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National Affairs

Nine new cities were named under **Smart Cities Mission** by the Government.

Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan (PMSMA) has crossed **1 crore** mark.

First Block Chain Academy to be set up in Kerala at IIITM-Kerala along with Block Chain Education Network.

Learn in Exam Point of View
IIITM-K - Indian Institute of Information Technology and Management, Kerala;
Chairman - Madhavan Nambiar

International Affairs

India has become the 43rd member of **the Australia Group**.

World's largest **underwater cave** was found in Mexico.

Learn in Exam Point of View
MEXICO - Capital - Mexico City; Currency - Mexican peso; *President* - Enrique Peña Nieto

States

Odisha

Government to complete **disaster alert project** by March, 2018.

Awards & Honors

Award	Recipient	Notes (Imp. points)
1. UNWTO Innovation in Tourism Enterprise Award	Mangalajodi Eco Tourism Trust	
UNWTO - United Nation's World Tourism Organization; <i>H.Q.</i> - Madrid; <i>Head</i> - Zurab Pololikashvili		

Appointments

Appointee/ Person	Position
1. Kenneth Chenault	First African American Board Member of Facebook

Important Days

Day	Celebrated on	NOTES/ THEME-2017
13th Raising Day of National Disaster Response Force	19th January	
NDRF - National Disaster Response Force; <i>H.Q.</i> - New Delhi; <i>Director</i> - Sanjay Kumar.		

MOUs/ Agreements

Signed Between	Purpose
1. AU Small Finance Bank & LIC	To offer Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana.
AU Small Finance Bank - MD & CEO - Sanjay Agarwal	

Business, Economy & Finance

Business app for Small & Medium Sized Enterprises has been launched by Whatsapp.

Science & Technology

INS Vikramaditya was formally affiliated to Indian Army's Bihar Regiment.

Sports

India has secured **102nd Rank** in recent **FIFA rankings**.

Obituary

Chandi Lahiri

Iconic Cartoonist.

Jo Jo White

Basketball player.

Peter Wyngrade

Britain actor.

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