

26th April 2018 Current Affairs

1. World Intellectual Property Day is observed on 26th April.
2. The HRD ministry launched the 2nd edition of the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan under which students from 750 higher educational institutions from across the country will adopt villages and visit them to get acquainted with a lifestyle of people there and the problems faced by them.
3. The Indian and Malaysian armies will hold a two-week military exercise "Harimau Shakti" in the dense forests of Sengai Perdik in Hulu Langat district of Malaysia.
4. India will partner up with Finland and the United States to develop a new pollution forecast system, that will help anticipate particulate matter (PM) levels at least two days in advance and at greater resolution.
5. The Meghalaya government has launched a mission 'Mission Lakadong' to register a five-fold increase in the production of Lakadong turmeric.
6. The 23rd meeting of the Western Zonal Council was held at Gandhinagar, Gujarat under the chairmanship of the Union home minister Rajnath Singh.
7. Technology giant Microsoft India has been declared the most attractive employer brand, followed by e-commerce giant Amazon India.
8. Development bank NABARD said it has provided an assistance of Rs.10,012 crore to Uttar Pradesh during 2017-18 to facilitate overall development with special focus on agricultural credit.
9. The Minister of Housing & Urban Development Hardeep Singh inaugurated the 47th Foundation Day of Housing and Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO) on 25th April.
10. According to the Japanese financial services major Nomura, India's average GDP growth is expected to rise to 7.8 percent in the first half of this year.
11. India slipped in the annual World Press Freedom Index for the second straight year, falling two places to rank 138th among 180 countries in the latest list, topped by Norway.
12. India's Jeremy Lalrinnunga (56 kg) broke two national records to win a silver and a bronze medal at the Asian Youth and Junior Weightlifting Championship at Urgench, Uzbekistan.



13. National Stock Exchange of India (NSE) has announced the launch of its "e - Gsec" platform for facilitating the non-competitive bidding in Government of India Dated Securities (G-Sec) and Treasury Bills (T-Bills).

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