

## One liners

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1. The **GST Council** pruned the number of items in the highest tax slab of **28%** and cut the rate on several others.
2. The Government has decided to deploy technological solutions in the form of **Comprehensive Integrated Border Management System (CIBMS)**, on a pilot basis in different terrains on **Indo-Pakistan Border** and **Indo-Bangladesh Border**.
3. Based on a **Supreme Court order**, the **Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (Irdai)**, through its circular dated **6 July**, has directed insurers to not renew insurance of vehicles without a **Pollution Under Certificate (PUC) certificate**
4. The **Kolkata's State Forest Department's** decision to carry out trimming of trees in a sprawling area of about **55,000 square metres** in **Darjeeling** district in alleged violation of the guidelines and Supreme Court order has generated concern within the Department.
5. To curb incidents of lynching and violence due to fake news on social media, the **Uttar Pradesh** police will set up '**Digital Armies**'.
6. After **Amma canteen in Tamil Nadu** and **Indira canteen in Karnataka**, it's now Maharashtra's turn to have one **Tai's (sister) canteen**, giving away **subji at ₹4 and roti at ₹2**.
7. **Kerala** topped the **Public Affairs Index 2018**, for the **third time**, for being the **best governed large State** in the country.
8. **The National Library** is all set to hold a permanent exhibition on the lives of **Syama Prasad Mookerjee**, the founder of **Bharatiya Jan Sangh**, Nobel laureate **Rabindranath Tagore**, **Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose** and iconic Bengali author **Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay**.
9. **The National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT)** has initiated the process of introducing **QR code** in their textbooks.
10. From **September**, the Army will be inducting **two types of artillery guns** into its arsenal.
11. **The Environment Ministry** re-introduced the '**Medini Puraskar Yojna**'– a scheme that awards **Indian authors** for their original work in **Hindi** on environment, pollution and climate change subjects.

12. The first of its kind **Air Quality and Weather Forecast System– SAFAR (System of Air Quality and Weather Forecasting)** has been inaugurated.
13. **Facebook** announced that it is aiming to launch, '**Athena**', its own internet satellite, early in **2019**.
14. The **Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi)** is keen to mandate companies that have more than **₹100 crore** as long-term borrowings compulsorily raise at **least 25%** of their funding needs by **selling bonds**.
15. Archer **Gahela Boro** diagnosed with **Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE)** and **Antineutrophil Cytoplasm Antibodies (ANCA)** two years ago.
16. **Lakshya Sen** became **only the third Indian shuttler** to secure a **gold medal** at the **Badminton Asia junior championships**.
17. Indian wrestlers **Sachin Rathi and Deepak Punia** bagged **gold medals** at the **junior Asian Championships**.
18. The **blue-checked** pointy-eared figure **Olympic mascot** was named **Miraitowa**, while its **Paralympic counterpart**, who is **pink-checked** and **wears a cape**, was named **Someity**.
19. **Sunil Chhetri** has been declared the **2017 Player of the Year** by the **All India Football Federation (AIFF)**.
20. The **Sports Authority of India** under **Khelo India Talent Identification Development scheme**, cleared **734 players** for a scholarship programme.
21. India's **Muhammad Anas Yahiya** broke his own national record to win the **400 metres** race at the **Cena Noveho Mesta nad Metuji meet in Czech Republic**.
22. **Pakistan** batsman **Fakhar Zaman** became the **quickest player to reach the 1000 runs** in **One-Day Internationals (ODI)**.