

## Weekly One Liners 11th January to 17th of January 2021

### First time in history, Union Budget 2021 to be paperless

**Union Budget 2021**, slated to be presented on **February 1**, is going to be completely paperless in the wake of the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. This will be the first time since independence that the budget papers will not be printed. The Centre has received permission for the same from both houses of parliament. The decision has been taken as several people (**approximately 100**) would be required to stay at the printing press for around a fortnight amid the **COVID-19** fear.

The budget papers are usually printed at the ministry's in-house printing press in the **North Block**. This year's budget may reportedly witness several conventions being broken as the traditional '**Halwa**' ceremony, which is a given every year is also not likely to take place, or a low-key function may be held with limited gathering in attendance.

### Donald Trump becomes first U.S. President to be impeached twice

**President Donald Trump** was impeached by the U.S. House for a historic **second time** on January 13, charged with "**incitement of insurrection**" over the deadly mob siege of the Capitol in a swift and stunning collapse of his final days in office. He was first impeached in **2019** over his Ukraine dealings.

The House voted **232-197** to impeach Mr Trump. The proceedings moved at lightning speed, with lawmakers voting just one week after violent pro-Mr. Trump loyalists stormed the U.S. Capitol, urged on by the President's calls for them to "**fight like hell**" against the election results.

### RBI forms six-member working group to regulate digital lending frauds

The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has set up a **working group** to study **digital lending** activities of the regulated and unregulated players, due to the growing instances of frauds in digital lending space. The group will suggest steps to regulate digital lending including

online lending platform and mobile lending. The group will evaluate digital lending activities and assess the penetration and standards of outsourced digital lending activities in RBI regulated entities.

### The six-member panel comprises of following four RBI internal and two external members:

1. **Jayant Kumar Dash**, Executive Director, RBI (Chairman)
2. **Ajay Kumar Choudhary**, Chief General Manager-in-Charge, Department of Supervision (Member)
3. **P Vasudevan**, Chief General Manager, Department of Payment and Settlement Systems, RBI (Member)
4. **Manoranjan Mishra**, Chief General Manager, Department of Regulation (Member Secretary)
5. **Vikram Mehta**, Co-founder, Monexo Fintech (External Member)
6. **Rahul Sasi**, Cyber Security Expert & Founder of CloudSEK (External Member)

### India Ranks 85 in Henley Passport Index 2021

The **Henley Passport Index 2021** has been released by **Henley & Partners**, based on the exclusive data from the **International Air Transport Association (IATA)**. As per the latest report, **India** has been ranked **85th among 110 countries**, in the Henley Passport Index for 2021, with a visa-free score of **58**. The index presents the original ranking of the world's most powerful passports, according to the number of destinations their holders can access without a prior visa.

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**Japan** has once again topped the list of being the most powerful passport in the world, for the third consecutive year. Japanese citizens can travel to as many as 191 countries visa-free. **Singapore** is in second place (190) and **South Korea** ties with Germany in third place (189). **Syria, Iraq and Afghanistan** are the countries with the worst passport, with a passport score of 29, 28 and 26 respectively.

### India's 7th Trade Policy Review (TPR) at WTO

The second session of the **7th Trade Policy Review (TPR) of India** concluded at the **World Trade Organization (WTO)**. This was the final session of the 7th trade policy review. Trade Policy Review is a key mechanism under the monitoring function of WTO. During this trade policy review, WTO examines the trade and related policies of the member countries with an aim to improve their adherence to WTO rules and to provide constructive feedback.

#### Important Points Trade Policy Review (TPR) of India:

- The official delegation of India for the 7th TPR was headed by **Anup Wadhawan**, the Commerce Secretary.
- The Commerce Secretary responded to all the issues rose by the Members during the 1st TPR session of India.
- The Commerce Secretary also urged the members to provide a permanent solution to Public Stock Holding (PSH) for food security.
- India is committed to simplify and streamline the overall domestic business environment and has an aim to make a place in the **top 50 in the World Bank's Doing Business Report**.
- Before this, the last Trade Policy Review of India was held in the year **2015**.

#### About World Trade Organization:

WTO is an organization that regulates international trade between countries. It was established in the year **1955** and is headquartered in **Geneva, Switzerland**. It has 164 members at present.

### IRDAI sets up panel to examine availability of health insurance products

Insurance regulator **Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority (IRDAI)** has set up a panel of experts called '**Health Insurance Advisory Committee**' to examine the availability of health insurance products in the country, considering the need of the Indian society and recommend suitable products and processes. The expert committee will be headed by IRDAI Chairperson, **Subhash Chandra Khuntia** and will have a Member (Non-Life) as the vice-chairperson. The committee, which has a term of **one year**.

#### Members of the committee include:

- Nachiket Mor (Visiting Scientist, Banyan Academy of Leadership in Mental Health),
- A K Chand (Professor and Neurosurgeon, Bangalore),
- B K Mohanti (Former Professor and Oncologist, AIIMS),
- K Hari Prasad (Anaesthetist, Hyderabad), and Pankaj Sharma (IRDAI).

### National Affairs

- The **Government of Japan** has committed Official Development Assistance loan of **30 billion** Japanese Yen which is approximately **Rs 2113 crore** rupees for a programme loan to support India's efforts at providing social assistance to the poor and vulnerable households, severely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The **Health and Family Welfare Ministry** has recently formed a technical expert group to study the adverse findings from the **National Family Health Survey-5**. The Ministry has set up the technical committee of medicine and nutrition experts under the leadership of Joint Secretary **Preeti Pant**.
- Union Road Transport and Highways Minister **Nitin Gadkari** will be launching an innovative new paint developed by **Khadi and Village Industries Commission**. The eco-friendly, non-toxic paint, called "**Khadi Prakritik Paint**" is a first-of-its-kind product, with anti-fungal, anti-bacterial properties.

- The **Government of India** launched the third phase of **Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana** on 15 January 2021. The scheme has been rolled out for the current financial year, ending March 2021, and will be implemented by the **Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship**. The training will be imparted through 729 Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendras (PMKKs), empanelled non-PMKK training centres and more than 200 industrial training institutes (ITIs). Further, a five-year PMKVY will be launched in 2021-22 with an enhanced target of skilling 1.5 crore youth.
- According to **External Affairs Ministry** Spokesperson **Anurag Srivastava**, due to the global **COVID-19 situation**, it has been decided that this year there will not be a **foreign Head of State or Head of Government as the Chief Guest for the Republic Day event**. President **Ramnath Kovind** will take the salute at the parade this time. This will be the first time in over five decades that India will not have a chief guest at the Republic Day parade.
- The **4th edition** of the **Cherry Blossom Festival**, Mao in **Manipur** was virtually inaugurated by Chief Minister **N Biren Singh**. However this year, the authority decided to scale down the festival due to the **COVID-19 pandemic**. The Festival featured the picturesque landscape of Mao adorned with beautiful cherry trees laden with blooming flowers which have traditionally attracted visitors from across the world.
- The Chief Minister of **Odisha**, **Naveen Patnaik** virtually inaugurated a first of its kind **'Fire Park'**, to educate and bring awareness on basic fire safety measures among the people, particularly the students. The 'Fire Park' is located inside the premises of the **Odisha Fire and Disaster Academy** in **Bhubaneswar**.
- **Kerala** has become the **8th State** in the country to successfully undertake **"Ease of Doing Business"** reform stipulated by the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance. Kerala has become eligible to mobilise additional financial resources of **Rs.2,373 crore** through **Open Market Borrowings**.

### States in the News

- West Bengal CM, **Mamata Banerjee** has inaugurated the **26th Kolkata International Film Festival (KIFF)**. The inaugural ceremony was also virtually attended by Bollywood superstar and West Bengal's brand ambassador **Shah Rukh Khan** from Mumbai. Legendary filmmaker Satyajit Ray's classic **'Apur Sansar'** will be the inaugural film of the festival in which 131 movies from 45 countries will be screened till January 13.

### International Affairs

- US President-elect **Joe Biden** named Indian-American **Sumona Guha** as **senior director** for **South Asia** and **Tarun Chhabra** as senior director for **Technology and National Security**. Guha was co-chair of the South Asia foreign policy working group on the Biden-Harris campaign and serves on the transition's State Department Agency Review Team.
- **Twitter Inc** has deleted new tweets posted by **U.S. President Donald Trump** on official government account **@POTUS** and suspended the account of his presidential campaign, after booting his personal account of the platform permanently. **@POTUS** Twitter account is an official Twitter account of **US President Donald Trump**. The Account is named President Trump.
- A passenger plane of **Indonesia's Sriwijaya Air** carrying 62 people on board crashed into waters off **Jakarta**. The **Boeing 737-500** was on an estimated 90-minute flight from Jakarta to Pontianak, capital of West Kalimantan province on Indonesia's Borneo island.

- The frontrunner in **Kyrgyzstan's** presidential election, **Sadyr Japarov**, has won by a landslide. According to the **Central Election Commission**, Mr Japarov had won **79%** of votes cast. Mr Japarov, who served time in jail for taking a rival hostage, will also have sweeping new presidential powers after voters by a similar margin opted to amend the constitution in a referendum.
- Incoming First Lady, **Jill Biden** has named Indian-American **Garima Verma** as her digital director and **Michael LaRosa** press secretary, the Biden transition team has announced. She served as audience development and content strategist on the **Biden-Harris campaign**.

### Agreements/MoUs Signed

- **NHPC Limited** has signed an MOU with the **Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA)** for providing assistance in setting up renewable energy (RE) projects for the next **5 years**. The agreement was signed in the presence of Abhay Kumar Singh, NHPC CMD, and IREDA, CMD, Pradip Kumar Das.
- **Bharat Biotech** has announced that it has signed an agreement with **Precisa Medicamentos** for the supply of its indigenously manufactured **Covid-19 vaccine 'Covaxin'** to **Brazil**.
- **NITI Aayog** and **Flipkart**, have come together to launch the revamped **Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP)** is a unified access portal which brings together women from different parts of India to realise their entrepreneurial aspirations.
- **Financial Software and Systems (FSS)**, a leading payment processor and provider of integrated payment products, has partnered with **India Post Payments Bank (IPPB)** to promote financial inclusion among underserved and unbanked segments.
- **India and Japan** have signed an MoU to enhance cooperation in the field of **Information and Communications Technologies (ICT)** via videoconferencing. The MoU was signed between Union Minister for Communications, Electronics and IT **Ravi Shankar Prasad** and the Japanese Minister for Internal Affairs and Communications **Takeda Ryota**.

### Books and Authors

- A coffee table book named "**Modi India Calling - 2021**" has been released on the occasion of 16th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas. The book contains various photographs of Prime Minister Narendra Modi captured during his "**107 overseas and bilateral visits**". The book is the idea of BJP leader **Vijay Jolly** and it was released by **Adesh Gupta**, the Delhi BJP president. The book has been published by **Maneesh Media** and has 450 pages containing thousands of photographs of the PM Modi.
- Former chief election commissioner (CEC) **S Y Quraishi** has come out with his book titled "**The Population Myth: Islam, Family Planning and Politics in India**". The book will hit the stands on February 15, 2021. It has been published by HarperCollins India.
- Manipur Governor, **Dr Najma Heptulla** has virtually released a book titled "**Making of a General-A Himalayan Echo**" authored by (Retd) Lt General **Konsam Himalaya Singh** at Durbar Hall, Raj Bhavan, Imphal. The book elegantly summons the essence and imperatives of superior command of one of the most formidable forces in the world.

### Banking/Economy/Business News

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has cancelled the licence of Maharashtra-based **Vasantdada Nagari Sahakari Bank**, with immediate effect. Vasantdada Nagari Sahakari Bank Ltd will now not be allowed to conduct the business of 'banking', including acceptance of deposits and repayment of deposits, with effect from the close of business on **January 11, 2021**.
- The **Reserve Bank of India** has imposed a penalty of **Rs 2 crore** on **Deutsche Bank AG** for non-compliance with certain provisions of directions concerning interest rate on deposits. The central bank said the statutory inspection of Deutsche Bank's financial position as on **March 31, 2019**, and the **Risk Assessment Report** revealed non-compliance with the '**Reserve Bank of India (Interest Rate on Deposits) Directions, 2016**'.

- Domestic rating agency **ICRA Ratings** expects the real **gross domestic product (GDP)** of India to grow by **10.1%** in the financial year **2021-22 (FY2022)**. The rating agency ICRA had earlier projected a contraction of **7.8%** for the ongoing **fiscal 2020-21**.
- India's **retail inflation** fell sharply to **4.59 per cent** in **December**, mainly due to declining food prices, government data showed. Retail inflation based on the **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** was **6.93 per cent** in November.
- The **BofA Securities** expects the GDP growth of India for the current financial year 2020-21 to contract by **6.7 per cent**. Apart from this, BofA Securities has projected the Indian economy to grow at **9 per cent in 2021-22** if the vaccine distribution is done in the first half of the new fiscal year, but it expects GDP growth prospects at just at **6 per cent** if the distribution is delayed to the second half of 2021-22 (October-March).
- Swiss brokerage major **UBS Investment Bank** has projected the Indian economy to contract **7.5 per cent** in the current fiscal FY21, ending March 2021. UBS further expects the economy to rebound at **11.5 per cent** in FY22. For the FY23, GDP growth is expected to stabilise at **6 per cent**.
- The **Japanese brokerage Nomura** has revised upward, the GDP forecast for India in 2020-21 and now expects it to contract to **6.7 per cent**. Nomura has further projected the GDP of India to rise to **13.5 per cent** in **FY22 (2021-22)**.
- The **Fitch Ratings** expect the gross domestic product (GDP) of India to contract by **9.4 per cent** in **FY21** (April 2020 to March 2021). Fitch further projects the GDP to expand by **11 per cent** in **FY22** (April 2021 to March 2022).
- **Yes Bank** has announced its partnership with **Aditya Birla Wellness Private Limited** to launch the 'YES BANK Wellness' and 'YES BANK Wellness Plus' Credit Cards - aimed at the holistic health, self-care and wellness of consumers. This is an innovative step to encourage and promote self-care, mental and physical well-being.
- **ICICI Bank**, a leading Indian private sector bank, and **Niyo**, a new age fintech company announced a tie-up to issue prepaid cards to **Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs)** workers. MSMEs

will now be able to get '**ICICI Bank Niyo Bharat Payroll Card**' powered by Visa, for their blue-collar workers.

### Appointments/Resignations

- The Union government has appointed **RS Sharma**, former Trai chief, as the chairperson of an empowered committee for the administration of **Covid-19 vaccine**. A ten-member team has been constituted to be headed by Sharma. This has come days ahead of the mega vaccination drive is to start in India. He has also been included as a member of the **National Expert Group on Vaccine Administration of Covid-19** that was formed in August 2020.
- **Supreme Court Bar Association (SCBA)** president, **Dushyant Dave** has resigned from his post with immediate effect, he has forfeited his right to continue. Acting SCBA Secretary **Rohit Panday** confirmed the development that the senior advocate has resigned with immediate effect.
- **Intel** has appointed **Pat Gelsinger** as its new **Chief Executive Officer**, effective Feb. 15, 2021. Gelsinger will also join the **Intel board of directors** upon assuming the role. He will succeed **Bob Swan**, who will remain CEO until Feb. 15.
- The **Telecom Equipment and Services Export Promotion Council (TEPC)** has appointed **Sandeep Aggarwal** as the new Chairman. Aggarwal, the Managing Director and Promoter of Delhi-based Paramount Communications, will take over from **Shyamal Ghosh**, ex-Telecom Secretary.

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- The **UN Human Rights Council** elected Fiji's **ambassador as its 2021 president** in an unprecedented secret ballot after a diplomatic stand-off blocked the usual consensus decision. Fiji's ambassador in Geneva, **Nazhat Shameem Khan**, who served as the council's vice president in 2020 and is considered a rights champion, won with **29 out of 47 votes**.

### Defence News

- Union Minister for Earth Sciences, Harsh Vardhan has launched Coastal Research Vehicle (CRV) 'Sagar Anveshika' at the Chennai Port. The vehicle will be used to carry out environment indexing and bathymetric (mapping underwater features) in both coastal and offshore waters. It will be used for research purposes by the National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT) and has been built by Titagarh Wagons, Kolkata, West Bengal.
- A major exercise to test military readiness at sea along the coastline of the country starts. This is the **second edition** of the biennial pan-India coastal defence exercise "**Sea Vigil-21**" will be conducted on **January 12 and 13**. The two-day exercise involving all stakeholders, states and Central government agencies will set the tempo of operations, including "**transition from peace to conflict**".
- The **Indian Army** has recently signed a contract with Mumbai-based drone manufacturing company, **ideaForge**, to procure high-altitude variant of **SWITCH** unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs). The total cost of the deal is approximately **USD 20 million**.
- India's first indigenous **9mm Machine Pistol** has been jointly developed by **DRDO and Indian Army**. Infantry School, Mhow and **DRDO's** Armament Research & Development Establishment (ARDE), Pune have designed and developed this weapon using their respective expertise in the complementary areas. The weapon has been developed in a record time of four months. The weapon is aptly named "**Asmi**" meaning "**Pride**", "**Self-Respect**" & "**Hard Work**".

### Awards and Recognitions

- The **All India Institutes of Medical Sciences (AIIMS)** in **Bhubaneswar** has proved its mettle once again for promoting cleanliness, hygiene and creating sustainable practices in public health facilities by winning the **Kayakalp Award Scheme**. AIIMS Bhubaneswar will get an award of **Rs 2 crore** for the performance.

### Summit and Conference

- The **Government of France** organised the fourth '**One Planet Summit**', through videoconferencing, which aimed at protecting the world's biodiversity. The Summit was organised in cooperation with the **United Nations** and the **World Bank**. The theme of the Summit was "**Let's act together for nature!**"
- The **13th India-Vietnam Defence Security Dialogue** was held in a virtual format. The virtual event was co-chaired by Defence Secretary **Dr Ajay Kumar** along with Vietnamese Sr Lt Gen **Nguyen Chi Vinh**, Deputy Defence Minister, Socialist Republic of Vietnam.
- The Union Minister of Commerce and Industry, Consumer Affairs and Food and Public Distribution, **Piyush Goyal** has inaugurated the two-day '**Prarambh**', **Startup India International Summit** in New Delhi on 15 January 2021. The Summit has been organized by the **Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT)**, under M/o Commerce & Industry.

### Ranks and Reports

- Rapidly digitalising **India** was ranked **4th** in "**Break Out Economies**" in the **third** edition of the **Digital Evolution Scorecard** developed by **Tufts University's Fletcher School** in partnership with **Mastercard**. **China** which leads the countries in the "Break Out Economies" group is more evolved digitally due mainly to its combination of rapidly growing demand and innovation. Third rank **Indonesia**, and India, which ranks number four in momentum, have displayed increasing digital momentum suggesting the potential to rapidly digitalise for both **post-COVID economic recovery and longer-term transformation**.

## Sports News

- **Jay Shah** has been named as the official representative of **Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)** for the **International Cricket Council (ICC) Board** meetings. Shah is the Secretary of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI).
- **Jigmet Dolma** from India secured the fourth position in the **Dhaka Marathon 2021**. Jigmet Dolma is an SPO of Ladakh police. In the marathon, **Hicham Lakohi** of Morocco came first in the elite competition of the marathon in men's category while **Angela Jim Asunde** from Kenya won the women's category in the same event.
- The oldest surviving Olympic champion, **Ágnes Keleti**, celebrates her 100th birthday. She is one of her country's most successful Olympians, having won 10 medals for Hungary in gymnastics, at the **Olympic Games Helsinki 1952 and Melbourne 1956**. Her haul included five golds.

## Important Days

- The **World Hindi Day** is celebrated annually on **January 10** since **2006** to promote the language at the global stage. The day marks the anniversary of first **World Hindi Conference** which was inaugurated on **January 10, 1975**, by the then prime minister Indira Gandhi.
- **National Youth Day** is celebrated in India every year on **12 January** to commemorate the birth anniversary of **Swami Vivekananda**. The day was declared by the Government of India in **1984** while the event was first celebrated in **1985**. The main aim behind this is to make sure that the students across the country can be encouraged to learn about the life, the ideas and philosophy of Swami Vivekananda and apply them in their lives.



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- The **Ministry of Road Transport & Highways** observes the **National Road Safety Week** every year in the **second week of January**. However, in 2021, the Government has decided to observe National Road Safety Month instead of National Road Safety Week.
- In India, the **Armed Forces Veterans Day** is observed each year on **14 January** since **2017** to acknowledge and honour the selfless devotion and sacrifice of our veterans in the service of the nation. The day was initially called **Armistice Day**. 2021 marks the **5th Armed Forces Veterans Day**.
- The **Army Day** in India is celebrated on **15 January** every year, to salute the valiant soldiers who sacrificed their lives to protect the country and its citizens. This year marks the **73rd Indian Army Day**. The **Army Day** is celebrated at all Army Command headquarters to honour our country's soldiers who set the greatest example of selfless service and brotherhood, and above all, love for the country.

## Obituaries

- Veteran Congress leader **Madhavsinh Solanki**, who served as former External Affairs Minister of India and the Chief Minister of Gujarat, has passed away. He had served as External Affairs Minister of India from **June 1991 to March 1992**. He had been the Chief Minister of Gujarat for three times between **1976 to 1990**. He was the longest-serving chief minister of the state before Narendra Modi.
- Veteran journalist and orator (public speaker) **Sri Turlapati Kutumba Rao** has passed away. He is known for his service to journalism in the **Telugu language**.
- Pulitzer Prize-winning author & journalist **Neil Sheehan** passed away. He covered the **Vietnam War for United Press International** and the **Times from 1962 to 1966**. He won a Pulitzer Prize and a National Book Award in 1989 for "**A Bright Shining Lie: John Paul Vann and America in Vietnam**."
- Indian American writer **Ved Mehta** passed away. The **Indian-American novelist** overcame blindness & was widely known as the **20th-century writer** most responsible for introducing American readers to India.

- Noted social activist and Padma Shri winner, **D Prakash Rao** has passed away. He was conferred with the prestigious **Padma Shri award in 2019** for his contribution towards boosting the value of education among slum kids in Cuttack. Apart from this, Rao was also a well-known blood donor.

### Miscellaneous News

- Bangladesh has been chosen as the 'Country in Focus' for the 51st International Film Festival of India (IFFI). The festival will be held at Goa from January 16 to January 24, 2021. The Country in Focus is a special segment that recognizes the cinematic excellence and contributions of the country. This section at the 51st IFFI will showcase four films from Bangladesh.
- In **Leh**, the first-ever **Ice climbing festival** was celebrated in **Nubra valley**. The Seven Day event was organized by **Nubra Adventure Club**. Ice climbing is a popular winter sport abroad. To promote winter tourism in Nubra valley, Nubra Adventure Club, with the help of Social activist Dr Nordan Otzer, has organized the Seven Day Ice Climbing Festival.
- Elon Musk**-owned electric vehicle (EV) company **Tesla** has registered a fully-owned subsidiary in **Bengaluru, Karnataka**. Tesla, the world's most valued carmaker has incorporated a fully owned subsidiary ahead as a first step to set up an R&D unit and a manufacturing plant for its electric vehicles in the country.
- The **51st International Film Festival of India (IFFI)** will be celebrating the work of legendary filmmaker **Satyajit Ray** by screening five of his classics. As part of the tribute, the festival will showcase Ray's acclaimed "**Pather Panchali**", the first film of his **The Apu Trilogy**, 1964 romantic drama "**Charulata**", "**Sonar Kella**", his 1977 Hindi directorial debut "**Shatranj Ke Khilari**" and "**Ghare Baire**" (1984).
- Union Defence Minister, **Rajnath Singh** has unveiled India's first '**Driverless Metro Car**' on 15 January 2021 during a function held at **BEML's Bangalore Complex**. The indigenously designed & developed state-of-the-art Driverless Metro trains

are being manufactured at BEML Bengaluru manufacturing facility, for **Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority (MMRDA)**.

### Static Takeaways

- Japan Capital: Tokyo.
- Japan Currency: Japanese yen.
- Japan Prime minister: Yoshihide Suga.
- Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs: Nirmala Sitharaman.
- Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance and Corporate Affairs: Anurag Singh Thakur.
- Chief Minister of West Bengal: Mamata Banerjee; Governor: Jagdeep Dhankhar.
- Chief Minister of Manipur: N. Biren Singh; Governor: Najma Heptulla.
- Chief Minister of Odisha: Naveen Patnaik.
- Odisha Capital: Bhubaneswar.
- Odisha Governor: Ganeshi Lal.
- Kerala CM: Pinarayi Vijayan.
- Kerala Governor: Arif Mohammad Khan.
- Capital of Indonesia: Jakarta.
- The currency of Indonesia: Indonesian rupiah.
- President of Indonesia: Joko Widodo.
- Kyrgyzstan Capital: Bishkek;
- Kyrgyzstan Currency: Kyrgyzstani som.
- Bharat Biotech Founded: 1996.
- Bharat Biotech Headquarters location: Hyderabad.
- Bharat Biotech Executive director: Dr V Krishna Mohan.
- NITI Aayog Formed: 1 January 2015.
- NITI Aayog Headquarters: New Delhi.
- NITI Aayog Chairperson: Narendra Modi.
- Flipkart headquarters: Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- Flipkart CEO: Kalyan Krishnamurthy.
- MD and CEO of India Post Payments Bank (IPPB): J Venkatramu.
- India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) Headquarters: New Delhi.
- Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation Establishment: 1978.
- Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation Chairman: Michael Debabrata Patra (Deputy Governor, RBI).

- Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation Headquarter: Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- Reserve Bank of India Establishment: 1 April 1935.
- Reserve Bank of India Governor: Shaktikanta Das.
- Reserve Bank of India Deputy Governors: 4 (Bibhu Prasad Kanungo, Mahesh Kumar Jain, Michael Debabrata Patra, and M Rajeswar Rao).
- Deutsche Bank CEO: Christian Sewing.
- Deutsche Bank Headquarters: Frankfurt, Germany.
- Deutsche Bank Founded: 10 March 1870.
- ICRA Headquarters: Gurgaon, Haryana.
- ICRA Non-Executive Chairman and Director: Arun Duggal.
- BofA Securities Headquarters: New York, New York, United States.
- BofA Securities Parent organization: Bank of America.
- BofA Securities Founded: 1 January 2009.
- BofA Securities CEO: Brian T Moynihan.
- Nomura President and Group CEO: Kentaro Okuda.
- Fitch Ratings Headquarters: New York, United States.
- Fitch Ratings CEO: Paul Taylor.
- Fitch Ratings Founder: John Knowles Fitch.
- Fitch Ratings Founded: 1914.
- Supreme Court Bar Association Headquarters: New Delhi, India.
- Intel Founded: 18 July 1968.
- Intel Headquarters: Santa Clara, California, United States.
- Intel Founders: Gordon Moore and Robert Noyce.
- National Institute of Ocean Technology Director: Dr G A Ramadass.
- National Institute of Ocean Technology HQ: Chennai, Tamil Nadu.
- Chief of Naval Staff: Admiral Karambir Singh.
- Indian Navy Founded: 26 January 1950.
- IdeaForge CEO: Ankit Mehta.
- IdeaForge HQ: Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- Secretary Department of Defence Research and Development & Chairman DRDO: Dr G Satheesh Reddy.
- DRDO Headquarters: New Delhi.
- DRDO Established: 1958.
- France Capital: Paris.
- France President: Emmanuel Macron.
- France Prime minister: Jean Castex
- France Currency: Euro.
- Vietnam Capital: Hanoi.
- Vietnam Currency: Vietnamese dong.
- Vietnam Prime Minister: Nguyen Xuan Phuc.
- President of BCCI: Sourav Ganguly.
- Headquarters of BCCI: Mumbai, Maharashtra; Founded: December 1928.
- Swami Vivekananda founded the Ramakrishna Math and Mission on 1 May 1897.
- In 1898, he established Belur Math.
- 28th Chief of Army Staff: General Manoj Mukund Naravane.
- IRDAI Founded: 1999.
- IRDAI Headquarters: Hyderabad, Telangana.
- Minister of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship: Mahendra Nath Pandey.
- YES bank HQ: Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- YES bank MD&CEO: Prashant Kumar.
- ICICI Bank Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- ICICI Bank MD & CEO: Sandeep Bakhshi.
- ICICI Bank Tagline: Hum Hai Na, Khayal Apka.
- UN Human Rights Council Founded: 15 March 2006.
- UN Human Rights Council Headquarters: Geneva, Switzerland.

