

CURRENT AFFAIRS



CAC – 16th & 17th July 2017:

STATE:

Matunga railway station in Mumbai becomes India's first railway station run by women

Central Railway has taken a step towards women empowerment by appointing an all-female work staff at the suburban Matunga station, Mumbai. Matunga station has now become the first such ladies special station. According to the official, women have been manning this station, which falls on the Central Railway, since the past two weeks. A total of 30 women staffers, including 11 booking clerks, five RPF personnel, seven ticket checkers are working under the supervision of station manager Mamta Kulkarni since last two weeks.

Pro Tip:

Central Railway Headquarters –Mumbai CST

State – Maharashtra

Capital – Mumbai

CM –Devendra Fadnavis

Governor –Vidhyasagar Rao

BANKING & ECONOMY

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The government has launched a GST training programme to skill around two lakh youths in six months to handle tax compliance issues like invoice making. The people would be trained under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY). The new training course would cater to the need of GST trained professionals to help businesses in areas such as registration and calculation of tax liability under the new tax regime.

Pro Tip:

Union Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (Independent Charge) -
Rajiv Pratap Rudy

Constituency –Saran, Bihar

Chairman of GST – Arun Jaitley

AWARDS

Patanjali Ayurved has been featured among the Top 10 most influential brands in India

Baba Ramdev-led Patanjali Ayurved has been featured among the Top 10 most influential brands in India along with Mukesh Ambani-led Reliance Jio, according to research firm Ipsos. Google has been ranked at the top, while Microsoft and Facebook are ranked second and third, respectively. The State Bank of India (SBI), the only financial institution on the list, moved up four ranks to the fifth position.

Pro Tip:

Ipsos - Ipsos Group S.A. is a global market research and a consulting firm
HQ –Paris, France
CEO - Didier Truchot

San Miguel de Allende in Mexico has been named the World's Best City

San Miguel de Allende in Mexico has been named the World's Best City in a survey by Travel and Leisure magazine. India's Udaipur has been ranked 14th in the list.

Top 5 in the List:

- San Miguel de Allende (Mexico)
- Charleston (US)
- Chiang Mai (Thailand)
- Kyoto (Japan)
- Florence (Italy)

APPOINTMENT

Justice Gopal Prasad Parajuli will be the new Chief Justice of Nepal

Justice Gopal Prasad Parajuli will be the new Chief Justice of Nepal. The Parliamentary Hearing Special Committee (PHSC) unanimously endorsed Justice Parajuli's name for the post of Chief Justice of Supreme Court. After endorsement by PHSC the President will now appoint him as the Chief Justice. He will head the judiciary till April 28, 2018. Justice Parajuli is the senior most judge of the Supreme Court and officiating as acting Chief Justice after the retirement of Chief Justice SushilaKarki.

Pro Tip:

New Chief Justice of Nepal - Gopal Prasad Parajuli
Preceded by – SushilaKarki
Country – Nepal
Capital –Kathmandu
Currency –Nepalese Rupee
President – Bidhya Devi Bhandari
PM – SherBahadurDeuba

Shri R K Pachnanda takes charge as Director General, ITBP

Shri R K Pachnanda, an IPS officer, took charge as the new Director General of Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP), recently. Shri Krishna Chaudhary, DG who retired on superannuation, handed over the customary baton to ShriPachnanda. ShriPachnanda is the 29th Chief of the ITBP.

Pro Tip

New DG-ITBP – Shri R K Pachnanda
Preceded by - Shri Krishna Chaudhary
ITBP Headquarter – New Delhi

Tibet is a region in China

Country – Tibet

Capital – Lhasa

Currency – Renminbi

SPORTS

Roger Federer won a record eighth Wimbledon title

Roger Federer won a record eighth Wimbledon title and became the tournament's oldest champion with a straight-sets victory over Marin Cilic. Federer claimed his 19th Grand Slam title beating Cilic 6-3, 6-1, 6-4. The 36-year old Federer is also Wimbledon's oldest men's winner of the modern era, succeeding Arthur Ashe, who was almost 32 when he won in 1976. This was his 11th Wimbledon final and 29th title at the majors. With this victory, Federer also became the first player since Bjorn Borg in 1976 to win Wimbledon without dropping a set in the entire tournament.

Pro Tip:

Roger Federer – Switzerland

Wimbledon - The Championships, Wimbledon, commonly known simply as Wimbledon, is the oldest tennis tournament in the world, and is widely regarded as the most prestigious.

Founded – 1877

Harinder Pal Sandhu wins Victorian Open squash tournament held at Melbourne, Australia

India's Harinder Pal Sandhu has won the second title in two weeks, beating top-seed Rex Hedrick of Australia in a 77-minute final of Victorian Open squash, a PSA Tour event, in Melbourne, Australia. Third-seeded Sandhu had recently won the South Australian Open. In the Women's PSA W10 final, Hong Kong's Tsz-Ling showed every bit of her undoubted class in a straight games victory over fourth seed, Amanda Landers-Murphy.

Pro Tip:

Country – Australia

Capital – Canberra

Currency – Australian Dollar

PM - Malcolm Turnbull

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Mercedes' Lewis Hamilton won the British Grand Prix for the fifth time – matching the record of Jim Clark and Alain Prost to cut Sebastian Vettel's championship lead to just a single point. They allowed Valtteri Bottas to grab second from Kimi Raikkonen to secure a Mercedes one-two, as Vettel trailed home seventh.

Pro Tip:

Lewis Hamilton – British Formula 1 Driver
He Drives for Mercedes

Garbine Muguruza of Spain won Wimbledon 2017

Garbine Muguruza of Spain came out with the spectacular performance as she defeated seven-time Grand Slam Champion Venus Williams in straight sets to clinch her maiden Wimbledon title. The 14th-seeded Spaniard defeated Williams 7-5, 6-0 in what eventually turned out to be a one-sided contest lasting one hour and 23 minutes on the Centre court.

Pro Tip:

Winner - Garbine Muguruza (Spain)
Runner – Venus Williams (USA)

