



PERSONS IN NEWS: AUGUST 2019

DAMODAR GANESH

- He is a Padma Shri winner and noted social worker in tribal areas of Chhattisgarh.
- He recently passed away.
- He dedicated his life in treating leprosy patients.



RAVI SHASTRI

- He is a former Indian all-rounder.
- He has been appointed as head coach of Indian Cricket team for another two years.



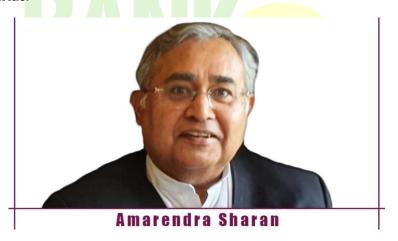
P T USHA

- She is an Indian Sprinter.
- She has been recently appointed as a member of Asian Athletics Association's Athletes Commission for second time.



AMARENDRA SHARAN

- He is a former Additional Solicitor General in Supreme Court from 2004-2009.
- He recently passed away.
- Supreme Court hearing a petition for fresh investigation in assassination of Mahatma Gandhi appointed him as amicus curiae.



RAFAEL NADAL

- He is a Spanish Tennis player.
- Recently he won Montreal Masters title by defeating Russian Daniil Madvedev by 6-3, 6-0.
- This is his 35th Masters Crown.



LIONEL MESSI

- He is an Argentinean Football Player.
- He has been awarded with UEFA's Goal of the season award 2018-19.
- He has been awarded for his free kick against Liverpool.



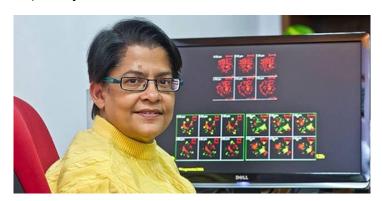
BAJRANG PUNIA

- He is an Indian freestyle wrestler and competes in 65 kg weight category.
- He won Gold at Tbilisi grand Prix held in Georgia by defeating Iran's Peiman Bibyani.



CHANDRIAM SHAHA

- She is a former Director of National Institute of Immunology.
- She is going to be the 1st Woman President of Indian National Science Academy.
- Tenure will start from January 2020.



HASHIM AMLA

- He is a South African opening batsman.
- Recently he has announced his retirement from International Cricket.
- He is the only South African batsman to score triple ton in test cricket.



SERENA WILLIAMS

- She is a Tennis player.
- She has topped Forbes List of best-paid female athletes in 2019.
- This is the fourth consecutive time she has topped the list.



KANDIKUPPA SREEKANT

- He has been appointed as Chairman and Managing Director of Power Grid Corporation of India.
- He will have tenure till 31st December 2023.



NAAZ JOSHI

- She is an Indian transsexual woman.
- She has been crowned Miss World Diversity 2019 held in Mauritius.
- This is his third successive victory in this title.



RAJALAKSHMI PARTHASARATHY

- She was an educationist.
- Recently she passed away.
- She was awarded Padma Shri for her contribution on field of education in 2010.
- She has founded Padma Seshadri Bala Bhavan Group of Schools.



SUSHMA SWARAJ

- She was former External Affairs Minister and also the first full time woman external affairs minister of India.
- Recently she passed away.



RAVICHANDRAN ASHWIN

- He is an Indian off-spinner.
- He has been named as professional Cricketers Association's Player of the month of July 2019 for his performance in County Championship.



- He is South African fast bowler.
- He has announced his retirement from Test Cricket.
- He picked 439 wickets in 93 tests with a strike rate of 42.3 balls per wicket.



VINESH PHOGAT

• She is an Indian wrestler in the category of 53 kg.

- She won Gold in Open Wrestling Tournament held at Poland.
- She defeated Roksana in the final.
- This is her 3rd consecutive Gold.



DEBASHIS CHATTERJEE

• He has been appointed as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Mindtree Ltd



GIRIRAJ PRASAD

- He is an Indian Civil Accounts Service officer.
- He has been appointed as Controller General of Accounts (CGA).



BHASHA MUKHERJEE

- She is an Indian origin doctor.
- Recently she has been crowned as Miss England 2019.



RAVI CAPOOR

- He is an IAS officer.
- He has been appointed as Secretary in Ministry of Textiles.
- He has worked in World Bank, United Nations, and European Union.



GURUPRASAD MOHAPATRA

- He is an IAS officer.
- He has been appointed as a Secretary in Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade.



RAVISH KUMAR

- He is an Indian Journalist.
- He has been awarded with 2019 Ramon Magsaysay Award for harnessing journalism to give voice to the voiceless.



TARUN CHAUDHARI

- He is a Wing Commander in Indian Air Force.
- He became the first IAF pilot to perform wingsuit skydive jump by jumping from an altitude on 8500 ft.



JUSTICE A K SIKRI

- He has been appointed as Ombudsman and Ethics officer in Indian Federation of Sports Gaming.
- He will investigate queries/complaints of users of sports fantasy.



KAPIL DEV

- He is a former Indian Captain and all-rounder.
- He has been honoured with Bharat Gaurav Award by East Bengal Club.



ELLYSE PERRY

- She is an Australian all-rounder.
- She became the first cricketer (among both male and female) to score 1000 runs and take 100 wickets in T20 format.



MARNUS LABUSCHAGNE

- He is an Australian cricketer.
- He became the first Concussion Substitute player.
- He was substituted for Steve Smith.



RAVINDER TAKKAR

He has been appointed as MD and CEO of Idea-Vodafone.



SHANTHAKUMARAN SREESANTH

- He is a former Indian fast bowler.
- Recently BCCI ombudsman has reduced his life ban to 7 years.
- He was banned for life for spot fixing in IPL in 2013.



RAJIV GAUBA

- He has been appointed as Cabinet Secretary for a period of two years.
- He replaced P K Sinha.



AJAY KUAMR

- He has been appointed as Defence Secretary.
- He is going to replace Sanjay Mitra.



P K SINHA

- He has been appointed as Officer on Special Duty in PMO.
- He was serving as Cabinet Secretary.



ARUN JAITLEY

- He was an **Indian politician and attorney.** A member of the **Bharatiya Janata Party**, Jaitley served as the Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs of the Government of India from **2014 to 2019**.
- Recently he passed away.

