



### **India's first World Peace University inaugurated in MIT, Pune**

- ❖ Envisioning education through a holistic outlook of knowledge building to establish peace and harmony in the world, the Dr Vishwanath Karad MIT World Peace University located in Pune was inaugurated by chief minister of Maharashtra Devendra Fadnavis. Following the celebrations, a two-day 'Global Summit Science and Spirituality for World Peace' was organised discussing issues of national and international importance and how a different outlook towards education could solve many of them. "MIT World Peace University is an entirely new concept, a model for a moulding global citizens. There is no difference between science and spirituality. Science is looking at the ultimate truth about the nature and universe and spirituality is a look at the ultimate truth of the inner being, the human being. One cannot distinguish himself from God.

### **Rajiv Gauba Takes Charge as Union Home Secretary**

- ❖ Senior IAS officer Rajiv Gauba took charge as the Union Home Secretary. Gauba, a 1982 batch officer of the Jharkhand cadre, joined the Home Ministry as Officer on Special Duty on June 27 and took charge as the Union Home Secretary. He has replaced Rajiv Maharishi. Earlier this, Gauba was Secretary in the Urban Development Ministry. Gauba also served in the International Monetary Fund representing the country for four years on the board of IMF.

### **Samurai Tete first woman from Jharkhand to win Dhyan Chand Award**

- ❖ Former India Women's Hockey captain Samurai Tete was awarded Dhyan Chand Award 2017 by the President Ramnath Kovind at a function held at Rashtrapati Bhawan in New Delhi on the occasion of National Sports Day. Resident of Simdega also known as Jharkhand's hockey nursery, Samurai has become the first woman from Jharkhand to bag the prestigious national award. She received statuettes, certificates and cash prize of Rs five lakh each for her achievements and contribution to Field hockey in India. It was under Samurai Tete's captaincy that Indian eves clinched Commonwealth Games hockey silver at Melbourne in 2006. 38-year-old midfielder was part of the team when Indian women won the gold medal in the 2002 Manchester Commonwealth games. Chief Minister Raghubar Das announced Sumrai Tete as the brand ambassador for Jharkhand hockey.

### **Ujjivan Small Finance Bank Ltd has been given scheduled bank status by RBI**

- ❖ Ujjivan Small Finance Bank Ltd, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ujjivan Financial Services Ltd, has been given scheduled bank status by RBI. Currently, Ujjivan SFB has 65 full-fledged brick and mortar branches in eight states and two Union Territories. Ujjivan SFB commenced its operations as a Small Finance Bank with effect from February 1, 2017.

### **Unicity Launched World's First ever Genomeceuticals Range of Product in India**

- ❖ Unicity International, headquartered in Orem, Utah, United States has launched world's first ever Genomeceutical (gene controlling) range of products to India. DNA contains the biological code that

defines every single protein in the body. DNA undergoes a process called transcription or gene expression that creates a “messenger” molecule, telling the body to make a specific protein.

### **CHOICE Launches ‘PoS-Easy Bima Plan’**

- ❖ Canara HSBC Oriental Bank of Commerce Life Insurance Company (CHOICE) has come up with a ‘Point-of-Sale’ product targeted at the mass-market segment. According to Chief Executive of CHOICE Anuj Mathur, The product — ‘PoS - Easy Bima Plan’— is the first PoS product for the company and is a pure term insurance plan that not only gives life cover but also returns all premiums paid during the payment term on survival till maturity. The affordable premiums start from Rs.1,000 annually and there is inbuilt double life cover in case of accidental death. While this product has initially been launched through a regional rural bank of Canara Bank, it would be available in the bank branches of Canara Bank and Oriental Bank of Commerce (OBC) in the next two months.

### **P.V. Sindhu Announced as Bridgestone India's Brand Ambassador**

- ❖ Bridgestone India, a subsidiary of the world’s largest tyre and rubber company and a Worldwide Olympic Partner, has announced a partnership with ace badminton player and Olympic silver medallist, P.V. Sindhu to be the company’s first brand ambassador. As part of the three-year agreement, Sindhu will be included in Bridgestone’s activations around its Worldwide Olympic Partnership. Sindhu is among the world’s leading professional badminton players who recently earned a silver medal at the World Badminton Championship in Glasgow. The Padma Shri recipient became the first Indian woman to win an Olympic silver medal in the Olympic Games Rio 2016. Sindhu’s Olympic medal established her as the first Indian shuttler to reach the final of an Olympic Games badminton event and the youngest Indian to make a podium finish in an individual event at the Olympics.

### **PM Launches Highway Project in Rajasthan**

- ❖ Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated 11 National Highway projects in Rajasthan, covering a total length of about 873 km. The projects include a 6-lane cable stayed bridge across river Chambal at Kota; 4-laning of Gomati Chauraha-Udaipur section of NH-8, and Rajsamand-Bhilwara section of NH-758. He visited the Pratap Gaurav Kendra which provides information, through various exhibits, about the life, valour and achievements of Maharana Pratap, the famous King of the erstwhile kingdom of Mewar.

### **Kerala CM launches U-17 World Cup Kochi host city logo**

- ❖ Kerala Chief Minister Shri Pinarayi Vijayan on Monday launched the host city logo for Kochi, one of the venues of Fifa Under-17 World Cup. The logo represents and reflects Kochi's identity and will be a valuable tool in linking the local community in a global World Cup. Alongside the U-17 World Cup India 2017 official emblem, it will form a crucial link in the promotions and communications regarding the host city. The host city logo will allow all football fans in Kochi to have a local flavour and will be critical in the promotion of the tournament.