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1) Joint Military Exercise SURYA KIRAN-13 Begins In Uttarakhand, The 13th edition of the Nepal-India joint military exercise will be held in Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand.

It will include training on jungle warfare, anti-terrorism combat as well as disaster response activities.

Nepal's newly-appointed Defence Minister Ishwor Pokharel signed an agreement to launch Surya Kiran Nepal – India Military Joint Exercise.

2) Andhra Pradesh Declared Official Symbols For The State,

The Andhra Pradesh government has declared new state symbols to replace the ones held by Telangana after it was created.

The symbols were notified by the state government's Department of Environment, Forest, Science and Technology.

	Telangana	Andhra Pradesh	Undivided AP
State Bird	Palapitta	Rose-ringed Parakeet	Palapitta
State Animal	Jinka/ Spotted Deer	Black Buck	Black Buck
State Tree	Jammi Chettu	Neem	Neem
State Flower	Tangidi Puvvu	Jasmine	Lilly

3) Prime Minister Narendra Modi has launched three Indian mobile payment apps in Singapore at a business event. The event is aimed at internationalisation of the country's digital payment platforms.

PM Modi launched three digital payment schemes, including the international debut of Bharat Interface for Money (BHIM) and RuPay in Singapore as well as the State Bank of India's online international Rupee remittance app.

4) Fuel retailer IOC became India's most profitable state-owned company for the second consecutive year.

Indian Oil Corporation, which has for decades been India's biggest company by turnover, posted a record net profit of Rs 21,346 crore in the fiscal year ended March 31, 2018 (FY 2017-18), up 12 per cent from Rs 19,106 crore in the last fiscal.

5) The Indian government has handed over a cheque amounting Rs 33 crore to the Nepal Government for construction of a Postal Highway. The amount was handed over to Secretary of Minister for Physical Infrastructure and Transport, Madhusudan Adhikari at Singha Durbar by Indian Mission to Nepal's Deputy Chief of Mission Dr Ajay Kumar.

6) Facebook has entered into a partnership with National Commission for Women (NCW) to launch a digital literacy programme aimed at training 60,000 women in universities across India on safe use of the Internet, social media and email in a year.

It has been launched in collaboration with Cyber Peace Foundation, the pilot programme will enable trainees to differentiate between credible and questionable information.

7) The National Commission for Women (NCW) is a statutory body of the Government of India, generally concerned with advising the government on all policy matters affecting women. Chairperson: Rekha Sharma

8) Lt Gen Ranbir Singh, who was the Director-General of Military Operations (DGMO) when India carried out surgical strikes across the Line of Control (LoC) in Jammu and Kashmir, has been appointed Northern Army.

Lt Gen Singh succeeds Lt Gen Anbu who will take charge as Vice Chief

of the Indian Army commander.

At present, Lt Gen Singh is Deputy Chief of the Army Staff.

9)The Indian star cricketer has been honored with the 'Most Inspiring Icon Of The Year For Social Welfare' award.

The award was given by the Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival (DPIFF).

The committee was impressed by his contribution in the field of social welfare through his foundation 'YouWeCan'. He founded 'YouWeCan' in 2012.

10)The two-time Commonwealth Games champion Sanjita Chanu tested positive for a banned anabolic steroid and was provisionally suspended by the international federation.

She won a gold in the women's 53kg category in the recent Gold Coast CWG 2018.

IWLF Secretary General Sahdev Yadav confirmed that Sanjita's 'A' sample has returned positive. If Sanjita's 'B' sample also tests positive, she is expected to be handed a maximum of four-year ban from the sport.