2018 Republic Day parade: Maharashtra wins best tableau prize
January 29, 2018
Union Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman gave away Republic Day Parade 2018 best tableau award to Maharashtra and best marching contingent award to Punjab Regiment Contingent. The ceremonial Republic Day Parade was held on 26 January 2018 at Rajpath to celebrate 69th Republic Day. It was presided over by President Ram Nath Kovind and 10 leaders of Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) were guests of honour. India’s military might was fully displayed during the annual celebrations. Total of 33 tableaux (14 from States & Union Territories, 2 from Ministry of External Affairs and rest of the tableaux from other Ministries/Departments) participated in this year’s Republic Day Parade. Various schools also participated.

Kolkata becomes first Indian metro to get floating market
January 27, 2018
Kolkata, capital of West Bengal became first metro city in India to get floating market. It was inaugurated by West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee. The floating market is located on lake at Patuli in South Kolkata which is 400 metres long and 60 metres wide. The lake has been transformed into the floating market similar to the one in Thailand.

India, Lao PDR sign civil aviation cooperation agreement
January 28, 2018
India and Lao PDR have signed civil aviation cooperation agreement for providing SkyRev360, a comprehensive e-data gathering, invoicing and collection system.

Bharat Ke Veer anthem launched in New Delhi
January 22, 2018
The Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has launched official anthem for “Bharat Ke Veer” sung and composed by singer Kaalish Kher. Bharat Ke Veer is an initiative with corpus fund to help the families of paramilitary troopers killed in the line of duty. Indian Army

Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan was presided over by Union Minister of State for Water Resources Arjun Ram Meghwal.

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Let's Remember Real Heroes
Living a very comfortable life, we often forget that this life doesn't come to us for free. There are some men in uniform giving their sweat and blood 24x7 for us to live that way. For their supreme acts of bravery, cold courage and devotion to duty, they were also decorated with the Param Vir Chakra, the highest Indian gallantry award.

Lance Naik Albert Ekka
Albert Ekka was snake-crawling in a swampy ground in spite of bullet injuries on his neck and arm. He had taken these hits while destroying several enemy bunkers on the Eastern front of Gangasagar. His next target was silencing a Medium Machine Gun (MMG) firing coming from the second storey of a railway signal building which was guarded by two enemy soldiers. Upon reaching the MMG post, he lobbed a grenade inside and killed one before climbing his way up to confront the next, still on the gun point. Not giving even an iota of dam to his injuries, he bayoneted the second one and secured the hard-won lead of the Indian Army.

Captain Gurbachan Singh Salaria
When a civil war-like situation developed in Congo after the Belgians quit the country, the United Nations decided to opt for military intervention to retrieve the situation in which India contributed by sending an army of around 3000 men to the UN Force. Captain Gurbachan Singh Salaria, who was commissioned in the 1 Gorkha Rifles in June 1957, prevented the enemy from going to the roundabout, saving the UN Headquarters in Elisabethville from encirclement. He was posthumously awarded the Param Vir Chakra.

Ministry of Road Transport & Highways inks MoU with IL&FS for construction of Zojila tunnel
January 26, 2018
The Union Ministry of Road Transport & Highways has inked MoU with IL&FS Transportation Networks Ltd for construction of the 14.150 km long, 2-lane bi-directional Zojila Tunnel in Jammu & Kashmir. This would be India’s longest road tunnel and longest bi-directional tunnel in Asia. On completion, the tunnel will provide all weather connectivity between Srinagar, Kargil and Leh.

Acid attack victims to get quota in Central Government jobs
January 29, 2018
The Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) has issued notification to provide quota to people with autism, mental illnesses, intellectual disability and victims of acid attacks in Central government jobs.

Bharat Parv to be held at Red Fort on Republic Day
January 24, 2018
Cultural extravaganza Bharat Parv will be held at the Red Fort in Delhi as part of the Republic Day celebrations. The prime objective of the event is to promote rich cultural diversity of country, generate a patriotic mood and to ensure wider participation of general public.

First International Dam Safety Conference held in Thiruvananthapuram
January 23, 2018
The first International Dam Safety Conference-2018 was held in Kovalam, Thiruvananthapuram (Kerala) from January 23-24, 2018. It was inaugurated by

Mumbai's Matunga Railway Station enters Limca Book of Records
January 11, 2018
Mumbai's Matunga Railway Station on Central Railway (CR) has entered the Limca Book of Records as first all-women station in India. The station has total staff of 41 women. The unique initiative to employ all woman staff was undertaken by CR General Manager DK Sharma in July 2017 with aim of empowering women. It also aims to create an environment for women where they can make all decisions themselves, for their personal and professional well-being, organisation good not withstanding.

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