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From the Editor's Desk

Dear Readers,

The inculcation of passion for government job examinations amongst the students is one of the major objectives set by Adda247. **Competition Power** has been a step towards it and it has served as a great platform to provide the students with the best of the study material for all sorts of government jobs and encourage them to make enhancements in their preparations for government jobs through the best ways possible.

The new edition of **Competition Power Magazine** is now your hands. The issue brings the highlights of the Current Affairs of April & May 2018 in detail under the name, "**Newsmakers of the Month**". This is followed by the one-liners of February 2018 under the title, "**Current Affairs Zinger**".

Bearing in mind the exorbitantly changing pattern of the competitive examinations, this magazine assembles the exhaustive study material for the upcoming government job examinations that provide the information of great interest to our varied readership.

In this issue, we also carry the **SSC CGL TIER-I 2017: Previous Year Mock Paper, SBI CLERK Prelims 2018 : Practice Set, SBI Clerk Mains 2018 : Practice Set, SBI PO Prelims 2018 : Practice set, & RRB Group 'D' 2018 : Practice Set** so as our readers can make a headway in their career with the government jobs they are interested in, by thoroughly practicing the papers that simulate the real examinations. Next, we have some important topics of Reasoning, English, GA and Reasoning so that you have them all grasped for the upcoming competitive examinations.

As the editor of Competition Power, I anticipate that this issue would be of immense value and will be definitely useful to our readers who aspire to be a government job employee in a short run. I would also like to thank the contributors for their efforts and our readers continue to have faith in us.

Your support and presence are indicative of the fact that we have made steps in the right direction. I will be looking forward to your valuable feedback and suggestions.

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Team Competition Power !!

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Motivational : Stand Your Ground Till You Do Not Make It Happen

"I was zealous and an eager beaver. I set about preparing for the exam bright-eyed & bushy-tailed and traved all day and night. Ever since I flung myself into the preparations, I pulled out all the stops to get to the crest of the wave. I appeared for the exam and punched above my weight to bring it off but unfortunately, I had had my chips and it all blew up in my face. I have become a sitting duck for everyone around me thenceforth. I am at my wit's end."

Are you also one out of the lakhs of government job aspirants who **have been in this sitch loads of time**? If yes, then this article is going to encourage you guys to reach for the moon for sure.

Dear students, have you ever noticed a toddler who is learning to walk? He stumbles and falls for hundreds of times before getting it right and learns to walk eventually. All that you need to do now is to **believe that "You Can" and you are halfway there**. All that happened in the days gone by doesn't deserve to be repented about. Always bear it in your mind that the past cannot be changed and the future is yet in your power. **Every little or big step of yours, every single effort made by you has only taught you a lesson, took you a stride ahead** of where you initially were and **has made you what you are today**.

You **put your heart and soul into the preparations but made a botch of it**. Why? Certainly, because you barked the wrong trees. Brooding about what has happened already is not the solution but learning from your mistakes and implementing those lessons to do it better next time definitely is. You might be in a tight spot at the moment but **if you keep pressing forward and brushing yourself off, you will have another chance to get the best out of it**. Always **bear a positive attitude** towards everything that is thrown up at you throughout this phase of struggle and that certainly is **the key to find a place under the sun**.

So students, no matter the number of mistakes you make or how slow you work your way, **you are still way ahead of everyone who isn't trying**. Don't waste your time being upset about something you can't change. **Start over, sink your teeth into the preparations** and you would definitely come up in the world. **Stand your ground till you do not make it happen**. All the best!!

Sucess Story: "Believe in yourself and work hard": Shivam Pandey (IBPS PO, Allahabad Bank)

On 1st April we got our results. I have qualified in every single paper I gave this year in my first attempt. I am sharing my story. I completed my **B.tech in 2017 May**. In July, I joined a private firm but resigned in August. From 15th August 2017, I started my preparations on my own. I knew that if I got my basics right, I can do well.

Firstly I analyzed previous year papers. I got to know that many topics can be mastered within a small span of time and that also constitutes a **large portion of Marks like DI**. So, I started building my basics and started to give mock from the 1st day of preparation. I clearly remember that I got 5.75 marks in my first free mock of **RRB PO of Adda247**. But I didn't panic and continued with my preparation. Now I will describe my strategy for different sections.

English- What I have analysed, many of the aspirants are lacking in this subject only. I started to read The Hindu Newspaper daily. I didn't get the time to read the whole paper but I made sure that editorials must be completed. I read a lot during that time so as to increase my speed of reading.

Quant- I clearly analysed that students don't practice miscellaneous part well. So, I thought that I can change the game in my favour in this section only. So, I started building my concepts for miscellaneous questions. And that paid a lot in my case. In most of the prelims, I got 30+. I referred to YouTube for my preparation. You can watch any teacher because all are same. You have to analyse from whom you can understand better. I followed Sumit sir personally.

Reasoning- I don't think anyone needs suggestion in this section. It can only be mastered by practice.

General Awareness- I followed Adda247 Current Affairs by Kush Sir and made proper day to day notes of it. At every month end, I downloaded BA capsule and try to memorize as much as I can. Believe me, nothing in exam comes out of these two. For BA, I **followed BBM**. THE BEST THING AVAILABLE ON YOUTUBE. IT HELPED ME IN MY INTERVIEW AS WELL. THE BEST SHOW EVER KUSH SIR.

And now comes the most important part- MOCK TESTS.

I gave around 200 mocks before PO pre. I know it may sound like a hyperbole, but it's the truth. I purchased every mock of PO pre be it Adda247. I gave all the mocks of all the above-mentioned sites.

But I am not leaving this platform after selection. You all can tag me anytime with any kind of query and I will answer them at the earliest. Let's make the world a better place.

I am sharing my marks which I Got in various exams-

RRB OS-1 Pre: Can't attend because of the accident.
RRB Office Assistant: Pre- 72/80
Mains: 160.06/200

PO Pre: 72/100
PO Mains: 112/225
Final: **53.**/100 (Allahabad Bank)**

IBPS Clerk Pre: 91.5/100
IBPS Clerk Mains: 129/200

IBPS SO IT Pre: 112/125

RBI Assistant Pre: 96.5/100
RBI Assistant Mains: Result Awaited.

Syndicate Bank PGDBF: **Cleared with 173 attempts.**
Canara Bank PGDBF: **Cleared with 177 attempts.**

Last Advice- Everyone can clear it in First attempt as I did with sheer hard work. Believe in yourself and work hard. Cheers to life

**Thanks and Regards,
Shivam Pandey**

News Makers of the Month : April-May 2018

Acquisition of Bhushan Steel Under IBC | A Milestone in Bankruptcy Proceedings

You all must be aware of the **historic Acquisition of the Bhushan Steel Ltd** by Tata Steel's wholly-owned subsidiary **Bamnival Steel Ltd (BNPL)** under the **Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC), 2016**. **BNPL has control of 72.65% of stake** in Bhushan Steel Ltd (BSL). Now the question comes **what exactly the IBC, 2016 is?**

So in order to answer that we need to understand the defining line of IBC by the **Ministry of Law and Justice** which says that- "It is an act to consolidate and amend the laws relating to reorganisation and insolvency resolution of **corporate persons, partnership firms and individuals** in a time bound manner for maximisation of value of assets of such persons, to promote entrepreneurship, availability of credit and balance the interests of all the stakeholders".

Key Highlights of IBC, 2016:

1. Corporate Debtors: Two-Stage Process-

To initiate an insolvency process for corporate debtors, the default should be at least INR 100,000 (USD 1495) (which limit may be increased up to INR 10,000,000 (USD 149,500) by the Government). The Code proposes two independent stages:

- (a) **Insolvency Resolution Process (IRP)**, during which financial creditors assess whether the debtor's business is viable to continue and the options for its rescue and revival; and
- (b) **Liquidation**- if the insolvency resolution process fails or financial creditors decide to wind down and distribute the assets of the debtor.

2. Insolvency Resolution Process for Individuals/Unlimited Partnerships-

☞ For individuals and unlimited partnerships, the Code applies in all cases where the minimum default amount is INR 1000 (USD 15) and above (the Government may later revise the minimum amount of default to a higher threshold).

☞ The Code envisages two distinct processes in case of insolvencies: automatic fresh start and insolvency resolution.

Where does India stand globally on the ease of resolving insolvencies?

India currently ranks **136** out of 189 countries in the **World Bank's index on the ease of resolving insolvencies**. India's weak insolvency regime, its significant inefficiencies and systematic abuse are some of the reasons for the distressed state of credit markets in India.

How Do Banks Get Benefit from this Acquisition?

☞ For a banking sector that has suffered back-to-back bad news for a while now, this acquisition offers a ray of hope. Bamnival Steel Ltd (BNPL) announced the completion of its acquisition of Bhushan Steel, **marking the resolution of the first case** under IBC, 2016.

☞ **This was among the first lot of 12 companies** that the **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** had pushed to the **National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT)** for bankruptcy proceedings in 2017.

☞ **Union Finance Minister Piyush Goyal** (who recently took the finance ministry's charge from Arun Jaitley in wake of the latter's ill health) described it as a **"historic breakthrough"** in resolving legacy issues of banks.

☞ **The most important outcome of the deal is that banks will pocket Rs 35,200 crore immediately**, which covers most of the principal amount Bhushan Steel owes to its lenders, besides a 12 percent stake in the company.

☞ The cash payment immediately lessens the burden on a group of banks including fraud-hit Punjab National Bank (PNB). The top three banks that had given loans to the Bhushan Steel are **State Bank of India (Rs 12,800 Crore), Punjab National Bank (Rs 4,900 crore), and Canara Bank (Rs 2,860 crore)**.

☞ Moreover, over a roughly three-and-a-half year period, from mid-2014 to the end-December 2017, India's public sector banks (PSBs) have written-off loans worth Rs 2,72,558 crore. Of the amount, a meagre Rs 29,343 crore has been recovered, according to data available with the RBI.

Key Appointments in Bhushan Steels after acquisition:

☞ Rajeev Singhal has taken over as the new Managing Director of the steelmaker, while Krishnava Dutt has been appointed an Independent Director.

☞ The new board comprises of three non-executive directors – Anand Sen, Shuva Mandal and Dibyendu Dutta.

Smart Cities Mission: 1,333 Projects Worth Rs. 50,626 Crores Completed or Under Implementation

- ✓ Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs able to achieve substantial milestones in both physical and financial terms in so far as mission objectives/targets are concerned.
- ✓ During the year 2017-18, while the total cumulative grants released was Rs. 46,663 crores, Utilization Certificates were due only for the grants released upto March 2016, i.e. for approximately Rs. 10,365 crores.
- ✓ Overall projects worth Rs.2,03,979 crores have been identified for all 99 smart cities across the country.
- ✓ The timeline for the completion of smart city projects according to the rounds in which they were selected is given below:
 1. Round 1 cities- 2019-20 to 2020-21
 2. Round 2 cities- 2019-20 to 2021-22
 3. Round 3 cities- 2020-21 to 2021-22
 4. Round 4 cities- 2020-21 to 2022-23

AMRUT (Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation)

- ☞ Under AMRUT, out of State Annual Action Plan(SAAP) size of Rs. 77,640 crores, projects worth Rs. 65,075 crores (84%) are under various stages of implementation including projects tendered and where DPRs have been approved.
- ☞ More than 22 crores urban population will benefit from this mission. Total of Rs. 11,945 crores has been released so far.

PMAY(U) (Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana Urban)

- ☞ Total of Rs. 24,475 crores has been released to the States under the scheme. So far, 45.86 lakh houses have been sanctioned under the scheme; out of these 23.43 lakh houses have been grounded and 7.02 lakh houses have been completed so far (including incomplete houses of earlier scheme).

DAY - NULM (Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission)

- ☞ Under the Mission, Rs.1907.5 crores have been released so far. The Mission has been extended to all the statutory towns. Since the beginning of the mission, employment has been generated for 6,36,956 beneficiaries.

HRIDAY (Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana)

- ☞ City HRIDAY Plans (CHPs) for 12 cities have been approved. 66 DPRs amounting to Rs. 421.47 crores have been approved and Rs. 261.31 crores have been released to 12 cities for implementation of the scheme.
- ☞ Total expenditure under the scheme so far is Rs.209.5 crores. 58 projects are under implementation at various stages. All works will be completed by September 2018.

Swachh Bharat Mission (Urban)

- ☞ A total of Rs. 6,592 crores have been released to states. Total number of 48.67 lakh individual household toilets and 3.3 lakh Community/Public Toilet (CT/PT) seats have already been constructed and 8.3 lakh individual toilets and 0.37 lakh CT/PT are under construction.
- ☞ 2679 cities have been so far self-declared Open Defecation Free and after third-party certification, 2,133 cities/ ULBs have been certified as Open Defecation Free (ODF).

Dadasaheb Phalke Film Foundation Awards 2018 Announced

- ☞ Bollywood actors Bhumi Pednekar, Sonam Kapoor and Akshay Kumar bagged the best actress and best actor awards at the Dadasaheb Phalke awards, given by Dadasaheb Phalke Film Foundation, held in Mumbai.
- ☞ Manisha Koirala won the 'Most Versatile Actress' award. Veteran actor-director Rakesh Roshan was given the lifetime achievement award for his contribution to the industry as an actor, producer and a director.
- ☞ The complete list of all the winners of Dadasaheb Phalke Film Foundation Awards 2018:

Category	Winner
Best Actor	Akshay Kumar, for Padman (Jury) and for Toilet: Ek Prem Katha
Best Actress in a Leading Role	Sonam Kapoor, for Padman
Best Actress	Bhumi Pednekar, for Toilet: Ek Prem Katha

Lifetime Achievement Award	Rakesh Roshan
Saraswatibai Dadasaheb Phalke Best Actress (Lifetime) award	Farida Jalal
'Most Versatile Actress' Award	Manisha Koirala
Best Actor in a Character Role	Rajesh Sharma
Best Playback Singer (Female)	Neeti Mohan
Best TV Anchor	Aditya Narayan Jha
Best Entertainer (TV)	Manish Paul
Best Playback Singer (jury)	Bhumi Trivedi
Best Stage Anchor	Siddharth Kannan
Best Producer (Short Films)	Sandip Marwah
Most Entertaining Film (Sonu ki Titu ki Sweety)	Luv Ranjan

Dadasaheb Phalke Excellence Awards 2018: Complete List of Winners

 Dadasaheb Phalke Excellence Awards 2018 honoured the individuals from the entertainment industry for their outstanding contribution towards the growth and development of cinema and/or television.

 The complete list of the winners of the Dadasaheb Phalke Excellence Awards 2018:

Category	Winner
Best actor (male)	Shahid Kapoor
Best actor people's choice award	Ranveer Singh
Entertainer of the year	Kartik Aryan
Best actress (critics)	Aditi Rao Hydari
Lifetime achievement award	Simi Garewal
Pride of Indian cinema	Sanjay Dutt
Path-breaking producer of the year	Anushka Sharma and Karnesh Sharma
Best director	Ashwiny Iyer Tiwari
Outstanding performance male	Raj Kumar Rao, Rana Daggubati
Outstanding performance female	Tamannah Bhatia, Kriti Sanon
Promising face of the year	Aahana Kumra
Best actress drama award	Jennifer Winget
Best actor (male) Television	Karan Patel
Best reality show judge	Shilpa Shetty
Best talk show host	Karan Johar
Best lyricist	Manoj Muntashir
Best performance in a short film	Divya Khosla Kumar
Iconic contribution towards music	Hans Raj Hans

Venkaiah Naidu 3-Nation Visit: Complete Highlights

 Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu visited to South America's Guatemala, Peru and Panama. Bilateral trade and investments were discussed during the visit.

 This was the Vice President's first overseas visit after assuming office. He was accompanied by a high-level delegation, including Minister of State for Tribal Affairs Jasvantsinh Sumanbahi Bhabhor.

1. On 1st Leg Visited Guatemala:

 Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu arrived in Guatemala on the first leg of his three-nation tour to Latin America. During his stay in Guatemala city, Mr Naidu met the leadership of the nation.

 A pact has been signed between India and Guatemala for strengthening diplomatic cooperation through Respective Foreign Service Institutes in the educational field.

2. On 2nd Leg Visited Panama:

- 👉 On 2nd leg, Mr Naidu visited Panama where India and Panama have signed 2 agreements on the exemption of Visas for holders of Diplomatic and Official Passports and in the field of Agriculture.
- 👉 During the talks with Panamanian leaders, Mr Naidu also announced a total of US \$ 25 million Line of Credit for setting up a Centre of Bio-diversity and Drug Tracking and a Centre for Innovation and Technology.

3. On 3rd Leg Visited Peru:

- 👉 Vice President Venkaiah Naidu arrived in Peru on the third and final leg of his three-nation visit to Latin America. India and Peru signed an agreement in the field of Renewable Energy at Lima.
- 👉 The pact was signed in the presence of Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu and the Prime Minister Cesar Villanueva Arevalo.

Static Points related to the countries

- 👉 Guatemala Capital- Guatemala City, Currency- Guatemalan quetzal.
- 👉 Peru Capital- Lima, Currency- Sol.
- 👉 Panama Capital- Panama City, Currencies- United States Dollar, Panamanian balboa.

PM Modi visited China: Important Highlights

- 👉 Prime Minister Narendra Modi arrived in New Delhi after a two-day informal summit meeting with Chinese President Xi Jinping in Wuhan. He was received at the airport by External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj.
- 👉 He wrapped up his two-day visit to China with both the countries underlining the importance of maintaining peace and tranquility in all areas of their border region in the larger interest of the overall development of bilateral relations.
- 👉 During his visit, both leaders took a long walk by Wuhan's iconic East Lake. They also agreed to issue "strategic guidance" to their militaries to strengthen communications and to build trust and understanding. After the walk the talk followed a Naav (Boat) pe charcha. The two leaders took a boat ride on a traditional Chinese wooden boat sporting a pagoda. Wuhan is a city of freshwater lakes along the banks of the Yangtze River.

CURRENT AFFAIRS : 20th April till 20th May 2018

INDIA IN NEWS

PM Modi Laid Foundation Stone Of India's Longest Road Tunnel In J&K

Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited Jammu and Kashmir. During his visit, PM laid down the foundation stone of 'Zojila Tunnel' on the Srinagar-Leh National Highway in Leh. The 14.2-kilometre long Zojila tunnel will be India's longest road tunnel and Asia's longest bidirectional tunnel. It will provide all-weather connectivity to the whole Ladakh region and Kargil in particular which remains cut off from rest of the world for more than 5 months of the winter. He also dedicated to the nation a 330 MW Kishenganga hydroelectric project from Srinagar.

Netherlands PM Mark Rutte to be on official visit to India

Prime Minister of The Netherlands, Mark Rutte, will be on a two-day official visit to India with an aim to boost the economic and political cooperation between the two countries. During the visit, the India-Dutch CEOs forum will take place in New Delhi.

Suresh Prabhu Launched Intellectual Property Mascot 'IP Nani'

Union Minister of Commerce and Industry Suresh Prabhu launched the Intellectual Property (IP) mascot 'IP Nani'. The first and foremost objective of IPR Policy is "IPR Awareness: Outreach and Promotion".

India's 1st Solar Powered Railway Station In Guwahati

Guwahati now has India's first railway station run by solar power. Around 2352 solar modules with a capacity of generating 700 kw has been set up over the roof of the Guwahati railway station.

India Unveils National Wind-Solar Hybrid Policy

To boost clean energy generation, the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) unveiled a National Wind-solar Hybrid Policy which seeks to promote new projects as well as hybridisation of the existing ones. The ministry is in process of launching a scheme for new hybrid projects under this policy, which are 10 to 15% cheaper than 100% solar or wind projects.

India Released Grant Of NRs 18.07 Crore To Nepal For River Training

India has released grant of Nepalese Rupees (NRs) 18.07 crore for river training and construction of embankments along Lalbakeya, Bagmati and Kamla rivers in Nepal.

IIM-Ahmedabad Launches Bharat Inclusive Initiative

IIM-Ahmedabad's Centre for Innovation, Incubation and Entrepreneurship (CIIE) launched a Bharat Inclusion Initiative to build knowledge and foster innovation and entrepreneurial activity across areas such as financial inclusion, livelihood, education and health.

President Kovind Inaugurated Global Exhibition On Services- 2018

President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the 4th edition of Global Exhibition on services in Mumbai. 25 Indian states and around 100 countries to participate in Global Exhibition on Services, this year.

4 States Ink MoUs With Centre On Health Protection Mission

The states of Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Haryana and Uttarakhand agreed to implement the ambitious national health protection mission, which aims to provide an annual coverage of Rs 5 lakh per family. The four states and the UT Chandigarh inked MoUs with Health Ministry for implementation of Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Swasthya Suraksha Mission.

Dharmendra Pradhan, UAE minister flag Off 1st Consignment Of ADNOC Crude For India

Union Petroleum and Natural Gas Minister Dharmendra Pradhan and UAE Minister of State & Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC) Group CEO Dr. Sultan Al Jaber flagged off the first consignment of 2 million barrels of ADNOC crude for Mangalore Cavern.

TRAI Releases Draft Of Telecom Interconnection Regulations

Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) issued a draft to amend interconnect regulations, proposing certain changes in terms and conditions for operators to seek fresh call connect ports from other telcos. The 'draft Telecommunication Interconnection

(Amendment) Regulations 2018' proposed that a service provider can ask another operator for additional ports, in case the projected utilisation of the capacity is likely to exceed 85% over 60 day period.

SCO Secretary-General In India To Hold Talks With Union Ministers

Shanghai Cooperation Organisation Secretary-General Rashid Kutbiddinovitch Alimov arrived in New Delhi to hold talks with External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj and other Union ministers.

Pravasi Bharatiya Divas To Be Held In Varanasi

15th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas will be held in the holy city of Varanasi in January 2019 with the Indian diaspora having an option to participate in Kumbha Snan and attend the Republic Day parade in New Delhi. This year's event would be inaugurated by PM Narendra Modi and his Mauritian counterpart Pravind Jugnauth. The theme will be "Role of Indian Diaspora in building a New India".

Government Announces Project To Strengthen Namami Gange Programme

11th Executive Committee meeting of National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) approved the project encompassing the use of Geographic Information System (GIS) technology for Namami Gange programme with a total budget of Rs 86.84 crore. For this, NMCG tied-up with the Survey of India.

Telecom Commission Approves Proposal For In-Flight Mobile Services

Telecom Commission approved a proposal for allowing people to make phone calls and use internet services in domestic and international flights in India, with certain riders. Another proposal that received approval entails creation of an ombudsman to deal with telecom grievances. The ombudsman will be set up under TRAI and will require an amendment to the TRAI Act.

Government Releases Draft New Telecom Policy

The government has released the draft of the new Telecom policy named National Digital Communications Policy, 2018. It aimed at creating 40 lakh new jobs by 2022, attracting 100 billion US dollars investment in the sector and ensuring broadband coverage at 50 mbps for every citizen. The draft proposes 1 Gbps connectivity to all Gram Panchayats by 2020 and 10 Gbps by 2022.

Government Launches Pilot Scheme For Procurement Of Aggregate Power Of 2500 MW

Indian government has launched a Pilot Scheme for procurement of aggregate power of 2500 MW on competitive basis for three years under medium term from commissioned power plants without power purchase agreements. The main purpose is to revive commissioned power plants which are unable to sell electricity in the absence of valid power purchase agreements.

HRD Ministry Launches 2nd Edition Of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan

Ministry of Human Resource Development launched the second edition of the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan under which students from 750 higher educational institutions from across the country will adopt villages and visit them to get acquainted with lifestyle of people there and the problems faced by them.

Foreigners Can Now Travel To Nagaland, Mizoram, Manipur Without Permit

Home Ministry decided to relax the six-decade-old Protected Area Permit regime from Nagaland, Mizoram and Manipur for five years. Foreign tourists, except those from Pakistan, China and Afghanistan, will now be allowed to visit some of the most pristine locations of the country.

Diu, 1st To Run On 100% Renewable Energy During Daytime

Diu Smart City has become the first city in India, that runs on 100% renewable energy during daytime setting a new benchmark for other cities to become clean and green. Diu had been importing 73% of its power from Gujarat until 2017.

Nitin Gadkari Inaugurates 29th Road Safety Week In New Delhi

Union Road Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari has inaugurated the 29th Road Safety Week at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi. He released a book named "Have a Safe Journey".

Bengal's Digambarpur, India's Best Gram Panchayat

West Bengal once again topped in the country with Digambarpur Gram Panchayat (GP) bagging the Centre's award for the best Gram Panchayat in the country.

Taipei Opens WTC In Delhi To Boost Ties With India

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 and smart city solutions in Delhi in May 2018.

Cabinet Approves Promulgation Of Fugitive Economic Offenders Ordinance

Union Cabinet approved the promulgation of the Fugitive Economic Offenders Ordinance 2018, which would empower the government to seize the domestic assets of those deemed by a relevant court to be fugitive economic offenders.

STATES IN NEWS

Madhya Pradesh Launches 'My MP Rojgar Portal'

Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh, Shivraj Singh Chouhan has launched 'My MP Rojgar Portal' to provide jobs to youths as per their educational qualification, skills and interest and ensure availability of able candidates to employers as per the need of their business. It was launched as a part of the 'Ham Chhu Lenge Asman' Mukhyamantri Career Counselling programme 'Pahal' in Model School of Bhopal.

Himachal GVovt Sanctions Rs 25 Cr For Renovating Bantony Castle

Himachal Pradesh government will spend 25 crore rupees on renovating and developing the historic British Raj 'Bantony Castle Estate' as a major tourist attraction.

CM Pema Khandu Inaugurates Arunachal Pradesh's Biggest Solar Plant

Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister Pema Khandu inaugurated the state's biggest solar power plant at Energy Awareness Park in the presence of Power Minister Tamiyo Taga in Itanagar. The plant, with a capacity of 1 MW, was commissioned at an estimated investment of Rs 8.50 crore.

Madhya Pradesh Launches India's 1st ICCC For Its Smart Cities

In a major step towards realising the centre's Smart City Mission (SCM), the Madhya Pradesh government launched the country's first Integrated Control and Command Centre (ICCC) for all seven smart cities of the state, in Bhopal. Bhopal, Indore, Ujjain, Gwalior, Jabalpur, Satna, and Sagar are the seven smart cities under SCM in Madhya Pradesh.

'Go To Village' Mission Launched In Manipur

Manipur Chief Minister N. Biren Singh launched 'Go to Village' mission throughout the state from Konuma ground. It was launched in 60 villages of all the 60 Assembly constituencies. It is aimed at identifying the eligible and deserving beneficiaries in every corner of the state and delivering government services at their doorstep.

Maharashtra Becomes 1st To Provide Digitally-Signed Documents

Maharashtra became the first state to provide digitally-signed land record receipts (also known as 7/12 receipts), which Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis claimed would check irregularities and bring in transparency. The 7/12 receipt is the most important document which establishes the ownership of the land and is primarily used by farmers while applying for loans.

AFSPA Removed From Meghalaya

Union Home Ministry completely revoked the controversial Armed Forces Special Powers Act (AFSPA) from Meghalaya while diluting it in other regions of Arunachal Pradesh.

Gujarat Launches Pocket Cop Project

Gujarat police unveiled the Pocket Cop project, which will enable quicker verification of passport applicants, and search of accused persons, among others. The project was inaugurated by Chief Minister Vijay Rupani in Gandhinagar. Under this, smartphones with data connectivity will be given to 4,900 police personnel those involved in passport verification.

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