

FREE PDF on May 2018 Current Affairs

Forbes World's Most Powerful People list 2018; 65th National Film Awards; Nipah virus outbreak in Kerala; 2018 World Robot Conference; the last village to get electricity; India's first railway station to be run by solar power; 15th Asia Media Summit; Ireland ends abortion ban...

1. Forbes World's Most Powerful People list 2018

- i. Xi Jinping China**
- ii. Vladimir Putin Russia**
- iii. Donald Trump United States**
- iv. Angela Merkel Germany**
- v. Jeff Bezos Amazon.com**
- vi. Pope Francis Roman Catholic Church**
- vii. Bill Gates Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation**
- viii. Mohammed bin Salman Al Saud Saudi Arabia**
- ix. Narendra Modi India (9th Rank)**
- x. Larry Page Google**
- #Mukesh Ambani (32nd Rank)**

2. Union Government approved Green Licence Plates for private electric vehicles.

3. India hosted 15th Asia Media Summit in New Delhi from May 10 to 12, 2018. Theme was "Telling our Stories Asia and More"

4. Shashank Manohar has been re-elected as Chairman of International Cricket Council. He was the first Independent Chairman of ICC in 2016. He is an Indian lawyer by profession.

5. India and World Bank has signed USD 200 million loan agreement for National Nutrition Mission.

6. The United States of America on May 14, 2018 had officially relocated its embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem. The Jerusalem Embassy Act, which was passed by the US Congress in 1995, calls on the US to move its embassy to Jerusalem, officially recognizing it as the capital of Israel.

7. Vladimir Putin had sworn in as Russian President for the 4th time. He is the 2nd most Influential person in the World.

8. China has launched a hyperspectral imaging satellite 'Gaofen-5' which is a high resolution Earth observation satellite.

Quote Break : It's not about how bad you want it. It's about how hard you're willing to work for it.

9. New York City will be hosting the 2019 Climate Summit by UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres, to review the Paris Agreement commitments

10. Dr. Shib Sankar Ganguli was presented 'Young Scientist Award ,2017' by President Ram Nath Kovind at the National Geoscience Award 2017.

11. F1 driver Lewis Hamilton won the Spanish Grand Prix

12. S Pazhanikumar won 'Scientist of the Year Award ,2017' at the DRDO awards, presented by defence minister Nirmala Sitharaman.

13. World Cartoonist's Day is observed on May 5

14. Mahathir Mohamad sworn in as the 7th Prime Minister of Malaysia. With this he became world's oldest Prime Minister at the age of 92.

15. Union Minister of Commerce and Industry Suresh Prabhu on May 16, 2018 launched the Intellectual Property (IP) mascot named 'IP Nani'.

16. Kolkata city hosted the International Children's Theatre Festival, on the theme "Safe Drive Save Life, Save Kids' Life"

17. Tim Paine has been appointed as the captain for Australia's ODI team.

18. Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs, Hardeep Puri released the results of the Swachh Survekshan 2018 and Indore City of Madhya Pradesh became India's Cleanest City.

Quote Break: I don't measure a man's success by how high he climbs, but how high he bounces when he hits the bottom. – George S. Patton

19. Beijing city will host the 2018 World Robot Conference.

20. Department of Telecommunications (DoT) has approved Bharti Airtel's acquisition of Telenor India

21. World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day is observed on May 8.
22. California state in US has become the world's 5th largest economy.
23. Latika Nath has authored the book "Hidden India".
24. Ramit Tandon, an Indian squash player had won the Abu Dhabi Open
25. The BCCI and United Nations Environment has signed an agreement to promote Green Cricket in India.
26. Ireland ends abortion ban. More than 66 percent of Irish voters chose to repeal the 8th Amendment, which has banned abortion in the nation since in 1983.
27. World No Tobacco Day was observed around the world on May 31.
28. India singer Zubeen Garg will be honoured with the 'Hero to Animals Award' from People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) India for his appeal to end animal sacrifice at the Kamakhya Temple in Assam.

Quote Break: The pain you feel today is the strength you will feel tomorrow. For every challenge encountered there is an opportunity for growth.

29. President Ram Nath Kovind on May 3, 2018 presented the 65th National Film Awards at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi.

Some of the important Category and the winner are:

Best Feature Film	Village	Rockstar	(Assamese)
Best Director	Jayaraj	for	Bhayanakam
Best Actress	Sridevi	for	Mom
Best Actor	Riddhi Sen	for	Nagarkirtan
Best Regional Film			Ladhakh
Best Hindi Film			Newton
Best Assamese Film			Ishu
Best Bengal Film			Mayurakshi
Dada Saheb Phalke Award		Vinod	Khanna
Best Male Playback Singer	Yesudas		

30. National Technology Day was observed in India on May 11, 2018 to commemorate the anniversary of Pokhran nuclear tests of 1998.

31. International Day for Biological Diversity was observed across the world on May 22, 2018.

32. The World Press Freedom Day was observed across the world on May 3, 2018. 2018. The Theme of this year: Keeping Power in Check: Media, Justice and The Rule of Law.

33. Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has introduced 'View Pension Passbook' Service for pensioners.

Current Affairs Quote Break: Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can. – Arthur Ashe

34. Flipkart co-founder Sachin Bansal quits after Walmart deal with Flipkart. The reason is that Walmart had a condition that it could accommodate only one of the Flipkart founders in the board.

35. Mahathir Mohamad was on May 10, 2018 sworn in as the seventh Prime Minister of Malaysia. Aged 92, he is the oldest elected leader in the world.

36. The Theme of the 15th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas will be "Role of Indian Diaspora in building a New India". It will be held in Varanasi from January 21 to January 23, 2019.

37. The President of United States, Donald Trump on May 8, 2018 announced US withdrawal from the landmark 2015 nuclear deal with Iran.

38. Tunisia prepares for first free municipal elections. The municipal polls will be followed by legislative and presidential votes in 2019.

Current Affairs Quote Break: The secret of success is to do the common things uncommonly well. – John D. Rockefeller

39. Dakota aircraft popularly known as the Gooney Bird joins IAF again.

40. Nobel Prize in Literature will not be awarded this year as stated by The Swedish Academy on May 4, 2018 .

41. Shooter Shahzar Rizvi , an Indian professional shooter, becomes world no.1 in 10m air pistol. Other Indian who is in the top 10 are Jitu Rai placed at sixth and Om Prakash Mitharval placed 12th.

42. Guatemala on May 16, 2018 opened its new embassy in Jerusalem, becoming the second country to do so after the United States. Guatemala Currency is Quetzal (GTQ) and Capital and largest city is Guatemala City.

43. Guwahati Railway Station has become India's first railway station to be run by solar power with around 2352 solar modules with a capacity of generating 700 kW power.

Current Affairs Quote Break: Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day in and day out. – Robert Collier

44. JD(S) leader H D Kumaraswamy has sworn in as the 18th Chief Minister of Karnataka on May 23, 2018.

45. Lancet's Global Burden of Disease study has published its result ranking India 145th among 195 countries in terms of quality and accessibility of healthcare on the Healthcare Access and Quality Index (HAQ Index).

46. Russia on May 19, 2018 launched 'Akademik Lomonosov' making it the world's first floating nuclear power plant at the St Petersburg shipyard.

47. Leisang, a village in Manipur's Senapati district, became the last village to get electricity on April 29, 2018 under the Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY).

48. Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) on May 2, 2018 published its result/report on the world's military expenditure. Top 5 military spenders in 2017 were the United States, China, Saudi Arabia, Russia and India (5th).

Current Affairs Quote Break: The only place where success comes before work is in the dictionary. – Vidal Sassoon

49. Telangana Government with its Chief Minister K Chandrasekhar Rao's has decided to provide 2% quota for sportspersons in government jobs.

50. Paytm has introduced an automatic recurring payments system in its app for its users to configure the payments app to pay for periodic recurring expenses automatically.

51. [Nipah virus outbreak](#) in Kerala