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- World Bank assisted project SMART launched in Maharashtra
- IIT-Madras develops portable cold storage device
- Odisha Government launches Saura Jalnidihi scheme
- Fact Sheet: Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund (FAIDF)
- Global Agriculture Leadership Awards – 2018 and First World Agriculture Prize
- India International Silk Fair 2018 held in New Delhi
- NITI Aayog, Microsoft sign agreement to bring in AI tools for agriculture and healthcare
- Government launches online platform for Agmark quality certification
- Government, FAO launches agriculture project in 5 states with $33.5 million GEF grant
- NITI Aayog calls for clear policy on shifting cultivation
- India, Czech Republic sign five agreements
- Government launches Coffee Connect app and Krishi Tharanga project
- First SAARC Agri Cooperative Business Forum held in Kathmandu, Nepal
- FSSAI notifies standards for honey and its products to curb adulteration
- Scientists for first time decode complex wheat genome
- Only 23% of rural income from farming: NABARD 2016-17 survey
- Ashish Kumar Bhutani appointed CEO of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana
- IFFCO forays into food processing, forms JV with Spanish firm
- Rajasthan first State to implement biofuel policy
- Meghalaya Milk Mission launched in Shillong
- Government notifies ethanol-making directly from sugarcane juice, B-molasses
- India, Rwanda sign eight agreements in various fields
- NABARD launches South East Asia’s first ever Centre for Climate Change in Lucknow
- CCEA approves determination of FRP payable by Sugar Mills for 2018-19 sugar season
- IFFCO iMandi: IFFCO rolls out e-commerce platform for farmers
- India’s genetically modified crop area fifth largest in world: Report
- Cotton Mission: Maharashtra Government signs MoU with MCX to empower cotton farmers
- Government releases draft Model Agricultural Produce and Livestock Contract Farming Act, 2018
- Cabinet approves National Policy on Biofuels, 2018
- Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana: Cabinet approves Micro Irrigation Fund under NABARD

Agri Sector Related Economic News Updates

- Debt waivers to hit states’ capex: Ind-Ra
- No shortage of urea for rabi season in Punjab
- In rare move, Indian state to return unused land to farmers
- National e-repository opens 16 accounts farmers in Bihar
- As polls draw closer, government mulls steps to support farmers in distress
• Loan waivers: No silver lining for farm sector
• Onion prices crash to Re 1 per kilo in wholesale market
• Mustard oil output seen rising on higher MSP
• Azadpur mandi has not gone electronic yet
• Government mulls additional soft loan of Rs 7,400 crore to mills for ethanol expansion
• As agriculture turns uneconomic, farmers turn daily-wagers for survival
• Government asked to import 1 million tonnes of maize to check local price
• Modi's pledge on farm income wilts as crop prices drop
• ICAR has contributed in increasing agriculture production
• Indian farmers get $9 billion loan relief ahead of elections

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• Nitin Gadkari lays foundation stone of 11 projects for Yamuna rejuvenation
• Niti Aayog releases second Delta Ranking of Aspirational districts
• Lok Sabha Passes Triple Talaq Bill
• ‘Made in India’ e-dumper put into trial by Coal India
• Security-service SMEs to grow at 18-20%: CRISIL Research
• Eminent Sitar Player Manju Mehta conferred Tansen Samman, 2018
• Bahuda Rookery: Another Olive Ridley Nesting Site in Odisha
• Islands of Andaman to be renamed after Netaji Bose
• President Ram Nath Kovind will inaugurate the ‘CII Agro Tech 2018’ in Chandigarh on 1 December 2018

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• The six-day ‘Shri Renukaji Fair’ commenced in Himachal Pradesh on 18 November 2018
• The World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims (WDoR) is observed on the third Sunday of November each year
• The annual meeting of World Economic Forum’s (WEF) Global Future Councils began in Dubai on 11 November 2018
• Tajikistan inaugurated a US$ 3.9 billion ‘Rogun hydro-electric project’ on 16 November 2018.
• The two-day summit to mark the World Tolerance Day was inaugurated in Dubai on 16 November 2018.
• The 33rd edition of the ASEAN Summit began in Singapore on 11 November 2018
• Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC) has signed a MoU with the Indian Strategic Petroleum Reserves Ltd
• India and China held the ‘9th Annual Defence and Security Dialogue’ in Beijing, China
• Officials from Australia, India, Japan and the United States will hold the third ‘Quadrilateral’ or Quad meeting in Singapore.
• NITI Aayog has constituted the ‘Himalayan State Regional Council’ to ensure sustainable development of the Himalayan region