

## CURRENT AFFAIRS OF NOVEMBER 2015

### NATIONAL CURRENT AFFAIRS AND EVENTS

Name the person who was recently elected vice-president of the world tennis body International Tennis Federation (ITF), was today re-elected as the Asian Tennis Federation (ATF) president for another four-year years? (He is also the head of All India Tennis Federation (AITA).)	<b>Anil Khanna</b>
Whom did India defeated in the final to win Under-19 Tri-Series cricket title?	<b>Bangladesh</b>
Name the Indian badminton player (female) who won the Macau Open Grand Prix Gold Badminton tournament for 3rd consecutive time?	<b>PV Sindhu</b>
Who was appointed as President of The Associated Chamber of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM) succeeding Rana Kapoor, Yes Bank Managing Director and CEO?	<b>Sunil Kanoria</b>
On which day National Milk Day was observed to mark 94th birth anniversary of the Father of the White Revolution, Dr Verghese Kurien?	<b>26th November</b>
Name the former long jump champion who was appointed as the chairperson of Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS)?	<b>Anju Bobby George</b>
13th Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)-India Summit was held at?	<b>Malaysia</b>
Name the marathi actor who was selected for Dinanath Mangeshkar award?	<b>Prashant Damle</b>
Name the portal launched by the Confederation of All India Traders (CAIT) in a bid to tackle the threat posed by e-commerce sites to small traders?	<b>e-lala</b>
Who was elected as President of Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)?	<b>Harshavardhan Neotia</b>
Nitish Kumar sworn-in as Chief Minister of?	<b>Bihar</b>
Name the company in which the Government of India decided to disinvest 10% paid up equity capital out of its shareholding of 78.65%, through offer for sale (OFS) of shares by promoters through the stock exchanges? (At the current market prices, sale of 63.16 crore shares or 10% stake would fetch Rs 23,460 crore.)	<b>Coal India Limited</b>
Name the competition watchdog which has imposed penalties to the tune of Rs 151 crore on <b>Jet Airways</b> , Rs 63 crore on <b>IndiGo</b> and Rs 42 crore on <b>Spice Jet</b> , finding the airlines guilty of colluding in fixing of fuel surcharge for cargo transportation?	<b>Competition Commission of India (CCI)</b>
Name the eminent neurosurgeon and secretary general of <b>Indian Red Cross Society</b> who passed away recently at the age of 70? (He was awarded <b>Padma Bhushan</b> , third highest civilian award of India, for his distinguished service in the field in medicine in the year 2010.)	<b>Satya Paul Agarwal</b>
Name the former chief of the country's external intelligence agency, <b>Research and Analysis Wing (RAW)</b> who passed away recently at the age of 94?	<b>K. Shankaran Nair</b>
Government of which state has decided to waive loans taken by over <b>25,000 weavers</b>	<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>

amounting to a total of more than Rs 110 crore?	
Name the veteran Bollywood actor who died recently at the age of 86?	<b>Saeed Jaffrey</b>
Government of which state has introduced <b>Mobile Governance</b> recently and 15 mobile application was launched by the <b>Chief Minister Raghubar Das</b> in this respect?	<b>Jharkhand</b>
Which country has signed <b>Civil Nuclear Pact</b> with India during <b>G-20 Summit</b> ?	<b>Australia</b>
For which category railway fares for travel go up by 4.35 percent as service tax levy of 14 per cent and a Swachh Bharat cess of 0.5 per cent become effective from November 15?	<b>First Class and all AC Classes</b>
Who is the new Director of <b>Indian Institute of Rice Research</b> , Hyderabad?	<b>Vemuri Ravindra Babu</b>
Who will head the Governing Council which will oversee the activities of the <b>National Investment and Infrastructure Fund (NIIF)</b> which aims to boost financing for the infra sector in the country? (In July, the Union Cabinet had approved creation of a Rs 20,000-crore NIIF, for development of infrastructure projects, including the stalled ones.)	<b>Finance Minister Arun Jaitley</b>
Name the country which Indian Prime Minister visited recently and signed <b>Civil Nuclear Agreement</b> with it?	<b>United Kingdom</b>
Name the Indian city in which the owner of <b>Madame Tussauds, Merlin Entertainments</b> , has announced to open its new venture for Bollywood stars?	<b>New Delhi</b>
Who was elected as the vice-chairman of <b>Bank of International Settlement (BIS)</b> ?	<b>Raghuram Rajan, Governor, RBI</b>
India has been recently re-elected to the <b>UN Commission on International Trade Law</b> for the term of?	<b>2016 - 2022</b>
Name the nuclear-capable long-range strategic ballistic missile, capable of hitting a target at a distance of <b>4,000 km</b> , which was successfully test fired recently from newly named <b>Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Island</b> off the Odisha coast?	<b>Agni-IV</b>
Name the former president of <b>Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)</b> who has been removed from the post of chairman of International Cricket Council (ICC) recently?	<b>N. Srinivasan</b>
Name the institution with which the Government of India signed a <b>\$273 million</b> loan agreement in New Delhi recently to continue improving rural roads in the States of Assam, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha and West Bengal?	<b>Asian Development Bank (ADB)</b>
In which year India will host the <b>Under-17 FIFA World Cup</b> ?	<b>2017</b>
Who became the first ever cricket player to reach <b>10000 runs</b> in Ranji Trophy history?	<b>Wasim Jaffer</b>
Name the Information Technology (IT) company which has announced to fund hundreds of new entrepreneurs in Indian smart-city space?	<b>Microsoft Corporation</b>
Name the state to which the central government will provide highest ever financial assistance of <b>Rs 80,000 crore</b> package for development?	<b>Jammu and Kashmir</b>
Who is the author of the book <b>Rebooting India: Realizing a Billion Aspirations</b> ?	<b>Nandan Nilekani</b>
Name the scheme approved by the Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra	<b>Ujwal DISCOM</b>

Modi for financial restructuring of debt of power distribution companies ( <b>DISCOMS</b> )?	<b>Assurance Yojna (UDAY)</b>
Who won the prestigious <b>Vishnudas Bhave Award 2015</b> ?	<b>Vikram Gokhale</b>
Army of which country is participating with the Indian counterpart in a joint military exercise as a part of a continuing series of annual joint exercises under the banner <b>Exercise INDRA-2015</b> in Bikaner?	<b>Russia</b>
Who will be appointed as the next <b>Chief Justice of India (CJI)</b> on 2nd December 2015 replacing the current Chief Justice of India H L Dattu?	<b>Justice T S Thakur</b>
Which Indian boxer from Assam rises to career best 2nd in <b>AIBA rankings</b> after winning a bronze medal at last month's World championships in Doha? (He became the third Indian to ever win a medal at this coveted event after Vijender Singh (2009) and Vikas Krishnan (2011).)	<b>Shiva Thapa</b>
Name the ambitious project of <b>Google Inc.</b> which has recently been approved by the Indian Government?	<b>Project Loon</b>
Which railway station becomes country's first <b>blind friendly station</b> with the unveiling of the station's tactile map and train schedule in Braille?	<b>Mysuru Railway Station</b>
Which ministry launched the National Clean Development Mechanism Authority (NCDMA) website ( <a href="http://www.ncdmaindia.gov.in">http://www.ncdmaindia.gov.in</a> ) recently?	<b>Environment Ministry</b>
Which metro train has become the first metro service in the country to be awarded <b>Integrated Management System certification</b> in accordance with the requirements of the standards of International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO) and the International Occupation Health and Safety Assessment (OHASAS) series?	<b>Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC)</b>
Name the star footballer of Argentina who was made Global Brand Ambassador of Tata Motors recently?	<b>Lionel Messi</b>
Name the All India Radio's (AIR) Programme on child labour which has bagged the first prize under the Community Service Announcement category at the Asia-Pacific Broadcasting Union (ABU) Prizes 2015?	<b>Malayalam program - Nilkkam Ivarkkoppam (Stand Beside Them)</b>
According to the Annual Global Prosperity Index released by the Legatum Institute, a think tank based in London, what is the rank of India in education among 142 countries? (India is nowhere near the top 10 countries when it comes to economy, entrepreneurship and opportunity, governance, education, health, safety and security, personal freedom and social capital.)	<b>92</b>
Government of which state banned fishing activities on a 20 kilometers stretch of Dharma-Rushikulya river mouth within Gahirmatha Marine Sanctuary to protect Olive Ridley Sea Turtles for 7 months? (The restriction has been imposed as per Odisha Marine Fishing Act (OMFA). The endangered Olive Ridley arrives during the winter months for mass nesting in the Rushikulya river mouth and Gahirmatha marine sanctuary.)	<b>Odisha</b>
In which place International Mei-Ramew (IMR 2015) or Indigenous Terra Madre (ITM 2015) will be held from 7th November 2015?	<b>Shillong (Meghalaya)</b>
First International Film Festival for the persons with disabilities will be held at?	<b>Delhi</b>
Name the system for which the Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DOT) received the Recognition of Excellence award at the ITU World Telecom 2015? (It is a system that helps connect rural masses to the internet by offering a multi-lingual	<b>GyanSetu</b>

text, audio and video based solution.)	
Name India's fourth-largest telecom operator which announced the acquisition of Russian conglomerate Sistema's Indian telecom unit in an all-stock deal that will create an operator with 118 million subscriber? (Sistema offers mobile telephony services under MTS brand across nine telecom circles in the country.)	<b>Reliance Communications (RCom)</b>
Name the social networking giant which has partnered with BSNL to sponsor 100 Wi-Fi hotspots in villages across western and southern India?	<b>Facebook</b>
Name the founder of Hero MotoCorp who died at the age of 92? (Hero MotoCorp is the world's largest two-wheeler company now for the 14th year in a row.)	<b>Brijmohan Lall Munjal</b>
V.N. Misra who passed away recently was related to which field?	<b>Archaeology</b>

**What is Project Loon?**

Project Loon is a project of **Google Inc.** In this project, balloons float in the stratosphere, twice as high as airplanes and the weather. In the stratosphere, there are many layers of wind, and each layer of wind varies in direction and speed. Loon balloons go where they're needed by rising or descending into a layer of wind blowing in the desired direction of travel. By partnering with Telecommunications companies to share cellular spectrum we've enabled people to connect to the balloon network directly from their phones and other LTE-enabled devices. The signal is then passed across the balloon network and back down to the global Internet on Earth. **Source:** <http://www.google.co.in/loon/>

INTERNATIONAL CURRENT AFFAIRS AND EVENTS

Which country defeated Belgium to win 2015 Davis Cup tennis title?	<b>Great Britain</b>
Name the West Indies cricket player who was suspended by the ICC for illegal bowling action?	<b>Sunil Narine</b>
Who was appointed as the Secretary General of Commonwealth of Nations?	<b>Patricia Scotland</b>
Against which country Australia will play the historic first day-night cricket test match at Adelaide Oval?	<b>New Zealand</b>
Which country is building world's biggest animal cloning center?	<b>China</b>
Name the Asian country in which 27th ASEAN Summit was held?	<b>Malaysia</b>
Which country launched Operation Inherent Resolve to tackle ISIS?	<b>USA</b>
Who became the 1st player to win ATP World Tour Finals for 4th consecutive time?	<b>Novak Djokovic</b>
23rd Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Economic Leaders Summit was held at?	<b>Manila (Philippines)</b>
Name the Australian cricketer who has announced his retirement from all forms of international cricket recently? (He is the fourth highest Test wicket-taker ( <b>313</b> ) of Australia.)	<b>Mitchell Johnson</b>
<b>Asia-Pacific Economic Corporation (APEC)</b> leaders summit 2015 will be held in? (The theme of the summit is "Building Inclusive Economies, Building a Better World".)	<b>Philippines</b>
Which city of <b>France</b> was recently attacked by terror organisation Islamic State of Iraq and al-Sham (ISIS) recently?	<b>Paris</b>
Name the CEO of <b>Nike</b> who has been elected Fortune's Business Person of the Year 2015?	<b>Mark Parker</b>
According to the latest <b>ICC Test ranking</b> in batting who is at the top of the list?	<b>AB de Villiers</b>
Name the United States (US) space agency which celebrated the presence of human at <b>International Space Station (ISS)</b> for long 15 years?	<b>NASA</b>
Which country's membership proposal has been rejected by the <b>UNESCO</b> ?	<b>Kosovo</b>
Name the social media giant which is planning to launch a satellite in partnership with France's Eutelsat Communications to bring Internet access to large parts of sub-Saharan Africa?	<b>Facebook</b>
Which country has been declared by <b>World Health Organisation (WHO)</b> as <b>Ebola</b> free?	<b>Sierra Leone</b>
Which country has topped the <b>FIFA world ranking</b> for the first time?	<b>Belgium (1440 point)</b>
Who has topped the list of world most powerful persons released by <b>Forbes</b> recently? (Angela Merkel and Barack Obama are at 2nd and 3rd position respectively. Narendra Modi is at 9th place.)	<b>Vladimir Putin</b>

According to the latest Census data which language has emerged as the largest spoken <b>Indian language</b> in the United States, with nearly 6.5 lakh people speaking it? (The U.S. Census Bureau based on American Community Survey data collected from 2009 to 2013, said that more than 60 million people in the U.S. speak a language other than English at home.)	<b>Hindi</b>
Which country top the <b>Annual Global World Prosperity Index 2015</b> released by the Legatum Institute, a think tank based in London?	<b>Norway</b>
Name the rugby player of New Zealand who was named <b>World Rugby Player of Year 2015</b> ?	<b>Dan Carter</b>
According to the Annual Global Prosperity Index 2015 released by the Legatum Institute, a think tank based in London, which are the top 3 countries in the field of education?	<b>1. Iceland, 2. United States and 3. Ireland</b>
Which country is at the top spot in the Financial Secrecy Index (FSI) 2015 recently unveiled by the Tax Justice Network (TJN) followed by Hongkong and USA at the second and third spot respectively? (TJN's biennial FSI ranking is based on a combination of a country's secrecy score and a scale-weightage based on the country's share in the global market for its offshore financial services.)	<b>Switzerland</b>
Name the Pakistani cricketer and husband of tennis player Sania Mirza of India, who has announced his retirement from Test Cricket?	<b>Shoaib Malik</b>
Which Indian language became third most common language in Parliament of Canada after English and French?	<b>Punjabi</b>
Which country won the Rugby World Cup for record third time by defeating Australia 34-17?	<b>New Zealand</b>

**Abbreviations in News:**

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8. **FICCI:** Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry
9. **OFS:** Offer For Sale
10. **CCI:** Competition Commission of India
11. **RAW:** Research and Analysis Wing
12. **BIS:** Bank of International Settlement
13. **ADB:** Asian Development Bank
14. **DISCOM:** Distribution Company
15. **NCDMA:** National Clean Development Mechanism Authority
16. **ISO:** International Organisation for Standardisation
17. **APEC:** Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation
18. **ISS:** International Space Station
19. **RCom:** Reliance Communications
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