

## **22 January 2018 Current Affairs**

### **Solomon Deksisa wins 15th edition of Mumbai Marathon**

Mumbai Marathon, the richest race in India with a prize money worth 4 lakh 5,000 dollars came to a conclusion with Ethiopia's Solomon Deksisa winning it. Another Ethiopian, Shumit Akalaw became the first runner-up, while Joshua Kipkorir from Kenya came second. Indian Olympic athletes T Gopi and Nitender Singh Rawat also took part in the Tata Mumbai Marathon. While T ZGopi won in the Indian Elite category, Nitender Singh Rawat came second. Sudha Singh of Central Railways won the Mumbai Marathon in the Indian Elite Women category.

### **India's 1st Garbage Festival Organised in Chhattisgarh**

The Raipur Municipal Corporation in Chhattisgarh organized the three-day 'Kachra Mahotsav 2018'. It is India's first Garbage Festival. The festival aimed to increase awareness, use the waste generated in the city creatively, and to showcase multiple techniques for reusing things that are labeled as garbage.

### **India ranks 62nd on WEF's Inclusive Development Index**

India was ranked at the 62nd place among emerging economies on an Inclusive Development Index of World Economic Forum (WEF). In the report, China is on 26th position and Pakistan is on 47th. Norway remains the world's most inclusive advanced economy, while Lithuania again tops the list of emerging economies, according to the report. India was ranked 60th among 79 developing economies in 2017. Among advanced economies, Norway is followed by Ireland, Luxembourg, and Switzerland in top three.

## **OPV Vijaya: Indian Coast Guard patrol vessel launched**

The second indigenously built offshore patrol vessel (OPV) named Vijaya built by Larsen and Toubro (L&T) Shipyard for Indian Coast Guard (ICG) was launched at Kattupalli Shipyard, Tamil Nadu. It is expected to be inducted into service by September 2018 after trials on the equipment.

## **17 Indian fishermen arrested in Pakistan**

Seventeen Indian fishermen have been arrested for allegedly fishing in Pakistani waters and a court here remanded them into custody. Most of the fishermen belonged to Gujarat. The 17 Indian fishermen were arrested for fishing in Pakistan's territorial waters, according to the Maritime Security Force. The arrests come after the release of 145 Indian fishermen on December 28.

## **PM Modi leaves for Davos to attend World Economic Forum**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi left for Davos, Switzerland to attend the 48th annual meeting of the World Economic Forum. He will lead the largest-ever Indian delegation comprising Finance Minister Arun Jaitley, Commerce and Industry Minister Suresh Prabhu among others. The theme of the WEF Annual Meeting this year is 'Creating a shared future in a fractured world'. As many as six union ministers, two chief ministers, over 100 CEOs and several other high-profile attendees from India will be a part of the India contingent at WEF. WEF 2018 will also see the largest ever proportion of women leaders including all co-chairs being women this time.

## **Malta's Valletta becomes Europe's Capital of Culture**

Valletta, the capital of Malta, was officially named European Capital of Culture 2018. Valletta will share the title with Leeuwarden, a city in the Netherlands. Notably, the 'European Capitals of Culture' initiative aims to highlight the diversity of European culture and to increase the citizens' sense of belonging to a common cultural area.

## **Manipur Govt launches health assurance scheme for poor & disabled people**

Manipur Government has launched the Chief Minister-gi Hakshelgi Tengbang (CMHT), a health assurance scheme for the poor and disabled people. It was launched by Manipur Chief Minister N Biren Singh. The CMHT scheme will provide cashless treatment to poor at government hospitals, health centres and other empanelled selected private hospitals.

## **India's richest 1% has 73% of wealth**

The richest 1% in India cornered 73% of the wealth generated in the country last year, a new survey showed. Besides, 67 crore Indians comprising the population's poorest half saw their wealth rise by just 1%. It is according to the international rights group Oxfam. The annual Oxfam survey is keenly watched and is discussed in detail at the World Economic Forum Annual Meeting.

## **Morgan Freeman receives Life Achievement Award**

Morgan Freeman has been honoured with a Life Achievement Award at the 2018 Screen Actor Guild awards. The 80-year-old actor became the 54th recipient of the SAG's Life Achievement Award for career achievement and humanitarian accomplishment. Morgan won an Oscar in 2005 for his role in Million Dollar Baby (2004).