

International Affairs

Today (11th July) is World Population Day.

This day was established by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme in 1989.

Objective : To increase the awareness of the people towards the worldwide population issues.

Theme of the year 2016 : 'Investing in teenage girls'

The G-20 nations have agreed to improve international trade governance, seeking to remain committed to an "open global economy" and work towards "trade liberalisation and facilitation".

Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull declared victory in the national election today.

His coalition government will retain power while the opposition Labor Party conceded defeat.

Prime Minister has arrived in Kenya from Tanzania on the fourth and final leg of his four-nation Africa tour.

He will leave for India today's evening after the completion of his engagements in Kenya.

MOUs & Agreements

India and Kenya today signed 7 Agreements and MOUs, including in the field of defense cooperation, to strengthen institutional cooperation between respective defence establishments.

National Affairs

Meghalaya Governor V. Shanmuganathan today inaugurated the launch of Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan (PMSMA) in the East Khasi Hills District of Meghalaya.

The inaugural programme was followed by a daylong Free Medical Camp for Pre-Natal and Post-Natal care which was availed by hundreds of women and children.

Minister of State for Communications Manoj Sinha and Union Law Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad today launched a government initiative in Patna, under which 'gangajal' will be home-delivered to people via the postal department

In order to strengthen public security system, Maharashtra police has launched 4 Mobile Apps for timely intervention into emergency situations.

They are,

Railway helpline app : to offer help to railway passengers during emergency

Police Mitra : aims at improving police administration by assisting police force in crime prevention and detection as well as ensuring safety of women, children and senior citizens.

Pratisaad-Ask : to alert the nearby police of any emergencies such as "terrorist attack", "accident", "robbery", "Women Safety", or any other kind of human rights violation or unlawful activity.

Vahanchoritakrar : to lodge complaint about stolen vehicles.

New Appointments

Nepal's Newly appointed Chief Justice Sushila Karki today took oath of office and secrecy.

She is the first woman Chief Justice of Nepal.

Important Note : Bidhya Devi Bhandari is the first female President of Nepal.

Sanjay Gupta has been appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director of Konkan Railway Corporation Limited (KRCL).

He is the youngest ever CMD of KRCL.

The Delhi government appointed Ramesh Negi as the acting Chief Secretary in the absence of K. K. Sharma, who will remain on leave till July 25.

Science & Technology

The Indian Railways has decided to procure a radar-based device to alert drivers of physical obstructions on railway tracks.

The accident protection system, called 'Tri-Netra', will use infra-red signals to sense obstructions up to 2-3 km ahead of the trains.

Note : Six countries, including France, Japan and Switzerland, have expressed desire to install the system in Indian trains.

Deaths

Former India footballer and the country's first full time 'diamond' coach Amal Dutta(86) Passed away.

Sports

Portugal has won the 2016 UEFA European football championship (Euro Cup 2016) by defeating host France.

It was Portugal's first UEFA European Championship title.

Important Awards of EURO Cup 2016 :

- Golden Boot : Antoine Griezmann (France)
- Silver Boot : Cristiano Ronaldo (Portugal)
- Bronze Boot : Olivier Giroud (France)

Young Player of the Tournament : Renato Sanches (Portugal)

Mercedes' Lewis Hamilton won the British Grand Prix for the third year in a row by beating team-mate Nico Rosberg, who finished second.

This was Hamilton's 47th career victory.

Note : Red Bull's Dutch Max Verstappen finished third.