



Weekly One Liners 1st to 10th of November 2019

National Affairs

- The people over 80 years of age and Persons with Disability can now cast their votes through postal ballot.
- Kerala Governor Arif Mohammed Khan inaugurated the 3rd edition of Global Ayurveda Summit 2019. he twoday summit organized by Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) will deliberate on the theme "Mainstreaming Ayurveda through Startups, Innovation and Branding".
- Vice President M. Venkaiah Naidu inaugurated the 21st North East Book Fair in Guwahati. Assam.
- Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare launched Intensified Mission Indradhanush (IMI) 2.0 portal in New Delhi.
- Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for AYUSH inaugurated National Research Institute of Unani Medicine for Skin Disorders (NRIUMSD) upgraded from Central Research Institute of Unani Medicine (CRIUM) at Erragadda, Hyderabad.
- The Government of India released the maps of newly created union territories of Jammu-Kashmir and Ladakh and the map of India depicting these union territories.
- The first-ever containerised cargo movement via Indo-Bangladesh protocol route and Brahmaputra river will start from West Bengal's Haldia. The vessel MV Maheshwari, carrying 53 containers of petrochemicals, edible oil and beverage will take 12-15 days to reach the IWAI terminal at Pandu in Assam's Guwahati.
- The Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE) launched the SkillsBuild platform in collaboration with IBM.
- Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar released the **5th edition of Wastelands Atlas 2019.**
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurates 5th India International Science Festival (IISF) at Biswa Bangla Convention Centre, Kolkata through video conferencing. The theme of the festival is "RISEN: Research, Innovation and Science Empowering the Nation".
- Union Human Resource Development Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' and Minister for Food Processing Industries Harsimrat Kaur Badal will launch three books on Guru Nanak Dev Ji. The National Book Trust has published three titles: Guru Nanak Bani, Nanak Bani, and Sakhian Guru Nanak Dev to spread the message of Guru Nanak Dev's writings among readers of Indian sub-continent.
- Indian Railways has launched three applications for all-India roll out. The applications, namely CRS Sanction Management System, Rail-road crossing GAD approval system and TMS for construction aim at beefing up IT-enabled services.

States in the News

- The **25th Kolkata International Film Festival (KIFF)** will start on November 8.
- Punjab State Cabinet passed a unanimous resolution to institute Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji Award for Promotion of Peace and Interfaith Understanding, in commemoration of the 550th Prakash Purb of Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji.
- The Punjab Chief Minister(CM) Amarinder Singh has launched a first of its kind job helpline number 76260-76260 for the unemployed youth of the state under 'Ghar Ghar Rozgar' programme.
- The Indian Railways has installed two 'Health ATMs' at the Charbagh railway station in Lucknow.
- The Odisha state government signed agreements with Tata Strive and Tech Mahindra to add new dimensions in skilling and employability of the youth.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated a twoday Himachal Pradesh Global investors' meet – 'Rising Himachal' in Dharamshala.

International Affairs

- Russia's Knyaz Vladimir submarine of Borei-class vessel, test-fired its most advanced nuclear-powered missile named, Bulavaintercontinental ballistic missile which precisely hit the target range of 1000 km away in the Russian region of Kamchatka.
- The Spanish capital city of Madrid will host the UN Climate Change Conference (COP 25) from 2 to 13 December.
- According to the International Monetary Fund (IMF), Guyana's GDP is expected to be more at 86% in 2020 after expanding 4.4% in 2019.
- Sudan's first-ever satellite for conducting research in military, economic and space technology has been launched by China. Sudan's remote-sensing satellite (SRSS-1), was developed by the Shenzhen Aerospace Oriental Red Sea Satellite Co.
- The UAE's Supreme Council of the Union has re-elected his Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan as its President for a 4th five-year term, in accordance with the provisions of the UAE Constitution.





Agreements/MoUs Signed

- **Government e-Marketplace (GeM)** has signed MoU with **Indian Bank and Canara Bank.** The MoU will facilitate a cashless, paperless and transparent payment system on the portal and would create an efficient procurement system for government entities.
- The Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi (IIT-D) will set up a space technology cell (STC) in collaboration with the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO).
- Siemens signs MoUs with NTPC, TERI on decarbonisation, energy transition.
- MSTC Ltd has signed an agreement with Allahabad Bank for the development of a dedicated e-Auction platform.
- IT services firm **Tech Mahindra Ltd (Tech M)** has acquired BORN Group, a New York-based digital content and production agency, for \$95 million.
- Government e-Marketplace (GeM) signed MoU with Central Bank of India.
- Public sector Indian Bank has signed a memorandum of understanding with Muthoot Microfinance to serve Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME).

Books and Authors

 Vice-President M. Venkaiah Naidu released a monograph, 'Musical Excellence of Mridangam', a rare fusion of art and science of an ancient South Indian instrument on the CSIR-Central Leather Research Institute (CLRI) campus in Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

Science and Technology

- Union Minister of Science & Technology and Minister of Earth Science has inaugurated India's 1-ever multivenue Mega science exhibition, 'Vigyan Samagam 2019', in Kolkata, West Bengal.
- Indian Institute of Technology-Madras, in collaboration with Phoenix Medical Systems, launched the country's first indigenously-designed standing wheelchair.

Banking/Economy/Business News

- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman unveiled two new IT Initiatives – ICEDASH and ATITHI for improved monitoring and pace of customs clearance of imported goods and facilitating arriving international passengers.
- The Asian Development Bank will provide a \$451 million (about Rs 3,200 crore) loan to strengthen power connectivity between the southern and northern parts of the Chennai-Kanyakumari Industrial Corridor (CKIC) in Tamil Nadu.
- The finance service company, Ujjivan Small Finance Bank(SFB) has launched an instant digital savings account (SA) along with Fixed Deposit (FD) and Privilege

- Savings Account to offer distinctive banking and digital services to its customers.
- **Bajaj Allianz General Insurance** has launched a new mobile app called **'Farmitra'** for the ease of farmers.
- The Export-Import (Exim) Bank has provided a USD 30 million (about Rs 210 crore) line of credit to Ghana for a potable water project in the country.
- The American financial service company Moody's has downgraded India's economic outlook to "Negative" from "Stable".

Appointments/Resignations

- Sanjeev Nandan Sahai assumed charge as Secretary, Ministry of Power. Prior to this, he was serving as the Special Secretary in the Ministry of Power.
- Private sector lender **Dhanlaxmi Bank** managing director (MD) and chief executive officer (CEO) **T. Latha** has resigned. The bank's board has accepted the resignation.
- Senior IPS officer Aditya Mishra was appointed as the chairman of the Land Ports Authority of India (LPAI).
- A private sector lender, IndusInd Bank has appointed its consumer banking head Suman Kathpalia, as its new Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO).
- **Dr Vinaya Shetty** is the first Indian to be elected to the position of **General Vice President (GVP)**, **International Organisation Development Association (IODA)** since its inception in 1986.
- Arvind Singh, a 1988-batch IAS officer of Maharashtra cadre, took charge as the chairman of the Airports Authority of India (AAI).

Defence News

- The first-ever India-Uzbekistan joint military exercise Dustlik-2019 begin at Chirchiq Training Area near Tashkent, Uzbekistan.
- The second phase of the biggest US- Bangladesh Navy exercise named 'Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training (CARAT)- 2019' started in Chattogram, Bangladesh.





- Union Minister of State for Defence Shripad Naik inaugurated the Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO) Igniter Complex at High Energy Materials Research Laboratory (HEMRL) in Pune, Maharashtra.
- Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Ltd (GRSE) delivered Fast Patrol Vessel (FPV) ICGS Annie Besant, the second in the series of five such ships, to the Indian Coast Guard.
- India is jointly exercising its anti-submarine warfare corvette INS Kamorta along with Indonesian warship KRI Usman Harun, a multi-role corvette, in the Bay of Bengal as part of an ongoing bilateral exercise "Samudra Shakti".
- The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) tested its efficiency and preparedness during the Regional Level Search and Rescue Workshop and Exercise 2019 (ReSAREX- 19) conducted off the Goa coast.

Awards and Recognitions

- Indian actor Nawazuddin Siddiqui has been awarded the prestigious Golden Dragon Award for his works in Hindi cinema at the Cardiff International Film Festival (CIFF) 2019 held in Wales, United Kingdom.
- US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo presented the prestigious Award for Corporate Excellence to Pepsico India.
- The 50th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) will honour superstar Rajinikanth with a special Icon of Golden Jubilee Award and the Life Time Achievement Award for a Foreign Artiste will be conferred to French Actress Isabelle Huppert.
- Noted writer Anand has been selected for the 27th Ezhuthachan Puraskaram 2019. This award is given by Kerala Sahitya Akademi Award and the Government of Kerala.
- A documentary on Real Kashmir Football Club has bagged the prestigious British Academy of Film and Television Awards (BAFTA) and Scotland Awards at a glittering ceremony in Glasgow, Scotland.
- International acclaimed Sand Artist Sudarsan Pattnaik who belongs to Odisha has been selected for the prestigious Italian Golden Sand Art Award 2019.
- Indian-origin researcher Neeraj Sharma has been given the 'Early Career Researcher of the Year award' by the Australian government.
- U.S. based-Indian author Madhuri Vijay's debut novel,
 "The Far Field" bagged this year's JCB prize for Literature, the most expensive Indian award for writing.
- The 5th Edition of 'Miss Asia Global Title 2019' was organized at Gokulam Convention centre in Kochi, Kerala. Sara Damnjanovic from Serbia has been crowned 'Miss Asia Global 2019'.

- Rajasthan Patrika group chairman Gulab Kothari has been chosen for the prestigious Raja Ram Mohan Roy Award, presented by the Press Council of India, for his outstanding contribution towards journalism.
- At the 9th edition of the Dhaka Literature festival, West Bengal-based writer Abhishek Sarkar and Bangladeshi poet Rofiquzzaman Rony were given the Gemcon Young Literature Award and Gemcon Young Poetry Award.
- Kumar Mangalam Birla, chairman of the Aditya Birla Group, was conferred the ABLF Global Asian Award, for "powerful individual whose business footprint and commitment to excellence have engaged international interest and attention".

Summit and Conference

- The 35th ASEAN Summit began in Bangkok, Thailand from October 31 to 4 November. The theme of the summit for this year is "Advancing Partnership for Sustainability".
- The biennial Commonwealth Law Ministers' Conference is being held in Colombo, Sri Lanka from 4-7 November 2019. India will be represented at the conference by Union Minister for Law and Justice Ravi Shankar Prasad. The theme for the 2019 CLM Conference is 'Equal Access to Justice and the Rule of Law'.
- Union Home Minister inaugurated the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) joint exercise on urban earthquake search and rescue 2019 at the Ambedkar International Center in New Delhi.
- Lok sabha speaker Om Birla composed the Indian Parliament delegation for 6th parliamentary summit of G20 countries, held in Tokyo, Japan 2019.
- The **2nd 'No Money for Terror' 2019 conference** going on in **Melbourne**, **Australia**.
- The Union Minister for Environment, Forest and climate change & Information and Broadcasting(I&B), Prakash Javadekar, has participated in the 15th governing council meeting (GCM) of the South Asia Cooperative Environment Programme 2019 (SACEP) in Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu inaugurating 10th Asian Conference of Emergency Medicine in New Delhi.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will be on a 2-day visit to Brazil from the 13th of this month to attend the 11th BRICS Summit in Brasilia, Brazil. The theme of the Summit this year is "Economic Growth for an Innovative Future".





Ranks and Reports

According to 'India Justice Report 2019', Maharashtra
is the top state in delivering justice to its citizens
followed by Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Punjab and Haryana
in the first-ever ranking of states on their capacity to
deliver justice to citizens. In this classification,
Jharkhand, Bihar and Uttar Pradesh are at the
bottom.

Sports News

- The Indian football team dropped two places to 106th position in the latest FIFA rankings. Belgium has managed to hold on to the top spot, followed by France and Brazil.
- The Indian cricket team will play its first-ever Day-Night Test match against Bangladesh. The Test is scheduled to be held at the Eden Gardens, Kolkata from November 22-26 and will be the second game of a two-match series.
- The 6-time world champion Mangte Chungneijang Mary Kom has been inducted into the 10-member sports ambassador group by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) on Boxing workforce to represent boxers ahead of the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games.
- India's Maisnam Meiraba Luwang clinched the boys' singles U-19 title at the Woncheon Yonex Korea Junior Open Badminton International Challenge 2019 in Miryang, Korea.
- Pooja Gehlot (53kg) in wrestling claimed India's second silver medal after going down to Japan's Haruna
 Okuno in the finals of the UWW Under-23 World
 Championships in Budapest.
- Novak Djokovic won the Paris Masters 2019 title. He won the title for the fifth time.
- India's Lakshya Sen has won the SaarLorLux Open badminton tournament at Saarbrücken in Germany.
- **South Africa** defeated **England's team** by 32-12 scores in the final of the 9 edition of Rugby World Cup 2019 held at International Stadium, Yokohama, Japan.
- **Manu Bhaker** won gold medal in women's 10m air pistol event in **Asian Shooting Championships 2019.**
- Two-time Olympic boxing champion Nicola Adams (37 years) announced her retirement from the sport on medical advice due to the vulnerability of losing eyesight.
- India will host the 2023 Men's Hockey World Cup from 13th to 29th of January.

Important Days

- The International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists is a UN-recognized day observed annually on 2 November.
- The **World Tsunami Awareness Day** was observed across the world on **5 November**.
- International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict is an international day observed annually on November 6.
- The National Cancer Awareness Day is observed annually in India on November 7, to spread awareness on cancer, its symptoms and treatment.

Obituaries

- Former Parliamentarian and veteran CPI leader **Gurudas Dasgupta** passed away.
- Popular Telugu actress Geetanjali, who is remembered for her role as Goddess Sita in Sitarama Kalyanam, passed away.
- Film producer Champak Jain passed away. He was one
 of the owners of Venus Records and Tapes which
 produced hit films like the 1994 blockbuster Main
 Khiladi Tu Anari starring Saif Ali Khan and Akshay
 Kumar.
- French Resistance legend & Nazi camps survivor Yvette
 Lundy who helped Jewish prisoners of war to escape
 prison during the Nazi occupation of France passed
 away at the age of 103.
- Justice **N.V. Balasubramanian**, retired Judge of Madras High Court passed away.
- Former President of Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) and Chairman of Modi Enterprises Krishnan Kumar Modi(K.K.Modi) passed away.
- Former Maharashtra minister and senior Congress party leader **Babasaheb Dhabekar** passed away.
- Sahitya Akademi awardee writer Nabaneeta Dev Sen passed away.





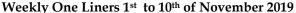


Miscellaneous News

- Singapore-based AirCarbon Pte launched the worlds' first blockchain-based carbon trading exchange.
- **India** has taken inspiration from Brazil's success in the field of **human milk bank** decided to adopt a similar model in creating a wide network of human milk banks.
- National Carrier Air India has painted 'Ek Onkar' symbol on its Boeing 787 Dreamliner aircraft's tail to mark the 550th birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev. The aircraft will fly on October 31 from Amritsar to London.
- UNESCO has designated Mumbai as a member of UNESCO Creative Cities Network (UCCN) in the field of FILM and Hyderabad in the field of GASTRONOMY.
- Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs has inaugurated a new Guru Nanak Chair by the support of Indian government, at the University of Birmingham to enable research around the teachings of the founder of the Sikh religion.
- The world's largest fertilizer cooperative Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Limited (IFFCO) introduced India's 1st nanotechnology-based product range by introducing Nano Nitrogen, Nano Zinc, Nano Copper for on-field trials at an event held at its Kalol unit in Gujarat.
- The official emblem of FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup for the year 2020 which is to be conducted in India was unveiled.
- China's National Medical Products Administration has officially approved an indigenously developed Alzheimer's drug called GV-971 (sodium oligomannurarate).
- Renowned Indian authors like R K Narayan (Swami and Friends), Arundhati Roy (The God of small things), Salman Rushdie (The Moor's Last Sigh), Vikram Seth (A Suitable Boy) and S. Naipaul (A House for Mr Biswas) are among 100 writers who have featured on a list of the most inspiring novels chosen by a panel of experts and revealed by the BBC.
- This year, at the Golden Jubilee of International Film
 Festival of India (IFFI), will have the screening of
 Accessible India Films. This unique film section will
 witness the screening of three films, two in Hindi Lage
 Raho Munna Bhai and M.S. Dhoni: The Untold Story
 and one in Konkani- Questao De Confusao in
 Konkani.

Static Takeaways

- Minister of Law and Justice: Ravi Shankar Prasad.
- Kerala CM: Pinarayi Vijayan; Governor: Arif Mohammed Khan.
- President of Russia: Vladimir Putin; Prime Minister(PM) of Russia: Dmitry Medvedev.
- Capital of Russia: Moscow; Currency of Russia: Russian ruble.
- 10 ASEAN member countries: Indonesia, Thailand, Singapore, Philippines, Malaysia, Vietnam, Brunei, Cambodia, Myanmar (Burma), Laos.
- BCCI President: Sourav Ganguly; Headquarters: Mumbai.
- Headquarters of IOC: Lausanne, Switzerland; President: Thomas Bach; Formation: 23 June 1894.
- Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare: Ashwini Kumar Choubey.
- Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare: Harsh Vardhan.
- Chief Minister of West Bengal: Mamata Banerjee; Governor of West Bengal: Jagdeep Dhankhar.
- Punjab CM: Amarinder Singh; Governor: VP Singh Badnore.
- Chairman of Dhanlaxmi Bank: Sanjeev Krishnan; Founded:1927; Headquarters: Thrissur, Kerala.
- IIT Delhi Director: V Ramgopal Rao.
- ISRO Director: K.Sivan; Headquarters: Bengaluru; Established: 1969.
- Chairman and CEO of Pepsico: Ramon Laguarta.
- Chief Minister of Goa: Pramod Sawant; Governor of Goa: Satva Pal Malik.
- UNESCO President: Audrey Azoulay; Founded: 16 November 1945; Headquarters: Paris, France.
- Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for AYUSH: Shripad Yesso Naik.
- Director-General, Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine (CCRUM): Asim Ali Khan.
- Chairman and Managing Director(MD) of NTPC: Gurdeep Singh; Headquarters of NTPC: New Delhi.
- Director of TERI: Ajay Mathur; Headquarters of TERI: New Delhi.
- Capital of Uzbekistan: Tashkent; Currency of Uzbekistan: Uzbekistani Som.
- President of South Africa: Cyril Ramaphosa.
- Capitals of South Africa: Cape Town, Pretoria, Bloemfontein.
- The rand is the official currency of South Africa.
- Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs: Hardeep Singh Puri.
- Managing Director of IFFCO: Uday Shankar Awasthi; Founded: 3 November 1967; Headquarters: New Delhi.
- Sri Lanka Capitals: Sri Jayawardenepura Kotte; Currency: Sri Lankan rupee; Prime minister: Ranil Wickremesinghe; President: Maithripala Sirisena.







- Headquarters of IndusInd Bank: Mumbai; Founded:1994; Tagline: we make you feel richer.
- Headquarters of LPAI: New Delhi; Founded: 2012.
- Capital of Punjab: Chandigarh; Governor of Punjab: V.P. Singh Badnore.
- President of Guyana: David A.Granger; Prime minister of Guyana: Moses Nagamootoo.
- Capital of Guyana: George Town; Currency of Guyana: Guyanese Dollar.
- Union Minister of Science & Technology and Minister of Earth Science: Harsh Vardhan.
- DRDO Chairman: G Satheesh Reddy; Formed: 1958; Headquarters: New Delhi.
- Asian Development Bank Headquarters: Manila, Philippines, President: Takehiko Nakao.
- Union Home Minister: Amit Shah.
- Chairman & MD of MSTC: Bam Bahadur Singh; Founded: 9 September 1964; Headquarters: Kolkata.
- MD & CEO of Allahabad Bank: S. S. Mallikarjuna Rao; Tagline: A tradition of trust.
- President of Sudan: Omar al-Bashir.
- Sudan Capital: Khartoum; Currency: Sudanese pound.
- Minister of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE): Mahendra Nath Pandey.
- IBM India Pvt Ltd MD: Karan Bajwa; Headquarters: Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- Uttar Pradesh CM: Yogi Adityanath; Governor: Anandiben Patel.
- Headquarters of Ujjivan Small Finance Bank: Bengaluru.
- Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer: Samit Kumar Ghosh.
- Chairman of Mahindra: Anand Mahindra; MD & CEO: C.P. Gurnani; Headquarters: Pune, Maharashtra.
- Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Ltd (GRSE)
 Founded: 1884; Headquarters: Kolkata, West Bengal.
- IIT Madras Established: 1959, in Chennai, TamilNadu; Motto: Success is born out of action.
- Alzheimer disease is an irreversible, progressive brain disorder that slowly destroys memory, thinking ability, and the capability to carry out simple tasks.
- Chief Minister of Odisha: Naveen Patnaik; Governor: Ganeshi Lal; Capital: Bhubaneshwar.
- President-Shinzo Abe; Capital: Tokyo; Currency: Yen.

- Prime minister: Scott Morrison; Capital: Canberra; Currency: Australian dollar.
- Prime minister of Banladesh: Sheikh Hasina; Capital: Dhaka; Currency: Bangladeshi taka.
- Managing Director of Bajaj Allianz: Tapan Singhel; Headquartered: Pune, Maharashtra.
- Press Council of India Formation: 1966; Headquarters: New Delhi.
- Capital of UAE: Abu Dhabi; Currency: United Arab Emirates dirham.
- President of IODA: Michelle de Bruyn; Formed: 1986.
- World Cancer Day: February 4th.
- Indian Bank founded: 15 August 1907;
- Headquarters: Chennai, Tamil Nadu; Tagline: Your Own Bank.
- Chief Executive Officer(CEO) of Moody's: Raymond W. McDaniel Jr; Headquarters: New York, United States; Founded:1909.
- Railway Minister: Piyush Goyal.
- BRICS is the acronym coined for an association of five major emerging national economies: Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa.
- Originally the first four were grouped as "BRIC", before the induction of South Africa in 2010.
- Indian Coast Guard founded: 18 August 1978; Headquarters: New Delhi; Motto(s): Vayam Raks āmaḥ (We protect).
- President of Ghana: Nana Akufo-Addo; Capital of Ghana: Accra; Currency of Ghana: Ghanaian cedi.

