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- **Myanmar, Bangladesh sign deal**
 - Bangladesh and Myanmar signed a memorandum of understanding on the return of Rohingya Muslims who fled the Rakhine state in Myanmar to escape a military crackdown.
 - The Rohingya are a stateless minority who have long experienced persecution in Myanmar, also known as Burma.
 - More than 600,000 have fled to neighbouring Bangladesh since deadly Rohingya attacks in August.
- **FDI up 17% during April-Sept**
 - Foreign direct investment (FDI) in the country increased by 17 percent to USD 25.35 billion during April-September fiscal (2017-18).





- The department of industrial policy and promotion stated on its 'Make in India' twitter handle, FDI equity during the current FY 2017–18, up to September surged by 17 percent to USD 25.35 billion from USD 21.62 billion in the year-ago period.
- **Air force drill “Vigilant Ace”**
 - The air forces of South Korea and the United States will hold ‘Vigilant Ace’ a joint drill from 4th – 8th December.
 - ‘Vigilant Ace’ between air forces of United States and South Korea is held at periodic intervals to simulate wartime defenses.
 - The exercise comes as North Korea continues to press forward with developing its nuclear and missile program.
- **Madras High Court judge sworn in**
 - Justice Satrugghana Pujahari has been sworn in as Madras High Court judge.
 - Justice Satrugghana Pujahari had been transferred from the High Court of Orissa to the Madras High Court by a notification dated November 14, 2017.
 - With his appointment, the total number of judges has gone up to 54 as against the sanctioned strength of 75.
- **12th Inter-State Council meeting**
 - Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh chaired the 12th meeting of the Standing Committee of Inter-State Council on Nov 25.
 - The Standing Committee in 12th meeting discussed 118 recommendations contained in Volumes-III, IV and V and finalised its recommendations.
 - Inter State council is a constitutional body under Article 263 of the constitution.
- **26th November: Constitution Day**
 - 26th November is Constitution Day. On the day in 1949, the constitution was adopted which came into force on January 26, 1950, marking the beginning of a new era in the history of India.



- From 2015, the Government is observing 26th November as Constitution Day.
- The HRD Ministry has launched a Digital Signature campaign to generate awareness on fundamental duties enshrined in the Constitution.
- **Rajasthani singer Mangi Arya passes away**
 - Rajasthani Maand folk singer Mangi Bai Arya passed away following a heart attack in Udaipur. Mangi Bai Arya was 88 years old.
 - She had learnt singing from her father Kamlaram Arya, an eminent classical singer of his times.
 - She had contributed significantly in taking Maand to the national and international levels.
 - She has won several awards, including the Kendriya Sangeet Natak Akademy Award.
- **Ritu Phogat clinches Silver medal**
 - India wrestler Ritu Phogat (48kg) clinched the silver medal in the Under-23 Senior World Wrestling Championship at Poland.
 - In quarterfinal, Ritu defeated Bulgarian Wrestler Selishka 4-2 points before defeating Chinese Wrestler Jiang Zhu 4-3 points in the semifinal.
 - Ritu had won the National championship in Indore this month. She also won a bronze medal at the Asian Championships in May 2017.
- **N Sambasiva Rao appointed as A.P. DGP**
 - Andhra Pradesh government appointed 1984-batch IPS officer N Sambasiva Rao as Andhra Pradesh DGP.
 - N Sambasiva Rao has been holding the DGPs post as “full additional charge” since July 23, 2016, while his actual position was DGP (Coordination).
 - Dinesh Kumar is Chief Secretary of Andhra Pradesh.
- **Messi wins European Golden Shoe award**
 - Lionel Messi received his fourth Golden Shoe award for leading all of Europe’s leagues in scoring last season, in Barcelona.



- It is the fourth time Lionel Messi has received the Golden Shoe Award, drawing him even with Cristiano Ronaldo as the award record-holders.
- The Golden Shoe is awarded by European Sports Media, an association of European sports newspaper and magazines.
- **Govt doubles incentive rates of garments**
 - Under Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS), Central Government has doubled incentive rates for export of readymade garments and made-ups to 4 % from 2 % earlier.
 - This decision has been taken to boost shipments of readymade garments and made-ups.
 - Encouraging readymade exports through incentives would lead to more production, which would eventually generate employment opportunities.
- **Axis Bank launches int. payment service**
 - Private sector bank, Axis Bank has launched an instant international payment services using RippleNet (Ripple's enterprise blockchain technology solution).
 - This facility is currently available for Axis Bank's retail customers in India to receive payments from the UAE-based Rak Bank.
 - RippleNet is referred to as world's only enterprise blockchain solution for global payments.
- **S&P retains India's rating at 'BBB'**
 - Rating agency Standard & Poor's (S&P) kept its sovereign rating for India unchanged at 'BBB-', with an outlook for the nation as 'stable'.
 - BBB- rating is the lowest investment grade and just one notch above junk status.
 - S&P stated that India's sizable fiscal deficit, low per capita income, and high government debt do not warrant a sovereign rating upgrade as of now.
- **JM Financial to get home finance arm**



- JM Financial has received a certificate of registration from the National Housing Bank for carrying out housing finance activities through its subsidiary JM Financial Home Loans.
- Currently, services offered by JM Financial include investment banking, broking etc.
- It already has two non-banking arms, one of which is focused on real estate lending and the other is into credit business.
- **Ayodhya Mahotsav to be held in S. Korea**
 - Ayodhya Mahotsav', depicting the cultural heritage of the temple town, would be held in Seoul and Gimhe cities of South Korea.
 - In return, a 'Korea Festival' will be held in Lucknow and Ayodhya.
 - South Korean's believe that 2,000 years ago, an Ayodhya princess had married a Korean king Kim Suro. At present, their descendants are members of the "Crock Clan" and had built a memorial in Ayodhya.
- **Assam to celebrate 'Lachit Divas'**
 - Assam Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal said the Assam government would celebrate 'Lachit Divas' at various state capitals in India from next year.
 - 'Lachit Divas' is celebrated to promote the ideals of Lachit Borphukan – the legendary general of Assam's history.
 - Sarbananda Sonowal took part in the Lachit Divas celebration at the statue of Lachit Borphukan at Brahmaputra riverfront.
- **India conducts exercise in Andamans**
 - India has conducted a major military exercise in the strategically-located Andaman and Nicobar Island archipelago.
 - This is expected to help to counter China's strategic moves in the Indian Ocean Region (IOR) and ensure the security of sea lanes converging towards the Malacca Strait.



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- The “Defence of A&N Islands Exercise” (DANX), was conducted from November 20 to 24, 2017.
- **Ind to help Mauritius on digital locker**
 - The Government of India will assist Mauritius to develop and set up digital locker services.
 - DigiLocker is a key initiative of the Indian government under its flagship Digital India program.
 - The free service provides citizens a shareable private space on a public cloud wherein they can store their documents. The service is aimed at paperless governance.
- **Conference on National Law Day in Delhi**
 - President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the 2-day conference on National Law Day in New Delhi.
 - This conference is organised by the Law Commission and the Niti Aayog to mark the National Law Day.
 - The National Law Day is celebrated on November 26, the day on which the Constitution of India was adopted by the Constituent Assembly in 1949.
- **International Gita Mahotsava-2017**
 - President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the International Gita Mahotsava-2017 in Kurukshetra, Haryana.
 - Gita Mahotsava-2017 will conclude on December 3, 2017.
 - Mauritius is the partner country and Uttar Pradesh is the partner state for this event.
 - Mahotsava help in spreading preachings of Gita to the world. About 20 lakh people from 35 countries participated last year.

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