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IMPORTANT APPOINTMENTS IN INDIA - 2016

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INDIA		
SL. NO	NAME OF THE PERSON	DESIGNATION & DEPARTMENT
1.	Bishyadip Dey	Ambassador of India to the Commonwealth of Dominica
2.	Vinod Rai	Chairman of the Fund Trustee and Advisory Commission (FTAC), Kerala
3.	M Rajeshwar Rao	Executive Director of RBI
4.	S Gopakuamr	MD of GIC Housing Finance
5.	Pankaj Dubey	CEO of Eicher Polaris
6.	Ajit Narayanan	CTO of Mynta
7.	Harish Bhat	Tata Sons Chairman
8.	Pawan Goenka	MD of Mahindra & Mahindra
9.	R Subramania Kumar	MD & CEO of Indian Overseas Bank
10.	Vani Venkatesh	CEO of Bharti Airtel Retail
11.	Kamala Harris	First Indian-American US Senator
12.	N V Srinivasan	Indo- American Chamber of Commerce President
13.	Upma Chowdhury	First Woman Director of LBSNAA
14.	Narinder Batra	President of International Hockey Federation
15.	Pankaj R Patel	President of FICCI
16.	Ratnesh Kumar	MD & CEO of Bank of Baroda Capital
17.	Parminder Singh	MD of Twitter Indian

18.	Anand Mahindra	Executive Chairman of Mahindra & Mahindra
19.	Gutam Kumra	McKinsey & Company's India Managing Director
20.	Siby Sebastian	CEO of SBM Bank (Mauritius), India
21.	Meriamma Koshy	New President of Hockey India
22.	Devraj Anbu	Chief of Northern Command
23.	Saptarshi Roy	Director of NTPC
24.	Ishaat Hussai	Chairman of TCS
25.	Sanjiv Arora	Ambassador of India to Lebanon
WORLD		
26.	Susan Kiefel	Chief Justice of Australia (First Woman)
27.	Saad Hariri	Prime Minister of Lebanon
28.	Aniruddha Rajput	UN's top body of legal expert member
29.	Kim Byong-Joon	Prime Minister of South Korea
30.	Debbie Hockley	President of New Zealand Cricket Board
31.	Dr. Seema Verma	2 nd Indian-American to be nominated to top Administrative post
32.	Guy Ryder	Director General of International Labour Organization (ILO)
33.	General Qamar Javed Bajma	Pakistan Army Chief

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SL NO.	NAME OF THE PERSON	DESIGNATION & DEPARTMENT
34.	Arundhati Bhattacharya	Chairperson of Ste Bank of India
35.	Ashok Chawla	Non- Executive Chairman of YES Bank
36.	Pervez Ahmed	Chairman & CEO of J&K Bank
37.	Sushil Chandra	Chairman of CBDT
38.	Jawhar Sircar	CEO of Prasar Bharati
39.	Dipanjan Basu	CFO of Mynta
40.	S Sivakumar	Full time member of 21 st Law Commission
41.	Ashish Vohra	CEO of Reliance Nippon Life Insurance
42.	Salim Gangadharan	Executive Chairman of South Indian Bank
43.	Asha Kharga	Marketing head of Axis Bank
44.	Ajay Kumar Bhalla	Director General of Foreign Trade
45.	Somesh Sharma	President of INS
46.	P V Sindhu	Brand Ambassador of Bank of Baroda
47.	Dr. Ajay M Gondane	High Commissioner of India to Australia
48.	K Srikant	Brand Ambassador of Bank of Baroda
49.	G Mahalingam	Whole time member of Market regulator of SEBI
50.	Saina Nehwal	IOC's Athletes Commission
51.	Anurag Thakur	ICC's Financial & Commercial Affairs Committee

52.	Geeta Phogat	DSP in Haryana Police
53.	Raghunathan	National President of AIMO
54.	A K Sharma	Command of the White Knight 16 Corps
55.	Roopa Ganguly	MP of Rajya Sabah
WORLD		
56.	Mariano Rajoy	Prime Minister of Spanish
57.	Michel Aoun	President of Lebanon
58.	B V R Mohan Reddy	Honorary Consul of Germany
59.	Dip Kumar Upadhyaya	Nepal's envoy to India
60.	Abdelilah Kaljulaid	President of Estonia

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SL NO.	NAME OF THE PERSON	DESIGNATION & DEPARTMENT
61.	K K Aggarwal	National President of IMA
62.	Arun Goyal	Additional Secretary of GST Council
63.	Virat Kohli	Brand Ambassador of Punjab National Bank
64.	Alka Sirohi	Chairman of UPSC
65.	Yashvardhan Sinha	India's High Commissioner to UK
66.	Vidyasagar Rao	Governor of Tamil Nadu (Acting)
67.	R Subramania Kumar	Executive Director of Indian Overseas Bank
68.	Taranjit Singh	High Commissioner of India to Sri Lanka

69.	Mukund Choudhuri	CMD of MOIL
70.	Junaid Ahmad	World Bank head in India
71.	Sanjiv Singh	Chairman of Indian Oil Corporation Limited
72.	Dilip Mandal	MD & CEO of IDBI Asset Management Company
73.	Sudip Bandyopadhyay	Chairperson of the Committee on Railway
74.	V K Sharma	Chairman of LIC
75.	C K Asnani	Chairman of UICL
76.	P V Bharathi	Executive Director of Canara Bank
77.	V Shanmuganathan	Governor of Arunachal Pradesh
78.	Ajay Singh	President of Boxing Federation of India
79.	O P Singh	Director General of CISF
WORLD		
80.	Jim Yong Kim	President of World Bank (2 nd time)
81.	Ravi Reddy	Head of International Society for Blood Transfusion
82.	Ajei Gopal	CEO of ANSYS
83.	Michel Temer	President of Brazil
84.	Lee Jae-yong	Director of Samsung Electronics
85.	Riyadh Mathew	Chairman of PTI

AWARDS AND HONOURS IN 2016 (SEP TO DEC)

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Sr. NO.	AWARDS	WINNER
1.	Global Citizen Award 2016	Imtiaz Sooliman (An Indian-origin man from South Africa)
2.	Goldsmiths Prize	Mike McCormack (Solar Bones Author)
3.	Uttarakhand Ratna Award	Harish Rawat (Chief Minister of Uttarakhand)
4.	Tata Literature Live- Poet Laureate Award 2016	Gulzar (Lyricist- writer)
5.	Shakti Bhatt First Book Prize	Akshaya Mukul (Senior Journalist, for his book "Gita Press and the Making of Hindu India")
6.	Golden Peacock Award at the 47 th International Film Festival of India (IFFI)	Iranian Film " Daughter "(Directed by Reza Mirkarimi)
7.	Life Time Achievement Award at Dubai International Film Festival	Rekha (Veteran Actress)
8.	German Green Talent Award	Shamik Chowdhury (Indian Researcher)
9.	Highest-Paid woman in music for 2016 in Forbes' annual list	Taylor Swift (Earn \$170 million between 1 st June, 2015 to 1 st June,2016)
10.	Rio Paralympics Silver Medalist, who honored with Rs. 4 Crore cash rewards by PM Narendra Modi	Deepa Malik
11.	La Liga's best player 2015-2016 season	Cristiano Ronaldo
12.	'Australian of the year Local Hero' Award 2016	Catherine Keenan (Former Journalist, Art writer & Literary editor)

13.	Reporters without Borders (RSF)- TV5 Monde Prize	Hadi Abdullah (Syrian freelance journalist)
14.	'State of the States Conclave' 2016	Haryana Government
15.	Stefan Edberg Sportsmanship Award at the ATP awards	Roger Federer
16.	The prestigious Golden Peacock Award for Corporate Governance for the year 2016	Steel Authority of Indian Limited (SAIL)
17.	World's best airline for the 4 th consecutive year	Air New Zealand
18.	Nominated for the People's Choice Award for 2 nd time	Priyanka Chopra (Bollywood Actress)
19.	'Artist of the Year' at the 2016 American Music Award	Ariana Grande (Singer)
20.	The prestigious UNESCO Salon Youth Video Competition 2016	'Magical Piano' , a short film by Toonz Media Group
Latin Grammy Awards 2016		
21.	Record of the Year	Carlos Vives & Shakira, "La Bicicleta"
22.	Best Singer Song-writer album	Julieta Venegas, AlgoSucedo
23.	Song of the Year	"La Bicicleta" Andrés Castro, Carlos Vives & Shakira
24.	Best Rock Album	Los Fabulosos Cadillacs, La Salvación De Solo Y Juan
25.	Best Alternative Music Album	IllyaKuryaki & The Valdramas, L.H.O.N
26.	Best Alternative Song	"VezPrimera" Carla Morrison (Song writer)

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SL. NO.	AWARDS	WINNER
27.	World Bank's Award of Excellence	Almatti Dam (One of the largest reservoirs in Karnataka)
28.	Man Booker Prize 2016	Paul Beatty
29.	Sakharov Prize 2016	Nadia Murad Basee & Lamiya Aji Bashar (Yazidi women)
30.	National Award for "Ishaqzaade"	Parineeti Chopra (Bollywood actress)
31.	"Special Award of Excellence in MSME lending"	State Bank of Patiala
32.	European Golden Boy Award 2016	Renato Sanches
33.	Lemelson-MIT Prize 2016	Ramesh Raskar (Founder of the camera culture research at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Media lab & Associate Professor of media Arts and Sciences)
34.	"Outstanding Celebrity Woman of the Year" 2016	Aishwarya Rai Bachchan
35.	IBC Award and Trophy for Excellence	Chandigarh International Airports Limited (CHIAL) (A joint venture company of Airport Authority of India and State of Punjab & Haryana)
36.	"Actor of the Millennium" in BBC poll	Amitabh Bachchan
37.	28 th Jimmy George Foundation Award 2016 for the best sports person of Kerala	P R Sreejesh (India Hockey team Captain)
38.	Mark Twain Prize for	Bill Murray (Comedian)

	American Humour	
39.	The prestigious APJ Abdul Kalam IGNITE Award	Roshan Sori (A 13-years old boy from Chandigarh for suggesting an idea for a software to immediately register a vote given through an electronic voting machine)
40.	Mathrubhumi Literary Award 2016	C Radhakrishnan (Eminent writer)
41.	'Woman of the Year" by Billboard	Madonna (American singer, songs-writer)
42.	John F Richards Prize	Nayanjot Lahiri (Professor of History)
43.	The prestigious 2016 Sustainable Development Leadership Award	Pawan Chamling (Chief Minister of Sikkim)
44.	Chevalier de l'Ordre National du Mérite (Knight in the National order of Merit)	Prajna Chowta (Film-maker and Elephant researcher)
45.	The 2016 Seven Star Luxury Hospitality and Life Style Award at Marbella in Spain	Maharajas' Express

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SL. NO.	AWARDS	WINNER
46.	2016 UNESCO Confucius Prize for Literacy	The Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS) OF Malappuram, Kerala
47.	"Best Horticulture State"2016	Haryana
48.	Rajbhasha Kirti Puraskar (Region C) for the year	Vijaya Bank (Bagged 2 nd Prize)

2015-2016		
49.	The prestigious Heritage Heroes Award	Bibhuti Lahkar (Indian ecologist and conservation activist)
50.	Honorary Academy (Oscar) Award for extraordinary achievements in the Movies	Jackie Chan (Movie star, Writer, Director and Martial Artist)
51.	Best Film Award at the First BRICS Film Festival, New Delhi	Thithi (Acclaimed Kannada movie)
52.	Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Antyodaya Krishi Puruskars 2016	Radhan Mohan Singh (Union Agriculture Minister)
53.	Moortidevi Award of Bharatiya Jnanpith	Prof. Kalakaluri Enoch (Telegu writer)
54.	The prestigious N Mohanan Suvarna Mudra Award 2016	M Leelavathy (Eminent Malayalam Critic and Academician)
55.	10 th Annual Clinton Global Citizen Award	Adi Godrej (Chairman of Mumbai-based Godrej Group)
56.	The prestigious J.C Daniel Award for Overall Contribution to the Malayalam Film Industry	K.G George (Veteran award-winning film Director)
57.	Miss Japan 2016	Priyanka Yoshikawa (Indo Japnese)
58.	'Golden Lion' award for the best film at the 73 rd Venice International Film Festival	"The Woman Who Left" , directed by Lav Diaz
59.	9 th Global Agriculture Leadership Award 2016	ODISHA
60.	"Banga Bibhushan" conferred by West Bengal Government	Lata Mangeshkar (Legendary Singer)

61.	"Life Time Achievement Award" in UK	Lord Narendra Babubhai Patel
62.	'Best Businessman' at the annual 'GQ Men of the Year Award' 2016	Vijay Shekhar Sharma
63.	"Lalit Arapan Samman" 2016	Shubha Mudgal(Hindustani classical singer)

IMPORTANT FESTIVAL AND EVENTS IN INDIA - 2016

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NATIONAL			
Sr. NO	EVENTS	WHEN	WHERE
1.	Rann Utsav	1 st November, 2016 to 20 th February, 2017	Great Rann of Kutch Salt Desert, Dhordo, Gujarat
2.	Chhath Puja	6 th November, 2016	Across India, particularly Bihar, Uttar Padesh, Assam, Odisha and West Bengal
3.	Pushkar Camel Fair	8 th November, 2016 to 14 th November, 2016	Pushkar, Rajasthan
4.	Wangala Festival	10 th November, 2016 to 12 th November, 2016	Garo Hills, Meghalaya
5.	India Serf Festival	12 th November, 2016 to 14 th November, 2016	Ramchandri Beach, Lotus Resort, near Puri, Odisha
6.	Osho Festival of	18 th November, 2016 to	Zorba the

	Tantra, Music and Dance	23 rd November, 2016	Buddha Center, Delhi
7.	Bundi Utsav	17 th November, 2016 to 19 th November, 2016	Bundi, Rajasthan
8.	Meet Thy Self Yoga Retreat Fest	28 th November, 2016 to 3 rd December, 2016	Riva Beach Resort, Mandrem beach, Goa
INTERNATIONAL			
9.	EOA 68 th Annual International Congress (Egyptian Orthopedic Association)	28 th November, 2016 to 1 st December, 2016	Cairo, Egypt
10.	ISKSAA Global Summit 2016	20 th November, 2016 to 23 rd November, 2016	New Delhi, India
11.	Economic Cooperation (APEC) Summit	November, 2016	Lima, Peru
12.	3 rd World Internet Conference	November, 2016	Wuzhen, China

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NATIONAL			
SL. NO	EVENTS	WHEN	WHERE
13.	19 th 'World Peace Conference'	October, 2016	Nasik, Maharashtra
14.	India Art Festival	6 th October, 2016 to 9 th October, 2016	Neheru Center, Worli, Mumbai
15.	8 th BRICS summit	October, 2016	Goa
16.	4 th BRICS Science, Technology and Innovation Ministerial	October, 2016	Jaipur, Rajasthan

Meeting			
17.	1 st BRICS Trade Fair & Exhibition	October, 2016	New Delhi
18.	Durga Puja	6 th October, 2016 to 11 th October, 2016	Kolkata, West Bengal
19.	Kullu Dussehra	11 th October, 2016 to 17 th October, 2016	Dhalpur Maidan, Kullu Valley, Himachal Pradesh
20.	5 th India International Silk Fair	October, 2016	New Delhi
21.	Rajasthan International Folk Festival	13 th October, 2016 to 17 th October, 2016	Mehrangarh, Jodhpur, Rajasthan
INTERNATIONAL			
22.	6 th Joint Experts Meeting on Corruption	October, 2016	Paris, France
23.	23 rd Rehabilitation International World Congress	October, 2016	Edinburgh, Scotland
24.	Islamic Countries Global youth meet	October, 2016	Istanbul, Pakistan
25.	4 th Meeting of Indo-Czech joint working group	October, 2016	Brno, Canada

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NATIONAL			
SL. NO	EVENTS	WHEN	WHERE
26.	BRICS Film Festival	September, 2016	New Delhi
27.	International Sea Food Show	September, 2016	Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
28.	2 nd SAARC Anti-	September, 2016	New Delhi

Terrorism Mechanism			
29.	Lonavala International Film Festival	1 st September, 2016 to 5 th September, 2016	Mumbai and Pune, Maharashtra
30.	NAROPA	16 th September, 2016 to 22 nd September, 2016	Hemis Monastery, near Leh in Ladakh
31.	2016 North East Connectivity Summit	September, 2016	Agartala, Tripura
32.	Neelamperoor Festival	29 th September, 2016	Alleppey, Kerala
33.	Ziro Festival	22 nd September, 2016 to 25 th September, 2016	Ziro Valley, Arunachal Pradesh
INTERNATIONAL			
34.	2016 G20 Summit	September, 2016	Hangzhou, China
35.	17 th NAM Summit	September, 2016	Venezuela
36.	IUCN World Conservation	September, 2016	Honolulu
37.	4 th ASEAN-India Summit and the 11 th East Asia Summit	September, 2016	Vientiane, Laos PDR

MEDALS WON BY INDIANS IN 2016

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SL NO.	NAME	DATE	MEDAL ACHIEVED
1.	Sachin Singh	27 th November 2016	3 rd Indian Boxer to wins GOLD Medal at

the AIBA Youth World Championships

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SL NO.	NAME	DATE	MEDAL ACHIEVED
2.	Jitu Rai	6 th October 2016	Won a SILVER Medal in the 50-meter pistol events of the ISSF World Cup Final at Bologna, Italy
3.	Luv Singh, Josil,Naveen Kumar and Dalmiya	October 2016	Won Four Medals(including One GOLD medal) in the TAFISA World Games in Jakarta, Indonesia

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SL NO.	NAME	DATE	MEDAL ACHIEVED
4.	Devendra Jhajharia	13 th September 2016	Won GOLD medal at the Paralympics
5.	Mariyappan Thangavelu	September 2016	Won GOLD medal at the Rio Paralympics
6.	Deepa Malik	12 th September 2016	Won SILVER medal at the Paralympics
7.	Anu Chutia, Rajkumar Devi, Alena Reji, Deborah Herold, Nayana Rajesh and Kezia Vargheese	September 2016	Won 3 GOLD medal, 2 SILVER medal and 1 BRONZE medal in the Track Asia Cup 2016, New Delhi

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SL NO.	NAME	DATE	MEDAL ACHIEVED
8.	Man Kaur	30 th August 2016	Won GOLD medal at the American Masters Games in the 100-meter dash
9.	Yogeshwar Dutt	25 th August 2016	BRONZE medal from the London Olympics has been upgraded to SILVER medal

LIST OF IMPORTANT DAYS WITH THEMES

Date	Day observed	Theme
25 January	National Voters day	Democracy and Electoral Participation
26, January	International Customs day	Digital Customs Progressive Engagement
30, January	World Leprosy day	To live is to help to live
04, February	World Cancer day	We can I can
13, February	World Radio day	Radio in Times of Emergency and disaster
20, February	World Day of Social Justice	A Just Transition: Environmentally sustainable economies and Societies
08, March	International Women's day	Pledge for Parity
24, March	World TB Day	Unite to end TB
07, April	World Health day	Beat Diabetes
22, April	World Earth day	Trees for the earth
18, April	World Heritage day	The Heritage of Sport

01, May	International Labour day	Celebrating the International Labour Movement
08, May	World Red Cross day	Everywhere for every one
17, May	World Telecom day	ICT entrepreneurship for social impact
31, May	Anti-Tobacco day	Get ready for Plain Packaging
11, July	World Population day	Investing in Teenage girls
15, July	World Youth Skills day	Skills development to improve youth employment
12, August	International Youth day	Road to 2030: Eradicating Poverty and Achieving sustainable consumption and production
08, September	World Literacy day	Reading the past, Writing the Future
21, September	World Peace day	The Sustainable development goals Building blocks for peace
26, September	World Environmental Health day	Tobacco Control: A response to the global tobacco pandemic
27, September	World Tourism day	Tourism for All, Promoting Universal Accessibility
29, September	World Heart day	Light your heart empower your life
29, Septemebr	World Maritime day	Shipping: Indispensable to the world
05, Ocober	World Teachers day	Valuing Teachers, improving their status
24, October	United Nations day	Freedom First
05, November	Tsunami Awareness day	Effective Education and Evacuation drills
10, November	World Science Day for peace and development	Celebrating Science Centres and Science Museums
14, November	World Diabetes day	Eyes on Diabetes

20, November	Universal Children's day	Stop Violence against the Children
January 9	NRI Day or Pravasi Bhartiya Diwas	Apna Bharat Apna Gaurav
January 25	'National Voters' Day	Inclusive and Qualitative Participation'
March 4	National Safety Day	Strengthen Safety Movement to Achieve Zero Harm
April 5	National Maritime Day	Ease of doing business in the maritime sector

LIST OF LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS 2016 WINNERS

Awardee	Name of Lifetime Achievement Award	Category/Field/Genre
Moushumi Chatterjee	Filmfare Lifetime Achievement Award	Acting
Amitav Ghosh	Tata Literature Live	Outstanding contribution to the Indian literary space
Aditya Puri	Financial Express Best Bank Awards	Banking
Judith Kerr	The BookTrust	Children's writer
Sunil Gavaskar	Sports Journalists' Association of Mumbai	Completed a memorable 50-year connect with the Indian cricket
Rekha	Screen Lifetime Achievement Award	Acting
Lord Narendra Babubhai Patel	Asian Achievers Awards	Work in the medical profession and public life in Britain
Ruskin Bond	Times Lit Fest	Literature
Sam Pitroda	American Society of	Engineering

	Engineers of Indian Origin (ASEI) 31st annual convocation	
Pandit Hariprasad Chaurasia	Sumitra Charat Ram Award	Indian classical music
Ruskin Bond	Raymond Crossword Book Award	Literature
Usha Venkateswar	Maya Rao lifetime achievement award	Choreography
Kwon-taek	International Film Festival of India	Contribution in Korean cinema
Jiri Menzel	International Film Festival of Kerala	active representative of new wave cinema in Czech Republic
Mukesh Chatter	TiE Boston Lifetime Achievement Award	High-tech entrepreneurship
Samuel L Jackson	Dubai International Film Festival (Diff)	Actor
Gabriel Yared	Dubai International Film Festival (Diff)	Composer
Rekha	Dubai International Film Festival (Diff)	Actor
BS Chandrasekha	Sports Writers' Association of Bangalore	Sports writer
N Chandra	8th Goa State Film Festival	Film Industry
Mumtaz Madhvani.	Arts for India charity and awards	Charity
Dame Joan Collins	Arts for India charity and awards	Charity
Srinivasan K Swamy	Advertising Agencies Association of India	Outstanding contribution to the advertising industry
Y K Hamied	Forbes India Leadership Awards	Pioneering work at Cipla
Jackie Chan	Lifetime achievement Oscar	Contribution to film

Uttam Singh	Lata Mangeshkar Award for Lifetime Achievement	Music
Mohan Babu	63rd Britannia Filmfare Awards South	Actor
Kuldip Nayar	Ramnath Goenka Excellence in Journalism Awards	Journalism
Sharmila Tagore	28th Pune festival	Actor
Rishi Kapoor	Indian Film Festival of Melbourne 2016	Actor
Prem Chopra	7th Jagran Film Festival	Actor
Satti Geetha	The Dhyan Chand Lifetime Achievement Award	Athletics
Sylvanus Dung Dung	The Dhyan Chand Lifetime Achievement Award	Hockey
Rajendra Pralhad Shelke	The Dhyan Chand Lifetime Achievement Award	Rowing
Rahul Bajaj	Zee Business Lifetime Achievement Award	Entrepreneurship
Sridevi	International Indian Film Academy Awards	Acting
Balbir Singh	Indian of the Year	Hockey
Sylvanus Dung Dung	Dhyan Chand Lifetime Achievement Award	Hockey
BBC Sports Personality 2016	Michael Phelps	Swimmer

FAMOUS BOOKS, AUTHORS AND BIOGRAPHIES: FOR UPCOMING EXAMS

BOOKS - AUTOBIOGRAPHY

Book	Author	Autobiography of
Anything but Khamosh	Bharti S. Pradhan	Shatrughan Sinha
Playing it My Way	Boria Majumdar	Sachin Tendulkar
Six Machine (I Don't Like Cricket ... I Love It)	Chris Gayle	Chris Gayle
AB The autobiography	AB De Villiers	AB De Villiers's
Ace Against Odds	Sania Mirza	Sania Mirza
Unbreakable	Mary Kom	Mary Kom
Courage & Commitment	Margaret Alva	Margaret Alva (Veteran Congress leader)
Dreaming Big: My Journey to Connect India	Sam Pitroda	Sam Pitroda
Driven: The Virat Kohli Story	Vijay Lokapally	Virat Kohli

BOOKS – AUTHORS – AWARDS (2016)

Book/Contribution	Author	Award
Playing it my way	Sachin Tendulkar Boria Majumdar	Crossword Book of the Year
Gita Press and the Making of Hindu India	Akshaya Mukul	Shakti Bhatt first book prize
Poetic expressions for traditional American songs	Bob Dylan	Nobel Prize in Literature 2016
The Vegetarian	Han Kang (Author), Deborah Smith (Translator)	Man Booker International Prize 2016

The Sellout	Paul Beatty	Man Booker Prize 2016
The Sympathizer	Viet Thanh Nguyen	Pulitzer Prize for Fiction 2016
A God in Ruins	Kate Atkinson	Costa Novel Prize
Distinguished Academician of India	Jancy James	Prof M V Pylee Award
Anu Band	Ela Bhatt	SEWA Award
Ashoka	Professor Nayanjot Lahiri	John F. Richards Prize
Love of Indian history	Aditi Krishnakumar	Scholastic Asian Book Award

50 MOST FAMOUS BOOKS OF 2016

Book	Author
An Era of Darkness: The British Empire in India	Shashi Tharoor
The Legend of Lakshmi Prasad	Twinkle Khanna
'Death under the Deodars: The Adventures of Miss Ripley Bean'	Ruskin Bond
Rajiv Gandhi assassin, hidden truths	Nalini
Conflicts of Interest: My Journey through India's Green Movement	Sunita Narain
Ashoka in Ancient India	Nayanjot Lahiri
The Ministry of Utmost Happiness	Arundhati Roy
The Sleepwalker's Dream	Dhrubajyoti Borah
The Adivasis will Not Dance	Hansda Sowendra Shekhar
Chain of Custody	Anita Nair
Tiger: The Life of Tipu Sultan	Kate Brittlebank
The Burning Forest: India's War in Bastar	Nandini Sundar

The Great Derangement: Climate Change and the Unthinkable	Amitav Ghosh
The Ocean of Churn: How the Indian Ocean Shaped Human History	Sanjeev Sanyal
Rage of the River: The Untold Story of Kedarnath Disaster	Hridayesh Joshi
1991: How PV Narasimha Rao Made History	Sanjaya Baru
Not War Not Peace: Motivating Pakistan to Prevent Cross-Border Terrorism	George Perkovi & Toby Dalton
Sleepwalking to Surrender: Dealing With Terrorism in Pakistan	Khaled Ahmed
The Deed of Words: Two Considerations on Politics of Literature	Pothik Ghosh
Being the Other: The Muslim in India	Saeed Naqvi
Homo Deus: A Brief History of Tomorrow	Yuval Noah Harari
Democratic Dynasties; State, Party and Family in Contemporary Politics	Ed Kanchan Chand
Democrats and Dissenters	Ramachandra Guha
India Conquered: Britain's Raj and the Chaos of Empire	Jon Wilson
Not Out: The Incredible Story of The IPL	Desh Gaurav Sekhri
The Rise and Fall of Nations: Ten Rules of Change in the Post-Crisis World	Ruchir Sharma
Citizen and Society	Hamid Ansari (Vice President)
One Indian girl	Chetan Bhagat
The Ocean of Churn: How the Indian Ocean Shaped Human History	Sanjeev Sanyal (Indian economist)
India Rising: Fresh Hope, New Fears	Ravi Velloor
Maoism in India and Nepal	Ranjit Bhushan
Old History, New Geography	Jairam Ramesh

India's Long Road: The Search for Prosperity	Vijay Joshi
She Walks, She Leads	Gunjan Jain
Bicycle Dreaming	Mridula Koshy
Things That Can and Cannot Be Said	Arundhati Roy and John Cusack
The Games: A Global History of the Olympics	David Goldblatt
Shashi Kapoor: The Householder, the Star	Aseem Chhabra
The Unseen Indira Gandhi	Dr KP Mathur
Who Moved My Interest Rate	Duvvuri Subbarao (former Governor of RBI)
Ringside With Vijender	Rudraneil Sengupta
Blood on my Hands: Confessions of Staged Encounters	Kishlay Bhattacharjee
The Making of India: The Untold Story of British Enterprises	Kartar Lalvani
India vs Pakistan. Why Can't we just be Friends?	Pakistani Ambassador to the U.S. Husain Haqqani
Who was Shivaji?	Govind Pansare
Endurance: My Year in Space & Our Journey to Mars	Scott Kelly
Framed as a Terrorist	Mohammad Aamir Khan
Standing Guard: A Year in Opposition	P Chidambaram
Life Mantras	Subrata Roy
And Then There Were None	Agatha Christie

AWARDS AND HONOURS IN INDIA 2016-17

LIST OF ARJUNA AWARDS WINNERS 2016

S.No	Name	Sports
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1	Ajinkya Rahane	Cricket
2	Amit Kumar	Wrestling
3	Apurvi Chandela	Shooting
4	Gurpreet Singh	Shooting
5	Sandeep Singh Maan	Para Athletics
6	Shiva Thapa	Boxing
7	Sourav Kothari	Billiards & Snooker
8	Soumyajit Ghosh	Table Tennis
9	Ritu Rani	Hockey
10	Subrata Pal	Football
11	Rajat Chauhan	Archery
12	Raghunath Vokkaliga	Hockey
13	Lalita Babar	Athletics
14	Virender Singh	Wrestling
15	Vinesh Phogat	Wrestling

LIST OF DHRONACHARYA AWARDS WINNERS 2016

S.No	Name	Sports
1	Shri Nagapuri Ramesh	Athletics
2	Shri Sagar Mal Dhayal	Boxing
3	Shri Raj Kumar Sharma	Cricket
4	Shri Bishweshwar Nandi	Gymnastics
5	Shri S. Pradeep Kumar	Swimming (Lifetime)
6	Shri Mahabir Singh	Wrestling (Lifetime)

PADMA VIBHUSHAN AWARDEES

SNo.	Name	Field of	Native State
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Contribution			
1	Ms. Yamini Krishnamurthi	Art- Classical dance	Delhi
2	Shri Rajinikanth	Art-Cinema	Tamil Nadu
3	Smt. Girija Devi	Art-Classical Vocal	West Bengal
4	Shri Ramoji Rao	Literature & Education-Journalism	Andhra Pradesh
5	Dr. Viswanathan Shanta	Medicine- Oncology	Tamil Nadu
6	Shri Shri Ravi Shankar	Spiritualism	Karnataka
7	Shri Jagmohan	Public Affairs	Delhi
8	Dr.Vasudev Kalkunte Aatre	Science & Engineering	Karnataka
9	Shri Avinash Dixit (Foreigner)	Literature & Education	USA
10	Late Shri Dhiru Bhai Ambani (Posthumous)	Trade & Industry	Maharashtra

PADMA BHUSHAN AWARDEES

S.No	Name	Field of Contribution	Native State
1	Shri Anupam Kher	Art-Cinema	Maharashtra
2	Shri Udit Narayan Jha	Art-Playback Singing	Maharashtra
3	Shri Ram V. Sutar	Art-Sculpture	Uttar Pradesh
4	Shri Heisnam Kanhailal	Art-Theatre	Manipur
5	Shri Vinod Rai	Civil Service	Kerala
6	Dr. Yarlagadda Lakshmi Prasad	Literature & Education	Andhra Pradesh
7	Prof. N. S. Ramanuja Tatachaya	Literature & Education	Maharashtra

8	Dr. Barjinder Singh Hamdard	Literature & Education - Journalism	Punjab
9	Prof. D. Nageshwar Reddy	Medicine- Gastroenterology	Telangana
10	Swami Tejomayananda	Spiritualism	Maharashtra
11	Shri Hafeez	Architecture	Maharashtra
12	Shri Ravindra Chandra Bhargava	Public Affairs	Uttar Pradesh
13	Dr.Venkata Rama Rao Alla	Science & Engineering	Andhra Pradesh
14	Ms. Saina Nehwal	Sports-Badminton	Telangana
15	Ms. Sania Mirza	Sports-Tennis	Telangana
16	Ms. Indu Jain	Trade & Industry	Delhi
17	Late Swami Dayanand Sarawasati (Posthumous)	Others-Spiritualism	Uttarakhand
18	Shri Robert Blackwill(Foreigner)	Public Affairs	USA
19	Shri Pallonji Shapoorji Mistry(Person Of Indian Origin)	Trade & Industry	Ireland

PADMA SHRI AWARDEES

S.No	Name	Field of Contribution	Native State
1	Smt. Prathibha Prahlad	Art- Classical Dance	Delhi
2	Shri Bhikhudan Gadhvi	Art- Folk Music	Gujarat
3	Shri Sribhas Chandra Supakar	Art- Textile Designing	Uttar Pradesh
4	Shri Ajay Devgan	Art-Cinema	Maharashtra

5	Ms. Priyanka Chopra	Art-Cinema	Maharashtra
6	Pt. Tulsidas Borkar	Art-Classical Music (Harmonium instrument)	Goa
7	Dr. Soma Ghosh	Art-Classical Vocal	Uttar Pradesh
8	Shri Nila Madhab Panda	Art-Film Direction and Production	Delhi
9	Shri S.S. Rajamouli	Art-Film Direction and Production	Karnataka
10	Shri Madhur Bhandarkar	Art-Film Direction and Production	Maharashtra
11	Prof. M. Venkatesh Kumar	Art-Folk Arts	Karnataka
12	Ms. Gulabi Sapera	Art-Folk Dance	Rajasthan
13	Smt. Mamta Chandrakar	Art-Folk Music	Chhattisgarh
14	Ms. Malini Awasthi	Art-Folk Music	Uttar Pradesh
15	Shri Jai Prakash Lekhiwal	Art-Miniature Painting	Delhi
16	Shri K. Laxma Goud	Art-Painting	Telangana
17	Shri Bhalchandra Dattatray Mondhe	Art-Photography	Madhya Pradesh
18	Shri Naresh Chander Lal	Art-Theatre & Cinema	Andaman & Nicobar
19	Shri Dharendra Nath Bezbaruah	Literature & Education	Assam
20	Shri Prahlad Chandra Tasa	Literature & Education	Assam
21	Dr.Ravindra Nagar	Literature & Education	Delhi
22	Shri Dahyabhai Shastri	Literature & Education	Gujarat
23	Dr.Santeshivara Bhyrappa	Literature & Education	Karnataka
24	Shri Haldar Nag	Literature &	Odisha

		Education	
25	Shri Kameshwaram Brahma	Literature & Education - Journalism	Assam
26	Prof. Pushpesh Pant	Literature & Education- Journalism	Delhi
27	Shri Jawaharlal Kaul	Literature & Education- Journalism	Jammu & Kashmir
28	Shri Ashok Malik	Literature &Education	Delhi
29	Dr.Mannam Gopi Chand	Medicine-Cardio Thoracic Surgery	Telangana
30	Prof. Ravi Kant	Medicine-Surgery	Uttar Pradesh
31	Prof. Ram Harsh Singh	Medicine- Ayurveda	Uttar Pradesh
32	Prof. Shiv Narain Kureel	Medicine- Paediatric Surgery	Uttar Pradesh
33	Dr.Sabya Sachi Sarkar	Medicine –Radiology	Uttar Pradesh
34	Dr. Alla Gopala Krishna Gokhale	Medicine-Cardiac Surgery	Andhra Pradesh
35	Prof. T.K. Lahiri	Medicine-Cardio Thoracic Surgery	Uttar Pradesh
36	Dr. Praveen Chandra	Medicine-Cardiology	Delhi
37	Prof. (Dr) Daljeet Singh Gambhir	Medicine-Cardiology	Uttar Pradesh
38	Dr.Chandrasekar Shesadri Thoguluva	Medicine- Gastroenterology	Tamil Nadu
39	Dr. (Mrs.) Anil Kumari Malhotra	Medicine- Homeopathy	Delhi
40	Prof. M.V. Padma Srivastava	Medicine-Neurology	Delhi
41	Dr. Sudhir V. Shah	Medicine-Neurology	Gujarat
42	Dr. M. M. Joshi	Medicine- Ophthalmology	Karnataka

43	Prof. (Dr) John Ebnezar	Medicine-Orthopaedic Surgery	Karnataka
44	Dr. Nayudamma Yarlagadda	Medicine-Paediatic Surgery	Andhra Pradesh
45	Shri Simon Oraon	Other –Environment Conservation	Jharkhand
46	Shri Imitiaz Qureshi	Other-Culinary	Delhi
47	Shri Piyush Pandey	Others-Advertising & Communication	Maharashtra
48	Shri Subhash Palekar	Others-Farming	Maharashtra
49	Shri Ravinder Kumar Sinha	Others-Wildlife Conservation	Bihar
50	Dr. H.R. Nagendra	Others-Yoga	Karnataka
51	Shri M. C. Mehta	Public Affairs	Delhi
52	Shri M. N. Krishna Mani	Public Affairs	Delhi
53	Shri Ujjwal Nikam	Public Affairs	Maharashtra
54	Shri Tokheho Sema	Public Affairs	Nagaland
55	Dr. Satish Kumar	Science & Engineering	Delhi
56	Dr.Mylswamy Annadurai	Science & Engineering	Tamilnadu
57	Prof. Dipankar Chatterji	Science & Engineering	Karnataka
58	Prof.(Dr.) Ganapati Dadasaheb Yadav	Science & Engineering	Maharashtra
59	Smt. (Prof.) Veena Tandon	Science & Engineering	Meghalaya
60	Shri Onkar Nath Srivastava	Science and Engineering	Uttar Pradesh
61	Ms. Sunita Krishnan	Social Work	Andhra Pradesh
62	Shri Ajoy Kumar Dutta	Social Work	Assam
63	Shri M. Pandit Dasa	Social Work	Karnataka
64	Shri P. P. Gopinathan	Social Work	Kerala

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65	Smt. Madeleine Herman de Blic	Social Work	Puducherry
66	Shri Srinivasan Damal Kandalai	Social work	Tamil Nadu
67	Shri Sudhakar Olwe	Social Work	Maharashtra
68	Dr. T.V. Narayana	Social Work	Telangana
69	Shri Arunachalam Murugantham	Social Work	Tamil Nadu
70	Ms. Deepika Kumari	Sports-Archery	Jharkhand
71	Shri Sushil Doshi	Sports-commentary	Madhya Pradesh
72	Shri Mahesh Sharma	Trade & Industry	Delhi
73	Shri Saurabh Srivastava	Trade & Industry	Delhi
74	Shri Dilip Sanghvi	Trade & Industry	Maharashtra
75	Dr. Keki Hormusji Gharda	Trade & Industry	Maharashtra
76	Late Shri Prakash	Art -Classical Music	Rajasthan
77	Late Shri Saeed Jaffrey(NRI and Posthumous)	Art-Cinema	United Kingdom
78	Shri Michael Postel (Foreigner)	Art-Archaeology	France
79	Shri Salman Amin Sal Khan (Person of Indian Origin)	Literature & Education	USA
80	Smt. Hui Lan Zhang (Foreigner)	Others-Yoga	China
81	Shri Predrag K. Nikic (Foreigner)	Others-Yoga	Serbia
82	Dr.Sundar Aditya Menon (NRI)	Social Work	UAE
83	Shri Ajaypal Singh Banga (NRI/PIO)	Trade & Industry	USA

NATIONAL BRAVERY AWARDS 2016

S.No	Name	Award
1	Abhijit KV	General National Bravery Award
2	Bhimsen	General National Bravery Award
3	Beedhovan	General National Bravery Award
4	Joena Chakbraborty	General National Bravery Award
5	Chongtham Kuber Meitei	General National Bravery Award
6	Maurice Yengkhom	General National Bravery Award
7	Sarwanand Saha	General National Bravery Award
8	Muhammad Shamnad	General National Bravery Award
9	Shivampet Ruchitha	Geeta Chopra Award
10	Mohit Mahdenrda Dalvi	General National Bravery Award
11	Vaibhav Ramesh Ghangare	General National Bravery Award
12	Nilesh Revaram Bhil	General National Bravery Award
13	Sai Krishna Akhil Kilambi	General National Bravery Award
14	Dishant Mehndiratta	General National Bravery Award
15	Anandu Dillep	General National Bravery Award
16	Kashish Dhanani	General National Bravery Award
17	Nithin Philip Mathew	General National Bravery Award

18	Shivansh Singh	Bharat Award
19	Gaurav Kawduji Sahastrabuddhe	Bharat Award
20	Abinash Mishra	General National Bravery Award
21	Angelica Tynsong	General National Bravery Award
22	Arjun Singh	Sanjay Chopra Award
23	Aromal SM	Bapu Gaidhani Award
24	Ramdinthara	Bapu Gaidhani Award
25	Rakeshbhai Shanabhai Patel	Bapu Gaidhani Award

THE ASIAN AWARDS 2016

S.No	Name	Award
1	Mother Teresa	Founder's Award
2	Anil Agarwal	Entrepreneur of the Year
3	Shri Prakash Lohia	Business Leader of the Year
4	Son-Heung-Min	Outstanding Achievement in Sports
5	Naughty Boy	Outstanding Achievement in Music
6	Kunal Nayyar	Outstanding Achievement in Television
7	Shuji Nakamura	Outstanding Achievement in Science and Technology
8	Asif Khapadia	Outstanding Achievement in Cinema
9	Osman Yousefzada	Outstanding Achievement in Art & Design
10	Rami Ranger	Outstanding Contribution to the Community

11	Vikram patel	Chivas Social Entrepreneur of the Year
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DADA SAHEB PHALKE AWARDS 2016

S.No	Name	Award
1	Sikander Kher	Best Actor Male for Tere Bin Laden- Dead or Alive
2	Richa Chaddha	Best Actress Masaan
3	Sooraj Barjatya	Best Memorable film "Prem Ratan Dhan Payo
4	Shabana Azami	Best Supporting actress "Neerja")
5	Annu Kapoor	Best R.J.
6	Indra Krishnan	Best Actress Female T.V.
7	Sameer Dharmadhakari	Best Actor Male T.V
8	Deepak Dobriyal	Best Supporting Actor "Tanu Weds Manu Returns
9	Shoojit Sarkar	Best director 'Piku'
10	Amitabh Bhattacharya	Best Lyrics "Dilwale"
11	Pritam	Best Music "Dilwale"
12	Kamini Kaushal	Life Time Achievement award
13	Bappi Lahiri	Life Time Achievement award
14	Palak Muchal	Best Singer Female
15	Rashmi Sharma	Best Producer T.V.
16	Swaraj Singh	Best Stage Actor
17	Sooraj Pancholi & Athiya Shetty	Best Pair- Debut
18	Amit Khanna	Best Photographer- Still Photography

19	Ganesh Acharya	Best Choreographer
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SANGEET NATAK AKADEMI AWARDS 2016

S.No	Name	Award
1	Sharodi Saikia	Dance - Sattriya
2	Smt. Suguna Varadachari	Carnatic Music - Vocal
3	Vidwan Lalgudi GJR Krishnan	Carnatic Music - Instrumental (Violin)
4	Manoj Joshi	Theatre - Acting
5	R.N. Tharanathan	Carnatic Music - Vocal
6	Ranganayaki Jayaraman	Dance - Bharatanatyam
7	K Kunhiraman Nair	Dance - Kathakali
8	Mandakini Trivedi	Dance - Mohiniattam
9	R.N. Thyagarajan	Carnatic Music - Vocal
10	Brij Narayan	Music - Instrumental (Sarod)
11	G Padmaja Reddy	Dance - Kuchipudi
12	Mashkoor Ali Khan	Hindustani Music - Vocal
13	Sadashiva Pradhan	Dance - Chhau
14	Himani Shivpuri	Theatre - Acting
15	Kartik Kumar	Hindustani Music - Instrumental (Sitar)
16	Khuman Lal Saav	Other Traditional / Folk / Tribal / Music / Dance and Theatre
17	Mushtaq Kak	Theatre - Direction
18	Parvez Akhtar	Theatre - Direction
19	Krishna Bisht	Hindustani Music - Vocal
20	Chhaya khutegaonkar	Other Traditional / Folk / Tribal / Music / Dance and Theatre

21	Gangmei Aluna Kabuini	Other Traditional / Folk / Tribal / Music / Dance and Theatre
22	Maya Khutegaonkar	Other Traditional / Folk / Tribal / Music / Dance and Theatre
23	S R D Prasad	Other Traditional / Folk / Tribal / Music / D
24	Ramchandra Singh	Other Traditional / Folk / Tribal / Music / Dance and Theatre
25	Ustad Sayeed Sabri-Jaipuri	Other Traditional / Folk / Tribal / Music / Dance and Theatre
26	Pammi Bai	Other Traditional / Folk / Tribal / Music / Dance and Theatre
27	Khem Raj	Other Traditional / Folk / Tribal / Music /

EXAMS Today

NOBEL PRIZE 2016

S.No	Field	Name	Contribution
1	Physics	David J. Thouless; Duncan Haldane; and John M. Kosterlitz	Theoretical discoveries of topological phase transitions and topological phases of matter
2	Chemistry	Jean-Pierre Sauvage, Sir J. Fraser Stoddart and Bernard L. Feringa	Design and synthesis of molecular machines"
3	Physiology or	Yoshinori ohsumi	Discoveries of mechanisms for

	medicine		autophagy
4	Literature	Bob dylan	new poetic expressions within the great American song tradition
5	Peace	Juan manuel santos	Resolute efforts to bring the country's more than 50-year-long civil war to an end.
6	Economics	Oliver Hart and Bengt Holmström	Contract theory

58TH ANNUAL GRAMMY AWARDS 2016

S.No	Category	Name
1	Record of the Year	Mark Ronson feat. Bruno Mars, "Uptown Funk"
2	Album of the Year	Taylor Swift, 1989
3	Best New Artist	Taylor Swift, 1989
4	Best Rock Performance	Alabama Shakes, "Don't Wanna Fight"
5	Best Musical Theater Album	Hamilton
6	Song of the Year	Ed Sheeran, "Thinking Out Loud"
7	Best Country Album	Chris Stapleton, Traveller
8	Best Rap Album	Kendrick Lamar, To Pimp a Butterfly
9	Best Pop Duo/Group Performance	Mark Ronson feat. Bruno Mars, "Uptown Funk"
10	Best Rap/Sung Collaboration	Kendrick Lamar feat. Bilal, Anna Wise & Thundercat
11	Best Traditional Pop Vocal	Tony Bennett & Bill

	Album	Charlap, The Silver Lining: The Songs of Jerome Kern
12	Best Pop Solo Performance	Ed Sheeran, "Thinking Out Loud"
13	Best Rap Song	Kendrick Lamar, "Alright"
14	Best Alternative Music Album	Alabama Shakes, Sound & Color
15	Best Rock Album	Muse, Drones
16	Best Rap Performance	Kendrick Lamar, "Alright"
17	Best Rock Song	Alabama Shakes, "Don't Wanna Fight"
18	Best R&B Album	D'Angelo and the Vanguard, Black Messiah
19	Best Urban Contemporary Album	The Weeknd, Beauty Behind the Madness
20	Best R&B Performance	The Weeknd, "Earned It (Fifty Shades of Grey)"
21	Best R&B Song	D'Angelo and The Vanguard, "Really Love"
22	Best Traditional R&B Performance	Lalah Hathaway, "Little Ghetto Boy"
23	Best Dance/Electronic Album	Skrillex and Diplo, Skrillex and Diplo Present Jack Ü
24	Best Dance Recording	Skrillex and Diplo With Justin Bieber, "Where Are Ü Now"
25	Best Music Video	Taylor Swift feat. Kendrick Lamar, "Bad Blood"
26	Best Country Duo/Group Performance	Little Big Town, "Girl Crush"
27	Best Country Song	Little Big Town, "Girl Crush"
28	Best Music Film	Amy Winehouse, Amy
29	Best Rap/Song Collaboration	Common & John Legend, "Glory"
30	Best Pop Vocal Album	Taylor Swift, 1989

31	Best Country Solo Performance	Chris Stapleton, "Traveller"
32	Best Contemporary Christian Music Album	Tobymac, This Is Not a Test
33	Best Roots Gospel Album	The Fairfield Four, Still Rockin' My Soul
35	Best Latin Rock, Urban or Alternative Album	Pitbull, Dale
36	Best Latin Pop Album	Ricky Martin, A Quien Quiera Escuchar (Deluxe Edition)
37	Best Comedy Album	Louis C.K., Live at Madison Square Garden
38	Best Spoken Word Album	Jimmy Carter, A Full Life: Reflections at Ninety
39	Score Soundtrack for Visual Media	Birdman
40	Best Gospel Album	Israel & Newbreed, Covered: Alive Is Asia [Live] (Deluxe)
41	Best Gospel Performance/Song	Kirk Franklin, "Wanna Be Happy?"
42	Best Contemporary Christian Music Performance/Song	Francesca Battistelli, "Holy Spirit"
43	Best Contemporary Classical Composition	Stephen Paulus, Paulus: Prayers & Remembrances
44	Best Classical Solo Vocal Album	Joyce DiDonato and Antonio Pappano, Joyce & Tony – Live From Wigmore Hall
45	Best Classical Instrumental Solo	Augustin Hadelich, "Dutilleux: Violin Concerto, L'Arbre Des Songes"
46	Best Chamber Music/Small Ensemble Performance	Eighth Blackbird, "Filament"
47	Best Choral Performance	Charles Bruffy, "Rachmaninoff: All-Night

Vigil"		
48	Best Opera Recording	Saito Kinen Orchestra; SKF Matsumoto Chorus & SKF Matsumoto Children's Chorus, "Ravel: L'Enfant Et Les Sortilèges; Shéhérazade"
49	Producer of the Year, Classical	Judith Sherman
50	Best New Age Album	Paul Avgerinos, Grace
51	Best Surround Sound Album	Roger Waters, Amused to Death
52	Best Orchestral Performance	Boston Symphony Orchestra, "Shostakovich: Under Stalin's Shadow - Symphony No. 10"
53	Best Classical Compendium	Giancarlo Guerrero, Paulus: Three Places of Enlightenment; Veil of Tears & Grand Concerto
54	Best Regional Roots Music Album	Jon Cleary, Go Go Juice
55	Best Folk Album	Béla Fleck & Abigail Washburn
56	Best Blues Album	Buddy Guy, Born to Play Guitar
57	Best Bluegrass Album	The Steeldrivers, The Muscle Shoals Recordings
58	Best Americana Album	Jason Isbell, Something More Than Free
59	Best American Roots Song	Jason Isbell, "24 Frames"
60	Best American Roots Performance	Mavis Staples, "See That My Grave Is Kept Clean"
61	Best Tropical Latin Album	Rubén Blades With Roberto Delgado & Orchestra,

		Son De Panamá
62	Best Regional Mexican Music Album (Including Tejano)	Los Tigres Del Norte, Realidades - Deluxe Edition
63	Best Children's Album	Tim Kubart, Home
64	Best World Album	Angélique Kidjo, Sings
65	Best Reggae Album	Morgan Heritage, Strictly Roots
66	Best Latin Jazz Album	Eliane Elias, Made in Brazil
67	Best Large Jazz Ensemble Album:	Maria Schneider, The Thompson Fields
68	Best Jazz Instrumental Album	John Scofield, Past Present
69	Best Jazz Vocal Album	Cécile McLorin Salvant, For One to Love
70	Best Surround Sound Album	James Guthrie and Joel Plante, Amused To Death
71	Best Remixed Recording, Non-Classical	Mark Ronson feat. Bruno Mars, "Uptown Funk (Dave Audé Remix)"
72	Best Engineered Album, Non-Classical	Alabama Shakes, Sound & Color
73	Best Historical Album	Various artists; The Basement Tapes Complete: The Bootleg Series Vol. 11
73	Best Boxed or Special Limited Edition Package	Various Artists, The Rise & Fall Of Paramount Records, Volume Two (1928-32)
74	Best Album Notes	Joni Mitchell, Love Has Many Faces: A Quartet, A Ballet, Waiting To Be Danced
75	Best Recording Package	Sarah Dodds, Shauna Dodds & Dick Reeves;

		Asleep at the Wheel, Still the King: Celebrating the Music of Bob Wills and His Texas Playboys
76	Best Arrangement, Instruments and Vocals	Maria Schneider, "Sue (Or In A Season Of Crime)"
77	Best Arrangement, Instrumental or A Cappella	Avi Kaplin, Kirstin Taylor, Kevin K.O. Olusola; "Dance Of The Sugar Plum Fairy"
78	Best Instrumental Composition	Arturo O'Farrill and the Afro Latin Jazz Orchestra, "The Afro Latin Jazz Suite"
79	MusiCares Person of the Year	Lionel Richie

RECENT NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL AWARDS 2016

S.No	Name of the Award	Recipient
1	Lifetime Achievement Award at Dubai International Film Festival	Rekha (Veteran actress)
2	The world's third largest startup base	India (US and UK stands in the first and second position respectively)
3	Rio Paralympics silver medalist, who honored with Rs. 4 crore cash reward by P Narendra Modi	Deepa Malik
4	German Green Talent Award	Shamik Chowdhury (Indian researcher)
5	Prestigious award for outstanding work in the field of e-governance at	Haryana government

the 'State of the States Conclave 2016'		
6	The highest-paid woman in music for 2016 in Forbes' annual list.	Taylor Swift
7	Rashtriya Kalidas Samman by Madhya Pradesh Government	Raj Bisaria and Banshi Kaul
8	Australian of the Year Local Hero' award 2017	Tejinder Pal
9	La Liga's best player for 2015-16 season	Cristiano Ronaldo
10	Tata Literature Live! Lifetime Achievement Award	Amitav Ghosh
11	Reporters without Borders (RSF)-TV5 Monde prize'	Hadi Abdullah
12	Golden Peacock Award for Corporate Governance for year 2016	Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)
13	Stefan Edberg Sportsmanship Award at the ATP awards	Roger Federer
14	Uttarakhand Ratna award	Harish Rawat (Uttarakhand Chief Minister)
15	Goldsmiths Prize	Mike McCormack (Solar Bones author)
16	'Doodle 4 Google' 2016 contest	Anvita Prashant Telang (fromPune)
17	Global Citizen Award	Imtiaz Sooliman
18	Tata Literature Live! Poet Laureate Award 2016	Gulzar (Lyricist-writer)
19	World's best airline for the 4th consecutive year	Air New Zealand

20	The oldest woman to Space	Peggy Whitson (NASA astronaut, at an age of 56 years)
21	Winner of SumitraCharat Ram Award for lifetime achievement in the field of Indian classical music.	Pt Hari Prasad Chourasia (Noted flautist)
22	Winner of the prestigious Mother Teresa International Award	Shaikh Abdullah Bin Zayed Al Nahyan (UAE Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, by the Mumbai-based NGO Harmony Foundation.)
23	'Artist of the Year' at the 2016 American Music Awards (AMAs)	Ariana Grande (Singer)
24	'Favorite Female Artist - Pop/Rock' at the 2016 American Music Awards (AMAs)	Selena Gomez
25	'Video of the Year' award at the 2016 American Music Awards (AMAs)	Justin Bieber (for his track 'Sorry')
26	first World Sanskrit Award	Maha Chakri Sirindhorn (Princess of Thailand)
27	International Maritime Organization (IMO) Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea	Captain Radhika Menon
28	International Press Freedom Award	Malini Subramaniam (Indian Journalist, for her reporting from the Naxal-infested Bastar area)
29	Shakti Bhatt First Book Prize	Akshaya Mukul (Senior journalist, for his book "Gita Press and the Making of Hindu

		India")
30	Winner of 10th Asia Pacific Screen Award in Best Actor Category	Manoj Bajpayee (Bollywood actor)
31	Winner of at the prestigious UNESCO Salon Youth Video Competition 2016	'Magical Piano', a short film by the Toonz Media Group (Dr Avaneesh, Head of Development, Toonz Media Group received the award from Salon Films Chairman Fred Wang)
32	Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) 'Distinguished Indologist' Award	Prof. Yu Long Yu (Chinese professor)
33	Golden Peacock award at the 47th International Film Festival of India (IFFI)	Iranian film "Daughter" (directed by Reza Mirkarimi)



HEADS OF IMPORTANT ORGANIZATIONS IN INDIA

Appointment (Post)	Name
President of India	Pranab Mukherjee
Prime Minister of India	Narendra Modi
Vice President of India	Mohammad Hamid Ansari
Indian Air Chief	Marshal Arup Raha (till 2016) Marshal Birender Singh Dhanoa (from January 1, 2017)
Indian Army Chief	General Dalbir Singh (till 2016) General Bipin Rawat (from January 1, 2017)
Indian Navy Chief	Admiral Sunil Lanba

Chief Justice of India	Jagdish Singh Kehar
Attorney General of India	Mukul Rohatgi
Solicitor General of India	Ranjit Kumar
Lok Sabha Speaker	Sumitra Mahajan
Lok Sabha Deputy Speaker	M. Thambidurai
Rajya Sabha Chairman	Mohammad Hamid Ansari
Rajya Sabha Deputy Chairman	P. J. Kurien
Reserve Bank of India Governor	Urjit R. Patel
RBI Deputy Governors	S. Mundra, R Gandhi, N S Vishwanathan
SEBI Chairman	Upendra Kumar Sinha
Controller and Auditor General of India CAG	Shashi Kant Sharma
NITI Aayog Chairperson	Prime Minister Narendra Modi
NITI Aayog CEO	Amitabh Kant
NITI Aayog Vice Chairperson	Arvind Panagariya
Chief Election Commissioner of India	Nasim Zaidi
Election Commissioners of India	Achal Kumar Jyoti & Om Prakash Rawat
Central Vigilance Commissioner	K V Chowdary
Democrats and Dissenters Chief Information Commissioner (CIC)	R. K. Mathur
Finance Commission of India Chairman	Dr. Y. Venugopal Reddy
Law Commission of India Chairman	Balbir Singh Chauhan
National Commission for Backward Classes Chairperson	Justice V.Eswaraiah
NASSCOM Chairman	B. V. R. Mohan Reddy
National Commission for Women (NCW) Chairperson	Lalitha Kumaramangalam
National Commission on Farmers (NCF) Chairman	M. S. Swaminathan
National Human Rights Commission Chairman	Justice H. L. Dattu

ASSOCHAM President	Sunil Kanoria
Board of Control for Cricket in India BCCI President	Anurag Thakur
Border Security Force BSF Director General	K.K Sharma
Central Board of Direct Taxes CBDT Chairperson	Sushil Chandra
Central Bureau of Investigation CBI Director	Anil Kumar Sinha
Central Industrial Security Force CISF Director General	OP Singh
Central Reserve Police Force CRPF Director General	K.Durga Prasad
Competition Commission of India CCI Chairman	Devender Kumar Sikri
Research and Analysis Wing (RAW) Chief	Rajinder Khanna
Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) President	Pankaj R Patel
Food Corporation of India (FCI) Chairman & MD	Yogendra Tripathi
Indian Space Research Organisation ISRO Chairman	A S Kiran Kumar
Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority (IRDAI) Chairman	T.S. Vijayan
National Security Advisor (NSA India)	Ajit Doval
National Security Guard (NSG) Director General	R C Tayal
Prasar Bharati: Chairman	Dr A Surya Prakash
Prasar Bharati: CEO	Jawhar Sircar
Railway Protection Force (RPF) Director General	Rajiv Ranjan Verma
Registrar General and Census Commissioner of India	Sailesh

Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) Chairman	Ram Sewak Sharma
Staff Selection Commission SSC Chairman	Ashim Khurana

LIST OF CURRENT HEADS OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

Appointment (Office)	Head
Managing Director, (IMF)	Christine Lagarde
Director General, UNESCO	Irina Bokova
Director General, WHO	Dr. Margaret Chan
Director General, International Labour Organisation	Guy Ryder
President, World Bank	Dr. Jim Yong Kim
Executive Director, (UNICEF)	Anthony Lake
UN High Commissioner for Refugees	Filippo Grandi
President, Asian Development Bank	Takehiko Nakao
Director - General, WTO	Roberto Azevedo
Secretary-General, (NATO)	Jens Stoltenberg
Executive Director, UNFPA	Dr. Babatunde Osotimehin
Secretary-General, ASEAN	Le Luong Minh
Secretary-General, SAARC	Arjun Bahadur Thapa
Deputy Secretary General, UN	Jan Eliasson
Secretary General, United Nations	Antonio Guterres

ICC AWARDS ODI AND TEST TEAMS: 2016

Name of Award	Awardee	Country
Sir Garfield Sobers Trophy for ICC Cricketer of the Year <i>and</i> ICC Test Cricketer of the Year	Ravichandran Ashwin	India
ICC ODI Cricketer of the Year	Quinton de Kock	South Africa
ICC Women's ODI Cricketer of the Year	Suzie Bates	New Zealand
ICC Emerging Cricketer of the Year	Mustafizur Rahman	Bangladesh
ICC Twenty20 International Performance of the Year	Carlos Brathwaite	West Indies
ICC Women's T20I Cricketer of the Year	Suzie Bates	New Zealand
David Shepherd Trophy for ICC Umpire of the Year	Marais Erasmus	South Africa
ICC Spirit of Cricket Award	Misbah-ul-Haq	Pakistan

ICC ODI TEAM OF THE YEAR 2016

Virat Kohli (captain)	India
Rohit Sharma	India
Ravindra Jadeja	India
David Warner	Australia
Mitchell Marsh	Australia
Mitchell Starc	Australia

Quinton de Kock (wicketkeeper)	South Africa
Kagiso Rabada	South Africa
Imran Tahir	South Africa
AB de Villiers	South Africa
Jos Buttler	England
Sunil Narine	West Indies

ICC TEST TEAM OF THE YEAR 2016

R. Ashwin	India
Alastair Cook (captain)	England
Joe Root	England
Jonny Bairstow	England
Ben Stokes	England
Adam Voges	Australia
David Warner	Australia
Mitchell Starc	Australia
Steve Smith	Australia
Kane Williamson	New Zealand
Rangana Herath	Sri Lanka
Dale Steyn	South Africa

LIST OF ARMY OPERATIONS OF INDIA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

Name of Operations	Year	Explanation
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First Kashmir War	1947	It is an Indo – Pakistan war in 1947 – 1948. Location of the war was in Kashmir.
Operation Polo	1948	The code name Operation Polo was given by Indian armed forces. The location of this war was Hyderabad. By winning this war Indian army forces were getting success in ended the rule of the Nizam.
Operation Vijay	1961	The code name Operation Vijay was given by Indian armed forces. The location of this war was Goa. This operation made our India free from Portugal.
Sino – Indian War	1962	It is also known as The Sino – Indian Border Conflict. This war was held between India & China.
Second Kashmir War	1965	The location of this war was South Asia. This war was held between India & Pakistan.
Bangladesh Liberation War	1971	This war was held between India & Pakistan. India got victory in this war
Siachen Conflict	1980	This war was held between India & Pakistan. This war was for Siachen glacier which is in Kashmir.
Operation Blue Star	1984	The code name Operation Blue Star was given by Indian armed forces. The location of this war was Harminder Sahib in



		Amritsar, Punjab. This war was for removing the leader Jarnail Singh Bhindrawala.
Operation Woodrose	1984	The code name Operation Woodrose was given by Indian armed forces. This operation was carried out by Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, just after a month of "Blue Star" happened.
Operation Meghdoot	1984	The code name Operation Meghdoot was given by Indian armed forces. After this Indian Army Force got to hold all of the Siachen glaciers and also all of its tributary glaciers.
Operation Rajiv	1987	The code name Operation Rajiv was given by Indian armed forces. The location of this war was Siachen Glacier. This war was held between India & Pakistan. India got the victory in this war.
Operation Pawan	1987	The code name Operation Pawan was given by (IPKF) The Indian Peace Keeping Force. The location of this war was Sri Lanka. India got the victory in this war.
Operation Viraat	1988	The code name Operation Viraat was given by (IPKF) The Indian Peace Keeping Force. The location of this war was Shri Lanka. IPKF launched two operations in

		<p>1988.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Operation Viraat · Operation Trishul <p>These were launched against (LTTE) Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam.</p>
Operation Trishul	1988	<p>The code name Operation Trishul was given by (IPKF) The Indian Peace Keeping Force. The location of this war was Shri Lanka. IPKF launched two operations in 1988.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Operation Viraat · Operation Trishul <p>These were launched against (LTTE) Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam.</p>
Operation Checkmate	1988	<p>The code name Operation Checkmate was given by (IPKF) The Indian Peace Keeping Force. This operation was launched by (IPKF) The Indian Peace Keeping Force against (LTTE) Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam. Its motive was to boycott the (LTTE) Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam. This war ended in a victory of (IPKF) The Indian Peace Keeping Force.</p>
Operation Cactus	1988	<p>The code name Operation Cactus was given by The IMF. The location of this war was Indian Ocean (Maldives). When coup'd</p>

		<p>Etat was failed to the intervention of Indian Army.</p> <p>Then IMF gave the code name as Cactus operation.</p>
Operation Vijay	1999	<p>The code name Operation Vijay was given by (IPKF) The Indian Peace Keeping Force. This war was held between India & Pakistan. The location of this war was Kargil, Jammu - Kashmir. India got possession on Kargil after this war.</p>
Operation Parakram	2001	<p>The code name Operation Parakram was given by (IPKF) The Indian Peace Keeping Force. The location of this war was Kashmir. This war was held between India & Pakistan. As a result of this war was actually retreating between both countries.</p>
Operation Black Torrado	2008	<p>The code name Operation Black Torrado was given by (IPKF) The Indian Peace Keeping Force. The location of this war was Mumbai. It was a Bombay attack by 10 members of Lashkar-e-Taiba.</p> <p>Lakshar – e- Taiba was the militant organization of Pakistan.</p>
Operation Surya Hope	2013	<p>The code name Operation Surya Hope was given by</p>



		Indian Armed Force. This operation was held for helping the people of Uttrakhand from the effect of North India Floods.
Operation All – Out	2015	It was launched by the chief of army staff General Dalbir Singh Suhag to eliminate Bodo Militants.
Operation Maitri	2015	This operation was launched by Indian Army force.the motive of this operation was to relief Nepal from Nepal government.
Indian Counter – Insurgency Operation in Myanmar	2015	The location of this war was Myanmar border. This war was the biggest attack on India after Kargil war.



18 INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT INDIAN RAILWAYS

1. India has the Second Largest Railway network in Asia after China and 4thLargest in the world.
2. Indian Railway Started in 1853 (April) : From Mumbai to Thane
3. Longest Railway Station Platform of the World : Gorakhpur (UP)
4. Longest Railway Bridge Above Water in India : Vikramshila Setu (River Ganges)
5. Longest Railway Zone in India : Northern Railway
6. Longest (Maximum) Distance Travelling Train : Vivek Express (from Dibrugarh, Assam to Kanyakumari, Tamilnadu)
7. World's Longest Railway Route : Trans Siberian Railway (From Leningrad to Vladivostok)
8. World's Fastest Train : Japan's Maglev Bullet train
9. India's Fastest Train : New Delhi – Bhopal Shatabdi Express
10. First Metro Train of the World : London
11. First Metro Train in India: Kolkata

12. First Electric Train of India : Deccan Queen (between Bombay and Pune)
13. Konkan Railway extends from Roha, (Maharashtra) to Madgaon (Goa)
14. Konkan Railway passes from Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka and Kerala
15. In India 8 Cities have Metro Trains till January 2016
16. Indian Railway Board was established in 1905
17. Indian Railway was Nationalized in 1950
18. Total Number of Railway Zones in India : 17 (list enclosed)

Railway Zone	Headquarters
Northern	Delhi
North Eastern	Gorakhpur
Northeast Frontier	Guwahati
Eastern	Kolkata
South Eastern	Kolkata
South Central	Secunderabad
Southern	Chennai
Central	Mumbai
Western	Mumbai
South Western	Hubli
North Western	Jaipur
West Central	Jabalpur
North Central	Allahabad
South East Central	Bilaspur
East Coast	Bhubneswar
East Central	Hajipur
Kolkata Metro	Kolkata

HEADS OF IMPORTANT INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS : DECEMBER 2016

Name	Name of Organization
Mr. Ban Ki Moon	Secretary General, United Nation Organization
Mr. Ban Ki Moon	First Day Secretary general UNO
Dr. Jim Yong Kim	President World Bank (International Bank For Reconstruction & Development)
Ms. Christine Lagarde	Managing Director, International Monetary Fund
Ms. Irina Bokova	Director General , UNESCO
Mr. Mukhira Kituyi	Secretary General UNCTAD
Ronny Abraham	President , International Court of Justice (Latest update)
Mr. Mr. Takehiko Nakao	President, Asian Development Bank
Ms. Baroness Patricia	Secretary General, Commonwealth
Mr. Roberto Azevedo	Director General , WTO
Mr. Zaheer Abbas	President International Cricket Council
Mr. Shashank Manohar	Chairman of ICC Cricket Council
Mr. Yukia Amano	Director General, International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)
Sushil Koirala	Chairman , SAARC
Ms. Phumzile Mlambo	Nqcuca - Head of UN Women
Mr. Arjun Bahadur Thapa	Secretary General, SAARC
Mr. Salil Shetty	Sec, Gen, Amensty International
Ms. Helen Clerk	Director General of UNDP
Mr. Klaus Schweb	Chairman, WEF (World Economic Forum)
Mr. David Richardson	CEO of Int. Cricket Council
Mr. Hassan Rouhani	Chairperson/ Secretary Gen. of NAM
Mr. Thomas Bach	President International Olympic

Committee	
Mr.N.Ramachandran	President of Indian Olympic Association
Prince Zeid Hussein	UN High Commissioner for Human Rights

LATEST LIST OF INDIAN BANKS - THEIR HEADS AND HEAD OFFICE (DEC 2016)

Name of the Banks	Head	Year of Establishment	Head Office
Allahabad Bank	Rakesh Sethi	24 April, 1865	Kolkata, West Bengal
Andhra Bank	Suresh N. Patel	20 November, 1923	Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh
Bank of Baroda	P.S. Jayakumar	20 July, 1908	Vadodara, Gujarat
Bank of India	Melwyn O. Rego	7 September, 1906	Mumbai, Maharashtra
Bank of Maharashtra	R K Gupta	16 September, 1935	Pune, Maharashtra
Bank of Rajasthan	Shri Govind Ram Seksaria	1943	Udaipur, Rajasthan
Canara Bank	Rakesh Sharma	1906	Bengaluru, Karnataka
Central Bank of India Corporation	Rajeev Rishi	21 December, 1911	Mumbai, Maharashtra
Bank	Jai Kumar Garg	12 March, 1906	Mangalore, Karnataka
Dena Bank	Ashwani Kumar	26 May, 1938	Mumbai, Maharashtra
Federal Bank	Shyam Srinivasan	1945	Kerala

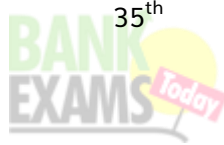
HDFC Bank	Aditya Puri	August, 1994	Mumbai, Maharashtra
ICICI Bank	Chanda Kochhar	Jun, 1994	Mumbai, Maharashtra
IDBI Bank	Kishor Kharat	July, 1964	Mumbai, Maharashtra
Indian Bank	Mahesh Kumar Jain	15 August, 1907	Chennai, Tami I Nadu
Indian Overseas Bank	R. Koteeswaran	10 February, 1937	Chennai, Tami I Nadu
J & K Bank	Mushtaq Ahmad	1 October, 1938	Sri Nagar, J & K
Karur Vysya Bank	K Venkataraman	1916	Karur, Tamil Nadu
Lakshmi Vilas Bank	Parthasarathi Mukherjee	3 November, 1926	Karur, Tamil Nadu
Oriental Bank of Commerce	Animesh Chauhan	19 February, 1943	Gurgaon, Haryana
Punjab and Sind Bank	Jatinder Bir Singh	24 June, 1908	New Delhi, India
Punjab National Bank	Usha Ananthasubramanian	19 May, 1894	New Delhi, India
State Bank of India	Arundhati Bhattacharya	1 July, 1955	Mumbai, Maharashtra
State Bank of Hyderabad	Shri Santanu Mukherjee	8 August, 1941	Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh
State Bank of Mysore	N. Krishnamachari	2 October, 1913	Bengaluru, Karnataka
State Bank of Patiala	S. A. Ramesh Rangan,	1917	Patiala, Punjab
State Bank of Travancore	Jeevandas Narayan	12 September, 1945	Trivandrum, Kerala
South Indian Bank	V. G. Mathew	1929	Thrissur, Kerala
Syndicate Bank	Arun Shrivastava	1925	Manipal, Karnataka

UCO Bank	Ravi Krishan Takkar	6 January, 1943	Kolkata, West Bengal
Union Bank of India	Arun Tiwari	11 November, 1919	Mumbai, Maharashtra
United Bank of India	P. Srinivas	1950	Kolkata, West Bengal
Vijaya Bank	Kishore Kumar Sansi	1931	Bengaluru, Karnataka
Yes Bank	Rana Kapoor	2004	Mumbai, Maharashtra

INDIA'S RANKINGS IN DIFFERENT INDEXES 2016-17

Index	Position of India	Top Ranked Country
Ease of Doing Business Index 2017	130 th	The list is topped by New Zealand followed by Singapore, Denmark.
Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) 2016	10 th	The list is topped by USA followed by Hong Kong and China.
Global Competitiveness Index 2016	39 th	The list is topped by Switzerland, followed by Singapore and USA.
Good Country Index 2015	70 th	The list is topped by Sweden, followed by Denmark and Netherland.
Global Human Capital Report 2016	105 th	The list is topped by Finland, followed by Norway and Switzerland.
Global Hunger Index 2016	97 th	The list is topped by Argentina, followed by Bosnia & Herzegovina and Switzerland.

Global Innovation Index 2016	66 th	The list is topped by Switzerland, followed by Sweden and UK.
Global Peace Index (GPI) 2016	141 st	The list is topped by Iceland, followed by Denmark and Austria.
Global Slavery Index 2016	4 th	The list is topped by North Korea, followed by Uzbekistan and Cambodia.
Global Talent Competitiveness Index 2016	89 th	The list is topped by Switzerland, followed by Singapore and Luxembourg.
Intellectual Property Index 2016	37 th	The list is topped by USA, followed by UK and Germany.
Logistics Performance Index 2016	35 th	The list is topped by Germany, followed by Luxembourg and Sweden.
Sustainable Development Goal Index 2016	110 th	The list is topped by Sweden, followed by Denmark and Norway.
World Economic Freedom Index 2016	112 th	The list is topped by Hong Kong, followed by Singapore and New Zealand.
World Happiness Index 2016	118 th	The list is topped by Denmark, followed by Switzerland and Iceland.
World Press Freedom Index 2016	133 rd	The list is topped by Finland, followed by Netherlands and Norway.
W10 Report 2016	7 th	The list is topped by USA, followed by China



		and Japan.
World Risk Index 2016	77 th	The list is topped by Island state of Vanuatu, followed by Tonga and Philippines.

LIST OF RECENTLY APPOINTED BRAND AMBASSADORS

Person	Brand Name	Remarks
Amitabh Bachchan	City Compost Campaign	A part of the 'Swachh Bharat Mission'
Deepika Padukone	Vistara	
John Abraham	Arunachal Pradesh Brand Ambassador	
Narendra Modi	Incredible India	
Nawazuddin Siddiqui	UP farmers' scheme Samajwadi Kisan Beema Yojna	The scheme provides for cashless treatment up to Rs 2.5 lakh and Rs. one lakh for the organ transplant.
PV Sindhu	Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF)	
Sachin Tendulkar	Anti- liquor and antidrug campaign of Kerala	It will create awareness among people against alcoholism and drug abuse.
Saina Nehwal	Savlon	
Sakshi Malik	Beti Bachao, Beti Padoos campaign" in Haryana	
Sakshi Malik	Nissan	Nissan's newly-launched car Datsun redi-Go Sport
Virat Kohli	Punjab National Bank	

Vidya Balan

Samajwadi Pension Yojna

Launched by Uttar
Pradesh Govt

NOBEL PRIZE 2016 WINNERS LIST - AT A GLANCE

Category	Edition	Winner(s)	Work/Contribution	Remarks
Physiology & Medicine	107 th	Yoshinori Ohsumi (Japan)	for his discoveries of mechanisms for autophagy.	
Physics	110 th	David J. Thouless (UK) F. Duncan M. Haldane (US) J. Michael Kosterlitz (UK)	for their theoretical discoveries of topological phase transitions and topological phases of matter.	The Nobel Prize in Physics 2016 was divided, one half awarded to David J. Thouless, the other half jointly to F. Duncan M. Haldane and J. Michael Kosterlitz.
Chemistry	108 th	Jean-Pierre Sauvage (France) Sir J. Fraser Stoddart (UK) Bernard L. Feringa (Netherlands)	for the design and synthesis of molecular machines.	

Peace	97 th	Juan Manuel Santos (President of Colombia)	for his resolute efforts to bring the country's more than 50-year-long civil war to an end, a war that has cost the lives of at least 220000 Colombians and displaced close to six million people.	Juan Manuel Santos has decided to donate the money from the Nobel Prize to the conflict victims in Colombia.
Economic Science	48 th	Oliver Hart (UK) Bengt Holmstrom (Finland)	for their contributions to contract theory, shedding light on how contracts help people deal with conflicting interests.	
Literature	109 th	Bob Dylan (USA)	for having created new poetic expressions within the great American song tradition	

LIST OF IMPORTANT DAYS - DECEMBER

December 1	World AIDS Day
December 2	World Computer Literacy Day, International Day for the Abolition of Slavery
December 3	International Day of People with Disability or World Disability Day
December 4	Indian Navy Day
December 5	International Volunteer Day for

	Economic and Social Development
December 7	International Civil Aviation Day, Indian Armed Force Flag Day
December 9	The International Anti-Corruption Day
December 10	World Human Rights Day, International Children's Day of Broadcasting
December 11	International Mountain Day, UNICEF Day
December 14	National Energy Conservation Day(India)
December 16	Vijay Diwas
December 18	International Migrants Day, National Minority Rights Day
December 19	God's Libration Day
December 20	International Human Solidarity Day
December 23	National Farmer's Day or Kisan Diwas
December 25	Christmas Day
December 29	International Biodiversity Day

LIST OF IMPORTANT DAYS JANUARY

Important Days in January	
January 1	Global Family Day, Army Medical Corps Establishment Day
January 6	World War Orphans Day
January 9	NRI Day or Pravasi Bhartiya Diwas
January 10	World Laughter Day
January 11	Death anniversary of Lal Bahadur Shastri
January 12	National Youth Day or Birthday of

	Swami Vivekananda
January 15	National Army Day
January 23	Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose's Birth Anniversary
January 24	National Girl Child Day of India
January 25	National Tourism Day, National Voters Day
January 26	Republic Day of India, International Customs duty day
January 27	International Holocaust Remembrance Day
January 28	Data Protection Day, Birth Anniversary of Lala Lajpat Rai
January 30	National Martyr's Day or Sarvodaya Day, World Leprosy Eradication Day
January 31	World Leprosy Eradication Day



LIST OF IMPORTANT DAYS IN NOVEMBER - AT A GLANCE

Date	Days
November 1	World Vegan Day
November 1	World Radiography Day
November 6	International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict
November 7	Infant Protection Day World Cancer Awareness Day
November 8	World Radiology Day
November 9	World Legal Service Day
November 10	Public Transport Day

	World Science Day for Peace and Development
November 11	National Education Day
November 12	Public Service Broadcasting Day World Pneumonia Day
November 13	World Kindness Day
November 14	National Children's Day (Jawahar Lal Nehru's Birth Day) World Diabetes Day
November 16	International Day for Endurance or Tolerance
November 17	Gurunanak Dev's Birth Anniversary International Students Day National Epilepsy Day National Journalism Day
November 18	World Adult Day
November 19	National Integration Day International Men's Day World Citizen Day World Toilet Day
November 20	Africa Industrialization Day Universal Children's Day
3rd Sunday of November	World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims
3rd Thursday of November	World Philosophy Day
November 21	World Fisheries Day World Hello Day World Television Day
November 25	International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women World Non-Veg day
November 26	National Constitution Day National Law Day
November 29	International Day of Solidarity with Palestinian People

November 30

National Flag Day

LIST OF IMPORTANT DAYS IN OCTOBER - AT A GLANCE

Date	Days
1 st Monday of October	World Habitat Day
October 1	World Vegetarian Day International Day of the Older/Elderly
October 2	Gandhi Jayanti International Day of Non-Violence
October 3	World Nature Day
October 4	World Animal Day
October 5	World Teacher's Day
October 6	World Wildlife Day
October 8	Indian Air Force Day
October 9	World Postal or Post-office Day
October 10	World Mental Health Day National Post-office Day
October 11	International Day of the Girl Child
2 nd Thursday of October	World Sight Day
October 12	World Arthritis Day
October 13	International Day for Natural Disaster Reduction
October 14	World Standards Day
October 15	Global Hand Washing Day International Day of Rural Women World White Cane Safety Day
October 16	World Food Day

October 17	International Poverty Day for it's Eradication
October 20	World Osteoporosis Day World Statistics Day National Solidarity day
October 24	UN Day World Development Information Day World Polio Day
October 27	World day for Audio Visual Heritage
October 28	International Animation Day
October 31	World Savings Day or World Thrift Day Halloween Day

LIST OF IMPORTANT DAYS IN SEPTEMBER - AT A GLANCE

Date	Days
September 2	World Coconut Day
September 5	National Teacher's Day (Dr. Radhakrishanan's Birth Day Sanskrit Day
September 7	World Forgiveness Day
September 8	World Literacy Day
September 10	World Anti-Suicide Day
September 14	Hindi Diwas or Hindi Day World First Aid Day
September 15	International Day of Democracy International Engineer's Day
September 16	World Ozone Day
September 20	RPF Foundation day

September 21	World Peace Day International Day for Peace and Non-violence (UN) World Alzheimer's Day
September 22	World Cancer Free Day Rose Day
September 23	International Day of the Deaf
September 26	World Contraception Day
September 27	World Tourism Day
September 28	World Rabies Day
September 29	World Heart Day

IMPORTANT TROPHIES AND CUPS RELATED TO SPORTS

Sports Names	Trophies/Cups
Badminton	Amrit Diwan Cup Asia Cup Chaddha Cup European Cup Harilela Cup Ibrahim Rahimatillah Challenger Cup Kitiakara Cup Konica Cup Malaysian Open Sophia Cup Thomas Cup (Men) Uber Cup (Women)
Cricket	Ashes Cup Asia Cup C.K. Naidu Trophy Deodhar Trophy Duleep Trophy

	Gavaskar Border Trophy G.D. Birla Trophy Gillette Cup ICC World Cup Irani Trophy Jawharlal Nehru Cup Rani Jhansi Trophy Ranji Trophy Rohinton Barcia Trophy Rothmans Cup Sahara Cup Sharjah Cup Singer Cup Titan Cup Vijay Hazare Trophy Vijay Merchant Trophy Wisden Trophy Wills Trophy
Football	Bandodkar Trophy B. C. Raj Trophy (National Championship), Confederation Cup DCM Trophy Durand Cup FIFA world Cup Jules Rimet Trophy IFA Shield Kalinga Cup Merdeka Cup Rovers Cup Santosh Trophy Scissor Cup Sir Ashutosh Mukherjee Trophy Subroto Cup Todd Memorial Trophy UEFA Champions League Vittal Trophy

Golf	Augusta Masters British Open US Maters
Hockey	Aga khan Cup Dhyanchand Trophy Maharaja Ranjit Singh Gold Cup Murugappa Gold Cup Nehru Trophy Sindhia Gold Cup Stanley Cup Sultan Azlan Shah Cup Wellington Cup
Horse Racing	Derby
Lawn Tennis	Australian Open BNP Paribash Davis Cup Heineken Cup French Open US Open Wimbledon
Rowing	Wellington Trophy
Table Tennis	Bama Belleck Cup Travancore Cup (Women) Swathling Cup (Men)

IMPORTANT RIVER PROJECTS IN INDIA

PROJECTS	RIVER	PURPOSE	BENIFICIARY STATE
Bhakra Nangal Project	Sutlej	Power & Irrigation	Pujab , H.P , Haryana , Rajasthan

Damodar Vallley	Damodar	Power & Irrigation and flood control	Bihar , Bengal , M.P
Hirakud	Mahanadi	Power & Irrigation	Odisha
Tungabhadra project	Tungabhadra	Power & Irrigation	A.P & Karnataka
Nagarjuna Project	Krishna	Power & Irrigation	Andhra Pradesh
Gandhak River Project	Gandhak	Power & Irrigation	Bihar , UP , Nepal
Kosi Project	Kosi	Flood Control , Power & Irrigation	Bihar
Farakka project	Ganga , Bhagirathi	Power , Irrigation , Avoid accumulation of slit to improve navigation	West Bengal
Beas Project	Beas	Irrigation & Power	Rajasthan , Haryana , Punjab , H.P
Rajasthan Canal Project	Sutlej , Beas & Ravi	Irrigation	Rajasthan, Punjab , Haryana
Chambal Project	Chambal	Power & Irrigation	M.P & Rajasthan
Kakrapara Project	Tapti	Irrigation	Gujrat
Ukai Project	Tapti	Power & Irrigation	Gujrat
Tawadt Project	Tawa (Narmada)	Irrigation	MP
Poochampad project	Godavari	Irrigation	AP
Malaprabha project	Malaprabha	Irrigation	Karnataka
Durgapur Barrage	Damodar	Irrigation & Navigation	Karnataka , Bengal , Bihar
Mahanadi Delta Project	Mahanadi	Irrigation	Odisha
Iddukki Project	Periyar	Hydroelectricity	Kerala

Koyana Project	Koyana	Hydroelectricity	Maharashtra
Ramganga multipurpose project	Chisot stream near kala	Power & Irrigation	Uttar Pradesh
Matatilla Project	Betwa	Multipurpose power & Irrigation	UP & MP
Tehri Dam	Bhilangana , Bhagirathi	Hydroelectricity	UP
Rihand Scheme	Rihand	Hydroelectricity	UP

LIST OF GOVERNORS AND CHIEF MINISTERS - 2016

State	Governor	Chief Minister
Andhra Pradesh	ESL Narasimhan	Nara Chandrababu Naidu
Arunachal Pardesh	V. Shanmuganathan	Pema Khandu
Assam	Banwarilal Purohit	Sarbananda Sonowal
Bihar	Ram Nath Kovind	Nitish Kumar
Chhattisgarh	Balram Das Tandon	Raman Singh
Goa	Mridula Sinha	Laxmikant Parsekar
Gujarat	OP Kohli	Vijay Rupani
Haryana	Kaptan Singh Solanki	Manohar Lal Khattar
Himachal Pradesh	Acharya Dev Vrat	Virbhadra Singh
Jammu-Kashmir	NN Vohra	Mufti Mohammad Sayeed
Jharkhand	Draupadi Murmu	Raghuvar Das
Karnataka	Vajubhai Rudabhai Val	K. Siddaramaiah
Kerala	P. Sathasivam	Pinarayi Vijayan
Madhya Pradesh	Om Prakash Kohl	Shivraj Singh Chouhan

Maharashtra	C. Vidyasagar Rao	Devendra Fadnavis
Manipur	Najma A. Heptulla	Okram Ibobi Singh
Meghalaya	V. Shanmuganathan	Mukul Sangma
Mizoram	Nirbhay Sharma	Lal Thanhawla
Nagaland	PB Acharya	TR Zeliang
Odisha	S.C. Jamir	Naveen Patnaik
Punjab	Kaptan Singh Solanki (Add. Charge)	Parkash Singh Badal
Rajasthan	Kalyan Singh	Vasundhara Raje
Sikkim	Shriniwas Patil	Pawan Chamling
Tamil Nadu	C. Vidyasagar	O. Panneerselvam
Telangana	E.S.L. Narasimhan	K. Chandrashekar Rao
Tripura	Tathagata Roy	Manik Sarkar
Uttar Pradesh	Ram Naik	Akhilesh Yadav
Uttarakhand	K.K. Paul	Harish Rawat
West Bengal	Keshari Nath Tripathi	Mamata Banerjee

LIST OF COUNTRIES - THEIR CAPITAL, CURRENCY AND OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

European Countries	Capital	Currency
United Kingdom	London	Pound Sterling
France	Paris	Euro
Spain	Madrid	Euro
Portugal	Lisbon	Euro
Germany	Berlin	Euro
Italy	Rome	Euro

Vatican City	Vatican	Euro
Malta	Valletta	Euro
Switzerland	Bern	Swiss Franc
Belgium	Brussels	Euro
Netherlands	Amsterdam	Euro
Denmark	Copenhagen	Krone
Norway	Oslo	Norwegian krone
Sweden	Stockholm	Krona
Finland	Helsinki	Euro
Estonia	Tallinn	Euro
Latvia	Riga	Euro
Lithuania	Vilnius	Euro
Belarus	Minsk	Belarusian ruble
Ukraine	Kiev	Ukrainian hryvnia
Poland	Warsaw	Zloty
Czech Republic	Prague	Koruna
Austria	Vienna	Euro
Albania	Tirana	Lek
Bosnia	Sarajevo	Convertible mark
Bulgaria	Sofia	Lev
Croatia	Zagreb	Kuna
Macedonia	Skopje	Macedonian denar
Moldova	Chişinău	Moldovan leu
Romania	Bucharest	Romanian leu
Slovakia	Bratislava	Euro
Slovenia	Ljubljana	Euro
Hungary	Budapest	Forint
Greece	Athens	Euro

Cyprus	Nicosia	Euro
Ireland	Dublin	Euro / Pound Sterling
Iceland	Reykjavík	Icelandic króna
Luxembourg	Luxembourg	Euro

North	Capital	Currency	Language
Antigua and Barbuda	St. John's	East Caribbean	English
The Bahamas	Nassau	Bahamian	English
Barbados	Bridgetown	Barbadian	English
Belize	Belmopan	Belize dollar	English
Canada	Ottawa	Canadian	English,French
Costa Rica	San José	Costa Rican	Spanish
Cuba	Havana	Peso	Spanish
Dominica	Roseau	East Caribbean	English, French
Dominican Republic	Santo Domingo	Dominican	Spanish
El Salvador	San Salvador	United States	Spanish
Grenada	St. George's	East Caribbean	English
Guatemala	Guatemala City	Guatemalan	Spanish
Haiti	Port-au-Prince	Haitian gourde	French
Honduras	Tegucigalpa	Honduran	Spanish
Jamaica	Kingston	Jamaican dollar	English
Mexico	Mexico City	Peso	Spanish
Nicaragua	Managua	Nicaraguan	Spanish, English
Panama	Panama City	Panamanian	Spanish
Saint Kitts and Nevis	Basseterre	East Caribbean	English
Saint Lucia	Castries	East Caribbean	English
Saint Vincent and the	Kingstown	East Caribbean	English
Trinidad and Tobago	Port of Spain	Trinidad and	English
United States	Washington,	United States	No Federal

South American Nations	Capital	Currency	Language
Argentina	Buenos Aires	Peso	Spanish
Bolivia	La Paz	Boliviano	Spanish
Brazil	Brasília	Real	Portuguese
Chile	Santiago	Peso	Spanish
Colombia	Bogotá	Peso	Spanish
Ecuador	Quito	United States	Spanish
Guyana	Georgetown	Guyanese	English
Paraguay	Asunción	Guaraní	Spanish
Peru	Lima	Nuevo sol	Spanish
Suriname	Paramaribo	Surinamese	Dutch
Uruguay	Montevideo	Uruguayan	Spanish
Venezuela	Caracas	Bolívar fuerte	Spanish

African Nations	Capital	Currency	Official language(s)
Algeria	Algiers	Algerian dinar	Arabic
Angola	Luanda	Kwanza	Portuguese
Benin	Porto Novo	West African CFA franc	French
Botswana	Gaborone	Pula	English
Burkina Faso	Ouagadougou	West African CFA franc	French
Burundi	Bujumbura	Burundi franc	French
Cameroon	Yaoundé	Central African CFA franc	French, English
Cape Verde	Praia	Cape Verdean escudo	Portuguese
Central African Republic	Bangui	Central African CFA franc	French
Chad	N'Djamena	Central African CFA franc	French, Arabic

Comoros	Moroni	Comorian franc	Arabic, French,
Congo	Kinshasa	Congolese franc	French
Djibouti	Djibouti	Djiboutian Franc	Arabic, French
Egypt	Cairo	Egyptian Pound	Arabic
Equatorial Guinea	Malabo	Central African CFA franc	Spanish, French, Portuguese
Eritrea	Asmara	Nakfa	Arabic, English
Ethiopia	Addis Ababa	Ethiopian birr	Amharic
Gabon	Libreville	Central African CFA franc	French
Gambia	Banjul	Dalasi	English
Ghana	Accra	Ghanaian cedi	English
Guinea-Bissau	Bissau	West African CFA franc	Portuguese
Guinea	Conakry	Guinean franc	French
Ivory Coast	Yamoussoukro	West African CFA franc	French
Kenya	Nairobi	Kenyan shilling	English
Lesotho	Maseru	Loti	English
Liberia	Monrovia	Liberian dollar	English
Libya	Tripoli	Libyan dinar	Arabic
Madagascar	Antananarivo	Malagasy Ariary	French
African Nations	Capital	Currency	Official language(s)
Malawi	Lilongwe	Malawian kwacha	English
Mali	Bamako	West African CFA franc	French
Mauritania	Nouakchott	Mauritanian Ouguiya	Arabic

Mauritius	Port Louis	Mauritian rupee	English
Morocco	Rabat	Moroccan dirham	Arabic
Mozambique	Maputo	Mozambican metical	Portuguese
Namibia	Windhoek	Namibian dollar	English
Niger	Niamey	West African CFA franc	French
Nigeria	Abuja	Nigerian naira	English
Republic of Congo	Brazzaville	Central African CFA franc	French
Rwanda	Kigali	Rwandan franc	French, English
Senegal	Dakar	West African CFA franc	French
Seychelles	Victoria	Seychellois rupee	English, French
Sierra Leone	Freetown	Leone	English
Somalia	Mogadishu	Somali shilling	Somali, Arabic
South Africa	Cape Town, and Pretoria	South African rand	English
South Sudan	Juba	South Sudanese pound	English
Sudan	Khartoum	Sudanese pound	Arabic, English
Swaziland	Lobamba	Lilangeni	English
São Tomé and Príncipe	São Tomé	São Tomé and Príncipe Dobra	Portuguese
Tanzania	Dodoma	Tanzanian shilling	English
Togo	Lomé	West African CFA franc	French
Tunisia	Tunis	Tunisian dinar	Arabic
Uganda	Kampala	Ugandan shilling	English

Zambia	Lusaka	Zambian kwacha	English
Zimbabwe	Harare	United States dollar and South African rand	English
Oceania Nations	Capital	Currency	Language
Australia	Canberra	Australian dollar	English
Fiji	Suva	Fijian dollar	English
Kiribati	Tarawa	Kiribati dollar Australian dollar	English
Marshall Islands	Majuro	United States dollar	English
Micronesia	Palikir	United States dollar	English
Nauru	No official Capital	Australian dollar	English
New Zealand	Wellington	New Zealand dollar	English
Palau	Ngerulmud , Melekeok	United States dollar	English
Papua New Guinea	Port Moresby	Kina	English
Samoa	Apia	Tala	English
Solomon Islands	Honiara	Solomon Islands dollar	English
Tonga	Nuku'alofa	Pa'anga	English
Tuvalu	Funafuti	Tuvaluan dollar Australian dollar	English
Vanuatu	Port Vila	Vanuatu vatu	French, English