

## One liners

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1. There has been a steep hike of **28% and 26%** in the **Minimum Support Price (MSP)** on **Medium-Staple** and **Long-Staple** fibre cotton.
2. The **Department of Telecommunications (DoT)** is planning for **light-touch licensing** for the proposed '**Public Data Offices**' (**PDO**) to sell internet services.
3. The central government is expected to launch **seven greenfield projects** to construct **3,000 km of expressways** under the **₹ 5.35 trillion Bharatmala scheme**.
4. Haryana Chief Minister **Manohar Lal Khattar** launched a state-wide plantation campaign from the **Narwana** sub-division of the district.
5. The **Gorakhpur** administration in **Uttar Pradesh** launched an android based smart phone application named '**Stop JE/AES**' to combat encephalitis.
6. The **17th World Sanskrit Conference** will be inaugurated by Human Resource Development Minister **Shri Prakash Javadekar** at **Vancouver, Canada** from 9th July to 13th July, 2018.
7. **National Information Security Policy and Guidelines (NISPG)** would be upgraded and updated for the government sector.
8. The **Uttar Pradesh** government is mulling **compulsory retirement for employees aged 50 years** and above, if they are found negligent in conducting their duty.
9. **All India Muslim Personal Law Board (AIMPLB)**, the highest decision-making body on Muslim affairs, plans to open **Darul-Qaza (Shariat courts)** in all districts of the country to resolve issues in line with Islamic laws.
10. **Kerala** state government will roll out a mobile app for **transgenders** in the State since very few have registered for the **transgender ID card scheme**.
11. The Trump administration is **freezing payments** under an "**Obamacare**" program that protects insurers with sicker patients from financial losses, a move expected to add to premium increases next year.
12. **Uday Kumar Varma** has been appointed a member of the **Broadcasting Content Complaints Council (BCCC)**.
13. **Dipa Karmakar** created **history** by becoming the **first Indian gymnast** to clinch a **gold** at a global vault event of **FIG Artistic Gymnastics World Challenge Cup** at **Mersin, Turkey**.

14. Indian **squash** player **Dipika Pallikal** was appointed Asia's representative in the **Athletes Advisory Commission** of the **Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF)**.
15. A scientist from the **Botanical Survey of India (BSI)** in the **Andaman and Nicobar Islands**, has come out with a green alternative –“**straw bamboos**” to use-and-throw plastic drinking straws, by tapping bamboo.

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