

**Kapil Dev Tripathi** takes Charge of Secretary Department of Public Enterprises

**O Panneerselvam** New Tamil Nadu chief minister

**Khushbir Kaur** on Sunday September 28, 2014 became the first Indian woman to clinch a 20km Race Walk silver medal in the Asian Games by bettering her personal best and setting a new national record in the process.

**Yogeshwar Dutt** wins gold medal for India after 28 years at Asian Games wrestling

**Justice H L Dattu** sworn-in as new Chief Justice of India

**Dr. PS Ahuja Announces Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Award 2014**

The Awardees are as under:

## Biological Sciences

Dr. Roop Mallik : Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai Chemical Sciences

Dr. Kavirayani Ramakrishna Prasad , Indian Institute of Science Bengaluru.

Dr. Souvik Maiti, Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology (CSIR-IGIB) New Delhi.

## Earth, Atmosphere, Ocean and Planetary Sciences

Dr. Sachchida Nand Tripathi, Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur.

## Engineering Sciences

Dr. S Venkata Mohan, Indian Institute of Chemical Technology (CSIR-IICT) Hyderabad.

Dr. Soumen Chakrabarti, Indian Institute of Technology Mumbai.

## Mathematical Sciences

Dr. Kaushal Kumar Verma, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru.

## Medical Sciences

Dr. Anurag Agrawal, Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology (CSIR-IGIB) New Delhi.

## Physical Sciences

Dr. Pratap Raychaudhuri, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai.

Dr. Sadiqali Abbas Rangwala, Raman Research Institute, Bengaluru.

**Asian Games:** Indian men's archery team wins gold

**Government to spend Rs 2 lakh crore** by 2019 for 'Swachh Bharat Mission'

**Hindi film 'Liar's Dice'**, a road drama starring Geetanjali Thapa and Nawazuddin Siddiqui in lead roles, has been selected as India's official entry to the best foreign film category at the Oscar 2015 awards.

**PM Modi inaugurates India Food Park** in Tumkur

**Mission accomplished: India's Mangalyaan** enters Mars orbit September 24, 2014

**Govind Mishra gets 2013 Saraswati Samman** for novel 'Dhool Paudhon Par'

**NASA's Maven Spacecraft** Enters Mars Orbit

**No Need to Open Another Bank Account** to Avail of Benefits Under Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY)

**Indira Gandhi Rajbhasha Award** to Ministry of Railways

**Ashraf Ghani** declared Afghanistan's next President

**Sania Mirza-Cara Black** wins Pan Pacific Open doubles title

**Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs)** are ranked 4th on a list of 50 best entrepreneurial undergraduate institutes in the world

**Renowned Mandolin exponent Uppalapu Srinivas** passed away at a private hospital on 19 September, 2014 after a prolonged illness. Srinivas (45), popularly known as 'Mandolin Srinivas', is a renowned mandolin player of South Indian Carnatic music.

**World population may hit 11 billion** by 2100 UN study

**Asian Games Day 1 : Jitu Rai bags India's first gold** in Men's 50m Pistol

**Indonesia will host 2018 Asian Games:** Olympic Council of Asia

**India and China sign 12 agreements** following talks between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chinese President Xi Jinping on September 18, 2014. The pacts include cooperation in railways, outer space and customs.

**Andhra Pradesh** held's country's first e-cabinet meet

**'Inch Towards Miles'** PM Modi's China mantra

**Rajnath Singh** to attend Sixth Meeting of SAARC Ministers of Interior / Home at Kathmandu

**Bank of Maharashtra** Celebrates its 80th Foundation Day

**India to be Partner Country in Hannover Messe** Fair During April 2015

**Radha Mohan Singh, proposed** to provide finance to 5 lakh joint farming groups of "Bhoomi Heen Kisan" through NABARD in the current financial year.

**The Prime Minister, Narendra Modi launched** "Swavalamban Abhiyan" – a set of 11 new pro-poor initiatives of the Gujarat Government, at Mahatma Mandir, Gandhinagar.

**India and China on September 17, 2014 inked three pacts in Ahmedabad**, hours within the arrival of Chinese President Xi Jinping on a three-day visit to India

during which the two countries will focus on boosting trade and investments, besides discussing substantive issues including the contentious border dispute.

**Axis Bank Joins ETC Implementation Plan of Road Transport and Highways Ministry**

**The Government of India signed an agreement with Asian Development Bank (ADB) for a \$63.3 million loan for improving urban services and strengthening municipal and project management capacity in several towns in North Karnataka.**

**“FASTag” the Brand name for ETC services on Highways**

**Tapan Ray appointed** as Additional Secretary, Department of Electronics and Information Technology

**Smt. Vijay Laxmi Joshi**, Secretary, Ministry of Panchayati Raj has been appointed as Officer on Special Duty in the Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation in the rank and pay of Secretary with immediate effect.

**‘And Then One Day’ Naseeruddin Shah** has come out with his autobiography

**The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs**, chaired by the PM Narendra Modi, approved the “Scheme for Enhancement of Competitiveness of the Capital Goods Sector” to boost the Indian economy.

**The Vice President of India Shri M. Hamid Ansari** released a book entitled “Iqbal Ka Harfe Sheerin” authored by Professor Abdul Haq.

**India and Vietnam** on September 15, 2014 inked 7 pacts, including one to enhance cooperation in the strategic oil sector, as they called for freedom of navigation in the South China Sea, a remark which could irk China which has been claiming territorial sovereignty over the high seas.

**“Not Just an Accountant”** authored by Vinod Rai

**HS Prannoy wins Indonesian Masters Badminton title**

**The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister**, Shri Narendra Modi, today gave its approval for launching of the National AYUSH Mission (NAM) with its core and flexible components.

**Uma Bharti Launches Website** on Clean Ganga [Nmcg.nic.in](http://nmcg.nic.in)

**Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change Shri Prakash Javadekar** launched an Online Portal for Grant of Recognition to Zoos and Monitoring of Zoos. Shri Javadekar also launched an E- archival and retrieval Management system for the Central Zoo Authority and a book on **“Zoos in India 2014”**.

**India has 2nd highest** number of child marriages: UN report

**Government sets up committee** to review environment-related laws Cabinet Secretary **T S R Subramanian** To Head The Panel

**‘Mission Swachh Bharat’ (clean India)** to be launched on 2nd October

**India’s 1st ‘Coral Garden’** to be set up in Gujarat

**UIDAI to generate 100 cr** Aadhaar numbers by 2015 : Govt

**Agriculture Minister, Shri Radha Mohan Singh** announced the launch of a Reefer Vehicle Call-In Centre (RVC)

**The Reserve Bank of India’s new guidelines on wilful defaulters** will make bankers cautious and bring more credit discipline in market, says SL Bansal, chairman and managing director, OBC. As per new rules , guarantors, who refuse to fulfil their obligations to banks despite having adequate resources, will also be treated as wilful defaulters.

**Government on September 10, 2014** approved the sale of shares in Coal India, ONGC and NHPC to garner a combined Rs 43,000 crore.

**Subhash Chandra Garg** appointed as Executive Director of World Bank

**Jitu Rai wins** World Championship silver, qualifies for Rio Olympics

**India Bangladesh sign MoU on traditional medicine**

**Dr Mrunalinidevi Puar, Chancellor of Maharaja Sayajirao University** at Vadodara, has been conferred with the “Best Manager” award by the Oxford Summit of Leaders (Science and Education) in UK

**Bhartendu Harishchandra Awards conferred**

**For the year 2011**, the first prize in the Journalism and Mass Communication category was awarded to Shri Vijay Dutt Shridhar for his manuscript ‘Pehla Sampadakiya’.

**For 2012**, the first prize in Journalism and Mass Communication category was awarded to Ms. Vijaya Lakshmi Sinha’s ‘Maine Awaaz ko Dekha’,

**The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)** will open its first Middle East office in Bahrain to boost trade and investments in the region.

**Indian writer-director Chaitanya Tamhane’s** debut feature “Court” won the Lion of the Future award at the recently concluded Venice Film Festival.

**Indian scientist Kamal Bawa** win 2014 Midori Prize in Biodiversity

**Prime Minister Narendra Modi will meet US President Barack Obama** at the White House on September 29-30.

**Bob and Mike Bryan won a record-tying 5th U.S. Open** doubles championship on September 6, 2014 for their 100th tournament title.

**Marin Cilic wins 2014 US Open** and his first Grand Slam title

**Vinod Mehta wins 2014 GK Reddy Memorial Award**

**The Minister announced** a special promotion scheme for women Scientists “KIRAN”. He said this will facilitate and smoothen the working conditions of women force engaged in the field of scientific research. Dr. Singh also spelt out KIRAN. He said K means Knowledge, R stands for Initiative, R is for Research and N for Nurturing. He said this will further the gender parity too.

**India needs \$4.7 tn** over next 5 years for 7% growth: Says CII

**Serena Williams wins 2014 US Open** and 18th Grand Slam title

**IAF Chief** Inaugurates 1st Air Veteran Rally

**Mass awareness** should be generated on eye donation Dr Harsh Vardhan praises Shroff's Charity Eye Hospital on centenary

**BSNL, MTNL Merger** Likely by July 2015

**PM Modi reviews Aadhaar**, may use it to improve delivery of schemes

**Comedy legend Joan Rivers** has died at the age of 81.

**IDBI Bank** inaugurates its first 'e – lounge'

**India tour of England:** England wins the final ODI, India takes the series 3-1 after 24 years.

**Sania Mirza** wins US Open 2014 with **Bruno Soares**

**Prime Minister Tony Abbott** signs uranium deal with India

**Dr Thomas John Colacot**, has won the American Chemical Society's ACS Award

**INS Sumitra Commissioned** by Naval Chief its largest offshore patrol vessel INS Sumitra was formally commissioned by Chief of Naval Staff Admiral R K Dhowan.

**Hyderabad scientists** develop rechargeable magnesium battery

Australian PM Abbott calls India '**emerging democratic superpower**'

**Oldest Test cricketer** Gordon passes away at 103 years

**Australian PM Tony Abbott** arrives in India

**P Sathasivam** appointed Kerala Governor

**Mahendra Singh Dhoni** becomes the most successful Indian ODI captain

## List of Important International Days in September 2014

- 5 September : International Day of Charity
- 8 September : International Literacy Day [UNESCO]
- 12 September : United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation
- 15 September : International Day of Democracy
- 16 September : International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer
- 21 September : International Day of Peace
- 25 September : World Maritime Day [IMO] (Last week of September)
- 26 September : International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons
- 27 September : World Tourism Day

**The Union Tourism Secretary Parvez Dewan** here today **launched the 'Incredible India' mobile application** that will assist international and domestic tourists to access information about Ministry of Tourism recognized tourism service providers namely approved Inbound Tour Operators,

**President Pranab Mukherjee releases a set of 8 Commemorative Postage Stamps** on Indian Musicians, namely Pandit Ravi Shankar, Pandit Bhimsen Joshi, Ms. D.K. Pattammal, Pandit Mallikarjun Mansur, Ms. Gangubai Hangal, Pandit Kumar Gandharva, Ustad Vilayat Khan and Ustad Ali Akbar Khan.

## Achievements of Narendra Modi government in 100 days

- \* Panel created to locate the estimated Rs.50,000 crore (\$8 billion) in 'black money' estimated to have been stashed away in tax havens abroad.
- \* The previous government's 62 panels, called Groups of Ministers (GOMs) and Empowered Groups of Ministers (EGOMs), supposed to aid the decision-making process scrapped. Modi says there would be one decision-making centre.
- \* The Planning Commission that existed for 50 years scrapped as it had not moved with the times. Is likely to be replaced by a think tank.



- \* Collegium or internal system of making appointments to the higher judiciary scrapped in favour of a commission comprising the prime minister and the chief justice of India.
- \* Juvenile Justice Act to be amended to enable Juvenile Justice Board decide whether juvenile above 16 years involved in heinous crimes such as rape be tried in a regular court.
- \* Ambitious financial inclusion scheme – Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana – launched with 15 million bank accounts opened and each of the holders provided Rs.100,000 insurance cover on the first day. First phase target of 75 million account holders advanced to Jan 26, 2015, from August 14 that year.
- \* Government to create a National Food Grid to connect deficient areas with surplus producing regions to reduce wastage of fruit and vegetables and ensure stable prices. Government expects it to help contain price rise.
- \* Modi prioritising relations with Asian nations as a part of government's Look East policy, visiting Bhutan and Nepal, followed by Japan on August 30-September 3.
- \* Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yia's visit to India is seen as a positive development for bettering relations between the two countries.
- \* Cancelled August 25 foreign secretary-level talks with Pakistan after Pakistan High Commissioner Abdul Basit invited Kashmiri separatists for talks. Seen as the government's tough side.
- \* Gas price rise put on hold for three months, given that this is a sensitive issue and needs further discussion to address many important aspects before taking the final call.
- \* In a major pointer to government's firmness against graft in defence procurement, no further deals with Italian conglomerate Finmeccanica, whose Britain-based subsidiary AgustaWestland is enmeshed in the kickbacks relating to the purchase of VVIP helicopters.

\* Ministers asked to adopt austerity measures; among others, asked not to buy new cars.

\* Ministers were also asked to get PMO approval for expenditure above Rs.1 lakh.

**“Playing it My Way” Sachin Tendulkar’s** Autobiography Releasing on November 6

**Jaipur Pink Panthers** beat U Mumba to win Pro Kabaddi League title

**“Odyssey of My Life”** Shivraj Patil has come out with his autobiography

**Japan** promise to invest \$35 billion in India

**Zimbabwe** take first ODI win over Australia in 31 years, Zimbabwe beat Australia in one-dayer for first time since 1983

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