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- Goa government launched Crime and Criminal Tracking and Networking System
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## *India ranked as 5th most vacation deprived nation*

- ✓ India ranks as the fifth most vacation deprived country globally with 60 percent respondents corroborating with the view, Expedia Vacation Deprivation Report 2017.
- ✓ South Korea stood at 1<sup>st</sup> position with 82 percent, followed by France (66 percent), Malaysia (65 percent) and Hong Kong (64 percent), it added. Among the least vacation deprived country Norway is ranked number one at 38 percent followed by the Netherlands (39 percent).



## *Goa government launched Crime and Criminal Tracking and Networking System*

- ✓ Goa Chief Minister Manohar Parrikar launched Crime and Criminal Tracking and Networking System (CCTNS) in the state which will provide the police with an access to the national database of history-sheeters.
- ✓ The initiative, a part of Union Home Ministry's National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB). Uttar Pradesh accounted for 9.5% of total crimes reported in the country.



## *UK Tops Forbes' List of Best Countries for Business in 2018*

- ✓ The United Kingdom has topped Forbes' rankings of best countries in the world for business in 2018 for the first time, up from fifth last year. The list ranks 153 countries on 15 factors including property rights, innovation, taxes and red tape.
- ✓ The UK is followed by New Zealand and the Netherlands, while India was ranked 62nd on the list. The UK's \$2.6 trillion economy is the fifth largest in the world.



## *Ramnath Goenka award given to 27 journalists*

- ✓ Ramnath Goenka Excellence in Journalism Award given to 27 journalists at an event in Delhi. Vice President Venkaiah Naidu was the chief guest at the event. Among the winners were 17 journalists from print media and 10 from broadcast media.
- ✓ The Ramnath Goenka Awards “recognise courage and commitment and showcase the outstanding contributions of journalists from across the country”. The winners were awarded Rs 1 lakh and a trophy.



## *Odisha state government signed MoU with KfW of Germany*

- ✓ Odisha state government signed a MoU with KfW, a development bank of Germany to avail a concessional long-term loan for strengthening urban infrastructures.
- ✓ According to the MoU, the German-based bank would provide low cost and long-term funds worth Rs 440 crore for a period of 10 years to take up projects like energy efficient street lighting, reclamation and development of water bodies, solid waste management, sewerage systems, water supply, stormwater drainage across 113 urban local bodies (ULBs).



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