

22 April 2018 Current Affairs

6 Countries suspend Membership in UNASUR Regional Bloc

Bolivian Foreign Minister Fernando Huanacuni has announced that Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Paraguay and Peru had decided to temporarily leave the Union of South American Nations (UNASUR), given differences over choosing the secretary general of the group.

April 22: World Earth Day

World Earth Day is celebrated every year across the world on 22nd of April to increase awareness among people about the environment safety. The campaign theme for this year is 'End Plastic Pollution'.

Indian Animation expert Bhimsain Khurana passes away

Indian animation pioneer and multiple National Award winner Bhimsain Khurana had passed away. He was 82. Khurana was known for films like “Gharaonda” and for iconic animation shorts like “Ek Anek Ekta”.

Bengaluru FC wins Super cup football tournament

Bengaluru FC have won the inaugural edition of Super Cup Football tournament. In the final at the Kalinga Stadium in Bhubaneswar today, they defeated Kolkata football giants East Bengal by a convincing margin of 4-1.

Indian airports got its 1st woman firefighter

Airports Authority of India (AAI) has appointed its first woman firefighter, Taniya Sanyal. Taniya is currently undergoing training in Delhi and will be appointed for AAI's eastern region airports.

President signs ordinance to provide death penalty to rapists of girls below 12 years

President Ram Nath Kovind promulgated an ordinance that provides for stringent punishment, including death penalty, for those convicted of raping girls below the age of 12 years. The ordinance- Criminal Law (Amendment) Ordinance 2018 stipulates stringent punishment for those guilty of rape, particularly of girls below the age of 16 and 12 years. The ordinance also orders death sentence to those guilty of raping girls below the age of 12 years.

Kyrgyzstan Parliament names Mukhammedkaliy Abylgazyev prime minister

Kyrgyzstan's Parliament named Mukhammedkaliy Abylgazyev Prime Minister after his nomination by the Social Democratic party which leads the ruling coalition. Abylgazyev, previously chief of staff in President Sooronbai Jeenbekov's office, replaced Sapar Isakov whose cabinet lost a no-confidence vote.