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NATIONAL

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi while discussing the use of AI at the RAISE 2020 virtual summit said, "We must protect the world against weaponisation of AI by non-state actors."
- The 12th BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa) Summit will be held virtually for the first time in its history on November 17, Russia, the chair of the five-nation bloc, announced.
- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman after the 42nd GST Council meeting announced that this year's compensation cess collected, amounting to ₹20,000 crore, will be disbursed to the states.
- The number of coronavirus containment zones in Delhi has exceeded 2,700 with increase in COVID-19 tests.
- Haryana Police said a gang had allegedly escaped with a container truck carrying five Mercedes cars worth ₹3.5 crore in Nuh district, but the case was cracked within hours on Monday.
- Punjab Chief Minister Amarinder Singh on Monday said his government would pass either a resolution or a Bill in the Punjab Assembly to counter the "dangerous impact" of the three farm laws of the Centre.
- AP Singh, the lawyer who defended the convicts in the 2012 Nirbhaya gangrape and murder case, will defend the four accused in the Hathras case.
- UP Police have filed 19 cases across the state in the aftermath of the alleged rape and death of a Dalit woman in Hathras.
- Two men carrying 130 kilograms of cannabis worth ₹45 lakh in a car were arrested after a gunfight with the police in Noida on Sunday, a police spokesperson said.
- Bombay HC on Monday reserved its order on actor Kangana Ranaut's petition seeking compensation for demolition at her Mumbai office-cum-residence by BMC last month.
- Maharashtra public health department has managed to collect only ₹4,860 in fine across the state since May for spitting in public due to lack of manpower.
- The CBI said that Karnataka Congress chief DK Shivakumar allegedly amassed disproportionate assets worth over ₹74 crore when he served as a minister in the state government.
- West Bengal BJP President Dilip Ghosh on Monday said Bengal is becoming a 'Mafia-raj' state just like Uttar Pradesh and Bihar.
- The police on Monday seized 1,010 kg of ganja worth ₹1.3 crore in Hyderabad, which was being illegally transported in a lorry from Koraput district in Odisha to Uttar Pradesh via Telangana.





- DC defeated RCB by 59 runs on Monday. With the victory, DC jumped to top of the IPL 2020 points table with eight points, while RCB remain on the third spot.
- Tata Consultancy Services on Monday became the second Indian firm after Reliance Industries to achieve a market valuation of over ₹10 lakh crore.

INTERNATIONAL

- US President Donald Trump returned to the White House on Monday after being treated for coronavirus at the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center.
- White House Press Secretary Kayleigh McEnany on Monday said that she has tested positive for coronavirus while "experiencing no symptoms".
- Iran's Health Ministry on Monday said that 26 of its 31 provinces are on a COVID-19 red alert amid rising cases and deaths. Authorities recorded 3,902 new COVID-19 cases and 235 deaths in the past 24 hours.
- 15,841 cases in England were not reported from September 25 to October 2 because the Microsoft Excel spreadsheet containing the test results reportedly reached its maximum size.
- Wildfires in US' California state have burned over 40 lakh acres in 2020, over twice the previous record of 16.7 lakh acres in 2018, according to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.
- Switzerland's Geneva, one of the world's most expensive cities to live in, will introduce a minimum hourly wage of 23 Swiss francs (₹1,830), believed to be the highest in the world.
- China's Alibaba has agreed to buy as much as a 9.99% stake in Switzerland-based duty-free retailer Dufry AG.
- The Indonesian government is in early discussions with billionaire Elon Musk's Tesla about a potential investment in the nation.
- Doctor Michael Ryan, the head of emergencies at WHO, on Monday said that WHO's "best estimates" indicate that about 10% of the global population may have been infected by the coronavirus.
- The coronavirus pandemic has disrupted mental health services in around 121 of the 130 countries surveyed by the World Health Organization (WHO).
- New Zealand "beat the virus again", PM Jacinda Ardern said on Monday after the country marked 12 days without a domestic transmission of coronavirus.

