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- The number of coronavirus cases in India has reached 76,51,107 as 54,044 people tested positive in the last 24 hours, according to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
- The National Testing Agency has clarified that news about a candidate emerging as the topper in ST category after rechecking is fake and that the results were vetted well before publishing.
- Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal on Tuesday said that 569 students from Delhi government schools have cleared the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET), of which 67% are girls.
- A total of 144 challans were issued to passengers for violating the COVID-19 guidelines while travelling in the Delhi Metro, according to DCP (Metro), Jitendra Mani.
- Two medical officers at the Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College in AMU connected to the Hathras case were removed .
- Maharashtra has become the first state in the country to cap the prices of facemasks. Two and three-ply surgical masks in the state cannot be sold for more than ₹3 and ₹4 respectively, while N95 masks would have to be priced between ₹19 and ₹49.
- Five people were killed and 34 others were injured when the bus they were travelling in fell into a nearly 30-feet-deep gorge in Nandurbar district, Maharashtra in the early hours of Wednesday, said the police.
- Hyderabad law student Ramagiri Swarika, who claims to be the country's first female micro-artist, has written the Bhagavad Gita on 4,042 grains of rice.
- A sub-inspector in Andhra Pradesh's Avanigadda performed the last rites of a 72-year-old COVID-19 patient who had committed suicide.
- Indian Army flood relief teams have been put on standby in Hyderabad and Secunderabad for rescue operations as heavy rains have been forecast for next few days, Hyderabad's Defence Public Relations Office said.
- Reliance Jio and US-based Qualcomm along with its wholly-owned subsidiary Radisys Corporation announced their efforts to develop 5G architecture in India.
- Brothers Raj and Manoj Menda-owned developer RMZ Corp will sell 12.5 million square feet of its commercial properties to Canada's Brookfield Asset Management in the biggest real estate deal in India.



- Asia's richest banker Uday Kotak has said his father and grandfather asked him to "forget cricket" after a ball hit his head causing a serious injury when he was 20. "

INTERNATIONAL

- ExxonMobil offered a clarification after US President Donald Trump invoked the oil giant's name when he said he could raise more money than his rival Joe Biden.
- Amid reports that India could open trade talks with Taiwan, China said India should abide by the one-China policy and approach ties with Taiwan "prudently and properly".
- More than 240 people will undergo testing for hepatitis B and C, and HIV, after blood glucose test devices intended for use on one person, were used on multiple people while they were in quarantine at a hotel in Victoria, Australia.
- A series of earthquakes with a preliminary magnitude of up to 5.7 hit Iceland on Tuesday and the tremors were felt as Prime Minister Katrin Jakobsdottir was giving a live interview from her office to The Washington Post.
- The Canadian town of Asbestos has voted to rename itself 'Val-des-Sources', meaning 'Valley of the Sources' in English.
- American historian Professor Allan Lichtman, who accurately predicted every US presidential election since 1984, has said Donald Trump will lose the 2020 race to Joe Biden.
- The first lady Melania Trump has decided not to accompany US President Donald Trump to a campaign rally in Pennsylvania due to a "lingering cough" from coronavirus, Stephanie Grisham, her chief of staff, said.
- Speaking on India's announcement that Australia will join the Malabar naval exercise, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Zhao Lijian said that China has "taken note of this development".
- A Miami police officer could face suspension after he was photographed wearing a Trump face mask while in uniform at an early voting site.
- China said that the US "should immediately stop using the Tibet issue to interfere" in its internal affairs, after Lobsang Sangay, head of the Tibetan government-in-exile, met a US State Department official.
- Russia said it's ready to accept a US-proposed freeze on each side's nuclear warheads and to extend the New START (Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty) accord by one year.

