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STATE

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Pro Tip:

State – Odisha

Capital – Bhubaneswar

CM – Naveen Patnaik

Governor – S C Jamir

The new flag for Karnataka state has been designed

Karnataka government has recently formed a panel to design a separate flag for the state. Significance of Design And Colour of Kannada Flag

The official state flag for Karnataka is a longstanding demand of pro-Kannada activists.

The Kannada flag, which is divided into two equal horizontal stripes, a yellow strip for the top half and a red strip below, could become the official state flag of Karnataka.

This flag was designed by Kannada writer and activist Ma Ramamurthy for a pro-Kannada political party.

The flag's red colour stands for Kumkuma (Vermilion) and the yellow stands for Arrishna (Turmeric), symbolising auspiciousness and well-being of the state and its people. This flag is unofficially adopted and is hoisted on the state's formation day every year since 1960s.

Pro Tip:

State – Karnataka

Capital – Bengaluru

CM – Siddaramaiah

Governor - Vajubhai Rudabhai Vala

INTERNATIONAL

Australia became the 35th country to join the International Solar Alliance (ISA)

Australia became the 35th country to join the International Solar Alliance (ISA), an initiative launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in November 2015 in Paris. It is co-led by India and France. The aim of ISA is to support developing countries to boost their solar production

capacity. India on its part through the Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA) and Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI) is contributing \$1 million to the ISA fund. The larger aim of ISA is to mobilize over \$ 1000 billion by 2030 towards promoting solar power on all fronts generation and storage.

Pro Tip:

ISA - International Solar Alliance
HQ – Gurugram
Country – Australia
Capital – Canberra
Currency – Australian Dollar
PM - Malcolm Turnbull

Sheikha Lubna Al Qasimi tops poll of most powerful Arab women: Forbes

Sheikha Lubna Al Qasimi, the UAE Minister of State for Tolerance has topped a poll of the most powerful Arab women in government for 2017, according to Forbes Middle East. Ms. Qasimi was followed by two women from Egypt - Sahar Nasr, the country's minister of investment and international cooperation and Ghada Wali, the minister of social solidarity. Forbes has also released a list of the top 100 most powerful Arab business women for 2017, and the UAE represents the highest number of women, with 18, followed by Egypt, with 16.

Pro Tip:

Forbes - Forbes is an American business magazine. Published bi-weekly, it features original articles on finance, industry, investing, and marketing topics.
HQ – New York
UAE –United Arab Emirates
Capital – Abu Dhabi
Currency - United Arab Emirates dirham

BANKING & ECONOMY

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The Bank of England unveiled a new polymer £10 note featuring 19th century novelist Jane Austen, in a move to replace paper £5, £10 and £20 with secure plastic notes. This makes Austen the only woman other than Queen Elizabeth to be featured on a polymer British bank note. This note's introduction marks the 200th anniversary of Austen's death.

Pro Tip:

Bank of England – It is the central bank of the United Kingdom
HQ - Threadneedle Street London, EC2 England
Country – United Kingdom
Capital – London
Currency – Pound Sterling

AGREEMENT

MoU between Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL) and Department of Defence Production

Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL), a Miniratna Defence Public Sector Undertaking (DPSU) signed an MoU for the financial year 2017-18 with Ministry of Defence. The annual MoU was signed between Secretary (Defence Production) Shri Ashok Kumar Gupta on behalf of the Ministry of Defence and Chairman and Managing Director, GSL Rear Adm (Retd) Shekhar Mital.

Pro Tip:

Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL) - Goa Shipyard Limited is one of India's best shipyards and designated "mini-Ratna" by the Government of India.

HQ – Goa

Defence Minister of India – Arun Jaitley

Constituency – Gujarat, Rajya Sabha

Union Minister of State for Defence - Dr. Subhash Ramrao Bhamre

Constituency – Dhule, Maharashtra

AWARD

BJP leader L.K. Advani received the Lifetime Achievement Award for his contributions in Lok Sabha

BJP leader L.K. Advani received the Lifetime Achievement Award for his contributions as a parliamentarian in the Lok Sabha. JD-U leader Sharad Yadav also received the Lifetime Achievement Award as a Rajya Sabha representative from Vice President Hamid Ansari at a function organized by the Lokmat Media Group to honor distinguished Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha members.

Pro Tip:

Present Speaker of Lok Sabha - Sumitra Mahajan

Present Chairman of Rajya Sabha - Mohammad Hamid Ansari

SPORTS

FIFA have lifted their ban on the Sudan Football Association

World football's governing body FIFA lifted the ban on the Sudan Football Association (SFA) imposed on it for the failure to abide by agreements mentioned in articles 14 and 19 of the FIFA statute. The SFA and its member officials are now eligible to benefit from the FIFA development program, course or training.

Pro Tip:

FIFA Headquarters - Zürich, Switzerland

Motto – For the Game. For the World

President - Gianni Infantino
Country – Sudan
Capital – Khartoum
Currency - Sudanese pound

