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Who were awarded Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna 2017 by the President of India on National Sports Day, August 29?	Devendra Jhajharia and Sardara Singh
Name the new Chief Justice of India who has been appointed following the retirement of Chief Justice JS Khehar?	Dipak Mishra
According to the report, released by the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change on August 12, what is the total estimated number of elephants in India? Karnataka has the highest number of elephants (6,049), followed by Assam (5,719) and Kerala (3,054).	27,312
Name the variety of rice, a speciality from Burdwan district of West Bengal, which has got the geographical indication (GI) status, as a result, rice from other regions or rice of other varieties cannot be branded by its name? The state government had applied for GI status for this rice on August 24, 2015.	Gobindobhog
Name the case in Supreme Court of India in which the SC has declared the practice of triple talaq to be void, illegal and unconstitutional?	Shayara Banu versus Union of India
Name the senior IAS officer who was on 24th August appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director of Air India for three months succeeding Ashwani Lohani who has been appointed as the Chairman of Railway Board?	Rajiv Bansal
Faced with the prospect of a fourth consecutive drought year, which project was launched by Karnataka to harness rain-bearing clouds over the next two months?	Project Varshadhare
Name the Telangana Chief Minister who has been awarded Global Agriculture Leadership Award by The Indian Council of Food and Agriculture (ICFA)? According to ICFA, he was selected after studying the innovative and yeoman services rendered by him for the welfare of farmers and agricultural sector.	K Chandrasekhar Rao
Named the new CEO and MD (interim) of Infosys who has been appointed in place of Vishal Sikka who stepped down on 18th August 2017?	UB Pravin Rao
Name India's legendary sportsperson who has been appointed Goodwill Ambassador for Physical Activity in South-East Asia Region by the World Health Organisation (WHO)?	Milkha Singh
Name IRSO's eight navigation satellite which was onboard PSLV-C39 from Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh but the launch was unsuccessful as the heat shield did not separate and the satellite could not complete the 4th stage?	IRNSS-1H
Name the eminent Konkani writer who has been honoured with the Saraswati Samman 2016 for his novel Hawthan?	Mahabaleshwar Sail
In which Chinese city, ninth BRICS Summit 2017 will be held from September 3-5? The theme of this year's event is 'BRICS: Stronger Partnership for a Brighter Future. Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa are the members of BRICS.	Xiamen
In which city, the Defence Accounts Department (DAD) organized its first Synergy Conference on Defence Pensions? The objective of the conference was to obtain	New Delhi

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feedback from the pensioners that would help the department to serve them better with constantly improving systems and procedures.	
Name the Reserve Bank of India appointed committee which recommended linking home loan rates to the RBI's reporate?	Dr Tarun Ramadorai
In which city, the first edition of Rural Games or Grameen Khel Mahotsav will take place between 28th August to 3rd September, 2017?	New Delhi
On which date the National Sports Day is celebrated every year to mark the birth anniversary of the legendary hockey player Dhyan Chand?	29th August
For how much year the Union Finance Ministry has imposed an anti-dumping duty on Sodium Nitrite imports from China? Sodium Nitrite is an oxidising and also a reducing agent. It is a white crystalline powder mostly used in the pharmaceutical and dye industries, lubricants, construction chemicals, rubber blowing agent, meat processing, and textiles.	Five year
Name the trans woman from Kolkata who was named the first Miss Transqueen India at an event in New Delhi?	Nitasha Biswas
Name the two-time Olympic footballer and East Bengal player who passed away at the age of 90?	Ahmed Khan
Banks importing gold and precious metals will have to pay per cent tax under goods and services tax (GST), which can be claimed as input tax credit.	Three
Who has been appointed as the Director General of Railway Protection Force (RPF)?	Dharmendra Kumar
Who was awarded the Biju Patnaik Award for Scientific Excellence for the year 2016?	Digambar Behera
The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports is going to establish National Sports Museum, first of its kind, at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium. In which state Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium is located?	New Delhi
Name the Senior IAS officer who took charge as the new Union Home Secretary for a fixed two-year tenure succeeding Rajiv Mehrishi?	Rajiv Gauba
Which team India defeated by 2-1 to win the South Asian Football Federation (SAFF) Under-15 Championship?	Nepal
Name the former Home Secretary who has been appointed as the Comptroller and Auditor General of India replacing Shashi Kant Sharma, who is retiring on September 24?	Rajiv Mehrishi
The Union Cabinet approved the renaming of the new central sector scheme SAMPADA (Scheme for Agro-Marine Processing and Development of Agro-Processing Clusters) as	Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY)
The Supreme Court of India on 24th August 2017 pronounced that is a fundamental right protected by the Constitution.	Individual privacy
New currency of which denomination was released by Reserve Bank of India with the intention to make day to day transactions easier since the lack of an denomination between Rs 500-Rs 2000 notes, and Rs 100-Rs 500 often cause a problem for businessmen and common men alike?	Rs 200

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Name the Railway Board Chairman who resigned after the derailment of two trains, Utkal Express and Kaifiyat Express in a gap of 5 days?	A K Mittal
Name the former Manipur Chief Minister and veteran Congress leader who died at the age of 98 following multiple-organ failure?	Rishang Keishing
On which day Sri Guru Granth Sahib birthday is celebrated every year?	22nd August
The Reserve Bank of India will be transferring to the Union Government only as dividend much less than the amount Rs 65876 crore it transferred to last year, implying lesser non-tax revenues to the government this year.	Rs 30,659 crore
The second round of National Deworming Day, which is held twice a year, is observed on? First round was held on 10th February.	10th August
The Legislative Assembly of which State passed a bill which reclassifies coconut as a tree, ensuring legal protection for it?	Goa
Who was appointed the Chairman and Managing Director of Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)?	D Mohammad Mustafa
Which scheme was recently launched by the Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corp (IRCTC)?	Book Now, Pay Later Scheme
Which company's merger with Airtel was approved by the National Company Law Tribunal?	Telenor
Name the noted Bollywood lyricist-screenwriter and ad guru who was on 11th August 2017 replaced Pahlaj Nihalani as CBFC chairperson?	Prasoon Joshi
Government of which state launched the Smart Streets Lab program in association with the World Resources Institute (WRI) India?	Telengana
Who was appointed as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Jet Airways India Ltd?	Vinay Dube
Who sworn-in as the 13th Vice-President of India?	Venkaiah Naidu
Which State Government led by Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has launched a new awareness drive called Namami Gange Jagriti Yatra?	Uttar Pradesh
Which public sector company collaborated with Samsung India and announced the availability of Samsung Pay for higher variants of its debit card, giving a major boost to government's 'Digital India' initiative?	State Bank of India (SBI)

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INTERNATIONAL CURRENT AFFAIRS AND EVENTS

World Badminton Championships 2017 was held at?	Glasgow, Scotland
Which country topped the medal tally in the World Badminton Championships 2017 with 2 Gold, 2 Silver and 3 Bronze?	China
World Humanitarian Day was observed across the world on?	19th August
Name the Portuguese footballer (also a Real Madrid player) who has been awarded the UEFA Player of the Year Award for the third time in four years?	Cristiano Ronaldo
World Elephant Day was observed across the world on?	12th August
Name the Spanish football club which won the UEFA Super Cup 2017 defeating Manchester United by 2-1 margin?	Real Madrid
International Youth Day was observed across the world on?	12th August
Name the German Nun, also known locally as Pakistan's Mother Teresa, who died at the age of 87?	Ruth Pfau
Who is the first ever player to score 350 goals in La Liga?	Lionel Messi
Name the new operating system released by Google for android devices?	Oreo
In which city of Nepal the 15th Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) ministerial meeting was held on 11th August 2017?	Kathmandu
In the World Championships 2017 who won the 100m gold by beating Usain Bolt in the final individual race of the Jamaican's career?	Justin Gatlin
Who sworn-in as the President of Iran for the second term?	A Hassan Rouhani
Who was appointed as the Director of Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the principal federal law enforcement agency of United States of America?	Christopher Wray