



# **PIB Summary**

## **November 2019**

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### MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS' WELFARE

- **International conference on soil and water resource management** for climate smart agriculture and global food and livelihood security was started in New Delhi.
- Ministry has decided to **allow relaxation on the fumigation condition on imported onion** in order to check the increasing prices of onion in the market.
- **First ever National Agrochemicals congress was inaugurated in New Delhi** which focuses more on addressing the issues of small and marginal farmers by providing them right information and agricultural inputs.
- **8<sup>th</sup> Edition of International conference on agricultural statistics** was organized by the ministry in New Delhi from 18-21 November, 2019.

- A **pilot study on zero budget natural farming** has been initiated at 4 locations namely-Modipuram, Pantnagar, Ludhiana and Kurukshetra under Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana.

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## MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

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- **Global exhibition on Service (GES) was inaugurated in Bangalore** on 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 in order to showcase India' service sector.
- In order to facilitate the buyer organization of Delhi towards a market based procurement, **GeM has signed a MoU with Delhi Government.**
- **19<sup>th</sup> session of India-Finland Joint commission** was held in New Delhi from 20-21<sup>st</sup> November, 2019.
- **Kimberley process certification scheme (KPCS)** was hosted in New Delhi from 18-22 November, 2019 to promote conflict free trade of diamond throughout the World.
- **2019 Golden leaf award** has been given to **the Tobacco Board of India** for its effort to initiate the cultivation of sustainable flue-cured Virginia leaf in India.

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## MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

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- In order to achieve self-reliance, ministry has called for increasing synergy between DRDO and industries.
- **Air force commader conference** was inaugurated by Shri Rajnath Singh on 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2019.
- **Two-day DEFCOM India 2019 seminar** was held at Manekshaw centre, New Delhi on 26-27 November, 2019.
- **172<sup>nd</sup> Defence pensioners adalat** was inaugurated in Lucknow, UP on 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2019 to assure timely approval of pension to the veterans.

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## MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

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- MHRD in collaboration with Ministry of Food Processing has launched **3 books on Guru Nanak Dev** at Sri Guru Teg Bahadur khalsa college, University of Delhi.
- **SWAYAM 2.0** was launched by the ministry on 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 in New Delhi.
- **40<sup>th</sup> Edition of UNESCO General conference was held in Paris.** MHRD addressed it with the motto "Collective efforts, for growth of all with everyone's trust".
- **NISHTHA programme** has been launched by the ministry in order to improve the learning outcome at elementary level through teachers training program.

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## MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

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- Ministry inaugurated **The Indian Pavilion at the Abu Dhabi International Petroleum Exhibition and conference (ADIPEC)** on 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2019.
- **Winter grade diesel suitable for extreme winter upto -30 degree Celsius** was launched for Ladakh region by Indian oil corporation of India.
- According to the reports of Oil market, **country's oil demand has raised by 3.21%** in 2019 as compared to the previous year.
- Government of India has launched **sustainable alternative towards affordable transportation (SATA)** to promote compressed Bio-gas as a sustainable fuel alternative.

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## MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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- Ministry has released the 'Road accidents in India 2018' according to which highest number of deaths through road accidents has taken place in Uttar Pradesh.
- CCEA has approved the amendment and modification in the **Toll-operated-Transfer-Model and secularization** of use free receipt of National Highways.
- **Bengaluru-Mysuru Expressway** has been approved by the Government under Bhartamala Pariyojana Phase-I.

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## MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

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- Ministry has launched **Wastelands atlas-2019** with robust geospatial information which will effectively assist in rolling back wastelands for productive use through various land development schemes and programs.

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## MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

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- According to the reports provided by National crime Records Bureau, New Delhi, the crime committed against women and children has decreased in last two years.
- **Ministry has signed a MoU with Ministry of Food Processing Industries** for the upliftment of women entrepreneurs engaged in organic farming.
- UNICEF has launched **Yuwaah generation unlimited in India** on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2019 which aims to facilitate youth to learn new skills for productive lives.

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## MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

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- **India has signed a MoU with Guinea** in the field of Renewable energy.
- Ministry is implementing the scheme **Programme on energy from urban, rural and agricultural waste residues** for setting up of waste to energy plants in order to recover energy in the form of Bio-gas.
- **Government has a set a target to install 1lakh MW** grid connected power capacity in India by December, 2022.

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## MINISTRY OF TOURISM

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- **8<sup>th</sup> edition of International Tourism Mart-2019** was held in Imphal, Manipur. Theme-Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat.
- **World Travel Market-2019** was held in London, UK . Theme for Indian pavilion-Incredible India- Find the Incredible India.
- **A MoU has been signed between India and Paraguay** for strengthening cooperation in the field of tourism.
- **India has secured 34<sup>th</sup> position in the Travel and tourism competitiveness index for the year 2019.**

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## CABINET

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- Cabinet has approved the adoption of **Patent prosecution highway (PPH) program** by Indian patent office which will allow the timely disposal of patent applications.

- Cabinet has approved the establishment of **National Institute of Sowa-Rigpa in Leh** under the Ministry of AYUSH for the promotion of Sowa-Rigpa system of medicines.
- In order to replace the ordinance, the cabinet has approved the proposal for the amendment of Taxation Laws Bill, 2019.

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## DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

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- **INSAT 3D and 3DR satellites** have been launched to monitor aerosol optical depth in order to assess pollution status.

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## MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

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- Cabinet has approved the renewal of **Pharmaceuticals Purchase Policy (PPP)** by adding an additional product i.e. **alcoholic Hand Disinfectant (AHD)** to the list of 103 registered medicines.

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## MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

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- **UDAN-4.0** has been launched by the ministry which will connect Bilaspur and Ambikapur airport in Chattisgarh.

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## MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

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- The **NuGen Mobility Summit 2019** was organized at Manesar, Gurugram from 27-29 November, 2019 with an objective to share new ideas, innovations and future technologies trends.

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## MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI

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- **Swachh surveksahn Grameen Awards** were organized by the ministry according to which **Tamil Nadu has got the first rank** among states and **Peddapalli district of Telangana has got the 1<sup>st</sup> rank** among districts.  
**Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change**
- Establishment of **International coalition for disaster resilient infrastructure** has been approved by the Government of India with a total outlay of Rs.480crore for a period of five years i.e. 2019-20 to 2023-24.
- A **MoU has been signed between India and Switzerland** for technical cooperation in the field of climate change.

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## MINISTRY OF FINANCE

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- Government of India has approved **Sovereign gold bond scheme 2019-20** according to which the price of bond shall be Rs.3795 per gram.
- **India has signed \$451 million loan agreement with Asian development Bank** for strengthening Power connectivity in Tamil Nadu.

## MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

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- **Nationwide Artificial Insemination program** has been launched by the Ministry as a part of which 3.8 lakh bovines were inseminated among which Telangana, Gujarat and andhra Pradesh are top on the list.

## MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

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- **47<sup>th</sup> All India Police Science Congress** was held in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.
- **1<sup>st</sup> International conference on Landslides risk reduction and Resilience-2019** was inaugurated in New Delhi.

## MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

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- **Particles** film has received the Golden Peacock Awards at 50<sup>th</sup> International Film Festival of India (IFFI).

## MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

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- In order to consolidate and amend the laws related to Trade Unions, the **Industrial Code Bill** was introduced in Lok Sabha on 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2019

