

International Day of Charity

International Day of Charity is observed on 5 September every year to eradicate poverty in all its forms and dimensions to achieve sustainable development goals. It was declared by the United Nations General Assembly in 2012. This date commemorates the anniversary of passing of Mother Teresa who worked tirelessly for the people who are in need, to overcome poverty, distress and suffering of the poorest in the world.

National Teachers' Day

Teachers' Day commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan who was a scholar, recipient of Bharat Ratna, first Vice President and second President of independent India. He was born on 5 September, 1888. He was a grand advocate of edification, and was the distinguished envoy, academician, and India's President, above all a great Teacher.

Vaishno Devi Shrine adjudged as Best Swachh Iconic Place in India

Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine in Jammu and Kashmir has been adjudged as the 'Best Swachh Iconic place' in the country in the 'Swachh Iconic Places' list. The list was released by the Ministry of Jal Shakti, Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation. The shrine has been adjudged on the basis of the overall improvement in sanitation. The President will confer the prestigious award to the Shrine during the Swachh Mahotsav to be organized by the Ministry of Drinking Water & Sanitation on the 6th September.

Crisil cuts FY20 GDP forecast to 6.3%


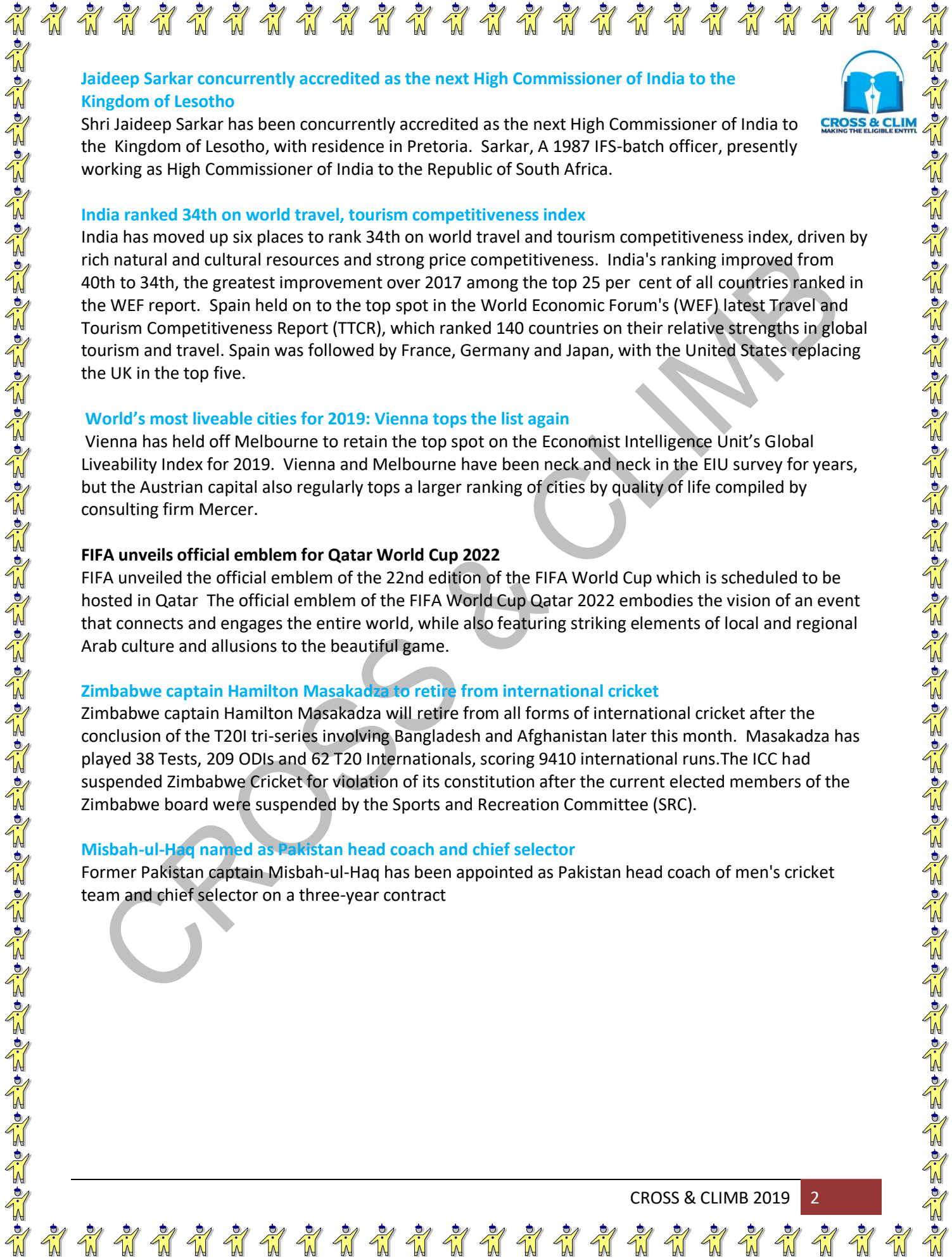
Domestic rating agency Crisil sharply slashed its GDP forecast for FY20 to 6.3 percent from 6.9 percent earlier. The downward review comes days after GDP growth slowed down to a 25-quarter low of 5 percent in the June quarter which significantly is even lower than Pakistan 5.4 percent growth and is due to the slump in private consumption and a near stalling of manufacturing activities.

Eric Cantona to be honoured with UEFA President's Award

Former Manchester United and France legend Eric Cantona is to receive the UEFA President's Award at the Champions League draw in Monaco. The 53-year-old, who won five English championships with Leeds and Manchester United in the 1990s and two French titles with Marseille, joins an illustrious list of previous recipients which includes Johann Cruyff, Alfredo Di Stefano and Eusebio. Cantona is the third Manchester United player to receive the award after Bobby Charlton in 2008 and David Beckham last year.

Muhammad Yunus conferred 'Lamp of Peace of Saint Francis' award by Vatican

Bangladesh Professor Muhammad Yunus was conferred the 'Lamp of Peace of Saint Francis' award by the Vatican. He was given the award at the Basilica of St Francis in Assisi, Italy. The award was conferred for his contribution towards establishing peace and harmony. The award is a recognition for distinguished work by an individual for promoting peace and dialogue among people. The Lamp of Peace award was first given to the Polish trade union leader Lech Walesa in 1981.



Jaideep Sarkar concurrently accredited as the next High Commissioner of India to the Kingdom of Lesotho

Shri Jaideep Sarkar has been concurrently accredited as the next High Commissioner of India to the Kingdom of Lesotho, with residence in Pretoria. Sarkar, A 1987 IFS-batch officer, presently working as High Commissioner of India to the Republic of South Africa.

India ranked 34th on world travel, tourism competitiveness index

India has moved up six places to rank 34th on world travel and tourism competitiveness index, driven by rich natural and cultural resources and strong price competitiveness. India's ranking improved from 40th to 34th, the greatest improvement over 2017 among the top 25 per cent of all countries ranked in the WEF report. Spain held on to the top spot in the World Economic Forum's (WEF) latest Travel and Tourism Competitiveness Report (TTCR), which ranked 140 countries on their relative strengths in global tourism and travel. Spain was followed by France, Germany and Japan, with the United States replacing the UK in the top five.

World's most liveable cities for 2019: Vienna tops the list again

Vienna has held off Melbourne to retain the top spot on the Economist Intelligence Unit's Global Liveability Index for 2019. Vienna and Melbourne have been neck and neck in the EIU survey for years, but the Austrian capital also regularly tops a larger ranking of cities by quality of life compiled by consulting firm Mercer.

FIFA unveils official emblem for Qatar World Cup 2022

FIFA unveiled the official emblem of the 22nd edition of the FIFA World Cup which is scheduled to be hosted in Qatar. The official emblem of the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022 embodies the vision of an event that connects and engages the entire world, while also featuring striking elements of local and regional Arab culture and allusions to the beautiful game.

Zimbabwe captain Hamilton Masakadza to retire from international cricket

Zimbabwe captain Hamilton Masakadza will retire from all forms of international cricket after the conclusion of the T20I tri-series involving Bangladesh and Afghanistan later this month. Masakadza has played 38 Tests, 209 ODIs and 62 T20 Internationals, scoring 9410 international runs. The ICC had suspended Zimbabwe Cricket for violation of its constitution after the current elected members of the Zimbabwe board were suspended by the Sports and Recreation Committee (SRC).

Misbah-ul-Haq named as Pakistan head coach and chief selector

Former Pakistan captain Misbah-ul-Haq has been appointed as Pakistan head coach of men's cricket team and chief selector on a three-year contract.