

## CURRENT AFFAIRS OF DECEMBER 2017

### NATIONAL CURRENT AFFAIRS AND EVENTS

<p>Name the BJP leader who was appointed by President of India Ram Nath Kovind as the President of Indian Council of Cultural Relations (ICCR)? <i>ICCR was founded in 1950 by India's first Education Minister Maulana Abul Kalam Azad.</i></p>	<b>Vinay Sahasrabudde</b>
<p>India successfully test-fired an indigenously developed _____ supersonic interceptor missile, capable of destroying an incoming ballistic missile at low altitude.</p>	<b>Advanced Air Defence (AAD)</b>
<p>Name the Bollywood actress who has been named PETA's Person of the Year by animal rights organisation People for Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA)? <i>Some of her recent efforts to protect animals include launching her cruelty-free NUSH clothing line and visiting an animal shelter and promoting its work on her social media platforms. She also launched a campaign called PAWsitive to raise awareness of the suffering fireworks cause to animals.</i></p>	<b>Anushka Sharma</b>
<p>Who was appointed as Joint Secretary in Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council (PMEAC)?</p>	<b>Sumita Misra</b>
<p>In which city the association of Indian Football Coaches has been launched? <i>It has been launched with an aim to build strong network of licensed coaches in country.</i></p>	<b>Mumbai</b>
<p>Name the Indian shooter from Haryana who won the women's 25m pistol gold with a new record at the 61st National Shooting Championship Competitions?</p>	<b>Anisa Sayyed</b>
<p>Name the veteran playback singer who has been awarded the Harivaranam Award 2017 by the Kerala Government?</p>	<b>KS Chitra</b>
<p>Name the Union Minister who launched Livestock Disease Forewarning (LDF) Mobile App?</p>	<b>Radha Mohan Singh</b>
<p>Which country will host the 2018 ASEAN-India Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD)?</p>	<b>Singapore</b>
<p>Which Union Ministry has launched the pilot project 'Blue Flag' to develop and enhance standards of cleanliness on beaches?</p>	<b>Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change</b>
<p>In which city the Indian Railways flagged off India's first air-conditioned suburban local train?</p>	<b>Mumbai</b>

Which Indian city becomes the first Indian city to have its own logo? <i>The logo was designed by Nammur, a design start-up, which won a contest and received a prize money of Rs 5 lakh from the state government.</i>	<b>Bengaluru</b>
Which city will host the Indian Science Congress 2018?	<b>Imphal</b>
The 78th session of Indian History Congress was inaugurated in which city?	<b>Kolkata</b>
Which state recently signed loan agreement of USD 318 million with World Bank for support in the Climate Resilient Agriculture technologies?	<b>Tamil Nadu</b>
Which state launched a free household power connection scheme 'Prakash hai to vikas hai' Scheme, a free household power connection scheme for the poor in the state?	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>
Who sworn-in as the new Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh on 27th December 2017?	<b>Jai Ram Thakur</b>
Which state government has launched a mobile app aimed at connecting 16,000 members of School Management Committees (SMCs)?	<b>Delhi</b>
The Parliament of India has passed a law extending the deadline by three years for protection of illegal structures in which city?	<b>New Delhi</b>
On which day Good Governance Day is observed across India? <i>It was established in 2014 to honor Mr Atal Bihari Vajpayee by fostering awareness among the people of accountability in government.</i>	<b>25th December</b>
Name the BJP leader who sworn in as the Chief Minister of Gujarat for the second consecutive term? <i>He will be the 16th Chief Minister of Gujarat.</i>	<b>Vijay Rupani</b>
Who was appointed as the Director General of Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB)?	<b>Abhay</b>
Eka Bisht is related to which sports?	<b>Cricket</b>
Which project was launched by the Minister of Communications Shri Manoj Sinha on 21st December 2017 to improve the quality of service, add value to services and achieve 'financial inclusion' of un-banked rural population?	<b>DARPAN – Digital Advancement of Rural Post Office for A New India</b>
For which English novel Mamang Dai's name has been selected for Sahitya Akademi Award 2017? <i>Sahitya Akademi, India's National Academy of Letters, annually confers on writers of outstanding works in one of the twenty-four major Indian languages.</i>	<b>The Black Hill</b>
Government of which state has approved the setting up of 'cow protection committees'?	<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>
Name the eminent Bengali poet who has been chosen for the 31st Moortidevi Award for the year 2017 for his poetry collection titled 'Du Dondo Phowara Matro'?	<b>Joy Goswami</b>
Who resigned as the Chairperson of National Green Tribunal on 19 December 2017 after completing his five-year tenure?	<b>Justice Swatanter Kumar</b>
With which country India has signed a MoU to develop Rakhine state, to enable safe return of Rohingya Muslims?	<b>Myanmar</b>

Name the Scientific Adviser to Raksha Mantri and Director General, Missiles and Strategic Systems, who has been conferred with the prestigious National Design Award? <i>He has bagged this award for his significant national contribution towards indigenous design and development of diversified missile systems, guided weapons, avionics technologies and for his sustained efforts leading to the advancement of aerospace technologies and industries in India.</i>	<b>G. Satheesh Reddy</b>
The government of which state has imposed a complete ban on manufacturing, sale, production, storage, supply, and usage of the kite-flying thread made out of nylon, plastic or any other synthetic material including the Chinese 'manjha' (dor) in the state?	<b>Punjab</b>
Which country has overtaken Saudi Arabia for the first time to become India's top crude oil supplier in the current fiscal, helped by sales of discounted heavy crude?	<b>Iraq</b>
Requisitioning and Acquisition of Immovable Property (Amendment) Bill, 2017 was passed by?	<b>Lok Sabha</b>
The Jokapatha village, situated in mountainous region got electricity connection for the first time. It had been deprived of power supply since independence. In which state this village is situated?	<b>Chhattisgarh</b>
Which company has entered into a partnership with UNESCO to launch virtual reality content and 360-degree videos on Indian heritage sites? <i>As per company statement, it has entered into a partnership with UNESCO MGIEP (Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Education for Peace and Sustainable Development) to launch 360 video and virtual reality (VR) content of two magnificent Indian heritage sites, the Sun Temple in Konark, Odisha and Taj Mahal in Agra, Uttar Pradesh.</i>	<b>Samsung</b>
Which state recently celebrated its 56th Liberation Day in India? <i>The state was liberated on this day in 1961 from Portuguese control after almost 450 years of colonial rule.</i>	<b>Goa</b>
With which automobile manufacturer the Ministry of Skill Development entered into an agreement to provide high employment potential trades related to automobile and manufacturing industry to youth under the Skill India Mission?	<b>Maruti Suzuki India Limited</b>
Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi dedicated the 60 MW Tuirial Hydro Electric Power Project (HEPP) to the Nation. In which state this project is situated? <i>The Tuirial HEPP has been constructed as a Central Sector Project and implemented by North Eastern Electric Power Corporation (NEEPCO), under the administrative control of the Ministry of Power, Government of India.</i>	<b>Mizoram</b>
On which day Vijay Diwas is commemorated every year in India to marks its military victory over Pakistan in 1971 during the war for the independence of Bangladesh from Pakistan?	<b>16th December</b>
The Union cabinet recently approved a bill that criminalised which Islamic practice?	<b>Triple Talaq</b>
Which state government has made it compulsory for all Government offices to install LED bulbs?	<b>Uttarakhand</b>

Which coastal town of Kerala has been recognised by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) as one of the five models across the world for fighting the pollution menace by successfully implementing the solid waste management system?	<b>Alappuzha</b>
What is the name of first Made-In-India Scorpene Class non-nuclear Submarine which was inducted into Indian Navy on 14th December 2017?	<b>INS Kalvari</b>
Which Indian cricketer became the first-ever batsman to score 3 double centuries in ODIs?	<b>Rohit Sharma</b>
Who has been elected as the new President of Indian Olympic Association (IOA)?	<b>Narinder Batra</b>
Name the notable Hindi scholar and writer who was selected for the Vyas Samman award for her novel 'Dukkhham Suddham'?	<b>Mamta Kalia</b>
Which Indian actress was honoured with the 2017 Mother Teresa Memorial Award for social justice?	<b>Priyanka Chopra</b>
To which organisation India has been re-elected under Category B that represents nations with the largest interests in international sea borne trade?	<b>International Maritime Organisation</b>
Name the Mela which is held once every 12 years and which has been recognised as an intangible cultural heritage of humanity by the UNESCO?	<b>Kumbh Mela</b>
Name the cyclone which formed as a depression over southwest Bay of Bengal on 29th November 2017 and intensified into a cyclone off the Kanyakumari coast in Tamil Nadu on 30th November and travelled up to the Gujarat coast before it dissipated on 6th December after weakening into a low pressure area?	<b>Ockhi</b>
Which district of Uttar Pradesh has been included in the National Capital Region (NCR)?	<b>Shamli</b>
Which State becomes the first state in the country after it's assembly unanimously passed a bill awarding death to those found guilty of raping girls aged 12 and below?	<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>
At which place in Gujarat the Union Cabinet has approved the proposal of Ministry of Railways to set up first ever National Rail and Transport University (NRTU)?	<b>Vadodara</b>