## CURRENT AFFAIRS -AUGUST 2017



Pakistan's Petroleum Minister <u>Shahid Khaqan Abbasi</u> was elected the <u>18th Prime Minister of Pakistan</u> by the National Assembly. Abbasi, nominee of ruling Pakistan Muslim League (N) secured 221 votes in the House of 342.



Arvind Panagariya (64) has resigned as Vice Chairman of NITI (National Institution for Transforming India) Aayog.

The Union Government has appointed economist <u>Rajiv</u>

<u>Kumar</u> as the <u>new vice-chairman of National</u>

<u>Institution for Transforming India (NITI) Aayog.</u>

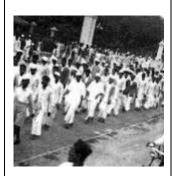


Former union minister <u>Muppavarapu Venkaiah Naidu</u> (68) was elected as 13th Vice President of India.



The National Handloom Day is being observed every year on 7 August to honour the handloom weavers in the country.

This year it was third edition of the National Handloom Day after it was instituted in 2015



The 75th anniversary of the Quit India Movement was observed across the country. This year's theme was "Sankalp se Siddhi- the attainment through resolve".

Prime Minister Narendra Modi in his recent Mann Ki Baat programme had called for launching the mega campaign Sankalp Se Siddhi. The campaign pledges to build new India by 2022. It calls on everyone to pledge together towards Clean India, Poverty-free India, Corruption-free India, Terrorism-free India, Communalism-free India. Casteism-free India.

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President Ram Nath Kovind has appointed <u>Justice</u>
<u>Dipak Misra (63), senior-most judge of the Supreme</u>
<u>Court as the next Chief Justice of India</u>. He will be
<u>45th CJI</u> and succeeds Justice JS Khehar.



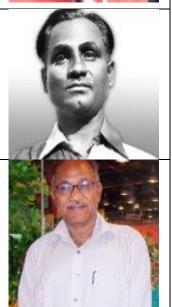
The Union Ministry of Sports and Youth Affairs is going to establish National Sports Museum at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, New Delhi. It will be first of its kind sports museum in India....



<u>Indian ace shuttler</u> and 2017 Rio Olympic silver medallist <u>PV Sindhu</u> won the <u>silver medal in 2017</u> <u>World Badminton Championship</u> held at Glasgow, Scotland.



The National Sports Day is observed every year on 29th august every year to birth anniversary of the legendary hockey player Dhyan Chand who was born on 29 August 1905....



Eminent Konkani writer <u>Mahabaleshwar Sail (74)</u> was bestowed with prestigious Saraswati Samman 2016. He was awarded for his novel "<u>Hawthan "</u> that captures cultural lives of traditional potter community in Goa.

## IMPORTANT DAYS IN AUGUST

- ✓ August 6- Hiroshima Day
- ✓ August 9- Nagasaki day
- ✓ August 9- Quit India day
- ✓ August 15- Independence day
- ✓ August 20- World Mosquito day
- ✓ August 29 -National Sports day