



## 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> October 2017 Current Affairs

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1. World Students Day was celebrated on 15th October.
2. International Day of Rural Women was observed on 15th October. This Year theme is 'Challenges and opportunities in climate-resilient agriculture for gender equality and the empowerment of rural women and girls'.
3. Rajasthan assembly has become the first in India to call attention and adjournment motions and proposals online from legislators to send them to the state government.
4. A radical new 'negative emissions' power plant has begun operations in Iceland.
5. Union Bank of India has launched an Android app, 'Union Sahyog' as part of its drive to digitise customer-facing banking services.
6. Vanuatu has become the first country in the world to accept bitcoins under the citizenship by investment programme.
7. Carnatic vocalist T M Krishna has won the Indira Gandhi Award for National Integration for 2015 -16.
8. The government of India has appointed Mahesh Kumar Gupta and D K Gayen as the two new members in the Railway Board.
9. World Food Day is observed on 16th October. This Year theme is 'Change the future of migration. Invest in food security and rural development'.
10. Defence minister Nirmala Sitharaman has commissioned the indigenously-built anti-submarine warfare stealth corvette INS Kiltan at the Naval Dockyard in Visakhapatnam.
11. Mohun Bagan has won the 37th All India Governor's Gold Cup football tournament for the 10th time by defeating Partha Chakra.
12. Roger Federer beat Rafael Nadal for the fifth time in succession to win the Shanghai Masters.
13. Eminent writer Namita Gokhale has been awarded the first-ever Centenary National Award for Literature.
14. Pakistan and Iran have signed an MoU to improve border security management.
15. Veteran filmmaker, Lekh Tandon has passed away.
16. Mahindra & Mahindra has launched a programme, Prerna, to empower women working in the agriculture sector by promoting efficient and ergonomic farm tools and equipment.
17. Eminent poet, lyricist and journalist, Prabha Varma has been selected for the Padma Prabha Puraskaram this year.