

September 24th news:

National issues:

- **Tihar Jail, largest jail in India got its first open air gymnasium**

Open-air gyms for prisoners has now been set up in jail number 1 of Tihar in west Delhi, which is the largest and the most populated prison in India with over 14,400 inmates. This gym is mostly used by elderly prisoners facing problems, like obesity or arthritis.

- **India third in nuclear power installations: study**

According to the World Nuclear Industry Status report-2017, India is third in the world in the number of nuclear reactors being installed, at six, while China is leading at 20. As per report....

- The number of nuclear reactor units under construction is, however, declining globally for the fourth year in a row, from 68 reactors at the end of 2013 to 53 by mid-2017
- In India, five out of the six reactors under construction are behind schedule. Eight nuclear power projects have been under construction globally for a decade or more, of which three have been so for over 30 years.
- Global nuclear power generation increased by 1.4% in 2016 due to a 23% increase in China, though the share of nuclear energy in electricity generation stagnated at 10.5%.
- By comparison, globally, wind power output grew by 16% and solar power by 30%. Wind power increased generation by 132 TWh (terawatt hours) or 3.8 times, and solar power by 77 TWh or 2.2 times more than nuclear power's 35 TWh respectively. Renewables represented 62% of global power generating capacity additions.

Economy issues:

- **Pradhan Mantri LPG Panchayat launched**

Union Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas Dharmendra Pradhan on 23rd September launched Pradhan Mantri LPG Panchayat at Mota Ishanpur village in Gandhinagar district of Gujarat.

- In total one lakh Pradhan Mantri LPG Panchayats would be organized across the country in next one and half year to provide an interactive platform to the rural LPG users
- LPG Panchayat will serve as an interactive platform between those who received LPG cylinders under PMUY, officials, LPG distributors and NGOs.

In one panchayat, around 100 LPG customers of nearby areas will share their experiences with each others. They can also share their problems and suggestions.

- The panchayats will also include safe practices, quality of service provided by distributors and availability of refill cylinders

Sports news:

- **Mary Kom to be AIBA representative at IOC athletes' forum**

Five-time world champion and Olympic bronze-medalist M C Mary Kom has become the first Indian to be picked as the International Boxing Association's (AIBA) representative for the IOC Athletes' Forum scheduled in November.

- She has been invited to attend the 8th International Olympic Committee's (IOC) Athletes' Forum in Lausanne from November 11th to 13th
- If Mary Kom is selected for the tournament after trials later this month, her participation at the IOC event would become uncertain.

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