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# <u>Current Affairs Quiz – 31st October 2018</u>

# Important Current Affairs 1st November 2018

• MHA approves 'Safe City Project' for Lucknow

- The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) approved a 'Safe City project' for Lucknow at a total cost of Rs.194.44 crore under the Nirbhaya Fund Scheme.
- The Safe city proposal for Lucknow will be implemented by Uttar Pradesh Police, assisted by the Municipal bodies and city transport authorities.
- The Safe City project for Lucknow also envisages gender sensitization awareness campaigns.
- MoU b/w India & South Korea approved
  - The Cabinet has approved the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between India and South Korea on 1 November 2018.
  - The main objective of the MoU is to expand bilateral cooperation in tourism and to increase the exchange of information and data related to the sector.
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Korea is one of the leading to urist generating markets for India from East Asia.

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• TATA steel is the partner for hockey world cup





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Steel manufacturing giant Tata Steel was named as an official partner for the 2018
 Men's hockey World Cup on 29 October 2018.

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- The hockey world cup will be held here from 28 November 2018 to 16 December 2018 in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.
- $\circ$   $\;$  Tata Steel is the 10th-largest steel producer in the world.

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- Agreement b/w India & Morocco approved
  - The Union Cabinet approved the Agreement between India and Morocco on 1 November 2018.
  - The Agreement will provide a broad legal framework for bilateral cooperation between India and Morocco in investigation and prosecution of crime.
  - It aims to increase effectiveness in investigation and prosecution of crime, and in providing the necessary peaceful ambience .
- Arunachal to host 'Rally Championships'
  - The third round of the Indian National Rally Championships, the country's premier motorsports event, will be held in Arunachal Pradesh.
  - The event will be organised from 2 November 2018 to 4 November 2018.
  - The rally that is being hosted by the Motorsports Club of Arunachal Pradesh.
  - The rally teams from major automotive companies will be participating in the race.

## • 'Olu' to be the opening film at 49th IFFI

- Malayalam film Olu will be the opening film at the 49th International Film Festival of India (IFFI).
- $\circ$   $\;$  This was decided by the jury for the Indian Panorama.
- The IFFI will be held at Goa from 20th November 28th November 2018.
- The Feature Film Jury of thirteen members was headed by film director and screenwriter, Rahul Rawail.

## • Couple honoured with 'Roy M Huffington Award'

- Marie and Vijay Goradia received the 'Roy M Huffington Award' for 2018 in the US.
- They were awarded for making significant contributions to the areas of literacy, education and healthcare in India.
- The Huffington Award is the highest honour granted by the Asia Society Texas Centre (ASTC).
- $\circ$  Vijay Goradia is the founder and Chairman of Vinmar International.

## Axis Sec launched commodity derivatives







- Axis Securities has launched trading in commodity derivatives with the National Commodity and Derivatives Exchange (NCDEX) on 31 October 2018.
- In August 2018, it had launched trading in commodity derivatives with the Multi Commodity Exchange (MCX).
- Arun Thukral is the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Axis Securities.
- 'SMiLE Virtual Tour Guide' launched in Kerala
  - $\circ$   $\;$  The Kerala Tourism Department has launched  $\;$  'SMiLE Virtual Tour Guide' .
  - A 'SMILE Virtual Tour Guide' links tourists with their places of attraction and providers of experiential services.
  - The 'SMiLE' guide renders information on 40 Malabar attractions.
  - It has been conceived and executed by Bekal Resorts Development Corporation (BRDC).
- Pankaj Advani won Asian Snooker Tour title
  - Pankaj Advani won the Asian Snooker Tour on 31 October 2018 in Jinan, China.
  - He defeated China's Ju Reti 6-1 in the final.
  - He became the first Indian to win an Asian Snooker Tour event.
  - The Government of India has awarded him Padma Bhushan in 2018.
- UN chief appointed new envoy to Syria
  - United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres has appointed veteran Norwegian diplomat Geir O. Pedersen as next Special Envoy for Syria.
  - He succeeds Italian-Swedish envoy Staffan de Mistura.
  - He is currently Norway's ambassador to China.
  - At the UN, Mr Pedersen served as the Special Coordinator for Lebanon between 2007 and 2008.
- UN tourism organisation meet in Bahrain
  - The 109th session of the United Nations World Tourism Organisation (UNWTO)
    Executive Council was held in Manama, Bahrain.
  - The UNWTO Executive Council began on 30 October 2018.

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- Union Tourism Minister K J Alphons is leading the Indian delegation at the UNWTO Executive Council.
- India will be the chair of the 'programme and budget committee' of UNWTO Executive Council till 2021.











#### • **FP-LMIS inaugurated in Haryana**

- The Family Planning Logistics Management Information System (FP-LMIS) has been inaugurated in Haryana on 31 October 2018.
- It will ensure availability, supply and monitoring of family planning services from the state level to the Accredited Social Health Activists' (ASHA) level.
- It would provide online information about medicines and family planning commodities.

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#### • Section 7 of RBI Act: Explained

- Under Section 7 of the RBI Act of 1934, the government of India can give directions to the RBI to take certain actions 'in the public interest'.
- Till now, the government has never invoked section 7 of RBI Act.
- The issue of invoking Section 7 (1) of the RBI Act came up during the hearing of Allahabad high court in a case filed by the Independent Power Producers Association of India.

#### • Core sector growth slows down 4.3%

- Growth of eight core infrastructure sectors slowed down to 4.3% in September 2018 as production of crude oil and natural gas declined.
- Previously, the lowest growth rate was in May 2018, when the core sectors expanded at 4.1%.
- Infrastructure sectors of coal, crude oil, natural gas, refinery products, fertilizers, steel, cement and electricity grew by 4.7% in September 2017.

## • India-US Dialogue on IP began

- The first ever India-US Dialogue on Intellectual Property (IP) was launched on 31
  October 2018 to deepen bilateral strategic cooperation on IP policy in New Delhi.
- The dialogue was launched by US Chamber of Commerce's Global Innovation Policy Center (GIPC) and FICCI in partnership with the US-India Business Council.
- $\circ$   $\;$  The US-India Business Council is a business advocacy organisation.
- 'Saubhagya Raths' inaugurated in J&K
  - Jammu and Kashmir Governor Satya Pal Malik flagged off 'Saubhagya Raths' for 20 districts to identify households without electricity on 31 October 2018.
  - Officials onboard these 'Saubhagya Raths' will survey areas in their respective jurisdiction with an aim to achieve 100% electrification of households.
  - 'Saubhagya Raths' will traverse each district for one month till November 30, 2018.







#### Punjab Police bagged CCTNS award

- The Punjab Police bagged the Union Home Ministry's 'Crime and Criminal Tracking Network and Systems' (CCTNS) award on 31 October 2018.
- They were awarded for the development of the Digital Criminal Intelligence Gazette and the generation of the State Crime Record Bureau (SCRB) reports.
- CCTNS was launched in 2018 to keep digitised records of FIRs and information on crimes and criminals.

#### • S. S. Deswal appointed as DG of ITBP

- SS Deswal has been appointed as the Director General of Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP).
- SS Deswal, a 1984 batch IPS officer of Haryana cadre, is currently working as Director General of Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB).
- ITBP was raised in 1962 and works under the command of the Union Home Ministry.
- World Bank's 'Doing Business Report' released
  - The World Bank released 'Doing Business Report' on 31 October 2018.
  - According to the 2018 report, India is placed at 77th rank among 190 countries assessed by the World Bank.
  - In 2017, India was placed at 100th rank.
  - In the 'Grant of Construction Permits' indicator, India's ranking improved from 181 in 2017 to 52 in 2018.

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