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India's forest cover stood at 21.34% in 2015, an increase of 1.29 percent from 2009, according to a government report on the environment. The Status of Environment Report, India 2015, was released by Environment Minister Harsh Vardhan.

Jordan king appoints Omar Razzaz as new Prime Minister

Jordan's King Abdullah II appointed a new prime minister in hopes of quelling the largest anti-government protests in recent years. Cabinet member Omar Razzaz, a Harvard-educated former senior World Bank official, replaced Hani Mulki.

India among top 5 in e-waste generation

India is among the top five e-waste generating countries in the world besides China, the US, Japan and Germany, according to a report. Among states, Maharashtra contributes the largest e-waste of 19.8% but recycles only about 47,810 tonne per annum (TPA), the report released by Assocham and NEC.

Youngest Author of India

Four year old Ayan Gogoi Gohain of North Lakhimpur district, Assam was honoured with the 'Youngest Author of India' title by the Indian Book of Records. Ayan Gogoi Gohain has been honoured with this title for his book 'honeycomb'. The book was published in January 2018.

Corporation Bank bags award

Corporation Bank has bagged an award instituted by Investor Relations Society India. The bank was chosen for 'Investor Relations Awards 2018' under the category 'Best Expectation Management (Mid Cap)' for 2017-18.

Ecuador's Foreign Minister elected UN General Assembly President

The United Nations (UN) General Assembly has appointed Maria Fernanda Espinosa Garces to be its next President. Maria, Ecuador's Minister for Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility, succeeds Slovakia's Miroslav Lajcak and will preside over the 73rd session of the Assembly starting from September for a tenure of one year.

Malaysia appoints ethnic Indian Tommy Thomas as new attorney general

Malaysia's king Sultan Muhammad V has approved the appointment of an ethnic Indian lawyer as the new attorney general, amid protests from Islamic groups that the job must be held by a Muslim.

William Phipps, original voice of Prince Charming Passes Away

Actor William Phipps, the voice of Prince Charming in the animated Disney film Cinderella, has passed away. He was 96. Best known for his many roles in 1950s science fiction films, the prolific actor had appeared in more than 200 film and television productions during his career span.