

# National

## **Goa Indian Institute of Technology's temporary Campus inaugurated**

- temporary campus is set to function from temporary campus at Goa Engineering College Farmagudi and will be mentored by **IIT Mumbai**
  - Proposed IIT to be established at Loliem located about 88 km from Goa capital Panaji in south.
  - 300 acre campus is expected to come up in a couple of years.
  - temporary campus at GEC is fully equipped with class rooms, laboratories and modern hostel buildings.
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## **India to host international summit on tobacco-control**

- India will host a crucial **global summit 7th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP7)** to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (WHO-FCTC) in **November 2016**.
  - Summit aimed to eliminate the illicit trade of tobacco products in which delegates from **180 countries** will take part at the Indian Exposition Mart in **Noida**.
  - India also urged generating awareness on harmful effects of tobacco use.
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## **'Run For Rio' in Delhi**

- Over 20,000 schoolchildren took part in the event from Major Dhyani Chand National Stadium till Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium.
  - Run aiming to demonstrate to the athletes that the country is proud Rio and to connect public at large, particularly among Children and youth, with the Olympic spirit **and power of sports**
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## **'Make in India' conference in Bhubaneswar**

- to attract the investors to invest in the State.
  - Initiative Make in India is to attract investments in various Industrial sector to boost the economy.
  - India received **US\$63 billion** in FDI last year
  - main aim of this program is to focus on job creation and skill enhancement in 25 sectors of the economy.
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## **maiden broad gauge train service from Agartala to Delhi**

- new Broad gauge train named Tripura Sundari Express' will ply weekly between Agartala and New Delhi
  - will halt at **16 stations** and cover a distance of **2461 kms in 46 hours and 50 minutes**.
  - IRCTC would be advised to bring new tourist packages for North East & Bangladesh for wider connectivity of the region.
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## **Madhubabu Pension Scheme extended to 50 lakh beneficiaries**

- **'Madhubabu Pension Scheme'** is going to be extended to **three lakh more beneficiaries** from August 15.

- this scheme covers **50 lakh beneficiaries** marking a strategic mark in building the social security of the normal people of Odisha.
  - eligible people below poverty line (BPL) category would be covered under this Madhu Babu Pension Yojana. Under the old-age pension scheme, a person receives Rs **300** per month after attaining 60 years.
  - Beneficiaries beyond the age of 80 receive **Rs 500 per month**.
  - state government provides Rs 100 under the scheme, the remaining amount is provided by the Centre.
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## International

### India ranks first in the Global Stunted Growth Children List

- **India became the destination of largest number of stunted – malnutrition children** in world in terms of volume of the living population
- India ranks at **first position** followed by Nigeria, Pakistan and China.

RANK	COUNTRY	STUNTED CHILDREN POPULATION in million
1	India	48
2	Nigeria	10.3
3	Pakistan	9.8
4	Indonesia	8.7
5	China	8

### Joint Indo-Thailand Military Exercise 'Maitree' culminates

- Two Week long **Indo-Thailand Military Exercise Maitree–2016** is came to end at Krabi, **Thailand**
  - The exercise had commenced on **15 July 2016**.
  - Royal Thailand Army hosted the Exercise along with Indian Army where **90 Soldiers** from India took part.
  - There was extensive training to expand **inter- operability** between the sides that covers various areas
  - **Familiarization with weapons & equipment used by both the sides**
  - Analyzing groupings, Drills and tactics while operating in counter terrorism environment
  - Modalities for conduct of Area Domination operations in urban environment.
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## Business and Economy

### Hetero Healthcare to set up units in three states

- Hyderabad based **Hetero Healthcare** has announced that the company will set up three units in **Andhra Pradesh, Sikkim and Telangana** to expand the business.
  - proposed units will come up in the coming months that will manufacture injectables at the Andhra unit and tablets and capsules in **Guwahati** units.
  - The Pharmaceutical major company has **25 plants** in India and has global marketing presence in over 100 countries. The company was founded in 1993.
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## People in News

### Tokyo gets its first Woman Governor – Yuriko Koike

- Japanese people elected **Yuriko Koike** as the **first woman governor** of Tokyo on **July 31**.
  - she is a former defense minister of Japan.
  - appointment will play a key in the preparations of the **Olympics 2020** which is going to be held in Tokyo.
  - Ms Koike received more than **2.9 million votes** in election, which led to the defeat of her opponents by a wide margin.
  - The election which was contested by a record field of **21 candidates**.
  - She will take charge of a sprawling Tokyo with a population of **more than 13 million**.
  - former governor **Yoichi Masuzoe**, resigned in June after an exorbitant, though not illegal, spending of taxpayers' money, including for hotel suites and expensive artwork.
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### Justice Dilip Babasaheb Bhosale sworn in as new CJ of Allahabad HC

- Justice Bhosale belongs to a family of freedom fighters and his father **Babasaheb Bhosale** had served as Chief Minister of Maharashtra.
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### Vishvas Vidu Sapkal concurrently accredited as the High Commissioner of India to the Cook Islands

- a 1998 batch IFS Officer presently High Commissioner of India to the Republic of Fiji,
  - The Cook Islands, the South Pacific archipelago nation, lies southwest of Tahiti.
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### B N Reddy concurrently accredited as the High Commissioner of India to the Republic of Cameroon

- Current High Commissioner of India to the Federal Republic of **Nigeria B N Reddy** has appointed as the High Commissioner of India to the Republic of **Cameroon**.
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### Rani Nair set to be new CBDT Chairperson

- Rani Singh Nair** has appointed as the new **CBDT Chairperson** with incumbent Atulesh Jindal who retired on July 31<sup>st</sup> 2016
- Nair will be in office till **October 31** during which she will be looking to achieve maximum success under the one-time domestic black money disclosure scheme being run by the government also called the **Income Declaration Scheme (IDS)**.

- Nair has been instrumental in framing the procedures and protocols that led to the roll-out of the IDS on June 1 this year.

### **Ashok Leyland non-exec vice chairman R Seshasayee resigns**

- He was the President of Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (**SIAM**) till September 2003,
- He was also the **Chairman of the International Trade Committee** in SIAM.
- He has even served as a director in **ICICI Bank, EID Parry India, and Sundaram Asset Management.**

## **Awards**

### **Sikkim's Khangchendzonga National Park Now In UNESCO 'Heritage' List**

- Sikkim's **Khangchendzonga National Park** has been announced as the India's first "mixed world heritage site by **UNESCO**
- With this the list of UNESCO heritage sites in **India moves 35** as of date.
- Mountains Park site has been given this recognition for outstanding universal values both in terms of its natural and cultural significance.
- park is at an altitude of **8,586 meters** and is third highest mountain of the world and is the highest in the country is a home animals such as red panda, snow leopard, great Tibetan sheep and musk deer.
- The Park is in eastern Himalaya was set up in 850 sq km area in 1977 and was later extended to 1,784 sq km

## **Science and Technology**

### **World's lightest electric paraglider trike developed**

- **National University of Singapore** Scientist have designed and built the worlds **lightest electric paraglider trike**, that can take off and land with wheels.
- It operates on battery also can reach **6 Km.**
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- is capable of carrying one person up to **75kg** in its current prototype
- can fly up to a **speed of 36 km per hour** under normal wind conditions, and for a typical flight time of 10 minutes on fully-charged batteries. This allows it to cover up to a distance of 6 km.
- aircraft was specially made for the National Geographic Channels new series Machine Impossible.

## Sports

### India To Host Kabaddi World Cup In October

- International Kabaddi Federation (IKF) announced that India will host the **Kabaddi World Cup** this year, featuring 12 countries.
  - **Kabaddi World Cup-2016** will have participation from USA, Canada, UK, Australia, Iran, Poland, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Korea, Japan and Kenya apart from the hosts.
  - game became included in Asian Games in the year **1990** since then India have won all the gold medals.
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### Luke Aikins created a new record by diving from 25, 000 feet without parachute

- Luke Aikins became the first skydiver to leapt into the sky from an **airplane at 25,000** in a operation named **Heaven Sent**, without any parachute or wingsuit and landed safely on the ground in a net
  - He leapt in free fall using only the air currents around him to land safely on a high-tech 10,000-square-foot net.
  - He prepared him to jump out of a plane at 25,000ft and him **successfully done with this unusual record by landing in a Californian desert.**
  - Out of the three skydivers who tried this diving, only Aikins accomplished this **without any aid to glide in the air.**
  - He practiced this stunt for about two years and made this historical adventurous event successful.
  - Aikins is an ace skydiver who holds the record of **18,000 parachute jumps** across the globe.
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