

One liners for July 10, 2018

1. **Indian automobile makers** want the government to decide the subsidies on **Electric Vehicles (EVs)** based on the **number of kilometres** they can run on a single charge and their top speed.
2. The government announced a new **Cities Investment To Innovate, Integrate and Sustain (CITIIS)** challenge to identify top projects in **15 of the 100 selected smart cities**, which will then receive an additional funding of approximately **₹80 crore each**.
3. **India Smart Cities Fellowship (ISCF)** Program and **India Smart Cities Internship (ISCI)** Program launched.
4. The Centre announced the names of six **“Institutes of Eminence”**, three each from the public and private sectors, as part of its plans to create world-class universities to enhance research and improve global rankings of **Indian Educational Institutions**.
5. **South Korean President Moon Jae** on a four day visit to **India**.
6. **World’s largest mobile** manufacturing factory of **Samsung** will be inaugurated in **Noida**.
7. **NITI Aayog** released the **‘Strategy and Approach paper on the National Health Stack (NHS)’**, terming it as **‘the blueprint for India’s futuristic digital health system’**.
8. **Global Housing Construction Technology Challenge** has been proposed to use the opportunity of large scale construction under **PMAY-U** to attract the best available global construction technologies.
9. **Himachal Pradesh** Government announced that it is banning the use of plastic and thermocol cutlery in the state.
10. The Commerce ministry has approved a proposal of **HCL Technologies** to establish a new **IT Special Economic Zone (SEZ)** in **Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh**.
11. Indian Railways introduced **Double Stack Dwarf Container Services** from **Western Railway’s Rajkot** railway station on its **first commercial run**.
12. The **Supreme Court** is ready to **go live on camera** to be a part of **“Open Court System”**, where the public can walk in and watch court proceedings.
13. The demand for a separate **Kamtapur state** was revived with a **24-hour Assam bandh**.

14. The **Tamil Nadu government** proposed the **Land Pooling Area Development Scheme**, as a way of consolidating land for development projects, co-opting land owners as partners in development.
15. **Sadmridangam** - The improvised 5-kg instrument designed by percussion maestro **Kuzhalmannam Ramakrishnan** gets patent under the “drum” category.
16. **China** successfully launched **two remote sensing satellites** for **Pakistan**, marking the first international commercial launch for the **Long March-2C rocket** in about 19 years.
17. The **Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)** is considering the implementation of **foreign fund or investor segregation** based on the **risk profile of the countries** where the funds come from.
18. **Sun Pharma Consumer Healthcare** has named actor **Akshay Kumar** as the brand ambassador of health supplement **Revital H**.
19. **Michael Ondaatje’s ‘The English Patient’** won the special one-off **Golden Man Booker Prize** to mark the **50th Anniversary of the Literary award** at the **Man Booker 50 Festival in London**.
20. Scientists have discovered **seven new wasp species** belonging to the genus **Clistopyga** from **Peru, Venezuela and Colombia** in the Amazon rain forests.