movie
Best Action Movie	Spike Lee's Da 5 Bloods
Best Animated Movie	Soul
Best Horror Movie	The Invisible Man
Best Science Fiction/Fantasy Movie	Palm Springs
Best Superhero Movie	The Old Guard

Award category	Winner	Movie
Best Villain in a Movie	Jim Carrey	Sonic the Hedgehog
Best Actor in an Action Movie	Delroy Lindo	Da 5 Bloods
Best Actress in an Action Movie	Betty Gilpin	The Hunt
Best Voice Actor in an Animated Movie	Jamie Foxx	Soul
Best Voice Actress in an Animated Movie	Tina Fey	Soul
Best Actor in a Horror Movie	Vince Vaughn	Freaky
Best Actress in a Horror Movie	Elisabeth Moss	The Invisible Man
Best Actor in a Science Fiction/Fantasy Movie	Andy Samberg	Palm Springs







Award category	Winner	Movie
Best Actress in a Science Fiction/Fantasy Movie	Cristin Milioti	Palm Springs
Best Actor in a Superhero Movie	Ewan McGregor	Birds of Prey
Best Actress in a Superhero Movie	Margot Robbie	Birds of Prey

Award category	Series
Best Action Series	Vikings
Best Animated Series	BoJack Horseman
Best Horror Series	Lovecraft Country
Best Science Fiction/Fantasy Series	The Mandalorian
Best Superhero Series	The Boys

Award category	Winner	Series
Best Villain in a Series	Antony Starr	The Boys
Best Actor in an Action Series	Daveed Diggs	Snowpiercer
Best Actress in an Action Series	Angela Bassett	9-1-1
Best Voice Actor in an Animated Series	Will Arnett	BoJack Horseman
Best Voice Actress in an Animated Series	Kaley Cuoco	Harley Quinn
Best Actor in a Horror Series	Jensen Ackles	Supernatural
Best Actress in a Horror Series	Jurnee Smollett	Lovecraft Country
Award category	Winner	Series
Best Actor in a Science Fiction/Fantasy Series	Patrick Stewart	Star Trek: Picard
Best Actress in a Science Fiction/Fantasy Series	Natasia Demetriou	What We Do in the Shadows
Best Actor in a Superhero Series	Antony Starr	The Boys
Best Actress in a Superhero Series	Aya Cash	The Boys







Additional awards

The Star Trek franchise was bestowed with the Legacy Award. Patrick Stewart and Sonequa Martin-Green accepted the honour.

National Energy Conservation Awards (NECA) for the year 2020

- Ministry of Power, in association with Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), organised the 30th National Energy Conservation Awards (NECA) function.
- Shri R. K. Singh, Minister of State (IC) for Power and New & Renewable Energy and Minister of State for Skill Development & Entrepreneurship was the chief guest on this occasion.

National Energy Conservation Award – 2020

1) INDUSTRY

THERMAL POWER PLANT

>100 MW (Coal & Gas)

First Prize	GMR Warora Energy Ltd – 2 x 300 MW, Chandrapur (Maharashtra)
Second Prize	JSW Energy (Barmer) Limited, Barmer (Rajasthan)
Certificate of Merit	IL & FS Tamil Nadu Power Company Limited, Chennai, (Tamil Nadu) Nabha Power Limited, Rajpura (Punjab)
	Rihand Super Thermal Power Station, Sonebhadra (Uttar Pradesh)
	Budge Budge Thermal Power Station, South 24 Parganas (West Bengal)

< 100 MW (Coal & Gas)

First Prize	UltraTech Cement Ltd. – Awarpur Cement
	Works, Chandrapur (Maharashtra)

DAIRY

First Prize	Heritage Foods Limited, Chittoor (Andhra Pradesh)
Second Prize	Heritage Foods Limited, Visakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh)
Certificate of Merit	Heritage Foods Limited, Bengaluru (Karnataka)

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ALUMINIUM

LARGE

First Prize	Vedanta Limited Smelter Plant-1, Jharsuguda (Odisha)	
SMALL		
First Prize	Vedanta Limited (Lanjigarh), Kalahandi (Odisha)	
PETROLEUM REFINERY		
First Prize	IOCL-Paradip Refinery, Jagatsinghpur (Odisha)	
Certificate of Merit	Bharat Petroleum Corporation – Kochi Refinery, Ernakulam, Koshi (Kerala)	

AUTOMOBILES

First Prize	Tata Motors Limited, Dist. Jamshedpur (Jharkhand)
Second Prize	Tata Motors Limited, CVBU, Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh)
Certificate of Merit	Tata Motors Ltd, Pantnagar Plant, Udham Singh Nagar (Uttarakhand)
	Honda Motorcycle & Scooter India Pvt Ltd, Kolar (Karnataka)

FERTILIZER

UREA BASED FERTILIZER

	Indian Farmers Fertilizer Cooperative
First Prize	Limited, Phulpur Unit-I, Prayagraj
	(Uttar Pradesh)
	Indian Farmers Fertilizer Cooperative
Second Prize	Limited, Aonla Unit-I, Bareilly
	(Uttar Pradesh)
Certificate of Merit	Kribhco Fertilizers Limited, Shahjahanpur
	(Uttar Pradesh)
	Indian Farmers Fertilizer Cooperative
	Limited, Aonla Unit-II, Bareilly
	(Uttar Pradesh)

COMPLEX FERTILIZER

First Prize	Indian Farmers Fertilizer Cooperative Ltd.,
THSCFIIZE	Paradeep Unit, Jagatsinghpur (Odisha)

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SECONDARY STEEL

First Prize	Tata Steel Long Products Limited, Saraikela-Kharsawan Jamshedpur, (Jharkhand)
Certificate of Merit	Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Ltd, Koppal (Karnataka)

RAILWAY WORKSHOPS

	Diesel Loco Shed, South Central Railway,
First Prize	Vijayawada Division, Vijayawada
	(Andhra Pradesh)
	Kanchrapara Workshop, Eastern Railway
Second Prize	Workshop, North 24 Parganas
	(West Bengal)
	Mechanical Workshop, North Eastern
	Railway, Izzatnagar, Bareilly
	(Uttar Pradesh)
	Central Railway Workshop, Mysore
Certificate of Merit	(Karnataka)
	Mechanical Workshop, Dibrugarh North-
	East Frontier Railway, Dibrugarh (Assam)
	Central Workshop, Ponmalai, Southern
	Railways, Tiruchchirappalli (Tamil Nadu)

TRANSPORT

ZONAL RAILWAYS

First Prize	Western Railway, Churchgate, Mumbai (Maharashtra)
Second Prize	Eastern Railway, Kolkata (West Bengal)
Certificate of Merit	North Eastern Railway, Gorakhpur
	(Uttar Pradesh)
	South Central Railway, Secunderabad
	(Telangana)

STATE ROAD TRANSPORT UNDERTAKING

•	
Certificate of Merit	Pune Mahanagar Parivahan Mahamandal
	Ltd., Pune (Maharashtra)









INSTITUTION

MUNICIPALITY

First Prize	Chandigarh Municipality, Chandigarh
Certificate of Merit	North Delhi Municipal Corporation
	(NDMC), Delhi

STATE DESIGNATED AGENCIES -SDA

First Prize	Energy Management Centre – Kerala
	New and Renewable Energy Department,
Second Prize	Haryana (HAREDA)
	Telangana State Renewable Energy
	Development Corporation Limited
Certificate of Merit	Maharashtra Energy Development Agency
	(MEDA)
	Punjab Energy Development Agency
	(PEDA)

BUILDING

GOVT OFFICES

First Prize	DRM Office, Western Railway, Bhavnagar Para, Bhavnagar (Gujarat)
Second Prize	Divisional Railway Manager Office Building, Rajkot, (Gujarat)
Certificate of Merit	Lekha Bhavan (Financial Advisor and Chief Accounts Officer), Secunderabad (Telangana)
Sommer of Mont	Electrical Department DRM Office North Eastern Railways Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh)









CORPORATE OFFICES

First Prize	UN House, Dwarka, New Delhi
Second Prize	Candor Gurgaon One Realty Projects Pvt Ltd, Gurgaon (Haryana)
Certificate of Merit	Allianz Technology SE along with Allianz Services Pvt Ltd, Trivandrum (Kerala)
	WNS Global Services (P) Ltd., Weikfield ITCITI INFOPARK, Pune (Maharashtra)

APPLIANCE OF THE YEAR

AC – Fixed Speed	Voltas	Voltas Limited, Udham
7 to 1 mod opeod	(Model No. 4011315)	Singh Nagar (Uttarakhand)
AC - Variable Speed	Voltas	Voltas Limited, Udham
AC Variable Speed	(Model No. 4502530)	Singh Nagar (Uttarakhand)
Storage Type Water	Ariston	Ariston Thermo India
Heaters	(RACOLD ESWH-25V)	Private Limited, Pune
Heaters	(RACOLD ESWH-23V)	(Maharashtra)
	Signify Innovations	Signify Innovations India
LED Bulb	Signify Innovations (9290011984)	Limited, Gurugram
	(9290011964)	(Haryana)
		C.R.I. Pumps Private
Pumps	CRI (CRI4R-5/07)	Limited, Coimbatore
·	,	(Tamil Nadu)
		Versa Drives Private
Ceiling Fans	Versa Drives (Super Q)	Limited, Coimbatore
	, , ,	(Tamil Nadu)

The second edition of Janaagraha's City Governance Awards

- The awards recognise ground-breaking work in decentralisation in the urban context by institutions across government.
- The awards were presented by Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs Hardeep Singh Puri.

Category	Winner
Best State and the Best Civic Agency	Odisha
award	Ouisila
Best State Election Commission award	Gujarat
Best State Finance Commission award	Kerala
Best Municipality award	Indore

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The 5th National Kayakalp Awards

Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Union Minister of Health and family Welfare inaugurated the 5th National Kayakalp Awards along with Shri Ashwini Kumar Choubey through a video conference.

Awards

- District Hospital (DH) Reasi, Jammu & Kashmir First Prize Rs. 50 lakhs.
- ❖ Jipmer, Pondicherry Second Prize for the category Group A Central government health facility, or hospitals with more than 1,000 beds.
- All India Institutes of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) in Bhubaneswar the best central government hospital under B category for cleanliness for third consecutive year -Rs 2 crore.

Padma awards - 119 Awardees

Award	Awardees Count
Padma Vibhushan	7 Awardees
Padma Bhushan	10 Awardees
Padma Shri	102 Awardees
Padma Awards (Total)	119 Awardees

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

- ❖ Honeywell + IISc Bengaluru Support deep science start-ups with societal impact.
- Develop an ultrasound-based temperature tracking for treatment monitoring combine several advantages such as safety, real-time capability and portability, among others
- IIT Kanpur + Punjab National Bank + FIRST Set up Fintech Innovation Centre that would act as a vehicle to explore solutions in digital lending, payments and cyber security.
- IIT Delhi + All India Institute of Ayurveda Study therapeutic benefits of herbal formulations, wellness
- Develop a drone fleet which can provide portable and air-borne 5G communication network
- ❖ PURE EV, IIT Hyderabad Artificial Intelligence-driven hardware Automates identification and repair of defects in Lithium-ion batteries of electric vehicles
- ❖ IIT Ropar + IIT Alumni Council Set up first Global Centre of Excellence (GCE) in the area of agritech and water
- Ministry of Road Transport and Highways + IIT-Roorkee Strengthen Research and Development activities in Road Sector.
- ❖ Madhya Pradesh + IIM Indore Help industries do business with ease.









- Dr B R Ambedkar National Institute of Technology A multi-purpose service robot 'Cutebot' for use in hospitals and security agencies.
- Sri Shakti Institute of Engineering and Technology + ISRO Satellite named 'SriShaktiSat' at a cost of Rs 2.5 crore
- University of Arizona Covid-19 testing method that relies on a smartphone microscope to analyze saliva samples and deliver results in about 10 minutes.
- ❖ Washington University School of Medicine rapid blood test to identify patients at highest risk of severe COVID-19.
- Carnegie Mellon University An advanced nanomaterial-based biosensing platform that can detect antibodies specific to SARS-CoV-2 within seconds.
- CAMP + Applied Materials India and Biomoneta Research Develop and commercialize Zebox technology in hospitals to fight Covid.
- ❖ DRDO 'flexible water bottle' and 'Solar Snow Melter' to India Army to address the issue of drinking water problems in freezing temperatures.
- ❖ DRDO The Him Tapak space heating device (Bukhari) ensure that there are no deaths of jawans due to backblast and carbon monoxide poisoning.
- ❖ DRDO 'Alocal cream' that helps in preventing frostbite chilblains and other cold injuries to soldiers deployed in extremely cold areas.
- ❖ University of Bonn Novel antibody fragments against the SARS-CoV-2 virus
- SpiceHealth + CSIR-IGIB Set up a portable testing laboratory for genome sequencing at Delhi's Indira Gandhi International airport.
- ❖ SS Innovations Robotic surgery system SSI Mantra (Multi-Arm Novel Tele Robotic Assistance).
- CSIR-CMERI 'Aqua Rejuvenation Plant' which facilitates an Organic Farming Model through treated Waste Water.
- ICAR-CIBA develop indigenous hatchery tech for high-value commercial fish Grey Mullet.
- CRPF + IIM Lucknow MoU To Empower Jawans' Families.









INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

- Pass the 'Malala Yousafzai Scholarship Act' Expand the number of scholarships available to Pakistani women to receive higher education under a merit and needsbased programme.
- Launch a new coin to commemorate the 95th birthday of Queen Elizabeth II in April -5 pound coin.
- New Variant Assessment Platform identify new variants of the virus that causes Covid-19 to countries
- India + Denmark Unique Green Strategic Partnership.
- India + Israel Successfully test a Medium-Range Surface-to-Air Missile (MRSAM) defence system developed by the two countries range of 50-70 kms.
- Test long-range unmanned "suicide" aircraft range of 4,000 kilometers.
- Conduct the test-flight of an indigenously developed Guided Multi Launch Rocket System - Fatah-1 weapon system - maximum range of 140 km.
- ❖ To Provide 30 billion yen to mitigate socio-economic impact of covid-19 in India India + Japan Loan of up to 50 billion yen to back New Delhi's economic support programmes for the poor and vulnerable affected by the Covid-19 crisis.
- India + Japan enhance cooperation in the field of information and communications technology (ICT) with focus on aspects like 5G, telecom security and submarine optical fibre cable.
- India + Japan MoC for Proper Operation of System Pertaining to Specified Skilled Worker.
- ❖ India + Uzbekistan Cooperation in the field of solar energy.
- ❖ North Korea A new submarine-launched ballistic missile described by state media as the world's most powerful weapon.
- India + France Strengthen cooperation in sustainable development and work towards global environment protection.
- India + UAE sharing of knowledge, data and operational products for meteorological, seismological and oceanic services
- Greta Thunberg stamp as part of series focusing on environment Cost 12 kronor.
- The traditional festival of Shakrain.
- The country of focus at the 51st International Film Festival of India (IFFI) starting at Goa.
- Dhaka, Bangladesh 19th Dhaka International Film Festival (16 January 24 January 2021).
- India + Bangladesh Design, make, and launch a satellite tv for pc fabricated by college students from each international location.









- China launch second advanced naval missile frigate for Pakistan.
- The sixth meeting of the India-Nepal Joint Commission Co-chair by External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar and Nepal Foreign Minister Pradeep Kumar Gyawali in New Delhi.
- India + Japan The fifth joint meeting of the India-Japan Act East Forum in New Delhi.

Exercise Name	<u>Edition</u>	<u>Armed</u> <u>Forces</u>	<u>Countries</u>	<u>Place</u>
Desert Knight-21	-	Air Force	India + France	Air Force Station
				Jodhpur,
				Rajasthan
Kavach			Indian Army +	
			Indian Navy +	
	-	-	Indian Air	Andaman Sea
			Force + Indian	
			Coast Guard	

- ❖ India Begin two-year tenure as a non-permanent member of UNSC.
- ❖ India Approve AstraZeneca's Covid-19 vaccine for emergency use developed by AstraZeneca and University of Oxford.
- ❖ Grammy Awards Held in March due to the pandemic 63rd edition.
- ❖ India Pledge of USD 150,000 to UN peacebuilding in 2021.
- India Propose law to ban cryptocurrencies, create official digital currency.











NATIONAL AFFAIRS

- To release a certificate course on innovative construction technologies named NAVARITIH.
- To release compendium of 54 innovative housing construction technologies.
- Inaugurate 450-km Kochi-Koottanad-Mangaluru LNG pipeline through video conferencing.
- Launch world's first double stack long-haul container train on the 306km-long Rewari-Madar section of the Western Dedicated Freight.
- ❖ Launch the world's first Double Stack Long Haul Container Train 1.5 kilometre long, between New Ateli and New Kishangarh.
- ❖ Address the valedictory function of the second National Youth Parliament Festival.
- ❖ National Youth Festival 'YUVAAH Utsah Naye Bharat Ka' (Theme).
- Launch India's vaccination drive against the novel coronavirus via video conferencing.
- Launch a ₹1,000 crore start-up seed fund at the Start-up India International Summit: Prarambh.
- Flag off eight trains from various parts of the country connecting to Kevadiya in Gujarat.
- Inaugurate the newly-built Kevadia railway station near the Statue of Unity in Narmada district and a broad-gauge line connecting Vadodara with Kevadia.
- ❖ Release financial assistance of around Rs 2,691 crores to 6.1 lakh beneficiaries in Uttar Pradesh under PMAY-G via video conferencing.
- Address National Cadet Corps Rally At Cariappa Ground In Delhi.
- Chair 35th edition meeting of PRAGATI; reviews nine projects worth Rs 54,675 cr.
- Launch portal for online sale of certain items through CSD canteens.
- India's First Indigenously Developed Driverless Metro Car in Bengaluru.
- The Aero India-21 mobile app the handy interactive interface for all issues related to the event and promises to provide a hassle-free entry to the venue.
- Revamped website provide information about gallantry awards in India and their recipients since Independence.
- ❖ An e-magazine 'Shauryawaan'.
- ❖ 'Selfie for Bravehearts' encourage and invite citizens to click their selfie images in front of war memorials and monuments across the country and show their support for the Gallantry Awardees of the nation.
- Inaugurate the 'Single Window Clearance System Web Portal' in the Coal Mining sector in New Delhi.
- Extend validity of FCRA registration of NGOs till May 31, 2021.









- Inaugurate the ethanol project of Kedarnath Sugar and Agro Products Limited in Karakalmatti Village of Bagalkot district.
- G Kishan Reddy Special COVID Awareness Campaign launched in Hyderabad by PIB and ROB of Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.
- Approve ₹1,751.05 crore of additional Central Assistance Five States towards relief for floods/landslides that occurred during 2020 and for hailstorm during Rabi 2019-20.
- Innovative new paint developed by Khadi and Village Industries Commission "Khadi Prakritik Paint"
- Notify Inter Country Transport Vehicles Rules, 2021 under provisions of the Motor Vehicles Act in 1988
- Road Transport and Highways Ministry + DRDO Technical exchange on sustainable geo-hazard management.
- ❖ To Provide Rs 660 crore -Andhra Pradesh capital expenditure after they completed three of the four citizen-centric reforms.
- ❖ To provide Rs 344 crore Madhya Pradesh capital expenditure after they completed three of the four citizen-centric reforms.
- ❖ The Union Budget mobile app provide easy and quick access to Union Budget information to all stakeholders.
- ❖ Release an amount of 12,351.5 crore rupees to 18 states for providing grants to the Rural Local Bodies.
- MeitY + Amazon Web Services Set up India's first quantum computing lab.
- KVIC + Ministry of Tribal Affairs Two MOUs Aimed at creating local employment, strengthen Khadi artisans and the tribal population.
- "Shramshakti" Digital Data Solution for Migrant Workers.
- Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani + Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' launch the Toycathon 2021 9 themes.
- ❖ Launch the 8th edition of India International Silk Fair virtually.
- ❖ Inaugurate India's first CEPI Centralized network lab at DBT-THSTI Faridabad, Haryana through virtual platform.
- ❖ An Innovation Portal developed by National Innovation Foundation (NIF) India.
- Unveil IEC Campaign to address the emerging issue of vaccine hesitancy in some sections of population in the country.
- Release Marine Mega Fauna Stranding Guidelines and the National Marine Turtle Action Plan in New Delhi.
- Launch a Freight Business Development Portal as one stop solution for all the needs of freight customers.









- Launch missed call facility for LPG consumers Bhubaneswar in Odisha 8454955555.
- Launch month-long mass awareness campaign 'SAKSHAM' spread awareness about green and clean energy.
- ❖ Launch the distribution of Solar Chulhas to poor households in Betul in Uttar Pradesh.
- ❖ Inaugurate the LNG truck-loading unit of Shell India at Hazira, Gujarat.

STATES

- Form Architectural Board for standardisation of architectural designs, plans, elevation, cost estimates, etc.
- ❖ Mobile Dispensing Units/ Door to door Delivery Vehicles in the state.
- ❖ Inaugurate Biotech Incubation Centre and Agri-Business Incubation and Production Centre at Indira Gandhi Krishi Vishwavidyalaya (IGKV) Raipur - promote start-ups and innovators in agriculture and allied sectors.
- Vijay Rupani The 91st K9 VAJRA-T Gun from its armored system complex at Hazira - developed by Larsen & Toubro.
- New tourism policy for 2020-25 with special focus on attracting new investments in the state's "high priority tourism centres" by offering lucrative incentives to entrepreneurs.
- The 'Horticulture Development Mission' (Bagayat Vikas Mission) aim to double the income of farmers involved in medicinal and horticulture farming.
- Gujarat + Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone Ltd (APSEZ) setting up India's largest multi-modal logistics park.
- One-time registration portal for job aspirants.
- Manohar Lal Khattar air taxi services from Chandigarh to Hisar under the UDAN scheme of the Central Government.
- POWERGRID + Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board Ltd. Utilization of 500 Kms of OPGW Telecom network.
- Amazon India + Karnataka Help drive e-commerce exports from state.
- The Sparsh Leprosy Awareness Campaign 2021 (SLAC) on the occasion of Mahatma Gandhi's death anniversary.
- Mathikettan Shola National Park zero to one km around the boundary Eco-sensitive Zone.
- The 8th State in the country to successfully undertake "Ease of Doing Business" reform stipulated by the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance Rs. 2,261 crores.
- Launch Free IAS coaching scheme for poor students.
- The country's first Labour Movement Museum.









- ❖ ₹300 crore three tower "Gender Park".
- Launch 'Launch Pad Scheme' boys and girls coming out of child care institutions and having completed 18 years of age.
- Permit to raise additional Rs 1,423 crore through market borrowing after the state implemented power sector reforms.
- ❖ The first State to give electricity subsidy through Direct Benefit Transfer.
- ❖ The first state to get additional 660 crore rupees for capital projects for successfully carrying out reforms in various citizen-centric areas the 'PANKH Abhiyan' under the 'Beti Bachao Beti Padhao' scheme in order to aid in empowerment and growth of the girl child.
- ❖ Scholarships worth Rs 6.47 crore for 26,099 girls under Ladli Laxmi Yojana.
- To launch Bhama Askhed Dam Water Supply Scheme Provide water for Pune in the state.
- To launch chemo recovery kits containing Ayurvedic formulation.
- inaugurate Balasaheb Thackeray Gorewada International Zoological Park in Nagpur.
- 'Jail tourism' initiative from Pune's Yerawada jai.
- Become the 4th state in the country to successfully undertake Urban Local Bodies, ULB reforms stipulated by the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance.
- Unveil first indigenously built rake to run on Metro 7, 2A.
- Financial assistance of Rs 92.37 crore for the welfare of kendu leaf pluckers and other workers associated with it.
- Exgratia in case of the death or permanent disability of a kendu leaf worker would be increased to Rs 2 Lakh from Rs 1 Lakh.
- ❖ To sanction 12 new projects Rs 7,295.25 lakh Remunerative Approach for Agriculture and Allied sector Rejuvenation – The Central and state governments on a 60:40 sharing basis.
- Set up a memorial in honor of all the Covid Warriors sacrifice their lives fighting the deadly virus - Construct in Bhubaneswar.
- ❖ 15th edition of Toshali National Crafts Mela in Bhubaneswar.
- Bhubaneswar, Odisha Annual 'Adivasi Mela'.
- Launch scheme for free sanitary pads to high school girls in the state.
- Launch e-Daakhil portal will help consumers safeguard their rights.
- Launch a scheme for the distribution of 2500 sports kits among the youth, through community participation especially of the Ludhiana industry.
- Approved a one-time settlement scheme for traders to clear their pending arrears.
- State-wide pro-poor scheme allotment of 7,219 fair price shops (FPS) under Ghar Ghar Rozgar te Karobaar Mission.









- Hike the grant for the marriage of daughters of construction workers from Rs 31,000 to Rs 51,000 under its 'Shagun' scheme.
- ❖ Approve Rs 1,500 financial aid to such workers or their family members who test positive for COVID-19.
- ❖ Hike in the annual stipend for construction workers' children from Rs 25,000 to Rs 35,000 for boys and from Rs 30,000 to Rs 40,000 for girls pursuing degree courses in pharmaceutical or paramedical studies.
- Punjab + eGovernments (eGov) Foundation Build first of its kind fiscal information exchange platform.
- A mega self-employment loan mela as part of his government's flagship 'Ghar Ghar Rozgar and Karobar Mission'.
- 5th state to complete Urban Local Bodies reforms additional financial resources of 2,731 crore rupees through Open Market Borrowings.
- Announce 2 per cent cut in VAT on petrol, diesel.
- Ayushman Bharat Mahatma Gandhi Rajasthan Swasthya Bima Yojana provide free treatment to the poor of the state at government as well as private hospitals.
- ❖ To announce Rs 600 crore relief to five lakh farmers.
- ❖ Announces free 2GB/day data cards for college students.
- The 11th State to complete One Nation One Ration Card system reform + Additional borrowing permission of Rs.4,813 crore.
- ❖ The bulk drug park Tiruvallur district Rs 2,153 crore.
- The medical devices park Oragadam in Kancheepuram district Rs 430 crore
- Jayalalithaa memorial Inaugurate in Tamil Nadu; State Govt earmarked Rs 50 crore for the construction.
- Roll out BharatNet project by November.
- Become 3rd State in country to successfully undertake Dept. of Expenditure stipulated ULB reform - additional financial resources of Rs 2,508 crore.
- ❖ Built 220-metre-long suspension foot bridge across the Lakaram tank at cost of ₹ 8 crores.
- ❖ 10 per cent reservation for the Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) in government jobs and educational institutions.
- 'Kishori Suchita Abhiyan' scheme to provide free sanitary napkins to all girls from class sixth to twelfth.
- Swami Vivekananda Etihasik Paryatan Yatra Yojana fund labourers' pilgrimage Rs 12,000.
- Initiative named 'Kisan Kalyan Mission' in order to double the income of the farmers of the state.
- Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh the 24th Hunar Haat with the theme of Vocal for Local









- An app of MSME department 'Udhyam Sarthi'.
- ❖ inaugurate the newly-built multipurpose indoor stadium in Noida virtually Rs 101crore.
- Kanpur Set up India's first leather park.
- Lucknow Metro First metro to use UV rays to sanitise train coaches.
- "Paint My City" campaign ahead of the Kumbh Mela
- Uttarakhand + NTPC Develop Kedarnath in the state.
- Approve the setting up of a Konkani academy in the national capital Konkani is Official Language in Goa.
- Approve over Rs 64 cr as cash subsidy to students for textbooks.
- Helpline to help fishermen contact the department to find solutions to their grievances.
- 'Satark Nagrik' app facilitate seamless flow of information about corruption and enable citizens to submit their grievances with ease and mobility.
- DVO Portal help in quick disposal of complaints + will help to redress grievances in a systematic manner by enabling monitoring of the status of DVO matters and Citizens Grievances assigned to DVOs at ACB Central Office.
- NECBDC + Jammu and Kashmir Bamboo Entrepreneurship and Bamboo Infrastructure Development to boost the unexplored potential of bamboo sector.
- Chiktan, Ladakh Khelo India Ice Hockey Tournament There are 13 teams
- ❖ A tableau from Ladakh participate in the Republic Day Parade on Rajpath for the first time this year.

<u>Missile</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Range</u>
Smart Anti Airfield Weapon (SAAW)	The coast of Odisha	100 kms
The Akash-NG (New Generation) Missile	The coast of Odisha	-

- Centre Aim to provide adequate health, education to every child by 2022.
- Section 6 of act 2003 To increase the smoking age from 18 to 21 years.
- Section 7 of act 2003 Provided that trade and commerce in cigarette or any other tobacco product shall be in sealed, intact and original packing.
- Section 4 of act 2003 do away with smoking rooms at airports, restaurants and hotels.
- ❖ Approve 8 hydropower projects of 144 MW on the Indus river and its tributaries in Ladakh.

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- Approve new National Highway projects worth Rs 5,801 crore rupees for Maharashtra under the Annual Plan.
- ❖ Procurement of 73 LCA Tejas Mk-1A fighter aircrafts and 10 LCA Tejas Mk-1 Trainer aircrafts at the cost of Rs. 45,696 Crore - Design and Development of Infrastructure sanctions worth Rs.1,202 Crore.
- ❖ ₹5,281.94-crore investment in the 850-MW Ratle Hydro Electric (HE) Project river Chenab, in Kishtwar district of Jammu and Kashmir.
- * Raise Punjab & Sind Bank authorized capital to Rs 10,000 crore from Rs 3,000 crore.
- Second tranche of ₹3,300 crore to Andhra Pradesh Power Sector.
- Notify Rs 945 crore seed fund scheme for startups.
- ❖ Set up NaBFID to meet the infrastructure financing requirements of the country.
- ❖ Approve capital projects of additional amount of Rs 179 cr for Telangana.
- ❖ Narendra Modi deliver inaugural address at the National Metrology Conclave 2021 Theme: 'Metrology for the Inclusive Growth of the Nation'.
- Commerce and Industry Minister 2-day 'Prarambh', Start-up India International Summit - New Delhi -organized by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade.
- Dr. Harsh Vardhan Chair the 148th session of the Executive Board of the World Health Organization through video conference.
- Dr. Harsh Vardhan Inaugurate the 7th Edition of "MASCRADE 2021"- Movement against Smuggled & Counterfeit Trade organised by FICCI Cascade.
- Amit Shah Chair the 69th plenary meeting of the North Eastern Council (NEC), Shillong, Meghalaya.
- Om Birla Bharat Parv-2021 in the presence of Union Minister for Culture and Tourism Prahlad Singh Patel.
- Narendra Modi Address the World Economic Forum's Davos Dialogue through video conferencing.
- New Delhi, Delhi Beating the Retreat ceremony.
- GRSE The last of the eight-landing craft utility (LCU) ships IN LCU L-58 to Indian Navy.









Eight LCU Ships

- IN LCU L-51
- IN LCU L-52
- IN LCU L-53
- IN LCU L-54
- IN LCU L-55
- IN LCU L-56
- IN LCU L-57
- IN LCU L-58
- Narendra Modi foundation stone for the permanent campus in the Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Sambalpur in Odisha.
- Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' the foundation stone of the buildings for School of Engineering + Atal Bihari Vajpayee School of Management and Entrepreneurship at Jawaharlal Nehru University.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu bridge on the Tiruchengode-Ariyanur Road constructed at a cost of ₹45 crore.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu the foundation stone for projects to construct a regulator in Mayiladuthurai district at ₹9.76 crore.
- Tamil Nadu Foundation stone of reservoir in Virudhunagar district at ₹10.10 crore.
- Tamil Nadu Foundation stone of two checks dams in Madurai district at a total cost of ₹4.92 crore.
- Tamil Nadu six new bridges constructed in Virudhunagar, Thoothukudi, Pudukkottai, Theni, Coimbatore and Salem districts at a total cost of ₹40.73 crore.
- ❖ Health Minister the foundation stone of CSIR-National Institute of Science Communication and Policy Research, formed after the merging of CSIR-NISCAIR and CSIR-NISTADS.
- Nitin Gadkari the foundation stone for two national highway projects in Karnataka, to be built at a cost of Rs 323 crore.
- ❖ Rajnath Singh the foundation stone of New Ultra-Modern Building of Command Hospital of Central Command in Lucknow estimated cost of 425 Crore rupees.
- ❖ Home Minister the foundation stone of the Bhadravathi Rapid Action Force Centre in Shivamogga, Karnataka.
- Amit Shah the foundation stone for the 97th battalion of Rapid Action Force in Bullapur near Bhadravathi in Shimoga district of Karnataka.
- Narendra Modi- foundation stone of environment friendly Ahmedabad Metro Rail Project Phase-II(Rs 5,384 crores) and Surat Metro Rail Project(Rs 12,020 crores)

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- Dharmendra Pradhan the foundation stone of a hostel-cum-training facility for farmers at Bharat Bharati Shiksha Samiti.
- The Army set up a 'feedback and grievances' helpline in Jammu & Kashmir The helpline number is 9484101010.
- The Indian army + Goa Shipyard Limited 12 Fast Patrol Boats for surveillance and patrolling of large water bodies.
- Indian Navy coordinate second edition of largest coastal defence exercise Sea Vigil-21.
- GYK Reddy, Indian Army Officer a 'microcopter' which can be used by the Army to carry out surveillance inside a building or room in which terrorists are hiding.
- ❖ DRDO + Indian Army India's First Indigenous Machine Pistol ASMI.
- ❖ The Indian Army + ideaForge procure "undisclosed quantities" of high-altitude variant of SWITCH unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) at a cost of approximately USD 20 million.
- ❖ INMAS, DRDO 'RAKSHITA' a bike ambulance attend urgent evacuation. needs of security force personnel in event of a medical emergency or battle injury in conflict zones – Given to CRPF.
- Gujarat Rename dragon fruit as 'Kamalam'.
- GMR Hyderabad International Airport Limited + GMR Hyderabad Air Cargo + Dubai Airports - building an exclusive Vaccine Air Freight Corridor Product called HYDXB-VAXCOR
- Cochin International Airport Limited floating solar power plant using French technology with a capacity of 452 KWh











State/Country	<u>Festival</u>
Uttarakhand	Kumbh Mela
Manipur	The Cherry Blossom Mao Festival
Ladakh	Khelo India Zanskar Winter Sport & Youth
Lauakii	Festival
Virtual Format	Second edition National Youth Parliament
Viituai Foiiiiat	Festival
Virtual Format	24th National Youth Festival
Nubra Valley, Ladakh	The first ever Ice Climbing Festival
Tamil Nadu	Pongal
Gujarat	Uttarayan
Assam	Bihu
West Bengal	Poush Sangkranti
Telangana	Kanuma Festival
Kerala	'Makaravilakku' Festival
Uttarakhand	First national-level sand art festival
Tamil Nadu	Thai Poosam

State/Country	Film Festival	
Goa	51st International Film Festival of India (16	
Goa	January 2021 – 24 January 2021)	
Kolkata, West Bengal	26th Kolkata International Film	
Kolkata, West Bellgal	Festival (January 8-15 2021)	
Jaipur, Rajasthan	13 th Jaipur International Film Festival (15–	
Jaipui, Kajastiiaii	19 January 2021)	
Pune, Maharashtra	Pune International Film Festival (14	
rune, ivialididSillid	January – 21 January 2021)	

- NIC+ CBSE+ Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI Aayog provide the CollabCAD Software and released a comprehensive e-book on CollabCAD 3D modeling.
- ❖ Air Marshal R K S Bhadauria Indian Air Force Chief The IAF e-Governance (e-Office) portal in New Delhi.
- ❖ KVIC e-commerce portal named eKhadiIndia.com Khadi, village industry products.
- ❖ 'Another Round' Opening Movie of the 51st IFFI Goa − Directed by Thomas Vinterberg − Denmark Movie.
- ❖ 'Wife of a Spy' − Closing Movie of the 51st IFFI Goa − Directed by Kiyoshi Kurosawa.









- India the 40th scientific expedition to Antarctica marks four decades of country's scientific endeavour to the southern white continent.
- Indian Oil Corporation Limited new initiative named Prayaas address the needs of the local communities near its fuel stations.
- TRIFED + Akhil Bhartiya Vanvasi Kalyan Ashram setting up of TRIFOOD Parks in Madhya Pradesh.
- Tata Power + SIDBI provide a finance scheme to the MSME players in the rooftop solar segment.
- Rs 201.58 crore from the PM-CARES Fund Allocate for installing 162 dedicated PSA medical oxygen generation plants in public health facilities across the country.
- **❖** BEML ₹758 crore worth of orders from MoD for supply of high-mobility vehicles.
- Lucknow University the 'Karmayogi Scheme' offer students part-time jobs while continuing their studies on the campus -maximum of Rs 15,000 in a year.
- ❖ DPIIT + QCI + NPC + BIS + Industry Chambers organize Udyog Manthan a marathon of focused sector-specific webinars for promoting Quality and Productivity in Indian Industry.
- Shipping Corporation of India + Inland Waterways Authority commence coastal shipping services.
- EESL + NHAI establish various clean and energy efficiency interventions at NHAI structures.
- CVRDE, DRDO Indigenously developed landing gear systems for UAVs handed over to Navy.
- ❖ ISRO Adopt 100 Atal Tinkering Labs across the country promote scientific temperament among students and encourage them for space education and space technology related innovations.
- CBDT An e-portal for filing complaints about tax evasion, 'benami' properties and undisclosed assets overseas.
- ❖ January 15 Third phase of Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana being launched.
- EESL + PCRA implementation of Energy Efficient PNG Cook Stove EEPS programme across India.
- Defence Secretary Ajay Kumar Swachhata Pakhwada organised by NCC at India Gate – Theme: 'Clean India, Green India, Yeh Hai Mera Dream India'.
- United Kingdom invite Prime Minister Narendra Modi to attend the G7 Summit as a guest - held in June this year.
- ❖ TRIFED + IFFDC Promote Livelihood Generation of Tribal People.
- ❖ WE HUB, Telangana + i-Hub, Gujarat To support women entrepreneurs.
- Bhawana Kanth First woman fighter pilot to take part in the Republic Day parade.









- The Election Commission of India The e-EPIC (Electronic Electoral Photo Identity Card) programme on January 25, the National Voter's Day.
- Akshay Kumar The mobile action game FAU-G 'Fearless and United Guards'.
- BookBaggage + Indian Railways Launch app-based delivery service.
- ❖ Indian Oil New greenfield refinery at Nagapattinam in Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ IN FAC T-81 Decommissioned at Naval Dockyard, Mumbai.
- Ramnath Kovind The countrywide Pulse Polio Programme for 2021.













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