

CURRENT AFFAIRS – SEPTEMBER 2019

1. **Houston** city hosted the Howdy Modi event where PM Narendra Modi and US President Donald Trump shared the stage together.
2. **PT Usha** was recently awarded with International Association of Athletics Federation (IAAF) Veteran Pin Prize.
3. **PM Narendra Modi** was conferred with the "**Global Goalkeeper**" award by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation on September 24, 2019 for his leadership in India's massive Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.
4. India's first corporate-run train slated to run from Lucknow to Delhi on October 4, 2019- **Tejas Express**.
5. **J & K** became the first UT to issue the highest number of Golden Cards under Ayushman Bharat scheme.
6. **Rakesh Kumar Singh Bhadauria** took charge as the 26th chief of the Indian Air Force succeeding Air Chief Marshal BS Dhanoa.
7. **Rajnath Singh** has become the first Defence Minister to fly indigenously-built Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) Tejas.
8. **Telangana** state has decided to celebrate the year of 2020 as the Year of **Artificial Intelligence (AI)**.
9. **Vinesh Phogat** recently became the first Indian wrestler to qualify for 2020 Tokyo Olympics.
10. **Pankaj Advani** set a new record in cue sports by winning his 22nd World Billiards Title at the IBSF World Billiards Championship 2019.
11. Name the world-renowned chef whose directorial debut- 'The Last Colour' won the Best Feature Film award at the Indian International Film Festival of Boston- **Vikas Khanna**.
12. **Justice P Lakshman Reddy** has been appointed as the first **Lokayukta** of Andhra Pradesh.
13. **Mayank Vaid** has become the 44th person in the world and the first Indian to complete the **Enduroman** — a triathlon from England to France which is considered to be one of the toughest endurance competitions in the world.
14. **UNESCO** has decided to translate and publish an anthology of the writings of Guru Nanak Dev in world languages to mark his 550th birth anniversary.
15. India's most renowned and respected criminal lawyers who passed away at the age of 95 on September 8, 2019- **Ram Jethmalani**
16. Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently inaugurated South Asia's first cross-border oil pipeline. The pipeline will connect India with which nation? – Nepal.
17. India's tallest **Air Traffic Control tower** was inaugurated at Indira Gandhi International Airport to enhance safety and efficiency of air transport management services.
18. **National Animal Disease Control Programme** was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi which aims to control the livestock diseases by 2025 and eradicate these by 2030.
19. **Ministry of Railways** won the Swachh Bharat award in Swachhta Action Plan category.

20. **Anand Kumar**, educator and founder of Super 30 from Bihar has been awarded Education Excellence Award 2019 by US based organisation Foundation for Excellence.
21. Name the Indian classical singer after whom a **minor planet** (located between Mars and Jupiter) has been named- Pandit Jasraj.
22. FIFA's Best Men's Player Award 2019- **Lionel Messi**.
23. FIFA's Best Women's Player Award 2019- **Megan Rapinoe**.
24. Name the Sri Lankan cricketer who has become the first bowler to claim 100 wickets in T20 internationals- **Lasith Malinga**.
25. Theme of the International Day of Peace 2019 – **Climate Action for Peace**.