

CURRENT AFFAIRS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2019

Awards

The Malayalam writer who has been chosen for the 55th Jnanpith Award – **Akkitham Achutan Namboodri**

The Indian journalist who has been awarded the CPJ International Press Freedom Award 2019 for shedding light on important human rights issues through her investigative journalism – **Neha Dixit**

The renowned broadcaster and natural historian who has been chosen to be awarded the 2019 Indira Gandhi Peace Prize by the Indira Gandhi Memorial Trust – **Sir David Attenborough**

The well-known author, journalist and editor-in-chief of Rajasthan Patrika who has been chosen for the Raja Ram Mohan Roy Award Award by Press Council of India – **Gulab Kothari**

The well-known Hindi writer who has been conferred 28th Vyas Samman for the year 2018 by KK Birla Foundation – **Leeladhar Jagori**

Defence

The first bilateral maritime exercise between the Indian Navy and Qatari Emiri Naval Forces conducted from 17 to 21 Nov 19 at Doha was named – **Exercise Za'ir-Al-Bahr (Roar of the Sea)**

The Indo-US joint tri-services Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) exercise held on the Eastern seaboard from 13 to 21 Nov 19 was named – **TIGER TRIUMPH**

The bilateral maritime exercise conducted by Indian and Indonesian navies in the Bay of Bengal from 06 to 07 Nov 19 was named – **Samudra Shakti**

The venue of first India-Uzbekistan military exercise Dustlik-2019 held from 04 to 13 Nov 2019 – **Tashkent**

The venue of joint counter-terrorism drills under 'Exercise Shakti-2019' carried out by the armies of India and France from October 31 to November 13 – **Mahajan, Rajasthan**

Sports

The year in which India has been chosen to host Men's Hockey World Cup (to be held in Bhubaneshwar and Rourkela) – **2023**

The Indian bodybuilder who has been crowned Mr. Universe (Pro) 2019 in the 90 kg category at an event in South Korea – **Chitahresh Natesan**

The team which has won the 2019 Davis Cup defeating Canada in the finals in Madrid – **Spain**

The Indian athlete who has been listed in the Time Next 100 that spotlights 100 rising stars who are shaping the future of business, entertainment, sports, politics etc. – **Dutee Chand**

The cricketer who has become the first Indian (male) to take a hat trick in T20 Internationals (playing against Bangladesh in Nagpur) – **Deepak Chahar**

The Indian cricketer who has become the first from the country (and second in the world) to play in 100 T20 internationals – **Rohit Sharma**

The team which has won the 2019-20 Deodhar Trophy cricket tournament defeating India C in the finals in Jamshedpur – **India B**

Persons

The new Prime Minister of Sri Lanka who succeeds Ranil Wickremesinghe – **Mahinda Rajapaksa**

The Indian sportsperson who has been named PETA India's Person of the Year 2019 for his animal advocacy efforts – **Virat Kohli**

The new President of Sri Lanka who succeeds President Maithripala Sirisena for a five-year term – **Gotabaya Rajapaksha**

The new and 47th Chief Justice of India who succeeds Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi – **Chief Justice Sharad Arvind Bobde**

The noted Indian academic and mathematician who passed away on 14 November 2019 – **Dr. Vashishtha Narayan Singh**

The Union Minister who has been given the additional charge of Minister of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises due to the resignation of Arvind Ganpat Sawant (Shiv Sena MP) – **Prakash Javadekar**

The veteran communist leader and trade unionist and former Member of Parliament who passed away on 31 Oct 2019 – **Gurudas Dasgupta**

Places

The country which is most affected by terrorism as per Global Terrorism Index 2019 released by the Institute for Economics and Peace, Sydney (India is 7th most affected) – **Afghanistan**

The State which has banned manufacturing, sale and storage of single use plastic from 01 January 2020 – **Kerala**

The place in Uttar Pradesh where Destination North-East festival was inaugurated by Dr Jitendra Singh, Minister of State, DoNER – **Varanasi**

The venue of India's first largest biotechnology conference Global Bio-India Summit, 2019 held from 21 to 23 Nov 2019 – **New Delhi**

The country which has become the first in the world to introduce WHO recommended TCV (Typhoid Conjugate Vaccine) in its national immunisation programme – **Pakistan**

The State in which the Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare has launched SAANS (Social Awareness and Action to Neutralize Pneumonia Successfully) campaign to reduce child mortality due to pneumonia – **Gujarat**

The place at which the establishment of the National Institute for Sowa-Rigpa as an autonomous organization under the Ministry of AYUSH has been approved by the Union Cabinet (Sowa-Rigpa is a traditional system of medicine practiced in Tibet, Mongolia, Bhutan, China, Nepal and India) – **Leh**

The venue of 2 days International Conference on Yoga held from 15 to 16 Nov 2019 with the theme Yoga for Heart Care – **Mysuru, Karnataka**

The venue of 11th BRICS Summit held from 13 to 14 November 2019 with the theme "Economic Growth for an Innovative Future" – **Itamaraty Palace, Brasilia (Brazil)**

The venue of 2 day BIMSTEC (Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation) conclave held from 07 to 08 November 2019 – **Visakhapatnam**

The place in Himachal Pradesh where Global Investors meet named Rising Himachal was inaugurated by the PM Shri Narendra Modi – **Dharamshala**

The venue of the 35th ASEAN Summit held from 31 Oct to 4 Nov with the theme Advancing Partnership for Sustainability – **Bangkok**

The venue of India International Science Festival (IISF) 2019 to be held from November 5th to 8th with the theme RISEN India (Research, Innovation and Science Empowering the Nation) – **Kolkata**

Miscellaneous

The motto of the Lokpal adopted in presence of Lokpal Chairman Justice (retired) Pinaki Chandra Ghosh – **Ma Gridhah Kasyasvidhanam (Do not be greedy for anyone's wealth)**

The Oxford Word of the Year 2019 – **Climate Emergency**

The green tea and white tea of this place in West Bengal have been granted GI (Geographical Indication) tag – **Darjeeling**

The rank of India in the Global Bribery Risk Index 2019 released by the US based organisation Trace International – **78**

The theme of 39th edition of India International Trade Fair inaugurated by Shri Nitin Gadkari at Pragati Maidan in Delhi – **Ease of Doing Business**

The cyclone which hit West Bengal and Bangladesh causing substantial loss of lives and property was named – **Bulbul**

World Athlete of the Year 2019

Awarded by: World Athletics (formerly International Association of Athletics Federation)

#	Category	Athlete	Field	Country
1.	Men	Eliud Kipchoge	Marathon	Kenya
2.	Women	Dalilah Muhammad	400m hurdles	USA

International Children's Peace Prize 2019

#	Winner	Country	Theme
1.	Greta Thunberg	Sweden	Environment
2.	Divina Maloum	Cameroon	Peace

New Governors

Mizoram - **PS Sreedharan Pillai**

Launch of PSLV-C47

Launch date: **27 Nov 2019**

Launched from: Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota

Satellites launched with PSLV : **Cartosat-3** and **13 nanosatellites of USA**

The mission life of the Cartosat-3 is 5 years. Cartosat-3 will address the increased user's demands for large scale urban planning, rural resource and infrastructure development, coastal land use and land cover, etc.

Important Days of November

Vigilance Awareness Week: 28 October to 02 November Theme: Integrity, A way of life.
World Tsunami Awareness Day: 05 November 2019 Designated by : United Nations General Assembly First Observed in: 2016
World Science Day for Peace and Development: 10 November Designated by : UNESCO Theme: Open Science, leaving no one behind First Observed in: 2001
World Pneumonia Day: 12 November Designated by : WHO First Observed in: 2009

<p>World Diabetes Day: 14 November Designated by : International Diabetes Federation Theme: The Family and Diabetes First Observed in: 1991 by IDF, adopted by UN in 2006</p>
<p>International Day for Tolerance: 16 November Designated by : United Nations General Assembly First observed in : 1995</p>
<p>World Toilet Day: 19 November Designated by : World Toilet Organisation Theme: Leaving no one behind First Observed in: 2001 by World Toilet Organisation and accepted by UN in 2013</p>
<p>Universal Childrens' Day: 20 November Designated by : UN General Assembly Day established in: 1954</p>
<p>World Philosophy Day: (3rd Thursday of Nov) 21 November Designated by : UNESCO First Observed in: 2002</p>
<p>World Television Day: 21 November Designated by : UN General Assembly Day established in: 1997</p>
<p>World Fisheries Day: 21 November Designated by : World Fisheries Forum Theme in India: 2022 Ka Hai Sapna...Kisan Ki Aay Ho Dugna - Sankalp Se Siddhi First Observed in: 1997</p>
<p>International Day for Elimination of Violence against Women: 25 November Designated by : United Nations General Assembly Theme: Orange the World: Generation Equality Stands Against Rape First Observed in: 2000</p>
<p>National Milk Day: 26 November Designated by : Indian Dairy Association Occasion: Birth anniversary of Dr. Verghese Kurien First Observed in: 2014</p>

50th International Film Festival of India

Venue: Goa

Opening Film: **Despite the Fog** (Italy)

Opening film of Indian Panorama: **Hellaro** (Gujarati)

Closing Film: **Marghe and her mother** (Italy)

Best Film (Golden Peacock) Award: **Particles** directed by **Blaise Harrison**

Best Director Award (Silver Peacock): **Lijo Jose Pellissery** for 'Jallikattu'

Best Actor (Male) (Silver Peacock): **Seu Jorge** for Marighella

Best Actor (Female) (Silver Peacock): **Usha Jadhav** for Mai Ghatt: Crime No. 103/2005

Special Jury Award (Silver Peacock): **Pema Tseden** for Balloon

Best Debut Feature Film of a Director: **Amin Sidi Boumediene** for 'Abou Leila' and **Marius Olteanu** for 'Monsters'

The ICFT –UNESCO Gandhi Medal: **Rwanda** by Riccardo Salvetti

Lifetime Achievement award: **Isabelle Anne Madeleine Huppert** (French actress)

Icon of the Golden Jubilee of the IFFI: **Rajnikanth**

Swachh Survekshan Grameen Awards 2019

Top 3 States

1. Tamil Nadu
2. Haryana
3. Gujarat

Top 3 Districts

1. Peddapalli, Telangana
2. Faridabad, Haryana
3. Rewari, Haryana

Jallianwala Bagh National Memorial (Amendment) Bill, 2019

The amendment provides for the following, namely:—

1. to delete "the President of the Indian National Congress" as a Trustee;
2. to make "the Leader of Opposition recognised as such in the House of the People or where there is no such Leader of Opposition, then, the Leader of the single largest Opposition Party in that House" a Trustee, in place of "the Leader of opposition in the Lok Sabha"; and
3. to confer power upon the Central Government to terminate the term of a nominated trustee before the expiry of his term without assigning any reason

Quami Ekta Week

19 Nov to 25 Nov 2019

19 Nov 2019: **National Integration Day**

20 Nov 2019: **The Welfare of Minorities Day**

21 Nov 2019: **Linguistic Harmony Day**

22 Nov 2019: **Weaker Sections Day**

23 Nov 2019: **Cultural Unity Day**

24 Nov 2019: **Women's Day**

25 Nov 2019: **Conservation Day**

Shri TN Seshan

Born: 15 Dec 1932; Death: 10 Nov 2019

Cabinet Secretary: March to Dec 1989

Chief Election Commissioner: Dec 1990 to Dec 1996

Won the **Ramon Magsaysay Award** for Govt service in 1996

Contested the **Presidential** elections against **Shri KR Narayanan** in 1997

Books written: **The Degeneration of India** and **A Heart full of Burden**

Abbreviations in News

RCEP - Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership

DIN - Document Identification Number

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