

INTERNATIONAL

1. World Hemophilia Day – April 17

World Hemophilia Day is an international observance held annually on April 17 by the World Federation of Hemophilia. It is an awareness day for Hemophilia and other bleeding disorders.

- ❖ The day was first established in 1989.
- ❖ Theme 2016: “Treatment for All The Vision of All”
- ❖ Russian Jet Manoeuvres close to US spy plane
- ❖ Clinton, Sanders turn on Obama by supporting bill to allow families of 9/11 victims to sue Saudi Arabia
- ❖ Panama papers effect: G20 economies may crack down on some tax havens
- ❖ Myanmar President Htin Kyaw Pardons 83 Prisoners

NATIONAL

2. Government to allow Pakistani Hindus to buy property, open bank accounts

People belonging to minority communities of Pakistan, staying in India on Long Term Visa, will soon be allowed to buy property, open bank accounts and get PAN Card as well as Aadhaar.

- ❖ The government also offer reduction in fees for registration as citizens of India from Rs.15,000 to as low as Rs.100.
- ❖ The exact number of minority refugees from Pakistan, Bangladesh and Afghanistan living in India is not known.
- ❖ Approximately, 400 Pakistani Hindu refugee settlements are there in cities like Jodhpur, Jaisalmer, Jaipur, Raipur, Ahmedabad, Rajkot, Kutch, Bhopal, Indore, Mumbai, Nagpur, Pune, Delhi and Lucknow.

3. Netaji's driver becomes oldest human alive at 116 years

Netaji's Driver Colonel Nizamuddin becomes oldest human alive at 116 years by opening a bank account at the ripe old age of 116-years.

- ❖ Colonel Nizamuddin alias Saifuddin's voter identity card and passport, which he produced as proof of identity before the State bank of India for opening the account, he was born in 1900
- ❖ This year February a Japanese man, who was thought to be the oldest man alive passed away at the age of 114

4. World's largest 'charkha' to be on display at IGI airport

Wooden Charkha -spinning wheel which is largest in the world is planned to be installed at Terminal 3 of the Indira Gandhi International Airport here is ready for dispatch from a unit of Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) in Ahmedabad.

- ❖ It was the initiative of KVIC Chairman V K Saxena who decided to install the world's largest charkha at the international airport in Delhi.

5. Army conducts battle exercise 'Shatrujeet' in Rajasthan

Indian Army's elite STRIKE 1 corps is to conducting a major exercise Shatrujeet in the deserts of Rajasthan to evaluate the capability of the Army to strike deep into enemy territory in an integrated air-land battle environment.

- ❖ Nearly 30,000 soldiers are taking part in exercise Shatrujeet to ensure the forces are provided real war-like situations and are kept in a high state of battle readiness.
- ❖ The exercise would culminate on April 23.
- ❖ India-US Logistics deal a US coup, but India needs to tread carefully
- ❖ Kashmir embers cool after flare-up
- ❖ Successfully walking the tightrope, India balances ties with Saudi Arabia and Iran
- ❖ Gujarat: Amid violent stir, Patel community calls for Gujarat bandh today; security stepped up

TRADE / BANKING

6. US jury slaps \$940 million fine on two companies of India's Tata group

A US grand jury has slapped \$ 940 million fine on two companies of India's Tata group namely Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) and Tata America International Corp

- ❖ TCS and Tata America International must pay USD 240 million to Epic Systems for stealing its software
- ❖ Tata firms have also been asked to pay another USD 700 million as penalty.

Tata Group

- ☞ Established: 1868
- ☞ Headquarter: Mumbai
- ☞ Chairman: Cyrus Pallonji Mistry

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AWARDS

7. Forbes Releases First Ever ‘Global Game Changers’ List, Three Indians Make The Cut Forbes in its inaugural edition of Global Game Changers List launched this year has ranked some of the biggest names in business.
- ❖ Topped by Mark Benioff of Salesforce.com and Mark Zuckerberg of Facebook ranked 30.
 - ❖ Three Indians have been featured in the list, they are Rahul Bhatia of Inter Globe Enterprises, Cyrus Poonawalla of Serum Institute of India, and Sunny Varkey of GEMS Education at 3, 23 and 26 positions respectively.

Forbes

- ☞ Established: 1917
- ☞ Editor in Chief: Steve Forbes

DEATHS

8. Telangana Finance Minister’s PRO & Former Journalist D. Ravinder passes away Telangana Finance Minister Eatala Rajender’s Public Relations Officer and former journalist D. Ravinder passed away.
- ❖ Ravinder from Raikal of Karimnagar district, Telanagana
 - ❖ He worked as reporter for Etv and Saakshi Telugu news channels.
 - ❖ Later, he joined as PRO to the Finance Minister.

TECHNOLOGY

- ❖ Facebook testing a new, sectioned news feed and redesigned app: Report
- ❖ High-speed Wi-Fi facility at Ekm Jn
- ❖ 9 hot budget smartphones coming to India in 2016
- ❖ Six Maruti Suzuki s make it to top-10 list in 2015-16