

MARUTHI SCHOOL OF BANKING (MSB)
IMPORTANT MATCH POINTS – JANUARY - 2018

- India's ranking on the 2017 IMD World Talent Ranking topped by Switzerland – **51st**
- India's nominee to International Court of Justice (ICJ) who has been re-elected to the fifth and last seat of world court – **DalveerBhadari**
- The city where the Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CCMB) is based – **Hyderabad**
- The venue of the recent 42nd World Congress of the International Committee of Military Medicine (ICMM) – **New Delhi**
- The person conferred with 2017 Tata Literature Live Lifetime Achievement Award – **GirishKarnad**
- The city where the fortnight-long Tribal Festival AadiMahotsav was held recently – **New Delhi**
- The person appointed to Financial Stability Institute Advisory Board (FSAB) of Bank of International Settlement (BIS) – **Urjit Patel**
- The place in the Philippines where PM NarendraModi inaugurated 'ShriNarendraModi Resilient Rice Field Laboratory' at the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) recently – **Los Banos**
- The project launched by the Indian Railways to upgrade the skill sets of its 13 lakh-strong workforce in a time-bound manner – **Project Saksham**
- The joint security exercise conducted by Odisha and West Bengal to tighten the existing coastal security mechanism – **SagarKavach**
- The state where the Namami Barak festival was held recently – **Assam**
- The name of the bilateral military exercise between India and Myanmar held recently at Umroi in Meghalaya – **IMBAX 2017**
- The host country for the first WHO Global Ministerial Conference on Ending TB in Sustainable Development Era – **Russia**
- The person conferred with the Indira Gandhi Prize for peace, disarmament and development this year – **Manmohan Singh**
- Miss International 2017 – **Kevin Lilliana**
- Miss World 2017 – **ManushiChhillar**
- Winner of 2017 ATP Finals in London – **GrigorDimitrov**
- The sector which was granted infrastructure status by the govt recently – **Logistics**
- The amount the Bharat-22 exchange traded fund (ETF) has garnered – **Rs 14500 cr**
- The person appointed as an executive director to SEBI recently – **AnandRajeshwarBaiwar**
- Winner of the 2017 Cervantes Prize – **Sergio Ramirez**
- The country ranked on top in terms of per capita GDP in the IMF's recent World Economic outlook report – **Qatar**
- India's position – **126th**
- The host city for the Global Entrepreneurship Summit 2017 – **Hyderabad**
- The firm which has launched a \$1-bn funding plan to transform smart cities – **Cisco**
- The venue of the 48th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) – **Goa**
- The firm which is managing Bharat-22 Exchange Traded Fund – **ICICI Prudential MF**
- The theme of the 37th India International trade Fair (IITF) – **Startup India : Standup India**

- The country which recently approved yoga as a sports activity – **Saudi Arabia**
- India's ranking on the World Bank's 'Doing Business 2018 : Reforming to Create jobs' report – **100th**
- The secretariat of the International Energy Agency (IEA) is in – **Paris**
- The venue of India's first Global Tribal Entrepreneurship Summit – **Dantewada, Chhattisgarh**
- The proposed nation in outer space that is free from the control of existing nations – **Asgardia**
- The president of 36th International Geological Congress (IGC) to be hosted 2020 – **Vijay Prasad Dimri**
- The city where the curtainraiser for the founding ceremony of the International Solar Alliance (ISA) was held recently – **Bonn, Germany**
- The country which voted recently in favour of legalising same-sex marriage in a historical poll – **Australia**
- The country where the army took over the govt from President Robert Mugabe – **Zimbabwe**
- Winner of the 2017 Brazillian Grand Prix F1 championship – **Sebastian Vettel**
- The venue of the recent 10th South Asia Economic Summit (SAES) – **Kathmandu**
- The four nations that have formed a quad to counter China – **India, US, Japan, Australia**
- The year by which India is expected to pip Japan to become world's third largest economy – **2028**
- The host of the 2018 FIFA World Cup – **Russia**
- The Chief Justice of Bangladesh who resigned recently – **Surendra Kumar Sinha**
- The state which has topped in opening new PMJDY accounts after demonetisation – **Uttar Pradesh**
- The Padma Shri awardee author who died recently – **Manu Sharma**
- Winner of the IBSF World Billiards Championship in Doha – **Pankaj Advani**
- The two countries whose border area witnessed a 7.3 – magnitude earthquake recently, killing at least 400 people – **Iraq and Iran**
- The President of Slovenia who was reelected recently – **Borut Pahor**
- The recipient of the Mother Teresa Memorial Award for Social Justice, 2017 – **UNHCR**
- The former French Culture Minister who is the new Director General of the UNESCO – **Audrey Azoulay**
- The venues of the 2017 APEC Summit – **Danang, Vietnam**
- The first state in the country to treat Hepatitis – C patients of all categories through oral medicine – **Haryana**
- The date by which the United Kingdom will exit the European Union (EU) – **29 Mar 2019 (at 11 pm)**
- The state which has appointed Phanindra Sama as Chief Innovation Officer – **Telengana**
- The city where the Nordic-Baltic embassies hosted the first-ever youth film festival of the European nations – **New Delhi**
- The city with which the Delhi govt recently signed a twin city agreement – **Seoul**
- The Indian-origin minister in the UK who resigned recently – **Priti Patel**
- The bank which recently received RBI's nod to open offices in Kuwait and Singapore – **Federal Bank**

- The state which has declared Urdu as its second official language – **Telengana**
- Winner of Israel's 2018 Genesis Prize, also known as the "Jewish Nobel Prize" – **Natalie Portman**
- The host of the 2018 Women's Hockey World Cup – **London**
- The short film which won the Best Short Film Award at the South Asian Film Festival of Montreal – **The School Bag**
- The train inaugurated by the PM of India recently to improve connectivity with Bangladesh – **Bandhan Express**
- The world's most visited city by international travellers in 2017 – **Hong kong**
- Winner of the women's singles title in the Senior National Badminton Championship 2017 – **Saina Nehwal**
- The city which was recently included in the UNESCO Creative Cities list – **Chennai**
- The insurer which has won the "General Insurance company of the Year" award – **Apollo Munich**
- Winner of the men's singles title in the Senior National Badminton Championship 2017 – **HS Prannoy**
- The new word-limit for tweets on Twitter – **280-character**
- The one-horn rhino which is the official mascot of the 2017 AIBA Youth Women's World Boxing Championship – **Guppy**
- The first man to take two hat-tricks in the same first-class cricket match – **Mitchell Stare**
- The amount is to be infused from the Union Budget in the proposed Rs. 2.11 – lakh – cr recapitalisation package for PSBs – **Rs.18139 cr**
- The venue of the 23rd annual "conference of the parties" (COP) under the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) – **Bonn, Germany**
- The long-range sub-sonic cruise missile whose flight test was conducted recently – **Nirbhay**
- The joint military exercise held between India and Bangladesh recently – **Sampriti – 7**
- The new Finance Secretary in the present govt – **Hasmukh Adhia**
- The venue of the 2017 Commonwealth Shooting Federation Championships in which India won 20 medals – **Brisbane, Australia**
- The winner of the UNESCO Asia Pacific Award of Merit 2017 – **Sri Ranganathaswamy temple**
- The price of the new series of Sovereign Gold Bonds (SGBs) – **Rs.2934 per gram**
- The firm which has established India's largest Coke Dry Quenching (CDQ) facility in Odisha – **Tata Steel**
- The state where the annual 'Balihatra' festival was held recently – **Odisha**
- The bank which has launched India's first voice-based international remittance service with Apple – **ICICI Bank**
- The bank which has made online transactions through RTGS and NEFT free from Nov 1 – **HDFC Bank**
- Winner of the 2017 Panasonic Open India gold tournament – **Shiv Kapur**
- Winner of the Women's Asia Cup 2017 hockey title – **India**
- The Belgian king who visited New Delhi recently – **King Philippe**
- The ambassador of the AIBA Women's Youth World Champions – **MC Mary Kom**

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- The Lebanese Prime Minister who resigned recently – **Saad-al-Hariri**
- The host for the ‘Nobel Prize Series - India 2018’ – **Goa**
- The present President of Armenia who visited New Delhi recently – **SerzhSargsyan**
- The venue of the International Energy Forum’s 7th Asian Ministerial Energy Roundtable (AMER7) – **Bangkok**
- The ‘word of the year’ chosen by Collins dictionary – **fake news**
- The small finance bank which received RBI’s approval recently to operate as Scheduled Commercial Bank – **AU Small Finance Bank**

Date	Important day
4 January	World Braille Day(207th birth anniversary of Louis Braille)
9 January	Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (NRI Day)
10 January	World Hindi Day
12 January	National Youth Day
15 January	69 th Indian Army Day
24 January	National girl child day
25 January	National Voters Day
26 January	International Customs Day
26 January	68 th Republic Day
27 January	International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust
29 January	World Leprosy Day (last Sunday of January)

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