

1. **Netaji's driver Colonel Nizamuddin passes away**

Colonel Nizamuddin, former driver and bodyguard of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, passed away on 6th February morning aged 116. Nizamuddin was a member of the Bose's Azad Hind Fauj during the freedom struggle. Bose Changed his name to Nizamuddin from his original Saifuddin as he was working as secret service agent.

2. **Govt appoints 3 directory to RBI Central Board**

Govt on 9th February appointed three part time non-official directory on the all powerful Central Board of the Reserve Bank of India. The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) has appointed Ashok Gulati, Manish Sabharwal and Rajiv Kumar as part time non-official directory on the Central Board. Stating this, the Department of personnel and Training said the appointments are for a period of four years. The RBI's affairs are governed by the Central Board of Directors.

3. **India ranks 43rd in USCC's IP Index**

India ranked at 43rd position out of 45 countries in the 5th Annual International Intellectual property (IP) Index of the US Chamber of Commerce (USCC). The 2017 International IP Index, named as "The Roots of Innovation", was released on 8 February. India was ranked just above Pakistan and Venezuela. The top four positions of the Index were fetched by US, UK, Japan and European Union.

4. **Nobel Laureate Sir Peter Mansfield Passes away**

Sir Peter Mansfield received the Nobel Prize for Physiology or Medicine in 2003 for advances in using MRI for medical science. The high-tech scan (MRI) allow doctors to see detailed images of the internal organs without the use of X-rays. Sir Peter was shared with Paul Lauterbur, for discoveries concerning Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI). He was a Professor at the University of Nottingham. He was passed away on 8 February in London, at 83.



5. **UK's House of Commons passes Brexit Bill**

House of Commons, the lower house of British parliament passed legislation on 8 February 2017. Authorising Prime Minister Theresa May's govt to initiate Brexit talks with the European Union. The historic legislation witnessed 494 Members of the Parliament Voting in favour of Brexit and just 122 against. Among the MPs who voted against the bill, 52 were labour MPs, the leading opposition party, who went against their party leader Jeremy Corbyn's orders of backing the bill.

6. **Kohli get a new record for most Test 150 s by an Indian Captain**

Virat Kohli recorded his sixth test 150, against Bangladesh at Hyderabad on 10 February 2017, to set the record for most 150 plus scores by an Indian captain in Tests. Kohli went past Sunil Gavaskar and Mohammad Azharuddin, who both have five 150 plus Test scorers each as captain. Notably, all of Kohli's last five Centuries have been of 150 + runs.



7. **Govt to make "Aadhar" compulsory to ration from PDS shops**

The Govt of India on 9 February announced that people who have ration cards under the National Food Security Act need to undergo Aadhar Authentication Process to receive their

further subsidies. This notification comes into effect from today. This condition will also be applicable for all the new beneficiaries and in all States and Union Territories except the States Assam, Meghalaya, and Jammu & Kashmir.

8. Earth like planet “Proxima b” Unlikely to host life

As the search for life beyond Earth, Continues the just discovered Earth-sized planet Proxima b Unlikely to hold life despite it being in the habitable zone or the Goldilocks region of its host star. The reason for the planet not holding any possibility of life is due to the effects of frequent stellar eruptions. This information was given by NASA scientists who have been investigating the possibility of life on the planet.



9. Hemant Bhargava appointed LIC’s MD

Hemant Bhargava was appointed as LIC’s Managing Director on 10 February, 2017. He is at present working as LIC’s Zonal Manager, Delhi. The Appointments Committee of Cabinet (ACC) has approved Bhargava’s appointment to the post till his superannuation i.e. July 31, 2019. The top LIC management consists of the Chairman and three Managing Directors.

10. Shawna Pandya Third Indian origin woman to go to space

A general physician, 32-year-old Shawna Pandya is one of two candidates shortlisted from 3,200 people enrolled in the Citizen Science Astronaut (CSA) program. She will fly with eight other astronauts in space missions slated to take off by 2018. After Kalpana Chawla and Sunita Williams. Here is the 3rd Indian Origin Woman who will go to space.

