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India 17th in global startup ecosystem, up from 37: Report

India rose to 17th position in global startup ecosystem in 2019, up from the 37th spot in 2017, as per StartupBlink. The country list was topped by the US, followed by the UK and Canada. Notably, India was ranked above 27th-placed China.

India rebuilds Chhyoiphel Kundeling monastery in Nepal

India has rebuilt Chhyoiphel Kundeling Monastery in Nepal. Shyalpa Tenzin Rinpoche inaugurated newly reconstructed Monastery at Lisankhu village in Sindhupalchok district. Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of India Dr. Ajay Kumar was also present on the occasion. **The Chhyoiphel Kundeling Monastery was established in 1946 with the active initiation and contribution of Lisankhu villagers.**

India ranks 19th out of 28 countries in Index of Cancer Preparedness (ICP) released by Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU)

The Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) has released the 2019 Index of Cancer Preparedness (ICP) in which out of 28 countries **India is in 19th position from the top has a score of 64.9 out of 100.** The wide range of data indicates variation of cancer preparedness of countries i.e. methods to treat and prevent cancer. The title of the report under which ICP has been introduced is **“Cancer preparedness around the world: National readiness for a global epidemic.”**

Top 3 nations: Australia tops the ICP, followed by the Netherlands and Germany.

Bottom 3 nations: Saudi Arabia, Romania and Egypt lands in bottom 3.

Amartya Sen Chairs at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) for research on inequality

Indian Nobel laureate Amartya Sen, who was Professor of Economics at LSE from 1971-82, is having a chair named after him at the London School of Economics (LSE) for research on inequality. He won the Nobel Prize in Economic sciences in 1998 and honoured with Bharat Ratna in 1999.

Political Neophyte Volodymyr Zelensky, played a president on TV, wins Ukrainian presidential election 2019

In Ukrainian presidential election 2019, Comedian Volodymyr Oleksandrovych Zelensky the ‘Servant of the People’ nominee defeated incumbent Petro Poroshenko, nominee of Petro Poroshenko Bloc “Solidarity”. Mr. Zelensky, 41 year old, received 73% of the vote. He, **sixth president of Ukrain**, hailing from the south-eastern city of Kryvyi Rih.

April 22 observed as a Global Earth Day 2019 with a theme 'Protecting Our Species'

First time on April 22, 2009 United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) has passed a resolution declaring April 22 as 'International Mother Earth Day'. This year the focus is on protecting the species which are on the verge of extinction. **First time, Earth Day was celebrated in the US in 1970. US senator Gaylord Nelson propounded the idea of celebrating the Earth Day.**



National Parks & Wildlife Sanctuaries in India

Name	Place	Famous for
Great Himalayan National Park	Himachal Pradesh	Blue sheep, Snow leopard, Musk Deer
Rajaji National Park	Uttarakhand	Elephants, Tigers
Valley of flowers National Park	Uttarakhand	Snow Leopard, Flora
Corbett National Park	Uttarakhand	Tigers
Dudhwa tiger Reserve	Uttar Pradesh	Tigers
Sariska National Park	Rajasthan	Tigers
Keoladeo National Park or (Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary)	Rajasthan	Birds & Deers