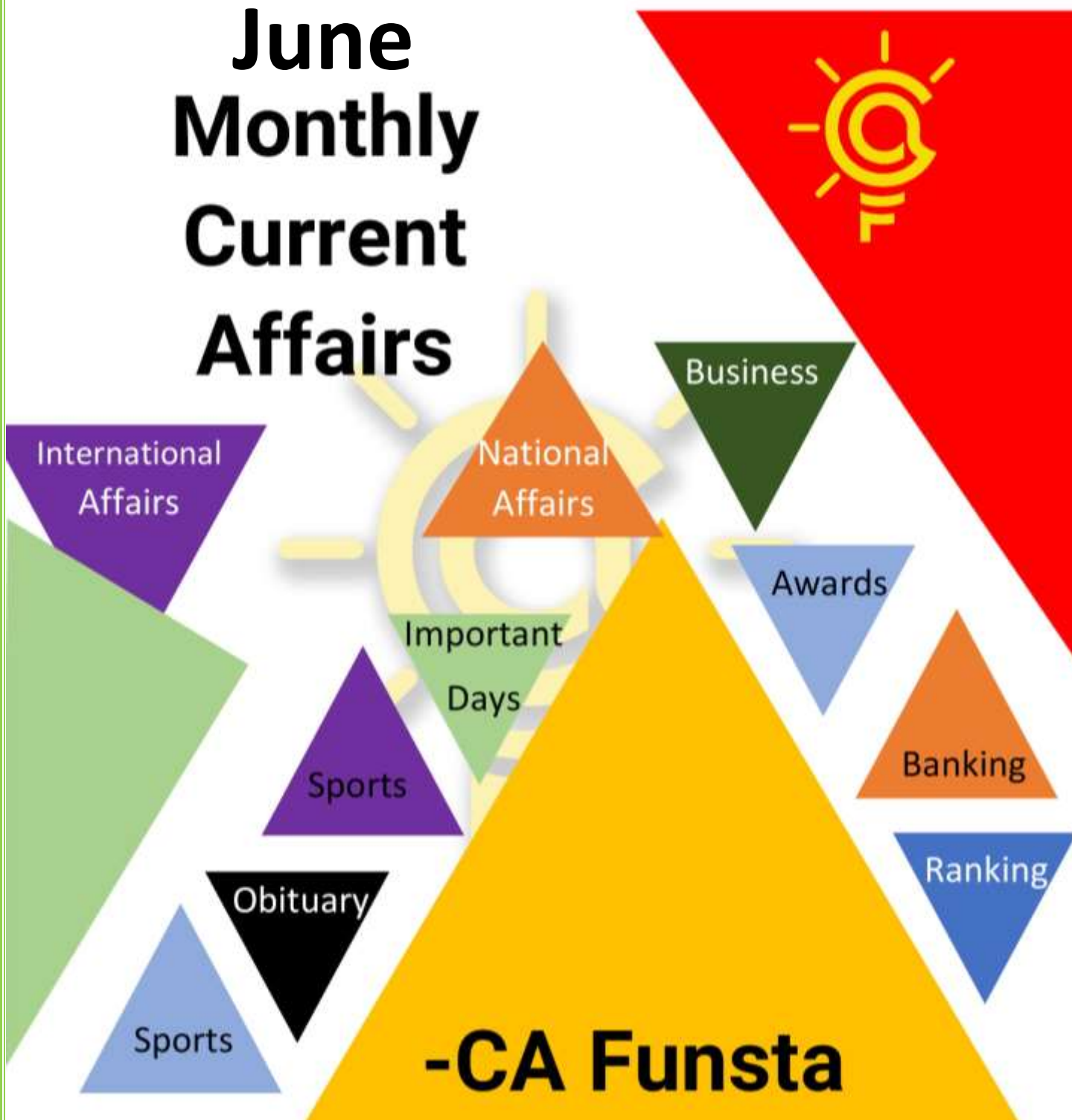


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## IMPORTANT DAYS

### National Important Days

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Theme</u>
June 2	8th Formation Day of Telangana	-
June 18	75th edition of Goa Revolution Day	-
June 19	National Reading Day	-
June 20 (Third Sunday of June)	Father's Day	-
June 29	National Statistics Day	Sustainable Development Goal (SDG)- 2 (End Hunger, Achieve Food Security and Improved Nutrition and Promote Sustainable Agriculture)

### INTERNATIONAL IMPORTANT DAYS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Theme</u>
June 1	World Milk Day	-
	Global Day of Parents	Appreciate All Parents Throughout the World
June 3	World Bicycle day	-
June 5	World Environment Day	Ecosystem Restoration
	International Day for the Fight against Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing	-
June 6	World Pest Day	-
	UN Russian Language Day	-
June 7	World Food Safety Day	Safe food today for a healthy tomorrow
June 8	World Oceans Day	The Ocean: Life and Livelihoods
	World Brain Tumor Day	-
June 9	World Accreditation Day	Accreditation: Supporting the Implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
June 12	World Day Against Child Labour	Act now: end child labour
June 13	International Albinism Awareness Day	#StrengthBeyondAllOdds
June 14	World Blood Donor Day	-



June 15	World Elder Abuse Awareness Day	Access to Justice
	World Wind Day	-
June 16	International Day of Family Remittances	Recovery and resilience through digital and financial inclusion
June 17	World Day to Combat Desertification And Drought	Restoration. Land. Recovery. We build back better with healthy land
	World Crocodile Day	-
	World Kidney Cancer Day	-
June 18	Autistic Pride Day	-
	International Picnic Day	-
June 19	International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict	-
June 20	World Refugee Day	Together we heal, learn and shine
June 21	The International Day of Yoga	Yoga For Wellness
	World Music Day	-
	International Day of the Celebration of the Solstice	-
	World Hydrography Day	-

June 23	The United Nations Public Service Day	Innovating the Future Public Service: New Government Models for a New Era to Reach the SDGs
	International Olympic Day	-
June	Hernia Awareness Month	-
June 25	World Vitiligo Day	-
	International Day of the Seafarer	Seafarers: at the core of shipping's future
June 26	International Day in Support of Victims of Torture	-
	International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking	Share Drug Facts to Save Lives
June 27	International Micro, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSMEs) Day	MSME 2021: Key to an inclusive and sustainable recovery
June 30	International Asteroid Day	-
	International Day of Parliamentarism	-
	World Social Media Day	-



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## SPORTS

### RETIREMENT

#### Cricket

- ☛ Kevin O'Brien – Ireland all-rounder announced his retirement from the 50-over format.

### BANNED OR SUSPENDED

#### Athlete

- ☛ Youssef Sbaai - banned for 4 years for a doping violation

#### Cricket

- ☛ Shakib Al Hasan – Ban for 4 games of Dhaka Premier League

#### Weightlifting

- ☛ Romania – Ban from Olympic weightlifting over doping cases.

#### Long Jump

- ☛ Luvo Manyonga - Olympic long jump silver medalist was banned for 4years over missed doping tests

### GRAND PRIX

#### Azerbaijan Grand Prix

Rank	Person	Company	Country
1	Sergio Pérez Mendoza	Red Bull Racing	Mexico
2	Sebastian Vettel	Aston Martin	German
3	Pierre Gasly	AlphaTauri	France

#### French Grand Prix

Rank	Person	Country (Team)	Car
1st	Max Emilian Verstappen	Netherlands	Red Bull Racing
2nd	Lewis Carl Davidson Hamilton	UK	Mercedes
3rd	Sergio Pérez Mendoza	Mexico	Red Bull Racing

#### Styrian Grand Prix

Rank	Person	Country (Team)	Car
1st	Max Emilian Verstappen	Netherlands	Red Bull Racing
2nd	Lewis Carl Davidson Hamilton	UK	Mercedes
3rd	Valtteri Viktor Bottas	Finland	Mercedes

**COMPETITION****Boxing**

- ☛ Sanjeet bagged - gold medal as Indian contingent finished the 2021 ASBC Asian Championships with an unprecedented 15 medals – comprising two golds, five silvers and eight bronzes.

**Badminton**

- ☛ Zhang Ning + Cai Yun + Fu Haifeng 0 inducted into the Badminton World Federation's Hall of Fame

**Wrestling**

- ☛ Vinesh Phogat - the women's 53kg category gold medal at the Poland Open after beating Ukraine's Khrystyna Bereza in the final in Warsaw

**Tennis**

- ☛ Czech Barbora Krejckikova – defeat Russia's Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova in the French Open final to win her first major single title.
- ☛ Ons Jabeur - the first Arab woman to win a WTA title when the Tunisian beat Daria Kasatkina of Russia 7-5, 6-4 in an engrossing hour and a half tussle in Birmingham.
- ☛ Novak Djokovic - defeat Stefanos Tsitsipas to win his second French Open title

**Cricket**

- ☛ Bangladesh wicketkeeper-batsman Mushfiqur Rahim + Scotland all-rounder Kathryn Bryce - the ICC Players of the Month for May 2021.
- ☛ New Zealand – Beat India by 8 wickets to win 1st-ever World Test Championship.
- ☛ Shafali Verma – Youngest Indian to make debut in all formats.
- ☛ Sourav Ganguly – T20 World Cup to be shifted from India to UAE.
- ☛ ICC – T20 World Cup to be held from Oct 17-Nov 14.

**Shooting**

- ☛ Rubina Francis – Gold in the 10-metre air pistol para women event at World shooting Para Sport Cup in Peru.
- ☛ Pooja Agarwal - two silver medals at World Shooting Para Sport World Cup
- ☛ Saurabh Chaudhary - the bronze medal in men's 10m air pistol at the shooting World Cup in Croatia
- ☛ Shooting – Bronze for Indian women's 10m air pistol team at World Cup.
- ☛ ISSF World Cup – Tokyo-bound Rahi Sarnobat bags Gold in 25m pistol event

**Others**

- ☛ Brazil – Host Copa America for 2nd consecutive time
- ☛ Punjab - 60th National Inter-State Senior Athletics Championships
- ☛ BharatPe – ICC's official partner till 2023.
- ☛ Patiala – 4th Indian Grand Prix on June 21.
- ☛ Neeraj Chopra - javelin gold medal in Meeting Cidade de Lisboa
- ☛ McKeown – Create new 100 m backstroke world record.
- ☛ UK - The women's T20 cricket competition at the 2022 Birmingham Commonwealth Games will be held from July 29 to August 7 at the Edgbaston Stadium
- ☛ Laurel Hubbard - first transgender athlete to compete at Olympics
- ☛ Sajjan Prakash – First Indian swimmer to qualify for Tokyo Olympics.
- ☛ Neeraj Chopra – Bronze medal at Kuortane Games in Finland
- ☛ Archer Deepika Kumari – World No. 1 after winning gold at World Cup.
- ☛ Aditi Ashok – 1st female Indian golfer to qualify for Tokyo Olympics



## OBITUARY

### Actor

- ☛ Sanchari Vijay – National film award winner and sandalwood actor

### Writer/Author

- ☛ Siddalingaiah – Noted Kannada Dalit poet
- ☛ S Ramesan Nair - Popular poet and lyricist from Kerala

### Politician

- ☛ Laxmikant Sharma – Senior BJP leader and former Madhya Pradesh minister.
- ☛ Anerood Jugnauth – The former Prime Minister of Mauritius
- ☛ Narinder Bragta – Himachal Pradesh BJP MLA and chief whip.
- ☛ Mumtaz Ali Khan – Former Minister.
- ☛ Dr Indira Hridayesh – Veteran Uttarakhand Congress politician and Leader of Opposition in the Legislative Assembly.
- ☛ Kenneth Kaunda – President of Zambia
- ☛ Benigno Aquino – Ex-Philippine President

### Sports

- ☛ Nanda Kishore Patnaik – Renowned Football coach.
- ☛ Usman Khan – Former India hockey player
- ☛ Yoo Sang-chul – South Korea's 2002 World Cup star.
- ☛ Ngangom Dingko Singh – Former India boxer.
- ☛ Surat Singh Mathur – India's 1951 Asian Games marathon bronze medal winner and 1952 Olympian.
- ☛ Nirmal Milkha Singh – Former Indian volleyball captain.
- ☛ C R Viswanathan – Former AIFF VP and TNFA Chief.
- ☛ B Vijayakrishna – Veteran Karnataka cricketer.
- ☛ Milkha Singh - Sprint great Singh, who was nicknamed the "Flying Sikh"

### Others

- ☛ Subhakirti Majumdar – Former bureaucrat and ex Director General of Indian Jute Mills Association`
- ☛ Ram Khandekar – Ex-PM PV Narasimha Rao's OSD.
- ☛ Radhamohan -Noted social worker and retired professor in Economics Padma Shri
- ☛ Dr Ashok Panagariya - Internationally acclaimed neurologist and recipient of Padma Shri
- ☛ Guruprasad Mohapatra – DPIIT Secretary.
- ☛ John McAfee – Antivirus software pioneer
- ☛ Dr S Kameswaran – Renowned ENT surgeon and Padma Shri awardee.



## RANKING

### NATIONAL RANKING

- Artificial Intelligence Index 2021 - Annual Report Compiled by Srini Raju IT & Networked Economy (STRINE) research Centre at Indian School of Business (ISB)

Rank	State
1	Karnataka
2	Maharashtra
3	Delhi And Tamil Nadu

### Niti Aayog's SDG India Index 2020-21

Rank	Country
1st	Kerala
2nd	Himachal Pradesh & Tamil Nadu

### Anemia Mukt Bharat Index 2020-21

RANK	STATE	Score
1	Madhya Pradesh	64.1
2	Odisha	59.3
3	Himachal Pradesh	57.1

### 38th - NTPC in the list of 'Great Place to Work' 2021

- Max Life Insurance Company Ltd - 18th amongst 'India's Best Companies to Work For' in 2021.

### Livable Capital City in India

Rank	City
1st	Bengaluru
2nd	Chennai
3rd	Shimla

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### INTERNATIONAL RANKING

#### FIH men's Team Ranking:

Rank	Country
1	Belgium
2	Australia
3	Netherlands
4	India

#### FIH Women's Team Ranking:

Rank	Country
1	Netherlands
2	Argentina
3	Australia
9	India

#### 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Ranking

Rank	Country	Score
1	Sweden	84.72
2	Denmark	84.56
3	Finland	83.77
4	France	81.13
5	Germany	80.77
117	India	61.92

#### List of The Times 50 Most Desirable Women 2020 list

Rank	Country
1	Rhea Chakraborty
2	Adline Castelino
3	Disha Patani
4	Kiara Advani
5	Deepika Padukone

#### List of EIU's most livable cities ranking

Rank	City
1	Auckland (New Zealand)
2	Osaka (Japan)
3	Adelaide (Australia)
4	Wellington (New Zealand)
5	Tokyo (Japan)
6	Perth (Australia)
7	Zurich (Switzerland)
8	Geneva (Switzerland)
9	Melbourne (Australia)
10	Brisbane (Australia)



**List of the 10 least Livable cities in the world:**

Rank	City
1	Damascus (Syria)
2	Lagos (Nigeria)
3	Port Moresby (Papua New Guinea)
4	Dhaka (Bangladesh)
5	Algiers (Algeria)
6	Tripoli (Libya)
7	Karachi (Pakistan)
8	Harare (Zimbabwe)
9	Douala (Cameroon)
10	Caracas (Venezuela)

**QS World University Rankings in 2022**

Rank	University	Place	Score
1	Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)	Cambridge United States	100
2	University of Oxford	Oxford, United Kingdom	99.5
3	Stanford University	Stanford, United States	98.7
3	University of Cambridge	Cambridge, United Kingdom	98.7
5	Harvard University	Cambridge, United Kingdom	98
177	Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IIT B)	Mumbai	46.4
185	Indian Institute of Technology Delhi (IIT D)	New Delhi	45.9
186	Indian Institute of Science	Bengaluru	45.7

**Forbes 'World's Best Banks' list in India**

Rank	Bank
1	DBS Bank India
2	CSB Bank
3	ICICI Bank
4	HDFC Bank
5	Kotak Mahindra Bank
6	Axis Bank
7	State Bank of India

**Global home price index in Q1 2021 - Knight Frank**

Rank	Country
1	Turkey
2	New Zealand
3	Luxembourg
4	Slovakia
5	United States
55	India



**Coursera's Global Skills Report 2021**

Rank	Country
1	Switzerland
2	Luxembourg
3	Austria
67	India

**Bloomberg data - the Wealthiest person in this list**

Rank	Person	Company
1	Jeff Bezos	Amazon
2	Bernard Arnault	LVMH
3	Elon Musk	Tesla
4	Bill Gates	Microsoft
5	Mark Zuckerberg	Facebook
12	Mukesh Ambani	Reliance Industries
14	Gautam Adani	Adani Group
42	Azim Premji	Wipro
72	Shiv Nadar	HCL Technologies
88	Lakshmi Mittal	Aperam

**World Giving Index (WGI) 2021**

Rank	Country
1st	Indonesia
2nd	Kenya
14th	India

**World Competitiveness Index - the Institute for Management Development (IMD)**

Rank	Country
1st	Switzerland
2nd	Sweden
3rd	Denmark
43rd	India

**Global Peace Index 2021 - Released By: Institute of Economics and Peace (IEP)  
based in Sydney, Australia**

Rank	Country
1st	Iceland
2nd	New Zealand
3rd	Denmark
135th	India
163	Afghanistan



**Top global 100 list in the latest 2021 edition of Executive MBA Rankings**

Rank	Institution
1	HEC Paris' Executive MBA
2	The Wharton School's MBA for executives
3	IESE Business School's Global Executive MBA
4	MIT Sloan School of Management's Executive MBA
5	Said Business School's Executive MBA
39	IIM Bangalore

**EdelGive Hurun Philanthropists of the Century**

Rank	Original Philanthropist	Estimated Current Value of Donation (US\$bn)	Start of Key Endowments	Key Person Today	Country	Main Cause
1	Jamsetji Tata	102.4	189.2	Ratan Tata	India	Education , Healthcare
2	Bill Gates & Melindia French Gates	74.6	2000	Bill Gates & Melindia Fresnch Gates	USA	Healthcare
3	Henry Welicome	56.7	1936	Eliza Manningham-Buller	UK	Healthcare
4	Howard Hughes	38.6	1953	Clayton S. Rose	USA	Research & Development
5	Warren Buffet	37.4	2006	Warren Buffet	USA	Healthcare

**World's most expensive city for foreign workers - Mercer Cost of Living Survey**

Rank	City
1	Ashgabat
2	Hong Kong
3	Beirut
4	Tokyo
5	Zurich
78	Mumbai
117	New Delhi
158	Chennai
170	Bengaluru



**Monocle's list of best cities for quality of life**

Rank	City
1	Copenhagen
2	Zurich
3	Helsinki
4	Stockholm
5	Tokyo

**The Reuters Institute Digital News Report, 2021**

Rank	Country
1	Finland
31	India
46	U.S.

**Times Higher Education Young Universities Rankings 2021**

Rank	Name
1	Nanyang Technological University, Singapore
2	Paris Sciences et Lettres – PSL Research University Paris
3	The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
63	Indian Institute of Technology Ropar
76	Indian Institute of Technology Indore
142	Mahatma Gandhi University

**Global Cybersecurity Index (GCI) 2020 launched by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU)**

Rank	Country
1	US
2	UK and Saudi Arabia
3	Estonia
10	India

**Global Startup Ecosystem Index 2021 by Startup Blink**

**Country Wise:**

Rank	Country
1	USA
2	UK
3	Israel
20	India

**City Wise:**

Rank	City
1	San Francisco Bay, USA
2	New York, USA
3	Beijing, China
10	Bangalore, India
14	New Delhi, India
16	Mumbai, India



## BANKING AND FINANCE

### BANKING

#### RBI

- ☛ RBI – cancel the licence of Shivajirao Bhosale Sahakari Bank as the lender does not have adequate capital and earning prospects
- ☛ RBI – Extend special liquidity facility of Rs 16,000 crore to SIDBI
- ☛ RBI – NACH payment system to be available 24X7 from 1 August
- ☛ RBI – Extend Risk-Based Internal Audit System To HFCs.  
Reserve Bank of India – Grant 'in-principal' approval to Centrum Financial Services Limited to set up a small finance bank.
- ☛ RBI – Extend restrictions on beleaguered PMC Bank till December 31.
- ☛ RBI – FY21 round of survey on ITES exports.

#### Penalty

- ☛ RBI – A penalty of Rs 4 crore has been imposed on Bank of India and Rs 2 crore on Punjab National Bank.
- ☛ RBI – a penalty of Rs 2 lakh on Dhrangadhra People's Co-operative Bank, Surendranagar, Gujarat, for non-compliance with certain norms
- ☛ RBI – Penalty Rs 6 lakh on the Bijnor Urban Co-operative Bank Limited for contravention of certain norms.
- ☛ RBI - A penalty of Rs 12 lakh has been imposed on Mogaveera Co-operative Bank Limited, Rs 10 lakh on Indapur Urban Cooperative Bank, and Rs 1 lakh on The Baramati Sahakari Bank Limited, Baramati.
- ☛ The Reserve Bank of India - A penalty of Rs 4 lakh has been imposed on Excellent Co-operative Bank, Mumbai, and Rs 2 lakh each on Janseva Sahakari Bank Limited, Pune and The Ajara Urban Co-operative Bank, Ajara (Kolhapur) for deficiencies in regulatory compliance

#### PUBLIC BANKS

##### State Bank of India

- ☛ ₹3725 crore for the development of Noida International Airport which is being developed by Yamuna International Airport
- ☛ SBI – 'Kavach Personal Loan' scheme for COVID patients.
- ☛ the Aarogyam Healthcare Business Loan in order to provide enhanced support to the healthcare sector in India amid the pandemic

##### Union Bank of India

- ☛ Union Bank of India + NSIC – Support MSMEs with credit requirements.

##### Bank of Maharashtra

- ☛ Bank of Maharashtra – Top PSU bank chart in MSME loan growth in FY21.





### PRIVATE BANKS

#### Axis Bank

- ☛ Axis Bank – Select AWS to accelerate digital transformation

#### Federal Bank

- ☛ Federal Bank – Exclusive NR saving accounts for Seafarers.
- ☛ Federal Bank + Oracle + Infosys – Enhanced customer experience

#### ICICI Bank

- ☛ ICICI Bank + SWIFT – Offer instant facility for cross-border inward remittances.
- ☛ ICICI Bank – Digital banking solutions for corporates.
- ☛ instant cardless EMI facility for online purchases on e-commerce platforms
- ☛ AMNS India – Execute paperless bill discounting transaction in partnership with ICICI Bank

#### IDBI Bank

- ☛ LIC Cards Services Limited + IDBI Bank – a contactless prepaid Gift Card – 'Shagun' on RuPay platform.

#### IDFC First Bank

- ☛ IDFC FIRST Bank – Employee-funded customer COVID relief Ghar Ghar Ration Program.

#### IndusInd Bank

- ☛ IndusEasyCredit that enables customers to meet their financial requirements from the comfort of their homes

#### Kotak Mahindra Bank

- ☛ launch of a new feature that enables its customers to send money or make payments to any of their contacts across all payment apps simply by the beneficiary's mobile number

#### Yes Bank

- ☛ InstantPay + NPCI + YES Bank – India's first Cashback Card in partnership.

### INSURANCE

- ☛ IndiaFirst Life Insurance – Micro Bachat Plan In A New Avatar To Provide Enhanced Security & Savings.
  - ☛ SBI General Insurance – Enter into bancassurance tie-up with IDFC FIRST Bank.
- Dvara E-Dairy + IFFCO Tokio General Insurance – AI powered cattle digital identity for cattle insurance

### SMALL FINANCE BANK

- ☛ Ujjivan Small Finance Bank + MoEngage – Accelerate Digital Transformation
- ☛ Ujjivan Small Finance Bank + LoanTap – Provide personal loans to salaried professionals.





**WORLD BANK**

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
\$ 500 Million	help boost India's MSME sector
USD 60 million	strengthen Nepal's higher education
USD 50 million	provide financial assistance of how much amount to the Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory to strengthen the health infrastructure
\$250 million	to improve quality of education in Andhra Pradesh
\$32 million	improve health services in Mizoram
\$125million	support Kerala's preparedness against natural disasters, climate change impacts, disease outbreaks, and pandemics
USD 191 million	Bangladesh to set up South Asian Education portal
USD 150-million	post-COVID-19 recovery and development in Nepal

- ☛ World Bank + IMF – Launch high-level advisory group for economic recovery and growth.

**ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK**

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
\$2.5 million	upgrade road infrastructure in Sikkim
\$ 484 Million	improve highways in Tamil Nadu Industrial Corridor
\$250 million	policy-based loan to the government of Bangladesh to help finance reforms aimed at improving the inclusiveness and responsiveness of the country's social development and resilience program
\$940 million	Bangladesh to purchase COVID-19 vaccines

**SIDBI**

- ☛ GAME + SIDBI – Help MSMEs revive biz amid pandemic.

**NABARD**

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Rs 254 crore	Drinking water projects in Odisha

**OTHERS**

- ☛ BSE + Electronics & Computer Software Export Promotion Council – encourage SME & Startup listing.
- ☛ Satin Creditcare Network – UPI AutoPay for loan EMI payments.
- ☛ PayU – 'Pay with Rewards' with twid, to help merchants get more consumers.
- ☛ Gujarat Maritime Board – Set-up India's first International Maritime Services Cluster at GIFT City.
- ☛ Innoviti – Smart marketing app 'G.E.N.I.E' for local mobile retailers in AP, Telangana.
- ☛ Godrej Housing Finance – a 'design your EMI' home loan product to enable customers to customise their equated monthly installments (EMIs)
- ☛ PhonePe - new Wallet Auto Top-up feature using UPI e-mandates for its customers
- ☛ SBI Card + Fabindia – Launch co-branded contactless credit card for premium customers.

## BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

### FLIPKART

- ☛ Flipkart – 'Back to College' program to offer an enhanced learning experience to students.

### OTHERS

- ☛ Wipro + Finastra – Help digitalise banks in the Asia-Pacific
- ☛ Google – Rs 113-cr grant to set up 80 oxygen plants, upskill rural health workers in India.
- ☛ H-Energy + Petrobangla - supply re-gasified liquefied natural gas (R-LNG) from India to Bangladesh
- ☛ HPCL – First company to bring ethanol-blended petrol in J&K, Ladakh
- ☛ World Investment Report 2021 – India receives \$64 bln FDI in 2020, fifth largest recipient of inflows in world.
- ☛ Malaysia – Surpass Indonesia to become India's top palm oil supplier.
- ☛ WhatsApp + NSDC – Launch initiative for skill development, entrepreneurship opportunities for youth.
- ☛ NTPC – Target 60 GW renewable energy capacity by 2032.
- ☛ IBM – New AI-powered automation software to deliver 5G/edge services faster.
- ☛ Mastercard + Instamojo – Empower MSMEs and gig workers.
- ☛ SERB-DST + Intel India – Launch first-of-its-kind initiative to advance deep tech-based research in India.

## BOOKS AND AUTHORS

<u>Book</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Published</u>	<u>Released by</u>
'PI Club and the Circus'	Mr. Akshay Chowdhry	Notion Press	-
Savarkar: A contested Legacy (1924-1966)	Vikram Sampath	Penguin Random House India	-
'Skill It, Kill It: Struggles, Sacrifices and Success in Your Life and Career'	Ronnie Screwvala	Penguin Random House	-
Pony	RJ Palacio	Random House Children's Books	-
Of Smokeless Fire	A.A. Jafri	Penguin Viking	-
20 Reforms in 2020		-	Rajnath Singh
Beyond Here and Other Poems	Bishnupada Sethi	-	Naveen Patnaik
Essays in Celebrity Culture	Pramod K Nayar	Anthem Press	-
Landslide: The Final Days of the Trump Presidency	Michael Wolff	Henry Holt	-
Sun Salutations	Shivaranjani Bharadwaj + Devyani Bharadwaj	-	-
It's a Wonderful Life	Ruskin Bond	Aleph Book Company	-



The 7 Sins of Being A Mother	Tahira Kashyap Khurrana	-	-
Will	Will Smith	Penguin Press	-
The Startup Wife	Tahmima Anam	Penguin Random House India	-
Anomalies in Law and Justice	R V Raveendran	-	Chief Justice of India N V Ramana

## APPOINTMENTS

### NATIONAL APPOINTMENTS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Replaced</u>
J B Mohapatra	Chairman	CBDT	P C Mody
Hari Krishna Dwivedi	Chief Secretary	West Bengal	Alapan Bandopadhyay
Justice Arun Kumar Mishra	Chairman	National Human Rights Commission	-
Alok Kumar	chief secretary	Tripura	Manoj Kumar
Siddharth Jain	secretary-general	Indian Broadcasting Foundation	-
Kapil Mohan Dhir	Joint Secretary	Department of Military Affairs	-
KK Maheshwari	President	Association of National Exchanges Members of India	Anup Khandelwal
Arun Kumar Mehta	chief secretary	Jammu & Kashmir	-
Anup Chandra Pandey	Election Commissioner of India	-	-
Shri Justice Sanjay Yadav	Chief Justice	Allahabad High Court	-
V. Raghunandan	Secretary	Telecom Regulatory Authority of India	Sunil Kumar Gupta
Sanjay Gupta	Chairman	IAMAI	-
Meenesh Shah	Chairman	NDDB	Varsha Joshi
Suresh N Patel	central vigilance commissioner	Central Vigilance Commission	Sanjay Kothari
Aditya Nath Das	chief secretary	Andhra Pradesh	-
Justice Ravi Vijaykumar Malimath	Chief Justice	Himachal Pradesh High Court	-
KK Venugopal	Attorney General	India	-
Amitabh Kant	CEO	Niti Aayog	-

**INTERNATIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>designation</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Replaced</u>
Isaac Herzog	President	Israel	-
Patrick Amoth	Chairperson	WHO Executive Board	Harsh Vardhan
Abdulla Shahid	President	76th session of the UN General Assembly	-
Ukhnaa Khurelsukh	President	Mongolia	-
Ranjitsinh Disale	Technical advisory board of a teacher training initiative	World Bank	-
Rebecca Grynspan	Head	first woman and Central American of the U.N. agency promoting trade and development	-
Naftali Bennett	Prime Minister	Israel	-
Satya Nadella	chairman	Microsoft	John Thompson
Aashish Chandorkar	Counsellor	India's Permanent Mission in the World Trade Organisation	-
Ebrahim Raisi	President	Iran	-

**AMBASSADORS/HIGH COMMISSIONERS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>Country/ Organization</u>
B Shyam	India's next Ambassador	Republic of Iceland
Sanjiv Kohli	Ambassador of India	Republic of Serbia
S. Inbasekar	High Commissioner of India	Papua New Guinea
Ashok Kumar	High Commissioner of India	Republic of Zambia

**BRAND AMBASSADORS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organisation</u>
Akshay Kumar	Mylab Discovery Solutions



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**BANKING APPOINTMENTS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>Bank</u>	<u>Replaced</u>
Vishwavir Ahuja	MD & CEO	RBL Bank	-
Hitendra Dave	CEO	HSBC India	Surendra Rosha
M R Kumar	chairman	LIC	-
Anand Mohan Bajaj	Member of the Board	Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)	-
Chandan Sinha, Manjeev Singh Puri	directors on Board	RBL Bank	-

**AWARDS****NATIONAL AWARDS**

<u>Person</u>	<u>Award Name</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Given by</u>	<u>Details</u>
Hyderabad International Airport	ACI Award	-	-	Best Service Quality in 2020.
Goa Institute of Management	Prestigious 2021 Flourish Prize	-	-	Global Goal #8 from amongst 585 entries from across globe.
KK Shailaja	Central European University (CEU) Open Society Prize	-	-	the award in recognition of her commitment to public health services
INS Sahyadri	the best ship of the Eastern Fleet among capital ships	-	-	-
Cochin International Airport	Airport Council International (ACI) Director General's Roll of Excellence honour in Airport Service Quality	-	-	-
Delhi Metro	Japan Society of Civil Engineers' award	-	-	-
CtrlS	The prestigious US Green Building Council (USGBC) leadership award	-	-	-



**INTERNATIONAL AWARDS**

<u>Person</u>	<u>Award Name</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Given by</u>	<u>Details</u>
Novelist David Diop	International Booker Prize	-	-	World War I-set novel, 'At Night All Blood is Black'. first French winner of prize
Prof Rehman Rahi	Sharf-e-Saqafat Award	-	-	-
Emmanuel Carrere	Spanish Princess of Asturias Literature Award	-	-	-
Mukesh Sharma	an honorary member of the World Health Organization (WHO) Global Air Pollution and Health-Technical Advisory Group (GAPH-TAG)	-	-	-
Megha Rajagopalan	Pulitzer prize	-	-	innovative investigative reports harnessing satellite technology that exposed China's mass detention camps for Muslim Uighurs and other minority ethnicities
Maida Bilal	'Green Nobel'	-	-	fighting to save river
Familial Forestry	Land for Life Award for 2021	-	-	conferred by the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)
Anant Singh	Best Documentary Feature Award at the 21st New York Indian Film Festival	-	-	-
Nirmala Gogte	Balgandharva Award for 2020.	-	-	-
P. Sainath + Prof. Kishimoto Mio + Prabda Yoon	Fukuoka Prize for 2021	-	-	-

**Smart Cities mission's India Smart Cities Awards Contest (ISAC) 2020**

Prize	State
1st	Uttar Pradesh
2nd	Madhya Pradesh
3rd	Tamil Nadu

- Among **Union Territories**, **Chandigarh** was ranked first

**SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

**IIT IN NEWS**

**IISC BENGALURU**

- IBM + Indian Institute of Science (IISc) **Bangalore** – The launch of a hybrid cloud lab.

**IIT MADRAS**

- An indigenous Vessel Traffic Software (VTS) that will help monitor maritime traffic

**IIT KANPUR**

- SGPGI + IIT Kanpur – MoU to set up Centre of Excellence in Telemedicine, Healthcare Robotics

**IIT BOMBAY**

- IIT Bombay – BRICS Network Universities Conference on electric mobility

**IIT HYDERABAD**

- Nano-fibre technology based oral tablets of Amphotericin B to treat fungal infections

**IIT ROPAR**

- IIT Ropar – Develop nation's first power-free CPAP device 'Jivan Vayu'.

**OTHERS NEWS IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

**Ventilators**

- ISRO – 3 types of ventilators to battle Covid-19(PRANA+ VaU + SVASTA)

**SPACE NEWS**

- China - successfully launch the first of a new generation meteorological satellite Fengyun-4B into planned orbit
- New Zealand – World's first wooden satellite to be launched
- China – Successfully launch first crewed mission for space station construction.
- China – Plan its first crewed mission to Mars in 2033.
- ISRO + NOAA- Led multinational project endorsed by UN body for innovation
- Russia – Successfully test launch new Intercontinental Ballistic Missile

**Others**

- NMPB + CSIR-NBRI – Promotion of Cultivation and Production of Medicinal Plants.
- ARDE, Pune – Develop State-of-the-Art Canopy Severance System for fighter aircraft which helps safe ejection of pilot in distress.
- Israel – Successfully test laser that can shoot down drones mid-air.



## INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

### Russia

- ☛ India + Russia – hold Indra-2021 drills in August in southern Russia.

### Japan

- ☛ India + Japan – Conduct bilateral naval exercise in Indian Ocean.

### China

- ☛ China – First bullet train in Tibet, close to Indian border
- ☛ China – 2 units of world's largest hydropower station ahead of CPC's centenary celebrations.
- ☛ China – Declare malaria-free by WHO.

### UK

- ☛ India + UK – Collaborate on industrial energy efficiency

### Thailand

- ☛ Indo-Thai CORPAT – 31th edition of India-Thailand Coordinated Patrol underway.

### El Salvador

- ☛ El Salvador – First country to adopt Bitcoin as legal tender.

### Kuwait

- ☛ India + Kuwait – MoU on safeguarding Indian workers

### Kenya

- ☛ Jaishankar – Renovated Mahatma Gandhi Library at University of Nairobi in Kenya

### France

- ☛ India + France – Co-host event on countering terror financing in post-Covid at UN.

### Italy

- ☛ India + Italy – Sign MoU to share best practices in disaster management

### Sri Lanka

- ☛ India – Extend USD 100 million Line of Credit to Sri Lanka for solar energy projects.

### USA

- ☛ The United States Department of Energy (DOE) + India's Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) + the US India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF) -US-India Hydrogen Task Force.
- ☛ India + US – Kick off a two-day multi-domain wargame in the Indian Ocean
- ☛ US – USD 41 million additional COVID19 assistance to India.

### South Korea

- ☛ Indian Navy warship – Conduct military drill with South Korean Ship in east China Sea.

### Denmark

- ☛ Denmark – Sign framework agreement on International Solar Alliance with India.

### St Vincent and the Grenadines

- ☛ Cabinet – Approve pact between India, St Vincent and the Grenadines for tax info exchange.

### Bhutan

- ☛ India + Bhutan – Ink MoU for developing cooperation in area of environment
- ☛ India - assistance of Rs 4500 crore for the implementation of development projects and Rs 400 crore for the transitional trade support facility during Bhutan's 12th Five Year Plan.

### Fiji

- ☛ India + Fiji – Sign MoU for cooperation in field of agriculture and allied sectors.





### Summit

- ☛ London – G7 finance ministers meet
- ☛ Rajnath Singh – Address webinar on India-Sweden Defence Industry cooperation.
- ☛ Narendra Modi – Participate in the Outreach Sessions of the G7 Summit in virtual format.
- ☛ Jaishankar – Senior Kenyan ministers hold ministerial roundtable.
- ☛ India + Kyrgyzstan – Held the 11th round of Foreign Office Consultations virtually.
- ☛ Rajnath Singh – 8th edition of ASEAN Defence Ministers Meeting
- ☛ India – Host 9th Asian Ministerial Energy Roundtable in 2022.
- ☛ India – Host two day summit on Green Hydrogen Initiatives involving BRICS nations.
- ☛ S Jaishankar – Attend G20 ministerial meetings in Italy.
- ☛ The Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) – a two-day virtual global workshop for parliamentarians of IPU member Parliaments from 170 countries

### Others

- ☛ India – Global initiative for clean energy innovation
- ☛ India – UN Economic and Social Council for 2022-24 term
- ☛ ILO + UNICEF – Child labour up 1st time in 20 years to 160 mln, more at risk due to Covid
- ☛ 28 Cities – United Nations Industrial Development Organisation's Sustainable Cities Integrated Approach Pilot Project.
- ☛ USAID – Grant 115 mn dollars to El Salvador to slow migration from the Central American country.
- ☛ India – New trilateral with Italy and Japan for Indo-Pacific stability.

## NATIONAL AFFAIRS

### Prime Minister – Narendra Modi

- ☛ The "Report of the Expert Committee on Road Map for ethanol blending in India 2020-2025"
- ☛ Narendra Modi – Crash Course To Skill, Upskill Over One Lakh 'Covid Warriors'.
- ☛ Narendra Modi – M-Yoga app to spread India's message of healing power of yoga and wellbeing in Covid-hit world
- ☛ Narendra Modi – Zen Garden, Kaizen Academy in Ahmedabad
- Defence - Rajnath Singh
- ☛ Two centres of excellence of the Border Roads Organisation which have been set up to foster growth in the construction of roads, bridges, airfields and tunnels as well as to ensure road safety
- ☛ approved the policy on archiving, declassification, compilation of war histories
- ☛ the budgetary support of Rs 498.8 crore to Innovations for Defence Excellence (iDEX) – Defence Innovation Organisation (DIO) for the next five years
- ☛ Ministry of Defence + Goa Shipyard Ltd (GSL) - the construction of two Pollution Control Vessels (PCVs) for the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) at a cost of about Rs 583 crore
- ☛ three border bridges in Dharchula area of Pithoragarh
- ☛ Road Transport and Highways and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises - Nitin Gadkari
- ☛ Notify Rules for Accredited Driver Training Centres.
- ☛ Indian Bank's 'MSME Prerana' In Maharashtra





### **Finance and Corporate Affairs - Nirmala Sitharaman**

- ☛ Rs 9, 871 cr as Revenue Deficit Grant to 17 states.

### **Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Rural Development and Panchayati Raj and Food Processing Industries - Narendra Singh Tomar**

- ☛ Inaugurate Indus Best Mega Food Park in Chhattisgarh
- ☛ three centres of excellence: one for mango in Kolar, pomegranate in Bagalkot and for vegetables in Dharwad.

### **Law and Justice, Communications and Electronics and Information Technology - Ravi Shankar Prasad**

- ☛ e-filing portal of the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal.

### **Social Justice and Empowerment - Thawar Chand Gehlot**

- ☛ SAGE portal to help elderly persons
- ☛ Website for Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyaan on the occasion of International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking.

### **Education - Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank**

- ☛ The Government has decided to extend the validity period of Teachers Eligibility Test qualifying certificate from seven years to lifetime
- ☛ release of the Performance Grading Index or PGI 2019-20
- ☛ release of Report of All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) 2019-20
- ☛ online module for compiling out-of-school children's data
- ☛ Rs 7,622 crore so far in 2021-22 to the States and Union Territories (UTs) under the Samagra Shiksha scheme.

### **Tribal Affairs - Arjun Munda**

- ☛ Tribal livelihoods 'Sankalp Se Siddhi- Mission Van Dhan'.

### **Health and Family Welfare, Science and Technology; and Earth Sciences - Dr Harsh Vardhan**

- ☛ "revamped" health schemes for providing cashless, paperless and citizen-centric services.

### **Environment, Forest and Climate Change and Information and Broadcasting - Prakash Javadekar**

- ☛ Two- month long awareness campaign on the topic of plastic waste management and elimination of identified Single Use Plastics items
- ☛ Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) of LiDAR based survey of forest areas in 10 states
- ☛ NATRAX- High-Speed Track in Indore

### **Labour and Employment - Santosh Kumar Gangwar**

- ☛ Union Labour and employment ministry – Sign Statement of Intent with UNICEF for empowering youth.



### AYUSH -Shripad Yesso Naik

- ☛ 'Namaste Yoga' mobile App – Launch in curtain raiser event for 7th International Day of Yoga.
- ☛ Bolo Indya + Ministry of Ayush – Drive mass awareness on ayurveda, yoga

### Development of North Eastern Region - Jitender Singh

- ☛ Mega quintal capacity Seed Processing plant at Kathua District of Jammu and Kashmir

### Youth Affairs and Sports & AYUSH - Kiren Rijju

- ☛ Financial package for the children orphaned by Covid and the women who lost their husband to the infection
- ☛ 25 Fit India Yoga centers across 9 states on occasion of IYD2021
- ☛ official theme song of Indian Olympic Team of Tokyo 2020

### Culture and Tourism - Prahalad Singh Patel

- ☛ newly upgraded website of IITTM in 108 national & International languages

### Shipping - Mansukh L. Mandaviya

- ☛ Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendra at Pragpur, Himachal Pradesh.
- ☛ Shipping Minister + Civil Aviation Minister – Sign MoU for development of 'Sea Plane Services' in India.
- ☛ Ports, Shipping and Waterways Ministry + Ministry of Culture (MoC) - 'Cooperation in Development of National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC) at Lothal, Gujarat
- ☛ Loading operation on maiden voyage of Coastal Shipping Service "Green Freight Corridor-2"

## STATES

### Andhra Pradesh

- ☛ The YSR Jagananna Colonies project, where more than 15.6 lakh houses will be constructed at a cost of Rs 28,084 crore in the first phase
- ☛ Jagananna Palavelluva- AP Amul project in West Godavari district virtually from his camp office.

### Arunachal Pradesh

- ☛ Tika Maha Abhiyan – an initiative to administer coronavirus vaccine free of cost to everyone above 18 years of age

### Assam

- ☛ Raimona in Kokrajhar district has become Assam's sixth national park
- ☛ Kaziranga tiger reserve + Manas tiger reserve + Nameri tiger reserve + Orang tiger reserve – get CATS accreditation.
- ☛ add has notified Dihing Patkai as a National Park
- ☛ scheme named Chief Minister's Sishu Seva Scheme to the benefit of those children who lost their parents due to Covid 19
- ☛ Assam + Survey of India – implementing the Svamitva scheme in the state



**Bihar**

- ☛ 'Mera Panchayat Corona Mukht' campaign in Darbhanga in an effort to arrest the surge in COVID-19 cases in rural areas of the state
- ☛ an ambitious drive of planting five crore saplings in the state within a year
- ☛ Mahila Udyami Yojana and Yuva Udyami Yojana - aimed at giving a boost to the spirit of enterprise among the states women and youth

**Chhattisgarh**

- ☛ Tunhar Sarkar, Tunhar Dwar" (your government at your doorstep) - a platform through which the transport department can deliver 22 services to people's homes

**Goa**

- ☛ First rabies-free state in country
- ☛ Goa Board's app to provide study material to students

**Gujarat**

- ☛ IOC + Gujarat – Invest ₹24,000 cr in petrochem projects.
- ☛ Gujarat – Portal, mobile App launched for unorganised sector workers.
- ☛ In-principle approval to Rs 102 cr scheme to prevent marine salinity entering in coastal villages of Saurashtra.
- ☛ Gujarat – A New EV Policy, Rs 870Cr Support Over 4 Years
- ☛ Agricultural Diversification Scheme-2021 benefiting vanbandhu- farmers in tribal areas

**Haryana**

- ☛ Local Bodies Vikas Nidhi Portal.
- ☛ scheme to provide FMCG items through ration depot-holders
- ☛ Rs 5,000 one-time aid for labourers, shopkeepers hit by pandemic.

**Himachal Pradesh**

- ☛ 2nd phase of AYUSH Ghar-Dwar programme.

**Jharkhand**

- ☛ Jharkhand State Education Dept + Doordarshan – Broadcast online classes for students of Class 1 to 12.
- ☛ Launched Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV) vaccination drive

**Karnataka**

- ☛ DBT mobile app for fund transfer to beneficiaries
- ☛ Launch state Learning Management System to promote digital learning in higher education.
- ☛ tablet PC scheme for 1.5 lakh students
- ☛ first-of-its-kind animal welfare war room to reach out to dairy farmers, cattle-breeders and increase the health and productivity of livestock

**Madhya Pradesh**

- ☛ Yuva Shakti Corona Mukti Abhiyan' to make people aware about the COVID pandemic
- ☛ 'Vaccination Maha Abhiyan' or a mega inoculation drive against Covid-19

**Maharashtra**

- ☛ contest for villages with an aim to encourage steps to curb the spread of COVID-19 in the rural areas of the state
- ☛ Maharashtra + USA – Boost agro-industry sector.  
extend the state government's 'Shiv Bhojan' scheme till July 14 amid the coronavirus pandemic and resultant restrictions
- ☛ Maharashtra + UK govt – Strengthen start-ups ecosystem



**Odisha**

- ☛ a special scheme called 'Ekamra Plan' under the Works Department for the development of Ekamra Kshetra
- ☛ two portals to provide online education, evaluation, examination for school students ("E-Pathashala" and E-Evaluation)
- ☛ scheme to provide financial aid to all kids who have lost one or both their parents, no matter what the cause
- ☛ Odisha Real Estate Appellate Tribunal – Launch its newly designed and developed official website [www.oreat.nic.in](http://www.oreat.nic.in).

**Punjab**

- ☛ first State to use NFC-based eIDs
- ☛ digi-locker facility for farmers
- ☛ a special Mobile App for putting the Sports Department and all the Sports persons of the state on Digital platform

**Rajasthan**

- ☛ Chief Minister Anuprati Coaching Scheme to help underprivileged students prepare for entrance examinations to civil services and professional courses, with an aim to give them equal opportunity.
- ☛ Draft of Mukhyamantri Kisan Mitra Urja Yojana
- ☛ Mukhyamantri Corona Bal Kalyan Yojna - financial package for the children orphaned by Covid and the women who lost their husband to the infection
- ☛ all set to get its fourth tiger reserve in Bundi
- ☛ Rajasthan – Indian Army conducts airborne exercise

**Tamil Nadu**

- ☛ The institution of 'Ilakkiya Maamani' award for writers
- ☛ exclusive WhatsApp number for complaints during disasters
- ☛ Rs 5 lakh FD scheme to Covid-orphaned kids.
- ☛ scheme for Sri Lankan Tamils living in the state

**Telangana**

- ☛ Flipkart + Telangana govt – Conduct pilot on drone deliveries of vaccines in state
- ☛ Tamilisai Soundararajan - HYSEA ( Hyderabad Software Enterprises Association) Women Leaders' Forum

**Tripura**

- ☛ The first Kisan Rail train from the Northeastern region carrying consignments of fruits produced by the farmers

**Uttar Pradesh**

- ☛ Mobile app to help Covid, non-Covid patients in Noida
- ☛ conduct a "sero survey" in the state
- ☛ proposal for world-class bus station in Ayodhya

**Uttarakhand**

- ☛ Provide Rs 3,000/month to children orphaned by Covid.



**West Bengal**

- ☛ Government's Krishak Bandhu scheme, doubling the assistance to farmer- beneficiaries to Rs 10,000 a year
- ☛ first state to launch its own MOOCS platform under MAKAUT
- ☛ Student Credit Card scheme, which the Trinamool Congress had promised in its election manifesto

**UT****Delhi**

- ☛ 'Jahan Vote, Wahan Vaccination' campaign to vaccinate all above 45 yrs
- ☛ Notify Scheme For Extending Financial Aid To Covid Victims' Kin.

**Puducherry**

- ☛ the tele counselling service 'Pahirvoma' - organized by the department of Social Works, Pondicherry University and the Directorate of Health and Family Welfare, Government of Puducherry
- ☛ the first Union Territory in India to introduce Online Building Permission System (OBPS) for issue of building plan approval by the Planning Authorities in the entire U.T

**Jammu and Kashmir**

- ☛ NHPC + JKSPDCL – Set up 850-MW Ratle hydropower project in J&K.
- ☛ Aremote hamlet in Bandipora district of Jammu and Kashmir - the first village in India to vaccinate all its adult population against COVID-19.
- ☛ e-Vigilance Clearance System – Inaugurate in J&K for employees seeking NOCs.
- ☛ Social security scheme for families affected by COVID-19.
- ☛ round-the-clock mental health helpline 'SUKOON'
- ☛ 'Hausla' scheme for J-K's women entrepreneurs

**Ladakh**

- ☛ a scheme to provide tabs to school children in a bid to support their learning during the coronavirus pandemic
- ☛ CESL + Ladakh – Make the Union Territory carbon neutral.
- ☛ Declare Open Defecation Free UT in India

**TARGET YEARS**

- ☛ Indian Railways – Become 'net zero carbon emitter' by 2030
- ☛ India - forward target of 20% ethanol-blending in petrol to 2023

**Rename**

- ☛ National Collateral Management Services Ltd - renaming of the company as National Commodities Management Services Ltd
- ☛ Maharashtra – Navi Mumbai airport to be named after Bal Thackeray.
- ☛ IIMC library – Name after legendary Hindi journalist Yugal Kishore Shukla.



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## SUMMITS

- ☛ India – BRICS foreign ministers to hold virtual meeting.
- ☛ Prakash Javadekar – Address TERI's World Sustainable Development Summit.
- ☛ Harsh Vardhan – Address first meeting of WHO high-level coalition on health, energy
- ☛ Narendra Modi – Address UN 'High-Level Dialogue on Desertification, Land Degradation & Drought'.
- ☛ Dr Harsh Vardhan – Address inaugural ceremony of Global Yoga Conference 2021.
- ☛ Dr Harsh Vardhan – Attend event on 'Global Drive to Scale-up TB Prevention'.
- ☛ Arjun Munda – Inaugurate Second National Sickle Cell Conclave.
- ☛ MoS Jal Shakti – Address 27th Water talk organized by National Water Mission under the Ministry of Jal Shakti.
- ☛ Shri Narendra Singh Tomar – Address the 42nd session of FAO Conference.
- ☛ MoS Education Sanjay Dhotre – Represent India in G20 Education Ministers' meet.
- ☛ Mansukh Mandaviya – Chair 18th meeting of Maritime State Development Council.
- ☛ Biswa Bhusan Harichandan – International Education e-Conference on theme of 'Holistic Education for Excellence in Life'.
- ☛ Dr. Harsh Vardhan – Meeting of the Ministers of Health of Shanghai Cooperation Organization.

## Government

- ☛ Centre - Rs. 7,000 Crores grant to West Bengal Under Jal Jeevan Mission
- ☛ Cabinet – MoU b/w India & Maldives for sustainable urban development.
- ☛ Centre – Rs 40,700 cr for waste management in 2 lakh villages under Swacch Bharat Mission.
- ☛ Cabinet - increase in MSP of Kharif crops for marketing season 2021-22
- ☛ Govt – Approve proposal to roll out project to explore deep ocean for resources.
- ☛ Govt – Extend waiver of ISTS charges on transmission of electricity generated from solar and wind sources up to 30th June 2025.
- ☛ Cabinet – Approve extension of PMGKAY for 5 months till November
- ☛ Government – PAN-Aadhaar linking deadline extended to September 30.
- ☛ Govt – Extend FAME-II scheme by another two years
- ☛ Govt – Extend mandatory installation of airbags in existing models till December
- ☛ Centre – Credit Guarantee Scheme to facilitate new lending among smallest borrowers.
- ☛ Cabinet – Rs 6.29-lakh cr COVID-19 relief package announced by Finance Minister
- ☛ Govt – Approve 17th tranche of electoral bonds; sale opens on July 1

## OTHERS

- ☛ Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi and Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Hyderabad - got 'Green Airports Recognition' by Airports Council International (ACI) Asia-Pacific.
- ☛ DAC - proposals concerning Capital Acquisitions of various equipment for modernisation and operational needs of the Armed Forces amounting to approx. Rs 6,000 crore
- ☛ Indian Navy - hydrographic survey ship Sandhayak to be decommissioned.
- ☛ GST – Collect in May 2021 is over Rs 1.02 lakh Cr.
- ☛ Indian Coast Guard – Successfully conduct swift medical evacuation off Goa
- ☛ The Income Tax Department - the new e-filing website for Income Tax Returns (ITRs).





- ✦ Indian Navy - the three 'Advanced Light Helicopter indigenously built Advanced Light Helicopters (ALH) MK III helicopters have been inducted in Navy at Naval Air Station, INS Dega.
- ✦ NIT Srinagar + ESES, USA – Curb plastic pollution.
- ✦ NITI Aayog + Piramal Foundation – Initiative for home-care support to mild Covid patients in 112 districts
- ✦ Uttam group of companies + Mahanagar Gas Limited (MGL) – 'Ashvath', an integrated CNG refueling unit for the purpose of easy dispensing of CNG fuel into vehicles.
- ✦ ICAR + DIC – Provide farm tele-advisories across India.
- ✦ EESL + MECON Limited – Support in various energy efficiency measures across steel industries
- ✦ GST rate – Reduce from 12 per cent earlier to 5 per cent now on Covid testing kits, medical grade oxygen and ventilators.
- ✦ Indian Coast Guard - 3 indigenous 'Make-in-India' Advance Light Helicopter (ALH) Mk-III equipped with modern avionics and systems enhancing quick response capabilities at Bengaluru
- ✦ NHPC + Bihar State Hydroelectric Power Corporation (BSHPC) – Implementation of 130.1 MW Dagmara HE Project
- ✦ TRAI – TV Channel Selector web portal for people to check, modify subscription.
- ✦ Govt – Extend validity of motor vehicle documents till Sept 30 due to Covid
- ✦ CII-IGBC - the IGBC Green High-Speed Rail Rating System during an exclusive session with National High-Speed Rail Corporation Limited (NHSRCL)
- ✦ BRICS nations – Agree on science and technology innovation cooperation
- ✦ India – Nuclear capable subsonic cruise missile 'Nirbhay' successfully test-fired from ITR.
- ✦ DRDO - test fired extended range version of indigenously developed Pinaka rocket from a Multi-Barrel Rocket Launcher (MBRL) at Integrated Test Range (ITR), Chandipur off the coast of Odisha.
- ✦ India – Successfully test-fire Agni Prime missile off Odisha coast - 1000 to 2000 km Range
- ✦ President – Stone of memorial to Dr Ambedkar in Lucknow
- ✦ Indian Navy + Bharat Electronics Ltd – Develop emerging technologies.
- ✦ Shri Barun Mitra – Enforcing Contracts Portal
- ✦ Atmanirbhar Krishi APP – Launch by the Office of Principal Scientific Adviser, Government of India.







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