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Summits/Events Held- April

- Asia's largest startup ecosystem congregation, Huddle Kerala, will be held at Kovalam.
- The crucial dialogue between the three leading democratic powers (viz. India, Japan & the USA) of the Indo-Pacific region was held in New Delhi.
- The Global Logistics Summit was held in New Delhi. It was organised by the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, along with FICCI (Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry) & the World Bank Group.
- The two-day Assam Spring Festival began at the Manas National Park where visitors will get to experience the state's local food, music, handloom & handicrafts.
- Tripura hosted the first meeting of the NITI Forum- a unit of NITI Aayog in Agartala. In this meeting, Chief Ministers of all Northeastern States, Minister of Development of North Eastern Region & senior officials of NITI Aayog & Union Government joined the conclave.
- President of Nepal Bidya Devi Bhandari inaugurated an International Conference on Human Rights in South Asia in Kathmandu. The conference is organized by the National Human Rights Commission of Nepal.
- An international conference on 'Water, Environment & Climate Change: Knowledge Sharing & Partnership' started in Kathmandu, Nepal.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated 16th International Energy Forum Ministerial Meeting in New Delhi. It is the largest gathering of Ministers from energy consuming, producing & transit countries. It is hosted by India & co-hosted by China & Korea.
- India Mobile Congress will be held in October 2018 at Aerocity in New Delhi. It is one of the biggest marquee Mobile, Internet & Technology events in Asia, organized by Department of Telecommunications & Cellular Operators Association of India.
- The seventh edition of Home Expo India 2018, organised by Export Promotion Council for Handicrafts (EPCH), was inaugurated at India Expo Centre & Mart in Greater Noida.
- Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM 2018) has begun in London, the UK. Prime Minister Narendra Modi will take part in the event on 19th & 20th of April. The theme of the summit is 'Towards a Common Future'.
- Commerce & Industry Minister launched the Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO) GlobalLinker platform for MSME exporters in New

- Delhi. This move is aimed at assisting the Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) engaged in exports.
- Ministry of External Affairs in cooperation with the Government of Germany & the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA) hosted the India-Wiesbaden Conference 2018 in New-Delhi. The title of the Conference is 'Securing Global Supply Chains through Government-Industry Partnerships towards Effective Implementation of UNSC Resolution 1540'.
- The first meeting of National Council on India's Nutrition Challenges under POSHAN Abhiyaan was held today in New Delhi. The meeting was chaired by Dr Rajiv Kumar, Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog.
- With an aim to strengthen trade ties with India, Taipei World Trade Centre (TWTC) launched its office in Delhi, ahead of Taiwan's first ever expo that will showcase cutting-edge technology & smart city solutions in Delhi in May 2018. Note: James C.F Huang is the chairman TWTC. Taipei is the Capital city of Taiwan.


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- Suresh Prabhu, the commerce & industry minister, held the first e-commerce think tank meeting in New Delhi. The minister chaired the meeting which aimed at framing a national policy on e-commerce.
- External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj co-chaired the 6th round of India-Mongolia Joint Consultative Committee meeting with her Mongolian counterpart Damdin Tsogtbaatar in Ulaanbaatar. Mrs Swaraj became the first Indian External Affairs Minister to visit the nation in 42 years.
- India-Nepal Inter-Governmental Committee (IGC) meeting on trade, transit & cooperation to Control Unauthorised Trade started in Kathmandu, Nepal. The Indian side is led by Commerce Secretary Rita Teatota.

- Manipur's Shirui Lily Festival 2018 was concluded at Ukhrul district. The festival was sponsored by the department of tourism, Manipur to spread awareness about conservation of the endangered Shirui Lily.

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- The two-day conference named SCO-Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure Legal Experts (RATS) of legal experts took place in Islamabad under the framework of Shanghai Cooperation Organization, which comprises China, Russia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, India, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan and Pakistan.
- 3rd Mission Innovation Ministerial Meeting was held at Malmo, Sweden. The Indian delegation was led by Dr Harsh Vardhan, Union Minister for Science, Technology and Earth Sciences.
- For the first time, an international rail coach expo, displaying rail coaches and train-sets held in Chennai.
- Minister of State for Culture, Dr Mahesh Sharma led the Indian delegation to the 15th Meeting of the Cultural Ministers of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization(SCO) Member States held in Sanya, China.


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- President Kovind inaugurated the Udyam Sangam-2018 in New Delhi. It is a step forward towards consolidating the convergence & synergy of all the government initiatives relating to MSME Sector. He also launched the Solar Charkha Mission which will cover 50 clusters & every cluster will employ 400 to 2000 artisans. A portal of the Ministry of MSME called "Sampark" was also unveiled by the President.
- 15th India-Australia Joint Ministerial Commission (JMC) was held in Canberra, Australia. The meeting was jointly chaired by Minister of Commerce & Industry & Civil Aviation, Suresh Prabhu & Australian Minister for Trade, Tourism & Investment Steven Ciobo.
- PM Modi inaugurated 3rd annual meeting of Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) at Mumbai's National Centre for the Performing Arts. The theme was

"Mobilising finance for infrastructure: innovation & collaboration".

- The three-day annual Sindhu Darshan Festival celebrations on the bank of Indus River started in Ladakh region of Jammu & Kashmir. It was organised by Sindhu Darshan Yatra Samiti & Ladakh Phandey Tsogspa, Leh.
- The 3rd Annual Meeting of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) has begun in Mumbai. In the past, AIIB annual meetings have been held in Beijing, China, in 2016 & in Jeju, South Korea, in 2017. The theme was "Mobilising Finance for Infrastructure: Innovation & Collaboration".
- Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI) along with several industry members & senior government officials & academia, recently participated in X International IT Forum at Khanty-Mansiysk, Russia.
- PM Narendra Modi will inaugurate the 3rd Annual Meeting of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) in Mumbai. The theme for this year's meeting is "Mobilising Finance for Infrastructure: Innovation & Collaboration".
- **An International Conference on Information & Communication Technology (ICT) will be held in Kathmandu**, the capital of Nepal. The Theme was "Sustainable Development Goals for Smart Society".
- **11th World Hindi Conference will be held in Mauritius in August 2018** with an aim to increase the popularity of Hindi globally. The main theme of the Conference is 'Hindi Vishwa Aur Bharatiy Sanskriti'.
- **4th meeting of the Governing Council of NITI Aayog** held under the chairmanship of PM at Rashtrapati Bhavan in New Delhi. It was **attended by 23 CMs & the Lieutenant Governor of Andaman & Nicobar Islands**, apart from Union Ministers, who are ex-officio members & special invitees. States were called up **to fix growth targets for their economies** as the world looks towards India soon becoming a USD 5 trillion economy.
- **5th National Standards Conclave- Implementing the Indian National Strategy for Standardization held in New Delhi**. It was organized by Department of Commerce & Confederation of Indian Industry (CII).
- **15th annual Asia & Oceania Region Inter-Governmental Ministerial meeting on anti-doping** was held in Colombo with representatives from 29 countries including India.
- 44th G7 summit was held on June 8-9, 2018, in Quebec, Canada. This was the sixth time since 1981 that Canada has hosted the meetings. The 44th G7 summit was the first summit for Italian PM Giuseppe Conte. Canadian PM Justin Trudeau has hosted this summit. The 45th G7 summit or next G7 summit will be held in 2019 in France.
- The Eleventh edition of Geo-Intelligence Asia 2018 organized by GeoSpatial Media & Communication with Directorate General of Information System as Knowledge Partners & Military Survey as Co-organisers,

took place in New Delhi. The theme was 'Geo-Spatial: A Force Multiplier for Defence & Industrial Security'.


- The two-day 49th Conference of Governors concluded in New Delhi. The President exhorted Governors to take the lead in adopting modern technology & methods.


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- The first meeting of the India-Bangladesh Joint Committee on Border Haats concluded in Agartala, Tripura.
- Thaawarchand Gehlot, Union Minister for Social Justice & Empowerment attended the Global Disability Summit held in London, UK.
- The 6th India-UK Science & Innovation Council (SIC) meeting held in New Delhi discussed a range of issues on S&T cooperation between the two countries.
- The first Nepal-India Think Tank Summit has begun in Kathmandu to foster greater collaboration and knowledge-sharing among the think tanks of the two countries. Former PM of Nepal and Co-chairman of ruling Communist Party of Nepal, Pushpa Kamal Dahal Prachanda inaugurated the summit.
- 3rd BRICS Film Festival took place in Durban, South Africa, along with the International Durban Film Festival (DIFF). The last day of the festival (27th July) was celebrated as India Country Day.
- International Union of Food Science and Technology (IUFoST), the global voice of food science and technology in association with Indian National Science Academy (INSA) as adhering body, announced the 19th edition of its prestigious global event to be held in Navi Mumbai, India in October 2018. The focal theme is 25 Billion Meals a Day by 2025 with Healthy, Nutritious, Safe and Diverse Foods.
- NITI Aayog, in collaboration with various ministries and industry partners, is organising 'MOVE: Global Mobility Summit' in New Delhi in September 2018. This Summit will help drive Government's goals for vehicle electrification, renewable energy integration and job growth and also speed up India's transition to a clean energy economy.
- 5th Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Intersessional ministerial meeting was held in Tokyo, Japan. It was first RCEP ministerial gathering to be held outside ASEAN countries.
- Commerce Secretary, Rita Teatota, chaired the first meeting of the Task Force on e-commerce in New Delhi.
- The 2nd meeting of the joint working group on tourism cooperation between India and Nepal concluded in Kathmandu, Nepal. The meeting also decided to set up an industry-led India Nepal Tourism Forum.
- HRD Minister Prakash Javadekar inaugurated the 17th World Sanskrit Conference held at Vancouver,

Canada. The purpose of this conference is to promote, preserve and practice the Sanskrit language all over the world by the people.

- Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation (MoSPI) organised a two-day International Round Table Conference on 'Data for New India' in New Delhi. Such a Conference was organized in India for the first time. The objective was to identify innovative ideas for improving the statistical system in India.
- The first India Tourism Mart will be organized in New Delhi in September 2018 to create a global tourism mart for India on lines of major international travel marts.


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- Ministry of Mines organized the 4th National Conclave on Mines & Minerals at Indore, Madhya Pradesh. CM of Madhya Pradesh Shivraj Singh Chauhan was the chief guest of the conclave.
- With an aim of upgrading quality of education, research, hospital care facilities in the national AYUSH institutions throughout the country and develop them as light house institutions, All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) under Ministry of AYUSH organized two days Conference of Heads of AYUSH National Institutes in New Delhi.
- Union Minister of Commerce & Industry and Civil Aviation, Suresh Prabhu co-chaired 8th session of India-Oman Joint Commission Meeting (JCM) along with Minister of Industry, Investment, Trade and Digital Economy of Oman, Dr Ali bin Masoud Al Sunaidy.
- 10th edition of the Delhi Dialogue held in New Delhi. External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj delivered the key-note address of the event. The theme is, 'Strengthening India-ASEAN Maritime Co-operation'.
- India and Japan held the fourth round of Maritime Affairs Dialogue in New Delhi. During the dialogue, key issues related to the Indo-Pacific region and maritime security were discussed.

- The 28th meeting of the GST Council chaired by interim finance minister Piyush Goyal was held in New Delhi. The GST Council has exempted sanitary napkins from Goods and Services Tax. Earlier, there was a 12% levy of tax on sanitary napkins.
- 8th BRICS Health Ministers' Meeting was held at Durban, South Africa. Indian delegation was led by Mr J P Nadda, Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare. He stated that India is committed to eliminating TB by 2025.
- 4th BIMSTEC Summit will be held in Kathmandu, Nepal. The announcement in this regard was made by Nepal's Minister for Foreign Affairs Pradeep Kumar Gyawali.


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- In order to meet the challenge of providing sustainable livelihoods for a rapidly growing population and to motivate and attract youth in agriculture, Dr. Trilochan Mohapatra, Secretary (DARE) & Director General (ICAR), inaugurated a two-day conference at NASC, New Delhi on Motivating and Attracting Youth in Agriculture (MAYA).
- Union Minister of Commerce & Industry and Civil Aviation, Suresh Prabhu, is leading the Indian delegation for the 6th RCEP Trade Ministers' Meeting which has begun in Singapore.
- The third edition of World's Biggest Open Innovation Model - Smart India Hackathon 2019 - was launched by the Union Minister for Human Resource Development, Prakash Javadekar in New Delhi.
- President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the International Buddhist Conclave in New Delhi. The theme of the conclave is 'Buddha Path - The Living Heritage'.
- The 11th World Hindi Conference held in Port Louis the capital of Mauritius.
- Two-day Indo-US Military Cooperation Meeting held in New Delhi as a prelude to 2 plus 2 Dialogue between the two countries scheduled in September 2018. It was co-

chaired by Lt Gen Satish Dua, Chief of Integrated Defence Staff to the chairman, Chiefs of Staff Committee (CISC) and Lt Gen Bryan Fenton, Deputy Commander, Indo-Pacific Command.


- NITI Aayog to host an Investors' Conference at Pravasi Bharatiya Kendra for the Holistic Development of Islands. It will be inaugurated by Amitabh Kant, CEO, NITI Aayog.
- In the 29th meeting, GST council approves cash incentives to promote Digital transactions. FM announced 20% Cashback upto Rs. 100 for the Digital Transactions done via BHIM, Rupay or USSD mode.
- NITI Aayog's International Conference on "Sustainable Growth through Material Recycling: Policy Prescriptions" inaugurated by the Union Minister of Road Transport, Highways & Ganga Rejuvenation, Nitin Gadkari at Pravasi Bharatiya Kendra in New Delhi.
- NITI Aayog has identified 117 districts as 'Aspirational Districts'. These districts have been selected on the basis of composite index which includes published data of deprivation enumerated under Socio-Economic Caste Census, Health & Nutrition, Education and Basic Infrastructure.
- 3rd India-Nepal Coordination meeting held in New Delhi. A seven-member delegation from Nepal, headed by Inspector General of Nepal Armed Police Force Shailendra Khanal took part.
- Minister of State for Culture (I/C) and Minister of State for Environment Forest and Climate Change, Dr. Mahesh Sharma inaugurated an exhibition entitled 'Prathibandhit Sahitya mein Swatantrata Sangram' (Freedom Movement through Proscribed Literature) in the premises of National Archives of India, in New Delhi.
- NITI Aayog hosted an Investors' Conference at Pravasi Bharatiya Kendra for the Holistic Development of Islands along with the respective UT Administration. The Conference was inaugurated by Amitabh Kant, CEO, NITI Aayog.


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- 3-day Kalahandi Dialogue, a global conclave on development launched by CM Naveen Patnaik. It aimed to involve youth in development activities.
- In Madhya Pradesh, the first corn festival of the country is being held in Chhindwara.
- PM Narendra Modi inaugurated the Conference on Academic Leadership on Education for Resurgence in New Delhi in which the Vice-Chancellors, Directors from more than 350 universities participated.
- J P Nadda, Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare addressed at the 'High Level Meeting on Tuberculosis at 73rd session of United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) at New York'.
- Vice president M. Venkaiah Naidu inaugurated Smart City Expo India-2018 in Jaipur.
- Bilateral meeting on Tourism Cooperation between India & Morocco held in New Delhi.

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- Union Minister for Railways & Coal, Piyush Goyal inaugurated the 'first ever' India Tourism Mart (ITM 2018) in the presence of Union Tourism Minister, K J Alphons & the Tourism Minister of Morocco, Mr. Mohamed Sajid, in New Delhi.
- External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj led the Indian delegation at the 23rd meeting of India-Russia Intergovernmental Commission (IRIGC-TEC) to discuss the expansion of Russia-India relationship across all sectors.
- The Global Climate Action Summit 2018 was held at San Francisco, California, United States.
- Commerce & Industry Minister Suresh Prabhu participated in G-20 trade & investment ministerial meeting at Mar del Plata in Argentina.
- Department of Administrative Reforms & Public Grievances (DAR & PG), GoI in association with MP govt. is organizing a Regional Conference on Good Governance with Focus on Aspirational Districts, in Bhopal. The themes include: ICT Enabled Education, Agriculture, Public Service & Grievance Management & Good Governance initiatives.
- Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Housing & Urban Affairs, Hardeep Singh Puri inaugurated the first regional workshop on RERA (Real Estate (Regulation & Development) Act) in Pune.


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