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## HIGHLIGHTS FROM INDIA

### India played host to three Royalties in 9 days!



The King & Queen of Bhutan visited India from 31 October-3 November. The King and Queen of Belgium were on a State visit to India from 5-11 November. The Prince of Wales & Duchess of Cornwall were on a State visit to India from 8-9 November. Agreements on academic, cultural and business cooperation were signed during these visits.

### 15th ASEAN - India Summit and 12th East Asia Summit in Manila, Philippines (November 14, 2017)



PM Shri N. Modi attended the 15th ASEAN-India Summit and the 12th East Asia Summit held in Manila, Philippines on 14 November 2017. His participation in the Summits symbolised India's commitment to continue deepening

relationships with ASEAN Member States, in particular, and with the Indo-Pacific region, in general. It gave a new boost to India's bilateral relations with the Philippines and also further strengthened the politico-security, economic and socio-cultural pillars of India's engagement with ASEAN.

### Global Conference on Cyber Space (GCCS) in New Delhi on November 23rd, 2017



The two-day summit was attended by delegates of nearly 120 countries. Over 10,000 delegates participated in it. Chairman of the National Cyber and Security Agency of the Czech Republic, Mr. Dusan Navratil took part in the inauguration of the fifth edition of the Global Conference on Cyber

Space (GCCS) in New Delhi on November 23rd, 2017.

### Global Entrepreneurship Summit (November 23)



Hyderabad hosted the first World Business Forum GES 2017 for 1500 business people around the world. Hyderabad is the center of global IT technology. Worldwide businesses such as Google, Facebook, Microsoft, Amazon have their presence in Hyderabad. Advisor to the President of the USA Ivanka Trump as a leader of the US delegation, had a productive discussion with EAM Sushma

Swaraj on women entrepreneurship and empowerment.

## EVENTS REPORT

### Indian Miss World



India's Manushi Chhillar was crowned the Miss World at the 67th edition of Miss World 2017 pageant held on 18 November 2017 in Sanya City Arena, China. Manushi Chhillar has won the Miss World title for India after 17 years.

### 48<sup>th</sup> International Film Festival of India in Goa (November 20-28)



Indian International Film Festival 2017 was unique on so many counts this year. The festival presented 195 films from over 82 countries of which there were 10 World Premieres, 10 Asian and International premieres and over 64 Indian premieres. The Czech-Polish film "Spoor", which was the opening movie at this year's Prague International Film Festival FEBIOFEST, was screened at the 48th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) in Goa on November 26th, 2017. The film was shot in Poland and

Czechia according to Polish scriptwriter and director Agnieszka Holland and the Czech co-scriptwriter Stepan Hulik.

### The International Christmas Festival in Prague (November 26)



The International Christmas Festival was celebrated by diplomats and their spouses in Hilton Hotel, Prague on November 26. The profit generated from the event was given to the Czech charity organisations. Goods from all over the world, e.g. fine food, wines, art, fashion, jewellery and toys were brought together by the diplomatic community and sold. Embassy of India, Prague also participated in this Festival.

### Czech Orientalism and India



Dr. Martin Hribek, Head of the Bengali studies at the Seminar of Indology of Institute of South and Central Asia, Faculty of Arts of the Charles University in Prague, visited New Delhi to deliver lectures at the Department of Modern Indian Languages and Literary Studies of the University of Delhi. He delivered two lectures on November 21<sup>st</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017. In his first presentation, entirely given in

Bengali language, he elaborated Laureate Rabindranath Tagore's depictions in Czech media and literature.

## STATE PROFILE

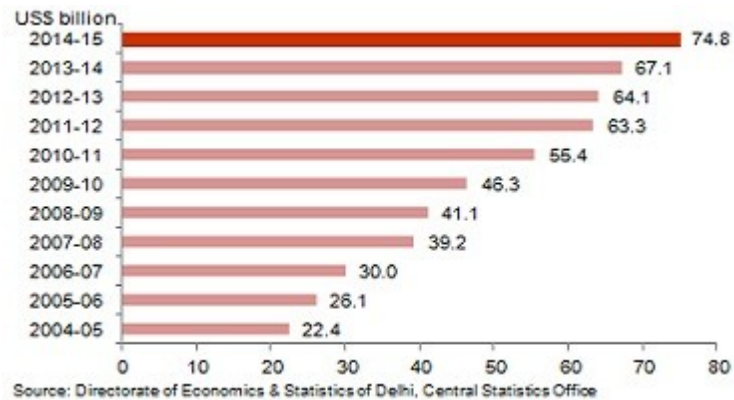


### DELHI

#### Information On Industries, Economy, Growth & Geography

#### Economic Snapshot: GSDP of Delhi

Delhi's gross state domestic product (GSDP) was at US\$ 74.8 billion over 2014-15.



#### FACTFILE

**Capital:**New Delhi

**Geographical Area (sq km):**1,483

**State Language:**English, Hindi,

Punjabi, Bihari and Haryanvi

**Literacy Rate:**86.2 per cent

**Key Industries:**Banking, financial services and insurance (BFSI), Agri and processed food, construction and real estate, IT and ITeS, Tourism and Logistics

Delhi is the capital of the Republic of India and also a state for administrative purposes. It is one of the largest metropolises in the country. Delhi shares its borders with the states of Uttar Pradesh and Haryana. It is the centre of international politics, trade, culture and literature in India.

Delhi is one of the fastest growing states of the country. At current prices, the Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) of Delhi was US\$ 85.4 billion in 2015-16. Between 2004-05 and

2015-16, the GSDP of the state grew at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 12.9 per cent. The state government expects to register growth of 11 per cent to 11.5 per cent by the end of 2017. At current prices, the Net State Domestic Product (NSDP) of Delhi was US\$ 78.38 billion in 2015-16.

Delhi has an attractive real estate market and is a preferred tourist destination. Owing to its location, connectivity and rich cultural history, Delhi has always been a prime tourist attraction of the country.

The Government of Delhi has been committed towards creating a progressive business environment. The new Industrial Policy 2010-21 aims to provide a conducive environment for knowledge-based and hi-tech IT/ITeS industries in Delhi.

#### Key Sectors:

- As of March 2016, total deposits held by commercial banks in Delhi stood at US\$ 25.03 billion, while total credit disbursed stood at US\$ 18.4 billion.
- National Capital Region (NCR) is India's biggest milk market. The organised milk market in the region, estimated at five million litres per day, is growing at 6-8 per cent annually.
- As per the new Industrial Policy for Delhi 2010-21, the Government is keen on developing and promoting the hi-tech, sophisticated, knowledge-based IT and ITeS industries in the state. For this, the Government has planned to set up 'Centre of Excellence' to promote innovation and entrepreneurship in the sectors.

## INDIAN ECONOMY

### Indian Space Programme



Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), since its inception in 1972, has been experimenting with various fields associated with space sciences and rocket technologies. As the country is essentially an agricultural economy, the emphasis of Indian space programmes is more towards receiving meteorological inputs. Also for these years, India has been launching satellites for communication purposes and recently established its own regional navigational system.

India's first Mars mission, a low-budget project, marks country's foray into an elite club of space powers. In 2013, India became the first Asian country and the fourth nation in the world to leap into the interplanetary space with its 4,500 million exploratory mission to Mars, about 400 million km from earth. So far, only Russia, the US and the European Space Agency have undertaken such missions to Mars. The ISRO is also planning a robotic mission to Mars for sometime in the early 2020s, and a mission to Venus not long after. The Mars mission will likely focus on building a lander and safely bringing it to the red planet's surface, the report says. Setting a lander down on Mars is a much more complex engineering challenge than getting one into orbit, so scientists will be working toward figuring out how to surmount that challenge for the next few years before launch.

This year, India's space agency Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) successfully launched 104 satellites in a single mission - an ISRO rocket launch in February blew a spaceflight record out of the water by launching 104 satellites all at once. Of the 104, 101 are foreign satellites to serve international customers as the South Asian nation seeks a bigger share of the \$300 billion global space industry. The Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) mission beat the previous record of 37 satellites launched simultaneously by a Russian rocket in 2014.

ISRO plans to have at least one commercial launch every year using the Indian Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV).

Indian scientists have another reason to cheer about – the country has indigenously developed the world's largest high-altitude and second-largest gamma ray telescope, installed in region of Ladakh. The giant 45 m high and 180 tonne telescope will help scientists gain vital information on universe's origin and cosmic rays that bombard space. At present, the world's largest gamma ray telescope with diameter of 28 m was operational in Namibia.

## ITPO's Fairs in Pragati Maidan , New Delhi

Sl. No.	Name of the Event	Dates	Products	Contact Information
1	East Himalayan Expo, Gangtok (Sikkim)	December 2017	Multi-Products	Mr. S.R. Sahoo General Manager Tel: 91-11-23371965 Fax: 91-11-23370257 E-mail: companysecretary@itpo.gov.in
2	New Delhi World Book Fair	Jan/ Feb. 2018	Books, Periodicals, Journals, Publications etc.	Mr. Jayanta Das General Manager Tel: 91-11-23378929/9810189400 Fax: 91-11-23371673 E-mail: jd@itpo.gov.in
3	Nakshatra Delhi	Jan./Feb. 2018	Holistic products, Astrology, Numerology, Yoga	Mr. S.R. Sahoo General Manager Tel: 91-11-23371965 Fax: 91-11-23370257 E-mail: companysecretary@itpo.gov.in
4	India International Leather Fair, Chennai	01-03 February, 2018	Leather & Leather Products, Chemicals Machinery & Accessories.	Mr. Jayanta Das General Manager Tel: 91-11-23378929/9810189400 Fax: 91-11-23371673 E-mail: jd@itpo.gov.in

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5	India International Leather Fair, Chennai	01-03 February, 2018	Leather & Leather Products, Chemicals Machinery & Accessories.	Mr. Jayanta Das General Manager Tel: 91-11-23378929 /9810189400 Fax: 91-11-23371673 E-mail: jd@itpo.gov.in
6	Tex-Styles India, Delhi	Feb/March 2018	Textile items, Cotton yarns, fabrics & Home Furnishings	Mr. Jayanta Das General Manager Tel: 91-11-23378929 /9810189400 Fax: 91-11-23371673 E-mail: jd@itpo.gov.in
7	India International Leather Fair, Kolkata	Feb./ March 2018	Leather & Leather Products, Chemicals Machinery & Accessories.	Mr. Jayanta Das General Manager Tel: 91-11-23378929/ 9810189400 Fax: 91-11-23371673 E-mail: jd@itpo.gov.in
8	Tex-Styles India, Kolkata	Feb/March 2018	textile items-Cotton yarns, fabrics & Home Furnishings	Mr. Jayanta Das General Manager Tel: 91-11-23378929/ 9810189400 Fax: 91-11-23371673 E-mail: jd@itpo.gov.in

Sl. No.	Name of the Event	Dates	Products	Contact Information
9	Aahar- The International Food & Hospitality Fair, Delhi	March 2018	Food , Beverages Hotel & Restaurant Equipment & Supplies etc.	Mr. J. Gunasekaran General Manager Tel: 91-11-23371829 Fax: 91-11-23371916 E-mail: sekaran@itpo.gov.in

**More information available at:**

[www.indiatradefair.com](http://www.indiatradefair.com)

[www.cii.in/CII\\_Events.aspx](http://www.cii.in/CII_Events.aspx)

[www.ficci.com/ficci-exhibitions.asp](http://www.ficci.com/ficci-exhibitions.asp)

[www.assochem.org/events/index.php](http://www.assochem.org/events/index.php)

[www.fieo.org/view\\_detail.php?lang=0&id=0,22&evetype=0](http://www.fieo.org/view_detail.php?lang=0&id=0,22&evetype=0)

[www.biztradeshows.com/india/](http://www.biztradeshows.com/india/)

## Useful Links

**The National Portal of India** <http://india.gov.in>

**The Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India** <http://mea.gov.in/>

**India Public Diplomacy** [www.indiandiplomacy.in](http://www.indiandiplomacy.in)

**Invest India** [www.investindia.gov.in](http://www.investindia.gov.in)

**India In Business** <http://indiainbusiness.nic.in>

**Incredible India** [www.incredibleindia.org](http://www.incredibleindia.org)

**India Brand Equity Foundation** [www.ibef.org](http://www.ibef.org)

**India Trade Promotion Organization** [www.indiatradefair.com](http://www.indiatradefair.com)

**EXIM Bank** <http://eximbankindia.com>

**The Confederation of Indian Industry** [www.cii.in](http://www.cii.in)

**Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry** [www.ficci.com](http://www.ficci.com)

**Associated Chambers of Commerce & Industry of India** [www.assochem.org](http://www.assochem.org)

**The Federation of Indian Export Organizations** [www.fieo.org](http://www.fieo.org)

**PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry** [www.phdcci.in](http://www.phdcci.in)