

Weekly Current Affairs : 15th Dec to 25th Dec 2016

- Miss Puerto Rico crowned Miss World 2016.
- Justice JS Khehar to be the 1st Sikh Chief Justice of India.
- Bipin Rawat named new Army chief, Air Marshal Birender Singh Dhanoa new IAF head.
- Rajiv Jain to be new Intelligence Bureau chief, Anil Dhasmana to head RAW.
- Punit Goenka honoured with Business Today 'Best CEO Award'.
- Barcelona's Lionel Messi to be awarded as 2016's FIFA Best Player of the Year award.
- China bans sharing user-generated content on social media.
- China launched a global carbon dioxide monitoring satellite to understand climate change.
- Japan successfully launches solid fuel rocket "Epsilon-2"
- Bangalore based Team Indus and Japan's Hakuto combine for Moon mission
- Dictionary Merriam-Webster has named "surreal" as its word of the year.
- The world's first solar road opens in France.
- Google in collaboration with Railtel Completes The Target Of 100 Free WiFi Railway Stations, Newest One In Ooty.
- Mary Kom and Vikas Krishan to get awards at AIBA 70th anniversary for their extra ordinary performance.
- Girija Vaidyanathan's appointment as new chief secretary of Tamil Nadu.
- Delhi named India's most well-read city of 2016 by Amazon.
- PM Narendra Modi Will Lay Foundation For Rs. 3,600 Crore Shivaji Memorial in the Arabian Sea off Mumbai coast.
- The Punjab government has finally notified the "Sunam's railway station" to be named after martyr Udham Singh.
- Ravichandran Ashwin named ICC Cricketer of the Year.
- Virat Kohli named captain of ICC ODI Team of the Year.
- Misbah-Ul-Haq wins ICC Spirit of Cricket Award.
- South Africa's de Kock named ICC ODI Cricketer of the Year.
- Argentina win FIFA Team of the Year title.
- Jeje Lalpekhlua was named 2016's AIFF Player of the Year.
- Sunny Leone to receive PETA's Person of the Year award.
- Indian wins gold medal at "Asian Luge Championships" held in Japan.
- American Tourister appoints Kohli as its brand ambassador.

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- Roger Federer named 2016's 'Most Stylish Man' by GQ, a leading men's magazine.
- Sangita Kumari clinch bronze medal at fourth Women's Under-18 Asia Cup hockey tournament.
- The Indian Under-19 cricket team clinched U-19 Asia Cup Title defeating Srilanka.
- National Mathematics Day celebrated on December 22 to pay tribute to S Ramanujan and celebrate his birth anniversary.
- Union Minister Venkaiah Naidu launches Google Toilet Locator app as part of the 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan' to help people locate the nearest toilet.
- Kochi's Sahaj International School will become India's first transgender school.
- Mumbai airport first in India to introduce self bag-drop facility.
- Bharatanatyam guru K. Kalyana Sundaram receives Nadhabrahmam title award.
- V K Sharma appointed as Chief of LIC for 5 years.
- Saurabh Varma appointed as CEO of Publicis Communications' India.
- Founder of Sulabh International, Bindeshwar Pathak, has been nominated as a Member of the Central Authority of National Legal Services Authority (NALSA).
- Himachal Pradesh 6th state to attain 100% Aadhaar coverage.
- "The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Bill - 2016" passed by Parliament of India.
- Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana comes into effect from 17 December 2016 to notified along with other provisions of Taxation Laws.
- RBI lowers charges on debit card payments to promote digital transactions by 0.25% to Maximum of 1%.
- India crowned "Junior Hockey World champions" in Lucknow defeating Belgium.
- India, Tajikistan sign four agreement to limit terror-funding.
- "Henry Heimlich" the Developer of life saving technique dies.
- The island of Bali named most popular year-end destination in Asia.
- India's first Beer Mile festival to be held in Bengaluru.
- Jodhpur listed in top 10 preferred tourist places for 2017 according to 'TripAdvisor Travellers' Choice Awards for Destinations on the Rise'.
- The 42nd annual cake show organised by the National Consumer Fair began in Bengaluru.
- 5th edition of India's "International Clown Festival" begins at Mumbai, Hyderabad, Bengaluru and Vadodara.
- Real Madrid crowned Club World Cup champions.

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- Priyanka Chopra has been ranked 55th on IMDb's most popular celebrities' list.
- Priyanka chosen as Assam's tourism ambassador for 2 years
- Priyanka 1st Indian to be chosen as Pantene's global ambassador.
- Paris opens 'world's largest non-permanent indoor ice rink'.
- Indian boxer Vijender Singh retained his WBO Super Middleweight Asia-Pacific title.
- Union minister for Textiles Smriti Irani is set to launch India's second centre of excellence for sericulture in Bengaluru. First center at Ranchi.
- The Centre has selected 3 states namely Amritsar, Ludhiana and Jalandhar for launching the 'Lucky Grahak Yojana' and 'Digi Dhan Vyapar Yojana' to promote digital payments in Punjab.
- India's boxing fed gets permanent membership in world.
- Govt launches GARV-II app for tracking rural electrification on real time basis.
- SBI launches digital wallet "MobiCash" in alliance with BSNL
- ANDY MURRAY named as BBC Sports Personality of the Year awards 2016.
- Mumbai's Elphinstone Road station to be renamed as "Prabhadevi".
- Bollywood actor Govinda inaugurated the Jaipur Wax Museum at Nahargarh Fort.
- Maharashtra forest department will launch a state-wide call centre facility 24x7. Toll Free No.1926.
- India's First Nepali transgender model to walk the ramp at Lakmé Fashion Week.
- Kapil Sharma ranked 11th in Forbes India Celebrity 100 list.
- Salman Khan tops 2016 Forbes India Celebrity 100 List.
- India appointed "Vijay Sazawal's" to Civil Nuclear Trade Advisory Committee Head.
- UK (Britain) becomes first country to approve three-parent babies.
- Oracle CEO Safra Catz joins Trump's advisory team.
- Gujarat-born activist Jayaben Desai has been included in BBC's most influential women of the past 70 years list.
- NITI Aayog announces daily, weekly, and mega-awards on digital transactions to promote cashless payments.
- Card Manufacturer "Hyundai India" wins Indian Manufacturer of the Year award.
- New Zealand women's team captain Suzie Bates became the first female cricketer to win both ICC's ODI and T20I Player of the Year awards.

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- UP Chief Minister Akhilesh Yadav laid the foundation stone of the 15-km-long metro link from Noida's Sector 71 to Greater Noida's Knowledge Park-V.
- US President-elect Donald Trump has picked Peter Navarro, economist and author of 'Death by China', to head the newly-formed White House National Trade Council.

