June

1. 11 year old Indian origin boy in UK Arnav Sharma secured top possible score of 162 on a Mensa IQ test, 2 points higher than Albert Einstein and Stephen Hawking.
   1. Last Month, 12 years old Indian Raj Gauri Pawar also scored 162 on same IQ TEST

2. Actress Vidya Balan has been named ambassador of Indian Film Festival of Melbourne (IFFM) to be held in August 2017.
   3. Ananya Vinay, 12-year-old Indian-American girl won 90th Scripps National Spelling Bee competition of the USA. Ananya became 13t Indian-American in a row to win this spelling bee competition.

3. Asian Development Bank President Takehiko Nakao Visited India and Committed USD 10 billion support for infrastructure building and immediate development needs of less-developed states in India over next 5 - 6 years.

4. Bihar Governor Ram Nath Kovind has been chosen by Ruling National Democratic Alliance as its Presidential Candidate.

5. Finance Minister Arun Jaitley visited Paris (France) to participate in Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) meetings and bilateral talks.

6. Former Chancellor of Germany, Helmut Kohl passed away. He is known as father of German unification as he was responsible for unifying Germany after 1989 fall of the Berlin Wall despite facing stiff resistance.

7. Former Indian powerlifter and finalist Kavita Devi will become first Indian woman to compete in USA’S WWE (World Wrestling Entertainment).

8. Former UN General Assembly President Miguel D’Escoto Brockmann (Nicaragua) passed away.

9. Government appointed Bollywood actor Amitabh Bachchan as ambassador for promotion of Goods and Services Tax (GST), the sweeping tax reform which is to be implemented from July 1, 2017.

10. Bollywood Singer Katy Perry became first person to reach 100 million followers on Twitter.

11. Indian Cricketer Sachin Tendulkar will be among several global celebrities for UNICEF’s ‘Super Dads’ campaign that highlights critical role played by fathers in children’s early development. This initiative is a part of UNICEF’s #EarlyMomentsMatter campaign.

12. Indian Girl Sahithi Pingali will get a minor planet in Milky Way named after her as a reward for developing an integrated mobile phone app and lake monitoring kit to monitor pollution in water bodies.


   3. She also won a gold medal at International Sustainable World Engineering Environment Energy Project (ISWEEP) for her research work on Varthak lake.

13. Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur awarded doctorate degree to PT Usha (called Golden Girl of India) at its 50th convocation.


16. Justice Karnan of Calcutta High Court became First HC Judge to retire while ascending. He has been ascending from office since May 2017 to escape arrest after Supreme Court sentenced him to six months imprisonment for contempt of court.

17. Minister of Finance, Defence and Corporate Affairs Shri Arun Jaitley visited South Korea.

   4. He participated in India-Korea Strategic Economic Dialogue and the 2nd Annual Meeting of Board of Governors of AIIB (Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank). AIIB is headquartered in Beijing (China) with Jin Liqun as its Chief.

   5. AIIB’s third Annual Meeting of Board of Governors will be held in Mumbai, India in June 2018.

18. Minister of State (IC) Youth Affairs and Sports, Vijay Goel visited China.

19. Myanmar Commerce Minister Than Myint Visited India for participating in 6th India-Myanmar Joint Trade Committee (JTC) Meeting in New Delhi.

20. NASA selected 12 new astronauts including an Indian-American, Raja "Grinder" Chari. He is a commander of 461st Flight Test Squadron as well as director of F-35 Integrated Test Force in California. It is 22nd class of American spaceflight trainees since 1959.

21. Noted Former Cricketer Anil Kumble resigned as head Coach of Indian Cricket team. He will continue as chairman of ICC’s cricket committee.

22. Noted Hindi and Bengali singer Sabita Chowdhury passed away.

23. Noted Industrialist Desh Bandhu Gupta, founder and Chairman of Lupin (India’s second-largest pharmaceutical company) passed away.


25. Noted Scientist Predhiman Krishan Kaw passed away. He was known as father of India’s second-largest pharmaceutical company.

26. Noted Tamil poet S. Abdul Rahman (Known as Kaviyko) passed away.

27. Noted historian and former ICHR chairman Basudeb Chatterji passed away.


29. Noted social activist Mehrunnisa Dalwai passed away. Her autobiography Mi Bhawan Pawle (Marathi) is considered an inspirational piece for progressive movement.

30. P.N. Bhagwati (Former Chief Justice of India) Passed Away.

31. Panjab University and India Post released special commemorative stamp for Centenary Celebrations of Punjabi language artist Balwant Gargi.

32. Piyush Goyal (Minister of State (IC) for Power, Coal, New & Renewable Energy and Mines) visited Germany.

33. Ramakrishna Math and Ramakrishna Mission President Swami Atmasthananda passed away.

34. Ravi Karunanayake, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Sri Lanka visited India.

35. Serving President of Vanuatu, Womelo Reverend Baldwin Lonsdale has passed away.

36. Sushila Karki, first woman Chief Justice of Nepalese Supreme Court retired.

37. Thailand’s Minister of Justice Suwaphan Tanyuvardhana Visited India and signed MoU with India on Cooperation in Controlling Narcotic Drugs, Psychotropic Substances, their Precursors and Chemicals and Drug Abuse.

July

1. 2016 Rio Olympics silver medallist P V Sindhu has been appointed a Group-I officer in Andhra Pradesh.

2. Actor Kamal Haasan has been appointed as brand ambassador of team Tamil Thalaivas in 5th season of Pro Kabbadi League.

3. Amazon signed deal with Bollywood actor Salman Khan to premiere his all future films first exclusively on Amazon Prime Video right after theatrical release.

4. American E-Commerce Firm Amazon’s CEO Jeff Bezos took over Bill Gates to become World’s richest person with worth of approx 91 Billion USD. Although he slipped back to second place in a few hours.
American Singer Chester Bennington, member of Noted Music Band Linkin Park has passed away.

Bank of England unveiled a new £10 plastic note featuring a portrait of British novelist Jane Austen.

Bollywood actor Irrfan Khan passed away.

China’s Noted political prisoner and Nobel laureate Liu Xiaobo passed away. Liu was awarded the 2010 Nobel Peace Prize for his non-violent struggle for fundamental human rights in China.

Famous blue-bordered sari of Mother Teresa, who has been canonized as Saint Teresa of Calcutta by Vatican, has been recognized as an Intellectual Property of the Missionaries of Charity. This is the first time that a uniform has been made the intellectual property.

Former Karnataka Chief Minister N. Dharam Singh passed away.

Former Noted Australian Tennis player Mervyn Rose passed away.

Former Sikkim Chief Minister Nar Bahadur Bhandari passes away.

Google CEO Sundar Pichai joined board of directors of Alphabet, Google’s parent company. Pichai has efficiently led Google for past 2 years.

Julie Bishop, Foreign Minister of Australia Visited India.

Navy Chief Sunil Lanba began 8 day tour of african nations Mozambique and Tanzania.

Noted Freedom fighter K.E. Mammen passed away.

Noted Iranian Mathematician Maryam Mirzakhani passed away. She was only woman to receive Field Medal (equivalent of Nobel Prize for mathematics).

Noted Marathi actor-writer Madhukar Toradal passed away.

Noted space scientist and former Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) Chairman Udupi Ramachandra Rao passed away. He contributed to development and launch of India’s first satellite Aryabhata.


Pham Binh Minh, Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Vietnam visited India.

Renowned Indian Scientist Professor Yash Pal passed away. Known for his contributions to study of cosmic rays. He was awarded Padma Bhushan in 1976 and Padma Vibhushan in 2013.

Renowned cartoonist Mangesh Tendulkar passed away.

Tharman Shanmugaratnam, Deputy Prime Minister of Singapore Visited India to attend Delhi Economics Conclave-2017.

Toronto Film Festival (Canada) will honour Priyanka Chopra in event to be held in September 2017. It will aim at collecting funds to be used for helping fund talent development programs to get more women behind and in front of the camera.

U Min Aung Hlaing, Chief of Myanmar Defence Services Visited India.

UAE Minister of State for Tolerance Sheikhha Lubna Al Qasimi has been named most powerful Arab women in government for 2017.

UNICEF appointed Indian- origin Canadian Lilly Singh as its newest Global Goodwill Ambassador.

Ustad Hussain Sayeeduddin Dagar, noted expert of Dhrupad tradition of Hindustani classical music passed away.

Yarub Qudah (Industry and Trade Minister of Jordan) Visited India for 10th India-Jordan Trade and Economic Joint Committee (TEJC) Meeting held in New Delhi.

Yesteryear actress Madhubala became latest to join Bollywood celebrities whose wax figures will be set up at Madame Tussauds Museu to be open in late 2017 in Delhi Regal Building.

August

1. 10-year-old Kaamyia Kartikayeyer from Visakhapatnam became Youngest to climb Mount Stok Kangri with height 6,153 metres.

2. 12-year-old Indian-origin boy Rahul Doshi has been crowned as UK’s ‘Child Genius’ in a popular television quiz competition - Channel 4 show ‘Child Geniuses’.

3. Actor Hritik Roshan signed as a brand ambassador by a health and wellness startup Cure.fit, with deal worth Rs 100 crores.

4. Aishwarya Rai Bachchan became first female actor to hoist Indian National Flag at the Indian Film Festival of Melbourne (IFFM), Australia’s annual celebration of film from India and subcontinent.

5. Australia’s Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment Steven Ciobo visited India, to participate in second Australia Business Week.

6. British Author and Harry Potter Character creator JK Rowling has been named world’s most highly-paid author with earnings of £72.2m ($95m).

7. Country’s oldest cinematographer Ramana Sengupta passed away at age 101 years.

8. Darshan Lal became first Hindu Minister in Pakistan’s Cabinet in past 20 years. He would head coordination between 4 Pakistani provinces.

9. Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Turkmenistan Rashid Meredov Visited India. It was decided that New Delhi will host next steering committee meeting of proposed 1,814 kilometre-long Turkmenistan-Afghanistan-Pakistan-India (TAPI) gas pipeline.

10. Elyor Ganiev, Minister of Foreign Trade of Uzbekistan visited India.

11. Emma Stone named as Hollywood’s best-paid female actor in Forbes annual list of top earners, having made over $26m in last 12 months.

12. Former Chief Minister of Manipur, Rishang Keishing passed away.

13. India’s two-time Olympic footballer Ahmed Khan passed away. He had played in 1948 and 1952 Olympics.

14. Minister of Foreign Affairs of Uzbekistan, Abdulaziz Kamilov visited India.

15. Miroslav Lajcak (Slovakia), President-elect of 72nd United Nations General Assembly visited India.

16. New Zealand’s oldest cricketer Tom Pritchard passed away.

17. Nitisha, a trans woman from Kolkata has been named winner of first Miss Transqueen India Beauty Pageant held in Gurugram (Haryana).

18. Nitin Gadkari (Minister for Shipping and Road Transport & Highways) visited Iran.


20. Noted photographer S. Paul passed away.

21. Noted American Actor Jerry Lewis passed away, known for his comedy roles.

22. Noted American Neuro Scientist Marian Diamond passed away, mostly known for her investigations of Albert Einstein’s brain.


25. Noted molecular biologist Pushpa Mithra Bhargava passed away. He was founding director of Hyderabad based Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CCMB).

26. Pakistani rights activist Malala Yousafzai secured a place at Oxford University after getting her A-level results. She studied philosophy, politics and

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economics at Oxford.

27. Road Transport, Highways and Shipping Minister Nitin Gadkari visited Iran. India and Iran ave expressed commitment for early completion and operationalisation of strategically important Chabahar Port in Iran.

28. Ruth Pfau, a German nun who devoted her life to combatting leprosy in Pakistan has passed away. She was known as Pakistan’s Mother Teresa.

29. Switzerland President Doris Leuthard Visited India. 2 MOUs were Signed in area of Railways -

1. Exchanging technical cooperation in Railways.
2. MOU is between Konkan Railway Corporation Limited (KRCL) and Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH) Zurich.


31. Vishal Sikka resigned as Managing Director and CEO of Mainstream IT Firm Infosys. Meanwhile, UB Pravin Rao has been appointed as Interim CEO.

32. Yisrael Kristal (Israel), certified by Guinness World Records as world’s oldest man, passed away at age of 113.

**September**

1. American astronaut Peggy Whitson returned to earth after 288-day long mission in space. She now holds record as oldest female astronaut in history of space exploration and record for most spacewalks by a woman.

2. Arjan Singh , The Sole Marshal of Indian Air Force (IAF) passed away. He was granted honorary rank of Marshal (highest IAF rank attainable).

3. Arunachal Pradesh’s serving Health and Family Welfare Minister Jomde Kena passed away.

4. Ashish Kashyap resigned as President and Co-founder of Travel Major MakeMyTrip

5. Belarus President Alexander Lukashenko visited India, marking 25 years of establishment of diplomatic relations between Belarus and India. India and Belarus signed 10 cooperation agreements during this visit. MOUs Signed for cooperation in Oil and Gas, Agricultural Research and Education, culture, Sports, Vocational Education and Training, Potash Exploration and Scientific Research.

6. Bollywood Actor Salman Khan received a Global Diversity Award at Britain’s House of Commons.

7. Brian Acoun, co-founder of WhatsApp resigned from Whatsapp to start a non-profit venture of his own.

8. Dr. KS Chugh, Noted as ‘father of nephrology in India’ has passed away.


10. French businesswoman and chief of of cosmetics giant L’Oreal, Liliane Bettencourt passed away. She is world’s richest woman with net worth $39.5 billion.

11. Iceland Prime Minister Bjarni Benediktsson resigned, paving way for new elections to be held on November 4, 2017.

12. Indian PM Narendra Modi Visited Myanmar, After attending 9th BRICS Summit in Xiamen (China). Several MOUs were signed -

3. Enhancing Cooperation of Upgradation of Women’s Police Training Centre at Yamethin, Myanmar.
4. Sharing White Shipping Information between Navies.
5. Technical Agreement for providing Coastal Surveillance System.
8. Cooperation in Election Commissions and Press Councils of Both nations.

13. Indian Police Service Officer Aparna Kumar became first Indian woman to scale Mount Manaslu (Nepal), which is the 8th highest mountain peak in the world (8156 metres).

14. Infosys Senior Vice President Sanjay Rajagopalan resigned from his post.

15. Lok Sabha MP and former Union Minister (Minister of state for Tourism in 2009 - 12), Sultan Ahmed passed away.

16. Mark Beaumont (UK) broke world record for cycling around the world as He arrived in Paris 1 day ahead of schedule. He cycled 180,000-miles in 79 days.

17. Norwegian Nobel Institute announced that Nobel Peace prize awarded to Myanmar’s Aung Sang Suu Kyi cannot be revoked, as demanded by An online petition signed by over 386,000 people on Change.org.


22. Noted Marathi poet and activist Shirish Pai passed away.


24. Prince Charles became longest-serving Prince of Wales, getting past Queen’s Victoria’s son Albert who went on to become King Edward VII after holding title of Prince of Wales for over 59 years.

25. SEBI Chairman Ajay Tyagi is named 7th among top 10 regulators in world, as per Worlds Most Influential People in Market Structure report (also known as The Exchange Invest 1000 (EII1000)) by Patrick Young & Exchange Invest.

26. List is topped by European Unions Commissioner (Competition) Margrethe Vestager.

27. Saint Teresa (Mother Teresa) has been declared as co-patron of Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Calcutta, 131 years after St Francis Xavier was declared as first patron.

28. Senior Supreme Court Lawyer and Constitutional expert PP Rao passed away.

29. Sri Lankan External Affairs Minister Tilak Marapana visited India.

30. Tourism Australia appointed Bollywood actress Parineeti Chopra as first Indian woman Ambassador to encourage Indians to visit Australia. This panel includes people like Chef Sanjeev Kapoor and commentator Harsha Bhogle.

31. Vice President M. Venkaiah Naidu released Commemorative coins of INR 100 and 10 denominations on occasion of 101st Birth Centenary of noted Carnatic musician MS Subbulakshmi.

32. She was first musician to be awarded Bharat Ratna (in 1998). She was also first Indian musician to receive Ramon Magsaysay award (1974) and first Indian musician to perform at UN General Assembly. UN issued stamp in 2016, to honour MS Subbulakshmi.

33. Visits from India -

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12. Air Chief Marshal Birender Singh Dhanoa visited Australia and USA.
13. Minister for Commerce and Industry, Suresh Prabhu visited South Korea to participate in the 7th Asia-Europe (ASEM) Economic Ministers meeting.
14. Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas & Skill Development & Entrepreneurship Dharmendra Pradhan visited Kazakhstan to co-chair the 13th meeting of the India-Kazakhstan Inter-Governmental Commission (IGC).
15. Maharashtra government signed MoU with South Korea for increasing co-operation in several infrastructure projects, during CM Devendra Fadnavis's visit to South Korea.

31. Visits to India -

16. Tin Aung San, Navy Chief of Myanmar.
17. Minister of Trade of Indonesia, Enggartiasto Lukita.

32. World’s oldest person Violet Mosse-Brown from Jamaica has died at age of 117.

33. Yesteryear Bollywood actress Shakila passed away.