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- Kynan, Shreyasi wins bronze
 - Kynan Chenai & Shreyasi Singh of India have won bronze in mixed team trap event in

Asian Shotgun Shooting Championship in Astana.

- The duo got the better of Lebanon 40-38 in bronze-medal match to win India's 4th medal of the competition.
- Earlier in the day the pair topped 16-team qualification round with a combined score of 91.
- Chenai had also won bronze in men's trap event yesterday.

• China uses a quantum satellite

- China has sent an unbreakable code from its quantum satellite to Earth, marking realization of quantum key distribution technology for the 1st time.
- Satellite sent quantum keys to ground stations in China at a transmission rate up to 20 orders of magnitude more efficient than an optical fiber.
- China launched world's first quantum satellite last August, to establish hack proof communications

• Online Registration for custodians

- SEBI has introduced an online registration mechanism for custodians of securities to make it convenient for them to do business.
- The new system will help custodian of securities to complete registration and other regulatory filings with Sebi much faster and in a cost-effective manner.
- The new system has been made operational with immediate effect.

• Full-fledged Earth observation satellite

- ISRO is planning to launch a full-fledged niche Earth observation satellite called Hyperspectral Imaging using a critical chip it has developed.
- Hyspex imaging will enable distinct identification of objects, materials or processes on Earth by reading spectrum for each pixel of a scene from space.
- It can be used for monitoring crops, looking for oil & minerals & military surveillance.

• Sushma Swaraj to attend BIMSTEC meeting

- External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj will depart for Kathmandu to participate in 15th BIMSTEC Ministerial Meeting.
- During the 2 day meet, Foreign ministers of BIMSTEC countries will review progress in identified 14 areas of cooperation & discuss ways to accelerate cooperation.
- BIMSTEC is an international organisation involving a group of countries in South Asia

& South East Asia.

• SoftBank Vision Fund invests in Flipkart

- Softbank has invested in Flipkart through its \$100 billion technology-focused Vision Fund.
- Softbank Vision Fund is pegged at \$2.5-2.6 billion making it the largest shareholder in the company.
- The deal will give Flipkart's largest backer Tiger Global Management, a partial exit.
- The investment is part of Flipkart's recent round where it raised \$1.4 billion from Tencent, eBay and Microsoft.

• Sitaram Panchal passes away

- Bollywood actor Sitaram Panchal passed away after a 3 year long battle with kidney & lung cancer.
- Sitaram, who made his Bollywood debut in 1994 with Bandit Queen, was best known for his work in films like Peepli Live, Pan Singh Tomar and Slumdog Millionaire.
- He had recently taken to his Facebook account asking for monetary help in order to afford proper treatment for kidney and lung cancer

• Odisha partners with Facebook

- Odisha will partner with Facebook to train women entrepreneurs & Self Help Groups to promote entrepreneurship & digital literacy.
- Facebook has agreed to partner with state govt to train 25,000 Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises & SHG entrepreneurs by Aug 2018.
- Hands-on workshops on Digital Marketing Skills in collaboration with Facebook will also be organised by state govt.

• Ban on non-biodegradable plastic bags

- National Green Tribunal has imposed an interim ban on use of non-biodegradable plastic bags which are less than 50 microns in Delhi.
- Bench headed by NGT chairperson Justice Swatanter Kumar announced an environment compensation of Rs5,000 on anyone found in possession of such banned plastic.
- Earlier Tribunal had slammed Delhi govt over indiscriminate use of plastic despite its prohibition.

• Dhaka to open diplomatic station

- Bangladesh will soon open a new diplomatic station in Chennai.
- Main focus of the new diplomatic station will be to address the needs of Bangladeshi citizens who visit India for medical & educational purposes.
- Bangladesh emerged as the largest overseas user of India's health sector during 2015-16.
- Bangladesh is opening 17 new diplomatic missions across the world, including the one in Chennai

• Mobile app development programme

- National Skill Development Corporation & Google India will come together to train app developers for mobile platform on Android & web platforms.
- It aims to accelerate mobile skill training & create opportunities for youth.
- NSDC will introduce a specific course to train developers to create applications for the mobile platform that can be used on smartphone and tablets running on Android OS.

• World's Most Innovative Companies

- 3 Indian companies including HUL, Asian Paints & Bharti Airtel have been ranked among Forbes's list of World's Most Innovative Companies.
- This is a weaker performance compared to last year as TCS, L&T & Sun Pharma failed to make the cut this year, bringing down total number of Indian firms from 5 to 3.
- Salesforce overtook Tesla Motors regaining top spot as world's most innovative company.

• Qatar scraps visit visa requirements

- Qatar has scrapped visa requirements for visitors from 80 countries including India to host Football World Cup 2022.
- Citizens of 33 European countries can enter without visa for 90 days in single or multiple trips during a 180-day period.
- Qatar's economy has taken a hit since Saudi Arabia, UAE, Egypt & Bahrain moved to isolate it.
- It will be the 1st time World Cup will be held in West Asia.

• Amazon launches virtual customer service

- Amazon has announced launch of virtual customer service model, an initiative to create cost efficient employment prospects for skilled candidates.
- VCS has currently been launched in Hyderabad, Pune, Coimbatore & Noida.
- This will help many people resume their career & find an earning with comfort of being at home.
- It aims to provide & enhance a proficient support experience to customers

• IDFC Bank partners with Zeta

- IDFC Bank has partnered with Zeta to launch IDFC Bank Benefits Payment solution for corporates that digitises employee spends & claims.
- IDFC Benefits Card & Zeta app will integrate full suite of allowances & reimbursements offered by an employer into 1 preloaded card.
- Employees can access Benefits Card via Zeta app which will enable them to track spends, limits & submit claims digitally.

• Worst place for retirement

- According to a global survey India is the worst place for retirement, In a global retirement index of 43 countries, India ranked the lowest
- India has same score compared to last year with all its sub-indices in bottom 5
- Switzerland, Norway & Iceland topped the ranking while India stood at bottom among BRIC nations
- India has worst scores for happiness, water & air quality among GRI countries

• Logistics Data Bank project to expand

- Logistics Data Bank project, to make India's logistics sector more efficient through use of IT, will soon expand operations to country's southern region.
- o On July 1, 2016, LDB project was launched at Jawaharlal Nehru Port, Mumbai.
- LDB is being implemented through a Special Purpose Vehicle called DLDSL that is jointly owned by Delhi Mumbai Industrial Corridor Trust & Japan's NEC Corporation.

• Day of World's Indigenous Peoples

• United Nations' International Day of World's Indigenous People is observed on Aug 9 every year to promote & protect rights of indigenous population.

- There are 370 mn indigenous people in the world, living across 90 countries, they make up less than 5% of the world's population.
- Indigenous peoples are inheritors & practitioners of unique cultures & ways of relating to people & environment.

• NCERT portal for online books

- MoS for HRD Upendra Kushwaha launched NCERT web portal for supply of textbooks to schools & individuals in Delhi.
- It will ensure better distribution of textbooks across India & address concerns of schools & parents, regarding unavailability of textbooks.
- The web service aims to ensure that no child is compelled to buy more expensive books for want of NCERT books.

• National Cyber Coordination Centre

- 1st phase of National Cyber Coordination Centre, set up to detect cyber security threats has been made operational.
- Govt has also made operational botnet & malware cleaning centre that will detect malicious software in devices of citizens & clean them.
- NCCC scans internet traffic coming into the country to detect real-time cyber threat & alert various organisations for timely action.





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