



### **Teacher's Day Celebrated On September 5**

- ❖ Teacher's Day is being celebrated across the nation to commemorate the birth anniversary of the first Vice President Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan who was an academician, statesman and philosopher. President Ram Nath Kovind, Vice President M. Venkaiah Naidu and Prime Minister Narendra Modi have greeted the teachers on this occasion. The National Award to the meritorious teachers working in primary, middle and secondary schools will be conferred by the Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu as public recognition. These awards were instituted in 1958, and each award carries a medal, certificate and rupees 50 thousand. Special awards also have been instituted for special educators who promote inclusive education in schools. World Teacher's Day is observed every year on October 5.

### **IPL Media Rights To Star India**

- ❖ Indian Premier League (IPL) media rights for the next five years have been awarded to Star India. Star India won the bid held in Mumbai for various media rights of the league at Rs. 16,347.50 crore for the period of 2018 – 2022. For each IPL match BCCI will get Rs. 55 crore compared to Rs. 43 crore for each international match that India plays. Media rights consist of TV and digital rights for various segments namely India, Middle East, Africa, Europe and America. The previous bid was won by Sony in 2008 for 10 years at Rs. 8200 crore.

### **Trinamool Leader Sultan Ahmed Is No More**

- ❖ Former Union minister and sitting Trinamool Congress MP Sultan Ahmed has died following a cardiac arrest. He was elected to the Lok Sabha from Uluberia constituency from Trinamool Congress party. He was the Union Minister of State for Tourism in the UPA government.

### **Banking Operations started by Fincare Small Finance Bank**

- ❖ Fincare Small Finance Bank has started its functioning with 25 operational branches in four states of Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu. Earlier it was known as Disha Microfin Limited. RBI has granted small finance bank license to this bank in May 2017.

### **Political Transition Begins in Cuba**

- ❖ Cuba began a five-month political transition, expected to end with Raul Castro's departure from the presidency, capping his family's near-total dominance of the country's political system for nearly 60 years. Over the rest of this month, Cubans will meet in small groups to nominate municipal representatives. Cuban officials said 12,515 block-level districts will nominate candidates for city council elections on October 22. In the second electoral stage, a commission dominated by government-linked organisations will pick all the candidates for elections to provincial assemblies and Cuba's national assembly. The congress is expected to pick the President and members of the

powerful Council of State by February. Castro has said he will leave the presidency by that date, though he is expected to remain head of the Communist Party.

### **Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore appointed Sports Minister**

- ❖ Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore was appointed as the country's Youth Affairs and Sports Minister in place of Vijay Goel who has been made the Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs. The 47-year-old Rathore was up until now serving as the Minister of State for Information & Broadcasting. After taking premature retirement from the Indian army, Rathore joined the Bharatiya Janata Party in 2013 and was sworn in as minister of state for information & broadcasting when the Modi government came to power in May, 2014.

### **Goa CM Manohar Parrikar launches grievance redressal portal**

- ❖ Goa Chief Minister Manohar Parrikar launched an online portal for redressal of public grievances — aimed at addressing complaints within 30 days. Access to the portal [www.goaonline.gov.in](http://www.goaonline.gov.in) can be availed after providing basic information like name, address, mobile number, Aadhaar number, date of birth, email id, etc. After registration, the citizens can login using their credentials and enter the details of their grievance and mention the concerned department towards whom it is addressed.

### **State of emergency declared in Los Angeles**

- ❖ A state of emergency has been declared in Los Angeles as the city battles the worst wildfires in its history. Hundreds of homes have been evacuated around the Glendale and Burbank suburbs. The fires, covering about 5,000 acres, started in La Tuna Canyon on Friday and have sent plumes of smoke over the city. At least three homes have already been destroyed and a major road, the 210 Freeway, closed.

### **Stock markets falls across globe, Sensex slumps 240 points**

- ❖ Stock markets have fallen across the globe, today. At home, after a weak opening, the Sensex at the Bombay Stock Exchange lost considerably more ground, and had slumped 240 points, or 0.8 percent, to 31,653 a short while ago. The Nifty at the National Stock Exchange had dropped 83 points, to 9,891.

### **Arun Jaitley will attend key security dialouge with Japan today**

- ❖ Finance Minister Arun Jaitley will attend a key security dialouge with Japan today. Mr Jaitley said he will hold a bilateral dialogue with his Japanese counterpart, ahead of a visit of Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe to India later this month. He added, that it is a very important security dialogue between the two countries.