

September 2018 Current Affairs

- ❑ Prime Minister Launches India Post Payments Bank. Suresh Kumar Sethi is the Managing Director & CEO of IPPB. The list of active Payments Bank are:
- ❑ Aditya Birla Payments Bank, Airtel Payments Bank, India Post Payments Bank, Fino Payments Bank Jio Payments Bank, Paytm Payments Bank
- ❑ Minister of State for AYUSH Shripad Yesso Naik inaugurated the Fourth International Ayurveda Congress (IAvC) at the Netherlands.
- ❑ Binoy Kumar has taken over as Secretary, Ministry of Steel, Government of India.
- ❑ WPP Plc, the world's largest communication services group, announced the appointment of Mark Read as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Executive Director (ED).
- ❑ Japanese swimmer Ikee Rikako has been named as the Most Valuable Player (MVP) of the recently-concluded 18th edition of the Asian Games. The 18-year-old, who bagged six gold and two silver medals in the tournament, became the first female athlete to win the MVP title.
- ❑ International Aviation Summit Held in New Delhi. Alexandre de Juniac is a French businessman, previously served as the Chairman and CEO of Air France and later as CEO of Air France–KLM. He is the current Director General and CEO of the International Air Transport Association.
- ❑ The International Women Entrepreneurs Summit 2018 held in Kathmandu, the capital of Nepal. The theme of the event is "Equality begins with Economic Empowerment".

- ❑ **India-Sri Lanka Joint Navy Exercise SLINEX-2018 Begins in Sri Lanka. Sri Lanka Capitals: Colombo, Sri Jayawardenepura Kotte, Currency: Sri Lankan rupee, President: Maithripala Sirisena.**
- ❑ **Indo-Kazakhstan Joint military Exercise 'KAZIND' will be conducted between the Indian and Kazakhstan Army from 10 to 23 Sep 2018 in Otar region, Kazakhstan. This is the third joint military exercise between the two countries.**
- ❑ **Indo-US defence cooperation, a joint military training Exercise Yudh Abhyas 2018 is scheduled to be conducted in the foothills of Himalayas at Chaubattia in Uttarakhand from 16 September to 29 September 2018. This will be the 14th edition of the joint military exercise hosted alternately by both countries.**
- ❑ **Indo-Mongolia jointmilitary exercise Nomadic Elephant-2018, commenced at Mongolian Armed Forces (MAF) Five Hills Training Area, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia.**
- ❑ **Russia has launched its biggest military exercise since the Cold War named "Vostok-2018". The last Russian exercise of similar scale was in 1981, during the Cold War.**

- ❑ Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) candidate Arif-ur-Rehman Alvi was elected as the 13th President of Pakistan.
- ❑ Dr Poonam Khetrapal Singh unanimously re-elected as Regional Director of WHO South Asia.
- ❑ State-run telecom firm Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd (BSNL) roped in Indian boxer MC Mary Kom as its brand ambassador for two years.
- ❑ Prime Minister Modi inaugurated India's first Global Mobility summit 'MOVE' in New Delhi.
- ❑ The three-day World Hindu Congress commenced in Chicago, the USA. The theme of World Hindu Congress is 'think collectively, achieve valiantly'.
- ❑ State Bank of India (SBI) has appointed Anshula Kant as Managing Director of the Bank. She has been appointed to the post for 2 years.
- ❑ Real Madrid midfielder Luka Modric has been named UEFA Men's Player of the Year for 2017/18. Cristiano Ronaldo (Real Madrid & Portugal) was the UEFA Men's Player of the Year for 2016/17.

- ❑ Axis Bank announced that Amitabh Chaudhry has been appointed as its managing director & CEO from January 1, 2019, for a period of three years.
- ❑ Jack Ma, co-founder of China's largest e-commerce firm Alibaba Group Holding Ltd, will step down as chairman in exactly one year on Sept 10, 2019. Current Alibaba Chief Executive Daniel Zhang will replace him as chairman.
- ❑ India Blue thrashed defending champion India Red by an innings and 187 runs in the final to win the 57th Duleep Trophy at NPR College ground, in Dindigul, Tamil Nadu.
- ❑ India's ace sprinter Hima Das was appointed as Sports Ambassador of Assam.
- ❑ Justice Om Prakash Mishra has been sworn in as new Chief Justice of Nepal.
- ❑ HDFC Life appointed Vibha Padalkar as its new managing director and CEO.
- ❑ After launching the world's largest mobile phone-manufacturing factory in Noida in July 2018, Samsung has now opened its biggest experience centre in Bengaluru, Karnataka.

US Open 2018

Title	Winner	Runner up
Men's Singles	Novak Djokovic (Serbia)	Juan Martín del Potro (Argentina)
Women's Singles	Naomi Osaka (Japan)	Serena Williams (USA)
Men's Doubles	Mike Bryan (USA) Jack Sock (USA)	Łukasz Kubot (Poland) Marcelo Melo (Brazil)
Women's Doubles	Ashleigh Barty (Australia) CoCo Vandeweghe (USA)	Tímea Babos (Hungary) Kristina Mladenovic (France)
Mixed Doubles	Bethanie Mattek-Sands (USA) Jamie Murray (United Kingdom)	Alicja Rosolska (Poland) Nikola Mektić (Croatia)