

IMPORTANT DAYS:

- **International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples – August 9**
- **Minister for Women & Child Development Maneka Gandhi kicks off campaign to mark 11 August as Daughters' Day**
- **World Senior Citizen's Day – August 8**
- **International Youth Day – August 12**
- **World Elephant Day: August 12**
- **India Independence Day – August 15**
- **Puducherry observed De Jure Transfer Day – August 16**
- **Festival of Raksha Bandhan is being celebrated in different parts of the country – August 18**
- **World Humanitarian Day - August 19**
- **World Photography Day – August 19**
- **World Mosquito Day - August 20**
- **Women's Equality Day - August 26**
- **National Sports Day to mark Dhyan Chand's birthday - August 29**

NATIONAL:

- **Anandiben Patel resigned as Gujarat chief minister**
- **NRIs can send funds online for Govt schemes**
- **HRD Minister inaugurates IIT Goa Campus**
- **Norms relaxed for foreign tourists visiting Ladakh**
- **Kudankulam is safest nuclear plant in the world, says Russian official**
- **Agartala gets train to Delhi: Tripura Sundari Express**
- **Odisha to recruit members of transgender community as jail warders**
- **PM to launch '70 Saal Azadi-Zara Yaad Karo Kurbanii' on Aug 9**
- **MoC launches Twitter Sewa to address the complaints of common man.**
- **Central body approves Rs 400 crore for Ganga rejuvenation projects**
- **Prabhu lays foundation stone of rail project in Nagaland**
- **Resolution for renaming of Madras High Court passed**
- **Govt launches performance, credit rating scheme for MSMEs**
- **Andhra Inks MoU With Japan To Develop Food Value Chain**
- **Four-member panel to interact with Lodha committee**

CURRENT AFFAIRS QUICK RECAP – August 2016

- West Bengal may be renamed Bengal
- Rajya Sabha passes NEET, NIT bills
- Indian art and culture to be on full display during first ever Festival of India in Australia
- Over 25 lakh LPG connections released under PM Ujjwala Yojana
- Haryana: Monthly honorarium of ASHAs doubled from Rs 500 to 1,000
- 3,000 Jan Aushadhi Stores to be opened across India
- Land transfer for Ambedkar memorial gets nod
- Kerala, A.P., Telangana get new acting CJs
- All villages will be electrified during current year except few in naxal-hit area: Government
- Cabinet approves Motor Vehicle (Amendment) Bill 2016
- Gujarat High Court quashes State Government's notification granting 10 percent reservation for economically backward classes
- Finance minister to inaugurate India International Footwear Fair 2016
- Cabinet approves signing of Air Services Agreement between India and Lao PDR
- Cabinet authorized National Highways Authority of India to monetize public funded national highway projects
- Rajya Sabha unanimously passes 122nd Constitution Amendment Bill, 2014
- Vijay Rupani becomes Gujarat chief minister; Nitin Patel to be his deputy
- Telangana signs MoU with ISRO for water resources info system
- PM will launch mobile app for PMO developed by six students on August 6
- Revised salary under 7th Pay commission from November 1 - Goa CM
- States issue bonds worth Rs 1.66 lakh cr under UDAY scheme
- Govt approves up gradation of NCDC and its labs
- Odisha government launches new website of state Home department
- Maharashtra Govt. to provide as many as 1,200 Wi-Fi hotspots in Mumbai
- Govt introduces employees' compensation bill in Lok Sabha
- Ravi Shankar Prasad inaugurated town hall to mark two year of citizen engagement portal MyGov.in
- Centre directs NDRF to expand its Search and Rescue Operations in Maharashtra's Raigad District
- PM launches 'Mission Bhagiratha' phase-1 in Telangana to provide piped drinking water to every household in the state

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- **Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik launches 'Baristha Bunakar Sahayata Yojana' pension scheme for weavers**
- **Karnatka ranked first for attracting maximum 'investment intentions'**
- **Tamil Nadu Government launches online service for power consumers**
- **GIPCL signs pact with SECI for solar projects in Gujarat**
- **Rajya Sabha passes 'patient-centric' Mental Health Care Bill 2013**
- **British Council to promoting education, culture in Bihar**
- **Manipur's Iron Lady Irom Sharmila ends 16-year-long hunger strike**
- **4497 New Projects Sanctioned for Rural Electrification under DDUGJY**
- **Odisha government approves two ordinances**
- **Maharashtra government diluting importance of Quit India event: Cong**
- **Parliament passes GST Bill; PM says GST to address problem of imbalanced development**
- **Odisha Crime Branch rescues 1051 children in first phase of Operation Muskan-2.**
- **PM launches Yaad Karo Kurbani celebrations at Azad's birthplace in MP**
- **Government to set up committee to review e-commerce rules**
- **Parliament passes bill for easier debt recovery**
- **First Solar commissions 130 MW of solar power plants in AP, Telangana**
- **Niti ties up with US EIA to set up portal on energy data**
- **Railways decides to set up separate CSR cell for more involvement of corporates**
- **PM Modi, Russian Prez Vladimir Putin to jointly dedicate Kudankulam Nuclear Plant Unit-I**
- **MSAI and Nirbhaya Jyoti Trust launch 'I Feel Safe' safety app for women**
- **CCTNS to be operationalised by March 31 next year - Govt.**
- **Cabinet approves Agreement between the India and Croatia on Economic Cooperation**
- **Cabinet approves amendment to Lokpal and Lokayukta Bill**
- **First Indian channel on skill development launches in Pune**
- **Bihar agrees to implement Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana**
- **Madhya Pradesh and Puducherry join UDAY power discoms reforms**
- **Jaitley to launch data bank to gather information about MSMEs**
- **Government notifies national 'Early Childhood Care and Education' policy.**
- **I&B Minister inaugurates Independence Day Film Festival**

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- Badal inaugurates first 'Sewa Kendra' in Punjab
- Assam Assembly unanimously passes GST Bill
- President nod for six new IITs in country; NIT in AP
- Over 37k houses approved for urban poor in Haryana and Karnataka
- Shri Kiren Rijju participates in Counter Terrorism Meeting in Bali
- Nagaland govt to grant 33% reservation to women in Urban Local Bodies
- Krishna Pushkaralu off to a grand start
- Bihar and Gujarat convene assembly sessions to ratify GST Bill
- Nasscom begins startup warehouse
- Second unit of Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant to be synchronized with southern power grid
- Rajasthan signs MoU with India Trade and Exhibition Centre
- Nadda inaugurates AMRIT outlet at Safdarjung Hospital
- BARC and Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences & Technology sign MoU for joint development of Deep Brain Stimulator
- Relief for diesel luxury car makers as ban goes
- Pon Radhakrishnan launches "Colours of Independence" event in Chennai
- Rail Budget's 92-year-old journey set to end
- New and uniform education policy to be evolved soon - Javadekar.
- Five electronic manufacturing clusters to be set up in Andhra Pradesh - Ravi Shankar Prasad
- Govt services to be available through mobile app in Maharashtra - CM Fadnavis
- Sikkim govt commitment to total literacy by 2019 - CM Chamling
- PM announces 20% hike in freedom fighters' pension
- Govt releases commemorative postage stamp on Tourism on 70th I-Day
- Bihar becomes 2nd state to ratify GST
- Digital Maharashtra drive: Will connect 28,000 gram panchayats by 2017-18, says CM Fadnavis
- Maharashtra launches Crime Criminal Tracking Network system (CCTNS)
- Govt to build museum to glorify tribal freedom fighters
- Goa hosting BRICS in October this year
- Nod for Rs. 6,554-cr. Anantapur package
- Baloch leaders seek support from US, European countries against oppressive Pak regime

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- **Jharkhand Assembly convened to ratify GST Bill.**
- **NHAI collaborates with PFC under adopt a Green Highway Program**
- **UP: SC quashes order to grant 30 % quota in PG courses to doctors**
- **Gujarat govt. to implement 7th Pay Commission recommendations from 1st of January**
- **Telangana Assembly to ratify GST Bill**
- **ICHR plans encyclopedia of village folklore from across India**
- **Uttar Pradesh cabinet approves Metro Rail for Allahabad**
- **New steps to enhance transparency in Power Sector: Shri Piyush Goyal launches 'TARANG' 'e-Trans' & 'DEEP'**
- **India, Bangladesh to make joint documentary on 1971 war**
- **Centre launches web portal for star rating of mines**
- **Tendulkar adopts village in Osmanabad under Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojna**
- **Nation remembering former PM Rajiv Gandhi on his 72st Birth Anniversary on August 20**
- **PM Modi's monogrammed suit enters Guinness Records as 'most expensive suit sold'**
- **Maharashtra seeks Chinese investment in infra**
- **Kerala Cabinet approves new debt relief scheme**
- **Oil minister distributed around 3,000 free LPG stoves under free cooking gas scheme titled Ujjwala Yojana in Mumbai**
- **Uma launches Namami Gange projects in Kanpur**
- **Two-day meeting of BRICS women Parliamentarian's forum held at Jaipur**
- **Telangana govt starts official process of reorganisation of districts**
- **India pledges Rs 3.9 crore for upgrading Sanskrit school in Nepal**
- **India ranks 39th in Asia Pacific on fixed broadband**
- **OIC expresses concern over Kashmir violence**
- **Uma Bharti launches various projects under Namami Gange in Varanasi**
- **Himachal Pradesh assembly ratifies GST Bill**
- **Gujarat, Chhattisgarh assemblies to hold special sessions tomorrow to ratify GST Bill**
- **Vijay Goel Flags off TirangaYaatra in Delhi**
- **Telangana govt to create 17 new districts in October**
- **Maharashtra becomes first state to draft law for internal security**
- **Chhattisgarh Assembly passes GST Bill, becomes fifth state to do so**

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- **President launches Kolkata Akashvani Kendra's Moitree Service in Bangla**
- **Azadi Sattar saal-Yaad Karo Kurbanani to conclude**
- **Mobile app for farmers**
- **Govt launches Accessible E-Library 'Sugamya Pustakalaya'**
- **Krishna Pushkaram river festival concludes with grand display of Pavitra Harati**
- **President of India inaugurates CII-IIEEST conference on "Enabling Make in India through Industry Academia Innovation Platform"**
- **Odisha cabinet approves startup policy**
- **Maharashtra becomes first state to sign an agreement with the Civil Aviation Ministry to develop 10 non-functional regional airports**
- **Suresh Prabhu commissions new rail line in AP**
- **MP Assembly ratifies GST Constitution Amendment Bill**
- **Haryana CM announces Sakshi malik as brand ambassador for Beti Bachao, Beti Padao campaign**
- **Meeting of BRICS ministers of Disaster Management concludes in Udaipur**
- **Centre to provide employment opportunities to 1.4 lakh youths in J&K**
- **Maharashtra, Telangana sign pact for 3 irrigation projects**
- **Cabinet approves draft bill on surrogacy**
- **Odishagovt holds investors' meet in Bengaluru**
- **MeghalyaDy CM & Health Minister resign from Council of Ministers**
- **Laptops worth Rs. 75 crore distributed to meritorious students in MP**
- **Union Minister Maneka Gandhi launches POCSO e-box**
- **PM to chair meeting of his Council of Ministers**
- **Nagaland Assembly ratifies constitution amendment bill on GST**
- **22nd edition of Delhi Book Fair begins**
- **Odisha attracts Rs 90,490 Cr investment at Bangalore investors' meet**
- **Nagaland Assembly ratifies GST bill**
- **Life-size statue of Mother Teresa unveiled**
- **Maharashtra Government unveils Mumbai-Nagpur Super Communication Expressway project**
- **Maharashtra to tie up with corporates to transform 1,000 villages**
- **Bombay High Court allows entry of women inside Hazi Ali Dargah.**
- **Himachal Health Minister launches 108 ambulance mobile app by the Health and Family Welfare Minister Kaul Singh Thakur**

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- **J&K CM Mehbooba Mufti presents three-point peace plan for Kashmir during her meeting with PM Narendra Modi**
- **Nalanda University, one of the India's oldest institutes, conducted its first convocation in nearly 800 years on August 27**
- **Drones were used to monitor vehicular traffic on Mumbai-Pune Expressway:**
- **Indian government was looking to engage Power Grid Corp (PGCIL) to electrify 1,000 km of rail tracks on pilot basis**
- **The Anti-Corruption Branch has sent a questionnaire to ex-Delhi CM Sheila Dikshit in connection with the alleged water tanker scam**
- **Education programme for disabled in Delhi govt schools**
- **Sachin presents India's Rio Olympics medallists BMWs to Sindhu, Sakshi, Dipa and Gopi**
- **Indian Govt to set Rs.1.5k cr fund for solar projects**
- **Due to several incidents of suicides and attempts to suicide, the Delhi Police is planning to conduct stress management classes for its top officers**
- **Ramdev plans world Class University near New Delhi, India in the next five years. The project would cost around Rs.25,000 crore**
- **The Tourism Ministers of BRICS countries will meet in Madhya Pradesh's temple city Khajuraho for a two-day long conference from September 1.**
- **The Social Justice Ministry is working on proposals to relax the annual income limit of 'creamy layer' OBCs to Rs.8 lakh against the present Rs.6 lakh limit, according to reports.**
- **India has been ranked 77th among the 171 countries in the 2016 World Risk Index (WRI).**
- **Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Mehbooba Mufti has launched the Centre's UJALA scheme in the state with the distribution of LED bulbs to the people.**
- **President Pranab Mukherjee to present national sports awards at Rashtrapati Bhawan- 4 Khel Ratnas awarded in a year for the first time.**
- **Union HRD Minister Prakash Javadekar has inaugurated IIT Dharwad (Karnataka), which had started functioning from August 1 with 120 students from a temporary structure.**

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- The NDA government is in the process of revising the minimum wages of millions of workers in several sectors, including agriculture, construction and mining.
- Telangana ratifies GST Bill
- 2nd US-India Strategic & Commercial Dialogue to be held in New Delhi
- Centre will soon launch an 'AsliTarakki (Real development)' campaign in the five cities of the National Capital Region to promote awareness about the need for sanitation.
- India's first military heritage website coloursofglory.org was launched by Glory Foundation.
- The Madhukar Gupta Committee on border protection has submitted its report to the Home Minister Rajnath Singh.
- Odisha government has launched a new cadre for urban local bodies called the Odisha Municipal Cadre.
- The urban development ministry has certified 10 towns - five each in Maharashtra and Telangana - as Open Defecation Free (ODF).
- PM Modi launches first phase of SAUNI project in Jamnagar, Gujarat; Stresses upon conservation of water
- Defence Ministry sanctioned construction of National War Memorial, War Museum in New Delhi
- Velankanni Basilica annual festival starts in Tamilnadu
- Govt panel clears 16 highway projects across 11 states
- Delhi: Najeeb Jung appoints 3-member committee to examine irregularities in files submitted by AAP Govt
- Majuli in Assam to become India's first island district on 8th September
- Gujarat becomes the first state to distribute 2 crore LED Bulbs under UJALA
- Haryana Assembly passes Sports Council Bill, CM ManoharLalKhattar will head the body
- The Health Minister launches "MeraAspataal / My Hospital" initiative
- Cabinet approves dissolution of Central Inland Water Transport Corporation Limited
- Cabinet approves creation of a Project Development Fund to catalyse Indian economic presence in Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar and Vietnam

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- Cabinet approves grant of Permanent Residency Status for Foreign Investors

INTERNATIONAL:

- International Organisation for Migration becomes part of UN
- Rare 3,000-year-old tree found in China
- Yuriko Koike elected Tokyo's first female governor
- Virgin Galactic gets its spaceship license
- 5 Central Asian countries receives \$15 million from US
- WEF India Economic Summit in Delhi on October 6-7
- Vietnam assures India support for UNSC high seat
- Austria's Chancellor calls on EU to end membership talks with Turkey
- Typhoon Nidha causes disruptions in China
- Japan approves new economic stimulus package
- 7th meeting of SAARC Immigration Authorities held in Islamabad
- India welcomes Morocco's initiative to re-join African Union
- Japan marks the 71st anniversary of US atomic bombing of Hiroshima
- Thousands rally in Moscow against Russia's new 'anti-terrorism' laws.
- Russia, Turkey agree to restore ties after diplomatic rift.
- India, US push for \$30 mn energy storage research initiative
- Libya pro government forces capture Islamic State headquarters in Sirte.
- UN to issue stamp to mark M S Subbulakshmi's birth centenary
- US declares state of emergency in Puerto Rico over Zika epidemic
- Sri Lanka, China sign tripartite pact to construct mega port city
- Chinese FM Wang Yi meets PM Modi amid strained ties over NSG bid
- 6.9k km gas pipelines to link B'desh, Myanmar, India
- Obama declares emergency for flooded Louisiana
- India extends \$ 1 million grant to Zimbabwe
- Global Innovation Index 2016: Switzerland, Sweden, UK, U.S., Finland, Singapore Lead; China Joins Top 25
- Russia rejects US allegations on Iranian military base issue
- Australia agrees to close controversial Papua New Guinea refugee detention centre

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- Typhoon Dianmu hits southern China
- China set to open world's highest and longest glass bridge
- India-Mauritius treaty: Now, quasi-equity likely to be taxed
- India, China Hold High Level Meeting On Economic Cooperation
- US, Ukraine urge end to soaring tensions with Russia
- Myanmar to support China's OBOR, BCIM initiatives
- World's highest glass skywalk opens in China
- UN calls for international support to address humanitarian crises
- PM Modi, President Ashraf Ghani jointly inaugurate renovated Stor Palace in Kabul
- New Nepal PM to visit India next month
- India, Germany sign pact on vocational training
- US announces 138 million dollar aid to South Sudan
- Two-day SAARC Finance Ministers' Conference begins in Islamabad
- India is 7th wealthiest country
- Dubai set to open world's largest indoor theme park
- U.S. Postal Service to issue Diwali stamp
- Egypt's President to visit India next month
- World Risk Index – 2016, India at 77th, Pakistan at 72nd and Bangladesh at 5th
- Pakistan to host 19th SAARC Summit on Nov. 9 & 10 this year
- World's first self-driving taxis debut in Singapore
- 6th Tokyo International Conference on African Development begins in Nairobi
- FB COO Sheryl Sandberg has been most powerful woman in tech for 5 yrs
- US President Barack Obama called on Congress to step up funding to combat the Zika virus
- British PM Theresa May to trigger EU pull-out 'without parliament vote'
- Tunisia's new govt wins parliamentary approval
- US President Barack Obama announced the expansion of an existing ocean reserve off Hawaii to cover 5,82,578 square miles, thus creating the world's largest protected marine reserve
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi held bilateral talks with Myanmar President Htin Kyaw, assuring him that 1.25 billion Indians will always stand by Myanmar as partners and friends.

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- India and the US are targeting to increase their bilateral trade to \$500 billion from the current \$100 billion annually, a PwC and Indo-American Chamber of Commerce report stated.
- North Korea warns US over 'deliberate provocations'.
- China launches state-owned aircraft engine maker.
- Turkish army kills 35 civilians in Syria.
- Russia lifts ban on charter flights to Turkey.
- China starts cargo train service to Russia.
- India-US sign military logistic agreement
- Pakistan's foreign debt and liabilities touched the highest ever figure of over Rs 74 trillion in the first month of the current financial year
- India and Myanmar sign four agreements
 1. The trilateral highway connecting India, Myanmar and Thailand.
 2. The Kalewa-Yargi section of the trilateral highway.
 3. Renewable energy,
 4. Cooperation in the field of traditional medicines
- Bangladesh SC rejects review petition against death sentence to Mir Quasem

APPOINTMENTS:

- Darren Lehmann handed two-year extension as Australia coach
- Justice DB Bhosale sworn-in as Chief Justice of Allahabad High Court
- Bhaskar Khulbe appointed Secretary to Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- Air Marshal Neelakantan takes charge of Southern Air command Dilip Rath takes over as Chairman NDDB
- Mondelez names Deepak Iyer MD of India business
- Prachanda elected as Nepal PM
- Nimesh Kampani steps down as MD of JM Financial
- Sudhanshu Mani appointed as new GM for ICF
- Youssef Chahed named Tunisia's new prime minister
- Nita Ambani first woman elected as member of IOC
- D K Gayen assumed charge of new GM of East Central Railway
- Vinod Rai steps down from IDFC Bank's board

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- CARE Ratings names Mokashi MD
- Anand Sinha to replace Vinod Rai on IDFC Bank board
- Sitaraman Shankar appointed Network18 Managing Editor
- KK Khurana appointed new head for BHEL Corporate R&D
- ACC has approved appointments of four G Ms as Executive Directors
- Max Hypermarkets India appoints Rajeev Krishnan as MD
- State Bank of India appoints Dinesh Kumar Khara as MD
- Google Ventures CEO Bill Maris quits: Recode
- ITC's Savlon engages SainaNehwal as its brand ambassador
- RS appoints 10 MPs to jt panel on Citizenship (Amendment) Bill
- Microsoft appoints SriramRajamani as MD of its India lab
- Pratap Bhanu Mehta resigns from NMML body
- ManjulaChellur named new Chief Justice of the Bombay High Court
- Modigovt appoints new governors for 3 states; NajmaHeptullah to be new Manipur Governor
- Shri Yogeshwar Sangwan appointed as India's new Ambassador to Georgia
- Najma Heptulla sworn in as Governor of Manipur
- Amul MD Sodhi appointed on board of India Post Payment Banks
- Deepika Padukone is now the face of Vistara!
- VP Singh Badnore takes oath as new Punjab Governor
- Prof. Jagdish Mukhi sworn in as the 12th Lt Governor of A & N Islands
- Ashok Chawla to take over as YES Bank non-executive chairman
- Banwarilal Purohit sworn in as Governor of Assam
- Manjula Chellur sworn in as Chief Justice of Bombay HC
- P D Gupta appointed VC of Homi Bhabha National Institute
- New ED at Corporation Bank
- Tata Sons appoints Bain Capital's MD, Amit Chandra as a non-executive director
- Usain Bolt was appointed as 'Chief Speed Officer' by Digicel.
- CRPF ropes in PV Sindhu as its brand ambassador
- State Bank of Travancore appoints new Chief GM Ashok Kumar Pradhan

BANKING NEWS:

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- **World Bank gives \$100 million for Sri Lanka's economic reforms**
- **EXIM Bank raises USD 1 billion from overseas bonds**
- **RBI Releases Guidelines for 'On-Tap' Bank Licence**
- **Bank of Baroda ties up with start-up Fisdom**
- **ICICI Bank reduces MCLR by 0.05%**
- **SBI starts certification for officers who sanction loans**
- **UIDAI RBI's final guidelines exclude large industrial groups from on-tap banking licence**
- **PSBs need Rs 2.5 lakh crore capital infusion over next 3 years, says S&P Global Ratings**
- **Canara HSBC OBC Life launches iINVESTSHIELD plan**
- **Indian Bank to raise Rs 1,000 cr via bonds**
- **RBI launches 'Sachet' portal to rein in illegal money deposits**
- **SBI to offer overdrafts, loans to 7 lakh Jan Dhan account-holders**
- **RBI imposes penalty on 2 Chhattisgarh cooperative banks**
- **Bank of England cuts interest rates for first time since 2009**
- **RBI constitutes a Committee on Household Finance**
- **SEBI proposes new framework for algo trading, co-location**
- **Syndicate Bank launches new products**
- **ICICI Bank aims facilitating 3 million transactions through e-toll plazas by March 2017**
- **HDFC Life, Max Life merger to create entity with Rs 65K cr valuation**
- **RaghuramRajan keeps interest rate unchanged at 6.5% in his last policy review**
- **Bank Of Maharashtra, United Bank of India Get New Chiefs**
- **RBI to inject Rs 10,000 cr through OMO for liquidity crunch on FCNR payout**
- **NABARD sanctions Rs 26.06 crore to Punjab**
- **Syndicate Bank launches Project Ananya aimed at digital banking**
- **Banks should identify key areas for certification of staff: RBI committee**
- **RBI transfers Rs 65,876 croresurplus to government**
- **Banks to start ITR e-verification without netbanking**
- **South Indian Bank, SBI Card to launch co-branded credit card**
- **RBI questions banks for lending Rs 5,262 crore to REI Agro**
- **Offline banking apps push inclusion**

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- IOB to conduct EGM to allot shares worth Rs 1,551 crore to Gol
- RBI imposes penalty on four cooperative banks
- BoI to tap retail investors for tier-I capital bonds
- HDFC Bank, Axis top global charts
- ICICI Bank unveils new 'smart keys' mobile app
- India Post Payments Bank set for 2017 start
- Federal Bank, MMTC tie up for distribution of Indian gold coins
- SBI approves merger with associates
- SBI to gain \$120 bn in assets from merger
- SBI merger with associates, BMB exempt from CCI approval
- Catholic Syrian Bank MD quits
- United Bank of India raises Rs 1,000 crore from bonds
- RBI asks banks to provide loans to women self-help groups in rural areas at 7% per annum
- HDFC to issue NCDs worth Rs 500 crore
- Karnataka Bank launches UPI app
- RBI asks banks to provide loans to women self-help groups in rural areas at 7% per annum
- Banks raise concern over RBI norms for big borrowers
- The Oriental Bank of Commerce to raise Rs.1k cr via Tier-1 bonds
- The State Bank of Travancore Employees Union urged the Centre not to go ahead with the merger of SBT and other associate banks with SBI, and asked RBI and SEBI to intervene.
- Doha Bank, one of the prominent banks in Qatar, is formally inaugurating its first branch in Kerala on August 27.
- Canara Bank launches Unified Payment Interface [UPI] App named 'empower', at its board of directors' conclave held at Bengaluru
- ICICI Bank launches Unified Payments Interface apps, more banks to follow shortly
- Kotak Bank gets nod for selling up to 10% to Canada pension fund

BUSINESS NEWS:

- IRB Infra bags Rs 2,100-crore Rajasthan-Gujarat NHAI project
- MobiKwik to power e-cash payments on 'Food on Track' app

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- First phase of Sebi's new enterprise portal goes live
- Freecharge inks partnership with PayUbiz
- ICICI Bank ties up with Apollo India to form ARC
- NHPC to raise Rs 4,500 cr after Subansiri project clearance
- Alphabet arm Verily to collaborate with GSK for bioelectronic medicines
- Novopay aims to disrupt payments in rural India with its assisted wallet
- Wipro Infrastructure to acquire Israel's H R Givon
- Country's infrastructure sector grows 5.2% in June
- BHEL commissions 500MW Marwa Thermal Power station in Chhattisgarh
- Last date of filing IT return extended upto 5th Aug
- Carnival Cinemas partners with Zicom to provide electronic security to moviegoers
- Amazon launches fulfilment centre for prime deliveries in Chennai
- CBDT signs Bilateral Advance Pricing Agreement (APA) with Japanese trading company
- Apple, IBM launch 'development hub' called MobileFirst in Bengaluru, India
- States issue bonds worth Rs 1.66 lakh cr under UDAY scheme
- NatcoPharma gets final approval for Tamiflu capsules in the US
- Govt sets inflation target at 4%
- Forex reserves hit all time high at \$365.49 billion
- S&P Global affirms 'BBB-' long-term rating on ICICI
- IRCTC signs MoU with Manipur govt to provide hospitality & tourism services
- Japan records biggest current account surplus in first half of this year since 2007
- Germany's ZF Friedrichshafen to set up technology centre in Hyderabad
- Minimum pension of retired central govt staff goes up by 157%
- Government's divestment kitty to higher by Rs 16,000 crore
- Deskera claims 1st GST compliant cloud-based enterprise software in India
- FDI in petroleum sector permitted across the Hydrocarbon value chain
- Reliance General enters 'bancassurance' deal with co-operative bank
- Vodafone renews IT deal with IBM for 5 years
- On-tap bank licencing 'credit positive' for NBFCs: Moody's
- AurobindoPharma receives final approval from US FDA for anti-infective drug

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- **NHAI Signs MOU with IIT- Kharagpur for Research Project on Paneled Cement Concrete Pavements for Highways**
- **Vodafone renews IT deal with IBM for 5 years**
- **Govt identifies 1.36 crore non-filers under NMS**
- **Robbers cut open roof of train coach, steal Rs 5.78 crore**
- **Tata Chemicals sells urea business to YaraFertilisers**
- **IRDAI slaps Rs 35 lakh fine on BhartiAxa General Insurance**
- **Gamesa bags contract for KCT Renewable's 40 MW wind energy project**
- **Flipkart Now On Kotak Mahindra Bank's Mobile Banking App**
- **Manipal Tech acquires fraud detection solution from Bengaluru company**
- **Cipla names Umang Vohra as MD & Global CEO**
- **Govt approves Rs 1,911-crore highway projects in six states**
- **RBI may not be able to meet inflation target: IMF paper**
- **Aditya Birla Health Insurance business receives final approval from IRDAI**
- **Centre may get Rs 23,944 crore from clean environment cess in FY17**
- **ONGC launches Rs 100-cr start-up fund**
- **Life insurers' new biz premiums up 4% to Rs 13,854 crore in July**
- **1st BIO-CNG project in India inaugurated in Pune**
- **BHEL bags Rs 169 cr order for solar photovoltaic power plant**
- **Minda forms JV with Chinese firm for auto components**
- **Maharashtra govt picks L&T to convert Nagpur into smart city**
- **Tata AutoComp to acquire engine cooling company TitanX**
- **Tata Power Solar commissions 100 MW project for NTPC**
- **Consortium of eight banks sanction 6750 Crore Loan for Mission Bhagiratha**
- **Huawei to start mobile manufacturing in India**
- **Individual bankers should take onus for loan sanctions: RBI Governor**
- **India inks deal to route petroleum products through Bangladesh**
- **Forex reserve at record high of USD 365.82 billion**
- **AskMe shuts down, 4,000 jobs lost**
- **India jumps 15 spots to become 2nd most innovative middle income economy in world**
- **Uber launches two new features to make ride-hailing easier**
- **BSNL, Microsoft sign MoU to offer IT solutions**
- **Indian Railways partners with Google to showcase heritage assets**

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- **NLC Ltd to add 6,820 Mw of power at cost of Rs 27,740 crore**
- **Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust to sign agreement with bankers for External Commercial Borrowing**
- **Transactions over Rs 3 lakh to be illegal as government turns heat on cash stashers**
- **Microsoft buys artificial intelligence startup Genee**
- **India's GDP to expand by 7.9% this fiscal: Goldman**
- **Centre sets up panel to suggest steps to promote card payments**
- **Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) invested Rs. Rs.8,127 crore in equities in Aug so far**
- **EPFO investments in ETFs to be raised beyond 5%: Said Union Labour Minister Bandaru Dattatreya**
- **7 of top 10 companies lose Rs. 29,907 cr in market capitalisation (m-cap)**
- **The US said that bilateral trade with India has reached \$109 billion in 2015, against \$37 billion in 2005**
- **US-based Financial services major, Goldman Sachs has marginally revised upwards its India CPI inflation forecast from 5.3% to 5.5%**
- **Japanese automaker Toyota is the most valuable automobile brand in the world, according to Forbes**
- **Airtel launches one-stop-shop connectivity solution**
- **Big Bazaar's e-commerce platform to shut down.**
- **Tata launches research alliance with global institutes.**
- **Bharti Airtel cuts 3G and 4G prices by up to 80%.**
- **LIC to fill posts for 2 MDs, yet to name chairman.**
- **Morgan Stanley sees 40 million users of Reliance Jio next fiscal.**
- **CBDT signs 20 Unilateral Advance Pricing Agreements with Indian taxpayers**
- **Amazon launches online Telugu book store**
- **RBI Forecasts 7.6 percent GDP growth for this fiscal**
- **'GST rate above 18% could stoke inflation'**
- **NABARD sanctions Rs 204.67 cr for Haryana**
- **Goa government signs memorandum with Google India**
- **NPCI launches Bharat Bill Payment System pilot project**

BILL AND ACTS:

- **GST: A high standard rate would impact prices and hamper acceptance:**
- **President Pranab Mukherjee re-promulgated an Ordinance to amend the Enemy Property Act (Eviction of Unauthorised Occuants Act of 1971 pending ratification by Council of States (Rajya Sabha).**
- **Maharashtra legislature to ratify GST Constitution Amendment Bill.**

AWARDS AND HONORS:

- **Nayeemuddin conferred Mohun Bagan Ratna**
- **Artist Anita Gopalan gets PEN/Heim grant**
- **Shubha Mudgal to get Rajiv Gandhi National Sadbhavana Award**
- **Singer Shubha to Get RG Sadbhavana Award**
- **Honoured to be paying tribute to MS Subbulakshmi at UN on Independence Day**
- **AzimPremji, Shiv Nadar in 'Forbes' list of 100 richest tech tycoons**
- **Sonam, Nawazuddin win top awards at IFF Melbourne**
- **CLRI scientist bags A P J Abdul Kalam award**
- **A R Rahman honoured with Tamil Ratna Award**
- **U.P. to confer Rani Laxmi Bai award on Sakshi Malik**
- **Hindi author Sunita Jain conferred Vyas Samman award**
- **Indian-American inducted in Texas Women's Hall of Fame**
- **BEL head bags top award**
- **Pt Shiv Kumar Sharma to get lifetime achievement award**
- **Steve Jobs enters Int'l Photography Hall of Fame**
- **Kamal Haasan to get prestigious French honour**
- **National Sports Awards announced**
- **Olympic Order for IOA chief Ramachandran**
- **2 Indian-American women named White House fellows**
- **China's unmanned submersible sets new national record**
- **First Tibetan-language search engine launched in China**
- **FSS launches new authentication platform 'FSS Access Control Server' for online transactions**

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- Dhyan Chand Lifetime Achievement Award will be conferred with the Jharkhand Durgam
- Cristiano Ronaldo crowned UEFA Best Player in Europe
- Padma Sachdev gets Saraswati Samman for year 2015

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY:

- ISRO all set to launch IIT-B's satellite 'Pratham' from Sriharikota space centre in September
- China successfully launches first satellite for mobile telecommunication
- Iran executes nuclear scientist who returned to country from US
- Over 1,000 dancing robots set Guinness world record
- Orkut creator launches new social network called Hello
- China launches satellite to get accurate images of earth
- Accenture, LinkedIn to organise 'Hackfest 2016'
- NASA Picks 6 Companies to Design Deep-Space Habitats
- SpaceX successfully completes 4th sea-landing
- China to launch first quantum hack-proof satellite
- New sensor developed to detect heart attacks in just a minute
- ALMA Images the Planetesimal Belt around HR8799
- Hubble Discovers Two Dwarf Galaxies Moving into the Milky Way
- China Launches Pioneering 'Hack-Proof' Quantum-Communications Satellite
- BARC develops portable kit for detection of Chromium contamination of water
- Airlander 10: World's largest aircraft embarks on its maiden flight
- 'India's Internet Users To Grow Over 2-Fold To 730 Million By 2020'
- Chinese scientists discover molecule to repair organs
- MEA launches app integrating various social media handles
- Scientists develop new laser from jellyfish proteins
- For the first time scientists predict brain activity patterns
- New species of eel found in Bay of Bengal
- CTTC-Bhubaneswar signs agreement with ISRO

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- NASA's Kepler discovers first Earth-size Planet in the 'Habitable Zone' of another star
- Rare Deep-Earth Tremor Detected for First Time by Japanese Scientists
- The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) successfully tested its Scramjet (Supersonic Combusting Ramjet) engine from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota
- Juno probe makes close pass of Jupiter
- A 16-year-old Indian-origin boy, Krtin Nithiyanandam in the UK claims to have found a treatment to the most deadly form of breast cancer
- NASA ends year long Mars simulation on Hawaii.
- Indian startup to launch smartphone at Rs.501.
- Cabinet apprised of MoU between CERT-In India and CERT-UK

SPORTS NEWS:

- Lewis Hamilton wins to increase title lead as Nico Rosberg pays penalty
- Halep beats Keys in Rogers Cup Women's singles final
- Novak Djokovic beats Kei Nishikori to win Rogers Cup in Toronto
- Dominating Patna Pirates retain Pro Kabaddi crown by thrashing Jaipur, Storm Queens win women's challenge
- India to host Kabaddi World Cup in October
- Swiss tennis star Wawrinka drops out of Rio Olympics
- United World Wrestling clears Narsingh Yadav's name to participate in Rio Olympic
- 'Wall of Wishes' inaugurated to celebrate Olympic mood
- Olympic Games to formally kick off on August 6
- Jamaica Test: Roston Chase's century help West Indies play draw against India
- IOC approves five new sports for Olympic Games Tokyo 2020
- IBJA announces awards for Indian medal winners at Rio 2016 Olympics
- IOC approves 271 Russian athletes to compete in Rio Games
- 6-year-old Bengaluru boy enters Guinness Record
- France will not host European Road Cycling Championships

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- IOA announces cash award of 50 lakh rupees for gold medal winning athlete in Rio Olympics
- Olympics 2016 opens with a glittering ceremony in Rio De Janerio, with the theme Peace and Environment
- Dipa Karmakar vaults into history, becomes first Indian to enter apparatus finals at an Olympics
- Lodha panel rejects BCCI request of deferring key meeting
- Michael Phelps clinches 19th Olympic gold medal in Rio Olympics
- Abhijeet Gupta wins Commonwealth Chess Championship
- American swimmer Ledecky wins gold creating a new world record
- Rafaela Silva earns Brazil's first gold medal by winning judo division
- SaniaMirza-Martina Hingis split due to poor results
- Rio 2016: Archers DeepikaKumari, Bombayla Devi & boxer Manoj Kumar enter pre quarterfinals; Shooters disappoint again
- Australian women's team claim first Rugby Sevens Olympic gold medal
- Rio Olympics: Michael Phelps wins 22nd Olympic gold in 200 individual medley
- Rio Olympics India
- In Rio Olympics, Sania Mirza and Rohan Bopanna just one win away from a medal in the Mixed Doubles Tennis
- Dipika Pallikal wins PSA Australian Open
- China's Ma Long becomes fifth male Grand Slam winner at Rio Olympics
- Messi says he will again play for Argentina
- Denmark wins 1st Olympic swimming gold in 68 yrs
- United States wins 1,000th Olympic gold medal
- India win third test against West Indies by 237 runs
- Rio Olympics: Dipa Karmakar to figure in final of vault event; Sania Mirza-Rohan Bopanna to play for bronze
- Indian gymnast Dipa finishes 4th in vault finals
- SrikanthKidambi enters last 16 in men's singles
- PV Sindhu advances to last 16 in women's singles
- Murray 1st to retain Olympic tennis singles gold
- Jamaica's Usain Bolt wins 100 meters Final, retains title of "Fastest Man Alive"
- ICC Test Ranking: Ajinkya Rahane enters top-10 in batsman's list

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- Wlodarczyk shatters world record for hammer gold
- Eleftherios Petrounias flexes his muscles to win rings gold
- Rio 2016: Shuttlers PV Sindhu & Kidambi Srikanth storm into Singles quarterfinals
- Rio 2016: shuttler PV Sidhu enter Women's single semifinals; beat world no. 2 Yihan Wang
- Sri Lanka beat Australia in third Test; clinch series whitewash
- Argentina & Belgium reach Olympic Games hockey final
- European Olympic official arrested over illegal Rio tickets sales
- Sakshi Malik Gets first medal for India in Rio
- Rio Olympics: PV Sindhu enters badminton final, assured a medal
- Ashwin Retain Second Spot in ICC Ranking
- Rio Olympics 2016: Usain Bolt wins 200m gold, his eighth Olympic gold
- Sakshi Malik to receive rewards worth Rs 3.5 crore
- Court of Arbitration for Sport suspends wrestler Narsingh Yadav for four years
- Sindhu first Indian woman to win Olympic silver
- GB wins its 1st ever women's Olympic hockey gold
- Usain Bolt wins gold in 4x100 relay; Bids farewell completing triple treble in Rio Olympics
- Medal brings Sindhu a windfall
- Brazil defeats Germany, wins first Olympic soccer gold
- India's hope for another medal pinned on Yogeshwar Dutt
- Sakshi Malik to be Indian flagbearer at closing ceremony at Rio
- Rio Olympics Comes to a Colourful End
- SaniaMirza moves alone at top of WTA doubles rankings
- Gujarat to host 2016 Kabaddi World Cup
- Sindhu, Sakshi, Dipa, Jitu Rai to get Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award
- Men's team slips one place in FIH rankings
- Vikash Anand wins premier title in National Racing
- Rio Paralympics 2016: Russia banned after losing appeal
- BCCI submits 1st Compliance Report to Lodha Panel panel
- Sri Lanka's Tillakaratne Dilshan retires from ODIs
- Abhinav Bindra to head NRAI review committee on Rio debacle

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- **Badminton Rankings: Saina Nehwal drops 4 places to be 9th; PV Sindhu remains at 10th position**
- **Indian Super League season 3 to begin from October 1**
- **England take 2-0 lead in 5-ODI series against Pak**
- **Indian tennis player Sania Mirza won her seventh title of the year and 39th title overall after clinching her career's third Connecticut**
- **Western Railway wins all India railway athletic championship**
- **Arhan Bagati, a 16-year-old from Gurgaon, has developed a mobile app to assist the Indian contingent of 18 athletes in the 2016 Summer Paralympics in Rio de Janeiro, to be held from September 7-18**
- **India lose 1st T20I against West Indies by 1 run**
- **Rain ruins Final T-20 international between India, West Indies.**
- **Former hockey players protest, demands Bharat Ratna for Major Dhyan Chand.**
- **Western Railway won the overall team championship in the 82nd All India Railway athletic Championship held at Tiruchirapalli Tamil Nadu**
- **NicoRosberg of Mercedes on 28 August 2016 won the 2016 Belgian Grand Prix of Formula One.**
- **Wrestler YogeshwarDutt's London Olympics bronze medal upgraded to silver**
- **Bhutan set to host Asian Tennis Tour**
- **100-Year-Old Runner From India Gets Gold Medal**
- **England beat Pakistan in 3rd one-day after scoring record 444, Highest-ever team total in one-day international**

OBITUARY:

- **Indian American linguist, Professor Braj B. Kachru passed away**
- **Nobel Prize-winning Egyptian chemist Ahmed Zewail passed away**
- **Assamese Litterateur Mahim Bora dead**
- **Yoga guru TKV Desikachar passed away**
- **Former Arunachal CM KalikhoPul found dead**
- **Veteran writer-producer Panchu Arunachalam passed away**
- **Former Odisha chief secretary passed away**
- **'Star Wars' actor Kenny Baker passed away at 81**

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- **Spiritual guru, Akshardham founder Pramukh Swami passed away**
- **Lyricist Na Muthukumar passed away**
- **Eminent Punjabi writer, Jnanpith awardee Gurdial Singh passed away at 83**
- **Former FIFA President Joao Havelange dies at age 100**
- **Actor-director Gobind Tej passed away**
- **Former umpire Subrata Banerjee passed away at the age of 71**
- **Former Singapore President dead at 92**
- **Anti-Putin Russian journalist Alexander Shchetinin found dead on his birthday.**
- **Veteran painter Dinanath Pathy passed away**