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Hindi Diwas being celebrated across country today

Hindi Diwas is being celebrated across the country today. It was on this day in 1949 that the Constituent Assembly adopted Hindi written in Devanagari script as the official language of the country. Today, Hindi is one of the widely spoken languages in the world and the first language of more than 520 million people.

First ever in-person Quad summit to be held on Sept 24: White House

United States President Joe Biden will host the first ever in-person summit of the leaders of the Quad group of countries later this month in Washington DC.

White House Spokesperson Jen Psaki announced that Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison and Japanese Prime Minister Yoshihide Suga will travel to Washington to meet with Biden at the White House on 24th of this month.

The Spokeswoman said, the Quad Leaders will be focused on deepening our ties and advancing practical cooperation on areas such as combatting COVID-19, addressing the climate crisis, partnering on emerging technologies and cyberspace, and promoting a free and open Indo-Pacific.

The Quad is a strategic forum comprising India, Japan, Australia and USA. The Quad leaders held a virtual meeting in March.

Supreme Court asks Centre to revisit its decision of not including death by suicide as COVID-19 death

The Supreme Court today asked the Centre to revisit its decision of not including death by suicide as COVID-19 death even if COVID-19 is an accompanying condition.

A bench comprising Justices M.R. Shah and A.S. Bopanna was considering the fresh guidelines issued by the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to simplify the process of issuance of death certificates.

As per the said guidelines, deaths occurring due to poisoning, suicide, homicide and deaths due to accident, among others, will not be considered as COVID-19 deaths even if COVID-19 is an accompanying condition.

Senior Congress leader Oscar Fernandes passes away

Senior Congress leader Oscar Fernandes passed away in Mangalore yesterday. He was 80 and was hospitalised for a few weeks.

IIT Bombay receives drone use permission from Civil Aviation Ministry, DGCA

Ministry of Civil Aviation and Directorate General of Civil Aviation have granted conditional exemption from Drone Rules, 2021 to Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay.

IIT-B has received drone use permission for research, development and testing of drones in its own premises. This exemption shall be subject to the terms and conditions of the said airspace clearance and shall be valid for a period of one year.

Tamil Nadu govt to set up new Police Commission

Tamil Nadu Government will set up a new Police Commission to get to know the demands and needs of cops.

Chief Minister M. K. Stalin said, a Police Commission will be constituted again to recommend ways to strengthen the relationship between police and public, necessary schemes and new training programs for police personnel. The Government will release 700 life convicts who have been serving sentences for a long tomorrow, the Birth Anniversary of former Chief Minister C. N. Annadurai.

J&K: MoS Minority Affairs inaugurates Water Supply Scheme at Halpal in Kupwara

Union Minister of State for Minority Affairs John Barla, who is in Kashmir for two-day tour to Kupwara district as part of Government's Public Outreach Programme inaugurated Water Supply Scheme at Halpal in Kupwara town yesterday. The scheme will provide potable drinking water to 5,000 population. It was completed at a cost of 2.82 crore rupees.

On this occasion, the Minister met Youth Club of the local area and also visited Sub-District Hospital, Kupwara. He also reviewed COVID mitigation efforts made by District Administration and was informed that government has provided 3,000 LPM capacity oxygen plant which has benefited the district to a large extent.