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- The President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind, addressed the nation on the eve of Independence Day. In his address, the President highlighted the achievements of the country in the past year and urged citizens to work together to build a better future for all.
- The Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi, hoisted the national flag at the Red Fort in New Delhi on Independence Day. In his speech, the Prime Minister called for unity and cooperation among all citizens to overcome the challenges facing the country.
- The Union Home Minister, Shri Amit Shah, reviewed the security arrangements for Independence Day at a meeting in New Delhi. The

Home Minister directed officials to ensure that all necessary security measures are in place to prevent any untoward incident.

International

- The United States and China agreed to resume trade talks after a meeting between US President Donald Trump and Chinese President Xi Jinping at the G20 summit in Osaka, Japan. The two leaders agreed to work towards a fair and balanced trade agreement that benefits both countries.
- The United Kingdom and the European Union agreed to extend the Brexit deadline to October 31, 2019. The extension was granted to allow more time for negotiations on a withdrawal agreement.
- The United Nations Security Council adopted a resolution condemning the use of chemical weapons in Syria. The resolution called for an independent investigation into the alleged use of chemical weapons and for those responsible to be held accountable.

Business

- The Sensex and the Nifty, the two benchmark indices of the Indian stock market, closed at record highs on Independence Day. The Sensex closed at 40,000.96, while the Nifty closed at 11,919.85.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) kept the repo rate unchanged at 6% in its latest monetary policy review. The RBI also maintained its accommodative stance, indicating that it is willing to cut rates further if necessary to support economic growth.

- The International Monetary Fund (IMF) lowered its growth forecast for the global economy in 2019 and 2020. The IMF cited trade tensions and geopolitical uncertainties as the main factors behind the downgrade.

Sports

- India defeated Pakistan by 5 wickets in the Cricket World Cup match at the Old Trafford Cricket Ground in Manchester, England. Rohit Sharma scored a century for India, while Jasprit Bumrah was named the Man of the Match for his bowling performance.
- Rafael Nadal defeated Roger Federer in the Wimbledon final to win his 19th Grand Slam title. Nadal won in straight sets, 6-4, 6-4, 6-2.
- The United States won the Women's World Cup for the fourth time after defeating the Netherlands 2-0 in the final in Lyon, France. Megan Rapinoe was named the Player of the Tournament for her outstanding performances.

Entertainment

- The film "Kabir Singh" was released in India on June 21, 2019. The film is a remake of the Telugu film "Arjun Reddy" and stars Shahid Kapoor and Kiara Advani in the lead roles.
- The TV show "Game of Thrones" ended its eighth and final season on May 19, 2019. The show was one of the most popular and successful TV shows of all time.
- The music video for the song "Old Town Road" by Lil Nas X became the most-viewed video on YouTube in April 2019. The song is a remix

of the Nine Inch Nails song "Ghost" and has been praised for its catchy melody and humorous lyrics.

Science and Technology

- The European Space Agency (ESA) launched the Solar Orbiter spacecraft from the Kennedy Space Center in Florida, USA. The spacecraft will study the Sun's magnetic field and how it affects the Earth.
- Scientists at the University of California, Berkeley, developed a new type of battery that could revolutionize electric vehicles. The battery is made of a new material called silicon anode, which can store more energy than traditional lithium-ion batteries.
- The World Health Organization (WHO) declared the Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo to be a public health emergency of international concern.

Other News

- The world's population reached 7.7 billion in 2019. The United Nations projects that the world's population will reach 8.5 billion by 2030 and 9.7 billion by 2050.
- The global average temperature has increased by about 1 degree Celsius since the late 19th century. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) warns that the world is on track to exceed the 1.5 degree Celsius warming limit set by the Paris Agreement.
- The World Economic Forum released its annual Global Risk Report, which identifies the top risks facing the world in the next 10 years. The

report identifies climate change, extreme weather events, and cyberattacks as the top three risks.



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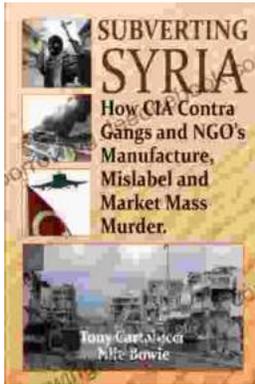
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