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- **e-waste management policies of Telangana**
  - The Telangana government has announced two new policies focussing on Internet of things and e-waste.
  - These are part of the 10 major focus areas of the state's IT policy, launched last year.
  - The IoT policy is focussed on developing smart city solutions, medical health IoT, smart logistics and agri-tech.
- **Aerial survey of Tapi**
  - To meet the demand of potable water in future, the Surat Municipal Corporation started a heliborne survey of Tapi riverbed and its banks.
  - The SMC has thus become the first civic body in the country to carry out a scientific study to find out potable water.
  - Through this survey, scanning will be done around 500 m beneath the riverbed to identify and locate confined and saturated aquifer.





- **Rs. 2 lakh aid for widow remarriage**
  - Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has announced a slew of measures for women in the State, including a financial assistance of Rs. 2 lakh for remarriage of widows.
  - Speaking at his monthly radio broadcast 'Dil Se' Mr. Chouhan appealed to people to come forward to encourage remarriage of widows.
  - It will help in eradicating social evils like dowry and child marriages.
- **Govt to set up mini food parks**
  - The government will be setting up, mini food parks to raise the processing level.
  - Minister of Food Processing, said all 42 sanctioned mega food parks will be operational by 2019.
  - This will be done under the new ₹6,000 crore SAMPADA scheme approved by the government recently, she added.
- **SpaceX launches 10 satellites**
  - SpaceX launched its Falcon 9 rocket carrying 10 satellites to bolster the global data communications network for Virginia-based company, Iridium.
  - The white rocket blasted off from Vandenberg Air Force base in California.
  - About seven minutes after launch, the tall portion of the Falcon 9, known as the first stage, returned to Earth for an upright landing.
- **Change of status for marine body IALA**
  - The government gave its approval to change the status of global marine body IALA to inter government organisation from non-governmental organisation.
  - The move will foster the safe, economic and efficient movement of vessels. It will bring IALA at par with International Maritime Organisation.
  - St Germainen Laye (France) headquartered IALA was established in 1957 under French law.

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- **Maharashtra launched 'MahaLabharthi'**
  - Maharashtra CM Devendra Fadnavis launched 'MahaLabharthi' web portal that will help people get information about all the government schemes that they are eligible for.
  - The portal will allow people to apply for the welfare schemes.
  - The web portal, <https://www.mahalabharthi.in>, works on the basis of personal, educational and professional information provided by a person while registering on it
- **Digital Payments to Grow at 26%: report**
  - World Payment Report stated that the initiatives of the government and the National Payments Council of India will help non-cash transactions grow at a compound annual growth rate of 26.2 % during 2016 to 2020.
  - The World Payment Report 2017 was jointly commissioned by Capgemini and BNP Paribas.
  - The report is about digital payments and transactions all around the world and their progress.
- **Gurusaidutt wins Bulgarian Tournament**
  - Commonwealth Games bronze medallist RMV Gurusaidutt won the men's singles title at the Bulgarian International Future Series Badminton tournament.
  - In the final match, Gurusaidutt defeated Muhammed Ali Kurt of Turkey.
  - He will now play Senior Nationals Championship in November 2017.
- **Nisha Desai appointed as head of USIBC**
  - Nisha Desai Biswal, former U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for South and Central Asia, was appointed as President of the U.S.-India Business Council.
  - USIBC is a forum of U.S. businesses under the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, with headquarters at Washington, D.C.





- Nisha Desai Biswal will combine the interests of the American businesses in a way that would be useful to the Indian government.
- **Anupam Kher appointed as FTII chairman**
  - Government appointed actor Anupam Kher as the Chairman of Film and Television Institute of India (FTII), Pune.
  - Anupam Kher will replace Gajendra Chauhan as Chairman of FTII. His tenure ended in March 2017.
  - Kher was awarded the Padma Shri award in 2004 and the Padma Bhushan award in 2016.
- **India holds 2nd position in pharma**
  - In a LinkedIn report, India ranked as the second largest market for pharmaceuticals and biotechnology workforce.
  - The report stated that India contributes 13.7 % to the global pharmaceuticals and biotechnology workforce.
  - The report was published in the e-book “The Indian Pharma and Biotech Industry”. It showed that Delhi, Kolkata and Chandigarh are top markets for talent in India.
- **SBI to setup largest Innovation Centre**
  - State Bank of India announced the setting up of its 15,000 square feet Innovation Centre in Navi Mumbai.
  - It will be the largest Innovation Centre by any financial services company in India.
  - SBI currently has a 12 member innovation team. This would be increased to more than 30, once the centre is launched.
- **Maharashtra adopts climate change policy**
  - Maharashtra cabinet approved a climate change adaptation policy that will focus on developing environment-friendly villages and cities.
  - A special cell will be set up for the effective implementation of the policy.
  - It is done to mitigate the impact of climate change on Maharashtra.

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- **1st hybrid annuity mode sewage plant**
  - A tripartite agreement was signed between National Mission for Clean Ganga and the state level executing agencies Uttarakhand Pey Jal Nigam and Uttar Pradesh Jal Nigam, for setting up of India's first Sewage Treatment Plants under Hybrid Annuity mode.
  - The plants are built at Haridwar and Varanasi.
  - The Minister also launched an interactive website on National Mission for clean Ganga (NMCG)
- **MoC for Global LNG Market**
  - Cabinet has approved the signing of the MoC between India and Japan on establishing a liquid, flexible and global LNG Market.
  - The MoC will promote bilateral relationship between India and Japan in the energy sector.
  - It will contribute to the diversification of gas supplies for India. It will strengthen our energy security and lead to more competitive prices for consumers.
- **Schemes to boost Skill India Mission**
  - The Committee on Economic Affairs has approved two new World Bank supported schemes of Rs. 6,655 crore.
  - The two schemes are Skills Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion (SANKALP) and Skill Strengthening for Industrial Value Enhancement (STRIVE).
  - They are outcome focused schemes marking shift in government's implementation strategy in vocational education and training.
- **MoU between India and Belarus**
  - Cabinet gave its approval for a MoU between India and Belarus for cooperation in the field of Vocational Education & Training.
  - This is the first MoU for cooperation in area of vocational education, training and skill development, signed with Eurasian country.





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- MoU would pave the way for systematic transfer of their expertise & knowhow in skilling the manpower specially in manufacturing sector
- **MoU between SEBI and FSC**
  - The Union Cabinet has given its approval for signing of a MoU between SEBI and Financial Services Commission, Gibraltar for mutual co-operation and technical assistance.
  - The MoU will promote further development of economic links and cooperation between the two regulators.
  - It aims at creating conditions for an effective development of securities markets in the both countries.
- **MoC between India and Japan on TITP**
  - The Union Cabinet has approved the signing of "Memorandum of Cooperation" between India and Japan on the "Technical Intern Training Program".
  - The TITP is an ambitious program to send Indian technical interns to Japan for on the job training for a period of three to five years.
  - MoC will pave the way for bilateral cooperation between the two countries in the area of skill development.

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