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Sports

- ▶ 2nd Elite Women's National Boxing Championships held in Haryana.
- ▶ Indian Wells Masters tennis Title (also known as BNP Paribas Open), held at Indian Wells Tennis Garden in Indian Wells, California (US) -
 - ▶ Men's Singles - Juan Martin Del Potro (Argentina) (*defeated Roger Federer (Switzerland)*)
 - ▶ Women's Singles - Naomi Osaka (Japan) (*Defeated Daria Kasatkina (Russia)*)
 - ▶ Men's Doubles - USA's John Isner AND Jack Sock
 - ▶ Women's Doubles - Hsieh Su-wei (Chinese Taipei) AND Barbora Strycova (Czech Republic)
- ▶ 'Son of Dreams' has been unveiled as official Mascot of FIBA Basketball World Cup 2019 to be held in 8 Chinese Cities in August to September 2019.
- ▶ 10th Asian Airgun Championships Held in Wako, Japan -
 - ▶ India won 21 medals at the event Including 6 Gold, 8 Silver and 7 Bronze. Gold Medals are -
 - ▶ Samiksha Dhingra - 10m Air Rifle Women Junior
 - ▶ Mehuli Ghosh - 10m Air Rifle Women Youth
 - ▶ Saurabh Chaudhary - 10m Air Pistol Men Youth
 - ▶ Team Events - 10m Air Rifle Men Youth, 10m Air Pistol Men Youth AND 10m Air Pistol Men
 - ▶ India Secured 4 places for 2018 Summer Youth Olympic Games (3rd) to be held in Buenos Aires (Argentina) - Mehuli Ghosh, Tushar Mane, Saurabh Chaudhary and Manu Bhaker.
- ▶ 13th Commonwealth Wrestling Championships 2017 Orgznied in Johannesburg (South Africa). India won 60 Medals Including 29 Gold Medals at this event.
- ▶ 17th IAAF World Indoor Championships held in Birmingham (United Kingdom) -
 - ▶ 632 athletes from 144 nations participated in 26 Events.

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	USA	6	10	2	18
2	Ethiopia	4	1	0	5
3	Poland	2	2	1	5
4	Great Britain & Northern Ireland	2	1	4	7
5	Authorized Neutrial Atheletes (ANA)	2	1	0	3
- ▶ India could not win a medal at the event. 1 Indian Athelete participated in event - Siddhant Thingalaya (Track and field athlete).
- ▶ 2016-17 Men's FIH Hockey World League Final in Bhubaneswar (Odisha) -
 - ▶ Australia won their FIH Hockey World League title after defeating Argentina in Final. Third place was grabbed by India.
- ▶ 2017 BWF Badminton Super Series Finals held in Dubai (it was final competition of 2017 BWF Super Series) -
 - ▶ Men's Singles - Viktor Axelsen (Denmark)
 - ▶ Women's Singles - Akane Yamaguchi (Japan) (She defeated India's P V Sindhu)
 - ▶ Men's Doubles - Indonesia's Markus Fernaldi Gideon AND Kevin Sanjaya Sukamuljo
 - ▶ Women's Doubles - Japan's Shiho Tanaka AND Koharu Yonemoto

9. ▶ 2017 World Weightlifting Championships held in Anaheim (USA) -

Medal table -

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	Colombia	2	1	2	5
	Iran	2	1	2	5
3	Georgia	2	0	1	3
4	Thailand	1	3	1	5
5	Chile	1	1	0	2
	Vietnam	1	1	0	2

India Ranked 9th Jointly with Chinese Taipei, Romania, South Korea and Spain with 1 Gold Medal Each. Saikhom Mirabai Chanu (Manipur) won Gold for India in 48 kg category.

During These Championships, India's Gurdeep Singh created three new senior **national** records in +105 kg weight category in snatch, clean and jerk, and the total lift. He couldn't win a medal in the Championships Though.

10. ▶ 2018 Asian Wrestling Championships held at Bishkek (Kyrgyzstan).

Medal Tally -

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	China	7	1	6	14
2	Iran	6	2	2	10
3	Uzbekistan	4	5	6	15
4	Kazakhstan	4	2	11	17
5	Japan	3	7	8	18
6	Kyrgyzstan	2	3	6	11
7	North Korea	2	1	0	3
8	Mongolia	1	5	6	12
9	India	1	1	6	8
10	South Korea	0	2	6	8
11	Qatar	0	1	0	1
12	Turkmenistan	0	0	1	1
Total		30	30	58	118

India at the Event -

India secured 9th Rank, with 8 Medals (1 Gold, 1 Silver and 6 Bronze).

Navjot Kaur won 1st ever gold medal for India in Asian Wrestling championships, after She defeated Imai Miyu of Japan in 65 kg freestyle. Vinesh Phogat claimed silver medal. She also became World No. 2 in 65 kg category as per the latest rankings by United World Wrestling.

Bronze - Bajrang Punia, Vinod Kumar Omprakash, Rajender Kumar, Harpreet Singh, Sangeeta Phogat AND Sakshi Malik.

11. ▶ 2018 Asian Youth and Junior Weightlifting Championships in Urgench (Uzbekistan) -

India won 6 Medals, 5 in Youth Championships and 1 in Junior Championships (Bronze by JEREMY Lalrinnunga).

Medals in Youth Championships - SURAJIT Changmai (Bronze), GOGOI Sidhant (Bronze), JACOB Vanlalitluanga (Bronze), SHEULI Achinta (Silver), JEREMY Lalrinnunga (Silver).

India will host Asian Weightlifting Championships in 2019.

12. ▶ 2018 Badminton Asia Championships Held in Wuhan (China) -

Winners -

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Men's singles	Kento Momota (Japan)	Chen Long (China)	Lee Chong Wei (Malaysia)
			H. S. Prannoy (India)
Women's singles	Tai Tzu-ying (Chinese Taipei)	Chen Yufei (China)	Saina Nehwal (India)
			Sung Ji-hyun (South Korea)
Men's doubles	Li Junhui (China) Liu Yuchen (China)	Takeshi Kamura (Japan) Keigo Sonoda (Japan)	Huang Kaixiang (China) Wang Yili (China)
			Liu Cheng (China) Zhang Nan (China)
Women's doubles	Yuki Fukushima (Japan) Sayaka Hirota (Japan)	Misaki Matsutomo (Japan) Ayaka Takahashi (Japan)	Della Destiara Haris (Indonesia) Rizki Amelia Pradipta (Indonesia)
			Kim So-yeong (South Korea) Kong Hee-yong (South Korea)

Mixed doubles	Wang Yili (China)	Tontowi Ahmad (Indonesia)	Zheng Siwei (China)
	Huang Dongping (China)	Liliyana Natsir (Indonesia)	Huang Yaqiong (China)
			Zhang Nan (China)
			Li Yinhui (China)

Medal Table -

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	China	2	2	4	8
2	Japan	2	2	0	4
3	Chinese Taipei	1	0	0	1
4	Indonesia	0	1	1	2
5	India	0	0	2	2
	South Korea	0	0	2	2
7	Malaysia	0	0	1	1

13. ▶ 2018 Barcelona Open Banco Sabadell Men's Tennis Title -

🔵 Singles - Rafael Nadal (Spain)

🔵 Doubles - Spain's Feliciano López AND Marc López

14. ▶ 2018 Chennai Open Challenger Tennis Title -

🔵 Singles - Jordan Thompson (Australia), Defeating India's Yuki Bhambri

🔵 Doubles - India's Sriram Balaji AND Vishnu Vardhan

15. ▶ 2018 Hyundai Archery World Cup Round 1 (Shanghai (China)) -

🔵 India - (2 Bronze). Medalists -

🔵 Bronze for Abhishek Verma (Compound Men)

🔵 Bronze for Recurve Mixed Team (Atanu Das and Ankita Bhakat).

16. ▶ 2018 Hyundai Archery World Cup Round 2 (Antalya (Turkey)) -

🔵 India - (2 Silver and 1 Bronze). Medalists -

🔵 Silver - Jyothi Surekha Vennam (Compound Women), Recurve Mixed Team (Atanu Das and Deepika Kumari)

🔵 Bronze - Compound Mixed Team (Abhishek Verma AND Jyothi Surekha Vennam)

17. ▶ 2018 Indian Premier League (IPL) Auctions -

🔵 Among Indian players, Jaydev Unadkat became most expensive at INR 11.5 crores, bought by Rajasthan Royals.

🔵 Overall, Ben Stokes (England) became costliest buy with 12.5 Cr spent on him by Rajasthan Royals.

🔵 Sandeep Lamichhane became first Nepali cricketer to get IPL contract after he was bought by Delhi Daredevils for 20 Lakh.

18. ▶ 2018 Kunming Open Tennis Title (China) -

🔵 Men's Singles - Prajnesh Gunneswaran (India), defeated Mohamed Safawat (Egypt)

🔵 Women's Singles - Irina Khromacheva (Russia)

🔵 Men's Doubles - Aliaksandr Bury (Belarus) AND Lloyd Harris (South Africa)

🔵 Women's Doubles - Dalila Jakupović (Slovenia) AND Irina Khromacheva (Russia)

19. ▶ 2018 Maharashtra Men's Tennis Title (Also called Tata Open) -

🔵 Men's Singles - Gilles Simon (France), defeating South Africa's Kevin Anderson

20. ▶ 2018 Maharashtra Tata Open Men's Tennis Championship -

🔵 Singles - Gilles Simon (France), Defeated Kevin Anderson (South Africa)

🔵 Doubles - Netherlands' Robin Haase AND Matwé Middelkoop

21. ▶ 2018 Monte - Carlo Masters Men's Tennis Tournament (France) -

🔵 Singles - Rafael Nadal (Spain)

🔵 Doubles - USA's Bob Bryan AND Mike Bryan

22. ▶ 2018 Mutua Madrid Open Tennis Title (Spain) -

🔵 Men's Singles - Alexander Zverev (Germany)

🔵 Women's Singles - Petra Kvitová (Czech Republic)

🔵 Men's Doubles - Nikola Mektić (Croatia) AND Alexander Peya (Austria)

🔵 Women's Doubles - Ekaterina Makarova (Russia) AND Elena Vesnina (Russia)

🔵 Spanish Tennis Player Rafael Nadal broke John McEnroe's 34-year record by winning his 50th consecutive set on clay at Madrid Open.

23. ▶ 2018 Porsche Women's Tennis Grand Prix (Also Known as Stuttgart Open) -

🔵 Women's Singles - Karolína Plíšková (Czech Republic)

🔑 Women's Doubles - Raquel Atawo (USA) AND Anna-Lena Grönefeld (Germany)

24. ▶ 2018 Shenzhen Women's Tennis Open (China) -

🔑 Singles - Simona Halep (Romania)

🔑 Doubles - Romania's Irina-Camelia Begu AND Simona Halep

25. ▶ 2018 Thomas Cup Badminton (30th Edition), Bangkok (Thailand) -

🔑 China won the tournament, beating Japan in Final. It is 10th Thomas cup title for China.

🔑 *Thomas Cup* is informally called World Team Championships for Men.

26. ▶ 2018 Uber Cup Badminton (27th Edition), Bangkok (Thailand) -

🔑 Japan won the tournament, beating Thailand in Final. It is Sixth Uber cup title for Japan.

🔑 *Uber Cup* is informally called World Team Championships for Women.

27. ▶ 22nd Commonwealth Games 2022 will be hosted in Birmingham (England).

🔑 Shooting has been excluded from Commonwealth Games 2022 edition.

28. ▶ 23rd Winter Olympic Games 2018 hosted by Pyeongchang (South Korea) -

🔑 2922 Athletes from 92 Nations participated in Events 102 of 15 sports.

🔑 Sports List - Figure skating, Speed skating, Short track speed skating, Ice hockey, Curling, Cross-country skiing, Alpine skiing, Ski jumping, Nordic combined, Freestyle skiing, Snowboarding, Biathlon, Luge, Bobsleigh, Skeleton, Biathlon / Military Patrol.

🔑 Next (24th) Winter Olympic Games will be hosted by Beijing (China) in 2022.

🔑 Medal Table -

Rank	NOC	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	Norway	14	14	11	39
2	Germany	14	10	7	31
3	Canada	11	8	10	29
4	United States	9	8	6	23
5	Netherlands	8	6	6	20
6	Sweden	7	6	1	14
7	South Korea	5	8	4	17
8	Switzerland	5	6	4	15
9	France	5	4	6	15
10	Austria	5	3	6	14

🔑 India at Winter Olympic Games 2018 -

🔑 2 Indian athletes participated - Jagdish Singh (Cross country Skiing), Shiva Keshavan (Luge). Indian participants could not secure a medal.

🔑 Other Facts -

🔑 Norwegian cross-country skier Marit Bjoergen won her 14th medal at Winter Games by taking bronze with her Norwegian teammates in team sprint. With this, she became most decorated Winter Olympian of all time, breaking the tie she held with Norwegian biathlete Ole Einar Bjoerndalen.

🔑 Japan's Yuzuru Hanyu became first figure skater in 66 years to win back-to-back Winter Olympic gold medals in the men's singles event. He also became 1000th gold medal winner in history of Winter Olympics.

🔑 2018 Winter Olympics saw Record-setting performance of 1218 drones (unmanned aerial vehicles), flying in sync to create huge formations of various Olympic sports and Olympic rings, set by Intel. Drones set world record for 'most unmanned aerial vehicles airborne simultaneously, which was previously held by 500 drones during a 2016 performance in Germany.

🔑 Opening ceremony was named *Peace in Motion*. North and South Korean teams marched together with a "unification flag". *Let Everyone Shine* was Official event song.

🔑 Czech Republic's Ester Ledecka became first woman to claim gold medals in 2 sports at a Winter Olympics (snowboarding AND skiing).











🔑 US won gold medal of Women's Ice Hockey, defeating Canada. In men's Ice Hockey, *Olympic Athletes from Russia (OAR)* defeated *Germany* to win Gold.

🔑 Olympic Athlete from Russia (OAR) is International Olympic Committee's designation of select Russian athletes permitted to participate in 2018 Winter Olympics. It is result of suspension of Russian Olympic Committee after recent Olympic doping controversy.

29. ▶ 33rd Women Senior National Weightlifting Championships held in Mangaluru (Karnataka). Rakhi Halder lifted 128kgs in clean and jerk for a total of 230kgs to create a new national record.

30. ▶ 42nd Junior (*U-17 and U-19*) National Badminton Championship concludes in Guwahati (Assam) -
- ▶ U-19 - Aryaman Tandon and Akarshi Kashyap won in boys' & girls' singles respectively.
 - ▶ U-17 - Maisnam Meiraba and Akarshi Kashyap won in boys' & girls' singles respectively.
31. ▶ 46th Congress of the International Hockey Federation (FIH) will be held in New Delhi from October - November, 2018. This biennial event will run for four days.
32. ▶ 61st National Shooting Championships held in Trivandrum (Kerala) -
- ▶ Anisa Sayyed created new national record in women 25m pistol.
 - ▶ Jitu Rai created new national record in men's 50m pistol event.
33. ▶ 75th Annual Golden Globe Awards (honoring best film and American television of 2017), Winners are -
- ▶ Motion Picture -
 - ▶ Drama - Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri.
 - ▶ Musical/Comedy - Lady Bird.
 - ▶ Director -
 - ▶ Drama- Guillermo del Toro (The Shape of Water).
 - ▶ Actor -
 - ▶ Drama - Gary Oldman (Darkest Hour)
 - ▶ Musical / Comedy - James Franco (The Disaster Artist)
 - ▶ Actress-
 - ▶ Drama - Frances McDormand (Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri).
 - ▶ Musical/Comedy - Saoirse Ronan (Lady Bird)
 - ▶ Actor in a Supporting role -
 - ▶ Motion Picture - Sam Rockwell (Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri)
 - ▶ Actress in a Supporting role -
 - ▶ Motion Picture - Allison Janney (I, Tonya)
 - ▶ Original Song - *This Is Me* (Benj Pasek and Justin Paul) - The Greatest Showman.
 - ▶ Animated Feature Film - Coco.
 - ▶ Foreign Language Film - In the Fade (Germany/France)
 - ▶ Cecil B. DeMille Lifetime Achievement Award - Oprah Winfrey.
34. ▶ Aanchal Thakur from Himachal Pradesh became first Indian to win an international medal in skiing after she won Bronze at Alpine Ejder 3200 Cup organised by Federation Internationale de Ski (FIS) in Erzurum in Turkey.
35. ▶ Afghan Cricketer Rashid Khan (19 years age) became youngest captain in history of international cricket, after he was chosen to lead the T20I side.
36. ▶ Afghan Off Spinner Mujeeb-ur-Rehman Zadran became youngest ever from Afghanistan to play International cricket and overall 9th youngest to debut in ODI cricket.
37. ▶ Afghanistan won ICC Intercontinental Cup defeating United Arab Emirates in Abu Dhabi, with Ireland ranked 2nd.
38. ▶ Asian Luge Championships held at Altenberg (Germany) -
- ▶ Germany is a European Nation, still it hosted Asian Luge Championships for security reasons.
 - ▶ Sole Indian participant Shiva Keshavan retained his title with a time of 55.60 seconds.
39. ▶ Assam Hockey won 8th Hockey India Sub Junior Men National Championship 2018 (B Division) in Assam, defeating Rajasthan.
40. ▶ Australia won 27th Sultan Azlan Shah Hockey cup 2018 for record 10th time, defeating England in Malaysia.
41. ▶ Australian Cricket team captain Steve Smith has been suspended and fined 100 percent of his match fee by International Cricket Council (ICC), amid a ball-tampering controversy in South Africa. Another Player Cameron Bancroft has been involved in same and was fined 75% match fee, along with 3 demerit points. Australia Cricket Team's head coach Darren Lehmann also announced his resignation.
42. ▶ Australian Open Tennis 2018 -
- ▶ Men's Singles - Roger Federer (Switzerland), Defeating Marin Cilic of Croatia. It is 20th grand slam title for Federer.
 - ▶ Women's Singles - Caroline Wozniacki (Denmark), defeating Simona Halep (Romania)
 - ▶ Men's Doubles - Oliver Marach (Austria) AND Mate Pavić (Croatia)
 - ▶ Women's Doubles - Tímea Babos (Hungary) AND Kristina Mladenovic (France)
 - ▶ Mixed Doubles - Mate Pavić (Croatia) AND Gabriela Dabrowski (Canada). They defeated Pair of Tímea Babos (Hungary) and Rohan Bopanna (India)
 - ▶ Boys' Singles - Sebastian Korda (USA)

 Girls' Singles - Liang En-shuo (Chinese Taipei)

- 43. ▶ Australian cricketer Steve Smith won his 2nd Allan Border Medal, making him best Australian male cricketer in past year. Further, Ellyse Perry won her 2nd Belinda Clark Award Medal, as best female cricketer of Australia in past 12 months.
- 44. ▶ Bahrain will hold first ever Baby Olympics in April 2018, where medals will be contested by 2 - 4 year-olds, to promote Olympic principles at very young age.
- 45. ▶ Bangladesh won First ever SAFF U-15 Women's football Championship 2017, defeating India. It was hosted by Bangladesh.
- 46. ▶ Barcelona FC defeated Deportivo to win La Liga Football League Title (Spain) for 25th time. Barcelona also extended their league record unbeaten streak to 34 matches.
- 47. ▶ Bengaluru FC won inaugural edition of Super Cup Football tournament in Bhubaneswar (Odisha), defeating Kolkata football giants East Bengal.
- 48. ▶ Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) signed Letter of Intent (LoI) with UN Environment to promote green' cricket in India. BCCI will endeavor to reduce its environmental impact by greening its operations and engaging cricketers and fans in green initiatives.
- 49. ▶ Brazilian football player Philippe Coutinho became second most expensive soccer transfer ever after Liverpool FC sent him to Barcelona FC for 160 million Euros (\$192 million).
 -  Brazilian football player Neymar is most expensive ever with his 200 million pounds worth transfer from Barcelona to Paris Saint Germain in 2017.
- 50. ▶ Brisbane International Tennis 2018 -
 -  Men's Singles - Nick Kyrgios (Australia)
 -  Women's Singles - Elina Svitolina (Ukraine)
 -  Men's Doubles - Henri Kontinen (Finland) AND John Peers (Australia)
 -  Women's Doubles - Netherlands's Kiki Bertens AND Demi Schuurs
- 51. ▶ British Athletics announced that London will host a new World Cup in July 2018, as a 2 day event with 8 participants - USA, Poland, China, Germany, France, Jamaica and South Africa. 1 male and 1 female athlete from each country will be selected for every field event and each track race up to 1500 metres.
- 52. ▶ CEAT Cricket Ratings awards 2018 -
 -  International Cricketer of the Year - Virat Kohli
 -  International Batsman of the Year - Shikhar Dhawan
 -  International Bowler of the Year - Trent Boult (NZ)
 -  T20 Bowler of the Year - Rashid Khan (Afghanistan).
 -  T20 Batsman of the Year - Colin Munro (NZ)
 -  Outstanding Innings of the Year - Harmanpreet Kaur (Indian Female Cricketer)
 -  U-19 Player of the Year - Shubman Gill
 -  Popular Choice Award - Chris Gayle (Windies)
 -  Lifetime Achievement Award - Farokh Engineer (India).
- 53. ▶ Chandika Hathurusingha is appointed as new Head coach of Sri Lanka Cricket Team.
- 54. ▶ Chelsea FC defeated Manchester United FC to win 2017/18 FA Cup, winning the title for 8th time. FA Cup 2017-18, was 137th edition of oldest recognised football tournament in world.
- 55. ▶ Chennai Super Kings defeated Sun Risers Hyderabad to win their 3rd Indian Premier League title, equalling Mumbai Indians' record of winning number of Indian Premier League titles (3). 2018 was 11th Edition of IPL and 7th Final of CSK. They were Suspended for 2 years (2016 & 2017). Various Awards given at Closing Ceremony -

S. No	Award	Winner (Team)
1.	Man of the Match (Final)	Shane Watson (CSK)
2.	Orange Cap (Most Runs)	Kane Williamson (SRH)
3.	Purple Cap (Most Wickets)	Andrew Tye (KXIP)
4.	Emerging Player AND Stylish Player	Rishabh Pant (DD)
6.	Perfect Catch	Trent Boult (DD)
7.	Super Striker	Sunil Narine (KKR)
8.	Valuable Player	Sunil Narine (KKR)
9.	Fairplay Award	Mumbai Indians

- 56. ▶ Chennaiyin FC won Indian Super League Football's 4th Session after defeating Bengaluru FC by 3-2.
- 57. ▶ Davis Cup (Tennis), which is in existence since 1900, will be converted into a 'World Cup of Tennis' from 2019. New format will feature 18 teams playing a week-long event at one venue, instead of the existing 16 teams playing across four different months.

58. ▶ Delhi won Syed Mushtaq Ali T20 Cricket Trophy, Defeating Rajasthan in Kolkata (WB).

59. ▶ ESPN Multi-Sport Awards -

 Badminton players, PV Sindhu and Kidambi Srikanth named Sportspersons of the Year in Male and Female Categories.

 Badminton Coach Pullela Gopichand adjudged 'best coach'.

 Indian Women's Hockey Team got 'Team of the Year' title.

60. ▶ Emblems of the 2022 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games have been named *Winter Dream* and *Flight*, to be held in Beijing (China).

61. ▶ FIFA has lifted 2 year suspension against Kuwait's football association that prevented It country from participating in international tournaments.

62. ▶ FIFA lifted 30 year old ban on Iraq for hosting international football matches. FIFA allowed games to be staged in Arbil, Basra and Karbala.

63. ▶ FIFA proposed staging a 'mini-World Cup' every two years, replacing Confederations Cup currently staged every four years in a year before World Cup. New event will be called 'Final 8', would feature eight teams and could commence in October or November 2021.

64. ▶ Ferrari's German Racer Sebastian Vettel won Australian Grand Prix title.

 2018 Formula 1 (F1) Calendar-

Serial	Grand Prix	Date	Winner
1	Australian Grand Prix	25 March	Sebastian Vettel (Germany)
2	Bahrain Grand Prix	8 April	
3	Chinese Grand Prix	15 April	
4	Azerbaijan Grand Prix	29 April	
5	Spanish Grand Prix	13 May	
6	Monaco Grand Prix	27 May	
7	Canadian Grand Prix	10 June	
8	French Grand Prix	24 June	
9	Austrian Grand Prix	1 July	
10	British Grand Prix	8 July	
11	German Grand Prix	22 July	
12	Hungarian Grand Prix	29 July	
13	Belgian Grand Prix	26 August	
14	Italian Grand Prix	2 September	
15	Singapore Grand Prix	16 September	
16	Russian Grand Prix	30 September	
17	Japanese Grand Prix	7 October	
18	USA Grand Prix	21 October	
19	Mexican Grand Prix	28 October	
20	Brazilian Grand Prix	11 November	
21	Abu Dhabi Grand Prix	25 November	

65. ▶ Ferrari's German Racer Sebastian Vettel won Bahrain Grand Prix title.

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8	French Grand Prix	24 June	
9	Austrian Grand Prix	1 July	
10	British Grand Prix	8 July	
11	German Grand Prix	22 July	
12	Hungarian Grand Prix	29 July	
13	Belgian Grand Prix	26 August	
14	Italian Grand Prix	2 September	
15	Singapore Grand Prix	16 September	
16	Russian Grand Prix	30 September	
17	Japanese Grand Prix	7 October	
18	USA Grand Prix	21 October	
19	Mexican Grand Prix	28 October	
20	Brazilian Grand Prix	11 November	
21	Abu Dhabi Grand Prix	25 November	

66. ▶ First edition of Khelo India School Games (KISG) held from from 31st January to 8th February, 2018 at Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium in New Delhi.

✏ It was held across 16 disciplines in Under-17 age category, with 5000 school children participating. Total 199 gold, 199 silver and 275 bronze medals were awarded.

✏ Haryana emerged overall champions with 102 medals (38 G, 26 S and 38 B). Maharashtra 2nd with 111 medals, Delhi 3rd with 94 medals.

67. ▶ Football Delhi announced to observe Indian football Captain Sunil Chhetri's birthday (3rd August) as Delhi's Football Day.

68. ▶ Football Delhi will launch a Pro League in October 2018 and a community league in January 2019. Earlier, Football Delhi, was known as Delhi Soccer Association.

69. ▶ Former Australian cricketer Justin Langer is appointed as Australian cricket team's new head coach for all formats, replacing Darren Lehmann, who stepped down after recent ball-tampering controversy.

70. ▶ Gymnastics World Cup 2018 held in Melbourne (Australia). Aruna Budda Reddy became 1st Indian gymnast to win an individual medal at Gymnastics World Cup as she won bronze in women's vault event.

71. ▶ Harjinder Singh is appointed as *Chef De Mission* of Indian Contingent participating in 23rd Winter Olympic Games to be held in Pyeongchang (South Korea) in February 2018.

72. ▶ Hyderabad Hunters won 3rd Premier Badminton League championship in Hyderabad, after beating Bengaluru Blasters in final.

73. ▶ ICC Cricket Awards 2018 -

✏ Sir Garfield Sobers Trophy for Men's Cricketer of the Year - Virat Kohli (India). It is kohli's 2nd Title as ICC Cricketer of the year after 2012.

✏ Men's Test Cricketer of the Year - Steve Smith (Australia)

✏ Men's ODI Cricketer of the Year - Virat Kohli (India)

✏ Men's Emerging Cricketer of the Year - Hasan Ali (Pakistan)

✏ Men's Associate Cricketer of the Year - Rashid Khan (Afghanistan)

✏ David Shepherd Trophy for ICC Umpire of the Year - Marais Erasmus

✏ ICC Spirit of Cricket - Anya Shrubsole (England)

74. ▶ ISSF Junior World Cup 2018 (Sydney (Australia)) -


✏ India won total 22 Medals in the event, with 4 Individual and 5 team Gold Medals.


✏ Medal Table -











Rank	Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	China	9	8	8	25
2	India	9	5	8	22
3	Italy	3	1	2	6

4	Australia	1	2	0	3
5	Chinese Taipei	0	2	0	2

 Gold Medals for India -

 Individual - Anish Anish (25m Rapid Fire Pistol Men Junior), Manu Bhaker (10m Air Pistol Women Junior), Muskan (25m Pistol Women Junior), Elavenil Valarivan (10m Air Rifle Women Junior).

 Team - 10m Air Pistol Men Junior, 10m Air Rifle Women Junior, 10m Air Pistol Women Junior, 25m Pistol Women Junior and 10m Air Pistol Mixed.

75. ▶ Inaugural National Para Games, on lines of National Games for able-bodied athletes, will be held under Khelo India Scheme in June-July 2018 in Bengaluru (Karnataka). Games will be held for age group of 16 to 40 in 10 disciplines - *para athletics, badminton, chess, blind judo, para powerlifting, shooting para-sport, para-swimming, table tennis, wheelchair basketball, wheelchair fencing*.
76. ▶ India B won 45th Deodhar Cricket Trophy 2018 by defeating Karnataka in Dharamsala (Himachal Pradesh).
77. ▶ India Open International Boxing Tournament 2018 held in Delhi -
 India won 10 medals (Including 6 gold) at event, including one by noted Boxer Mary Kom.
78. ▶ India Open badminton 2018 (Held in New Delhi)-
 Men's Singles - Shi Yuqi (China)
 Women's Singles - Beiwen Zhang (USA), Defeating India's P V Sindhu
 Men's Doubles - Indonesia's Marcus Fernaldi Gideon AND Kevin Sanjaya Sukamuljo (Indonesia)
 Women's Doubles - Indonesia's Greysia Polii AND Apriyani Rahayu
 Mixed Doubles - Denmark's Mathias Christiansen AND Christinna Pedersen
79. ▶ India Under-16 Football team won Jockey Cup International Youth Invitational Football Tournament in Hong Kong, defeating Hong Kong.
80. ▶ India at Miscellaneous Sports Events -
 India's Aryan Goveas and Arjun Kadhe won doubles title in \$15,000 ITF (International Tennis Federation) Futures tennis tournament, in Cairo (Egypt).
 Indian Diving Team won 1 Gold, 3 Silver and 2 Bronze Medals in Indonesia Open Aquatic Championships 2017 in Jakarta.
 India finished seventh overall in the WSF-world men's team squash championship in Marseille, France.
 Indian Junior Girls won 4 gold, 3 silver and 1 bronze at Valeria Demyanova Memorial International Boxing Tournament in Ukraine.
 India won 10 medals in the first Wushu Sanda Asian Cup in Guangzhou, China.
 Indian junior boxers won 11 Medals (Inc. 6 gold) and finished as overall champions at 5th International Sven Lange Memorial Tournament in Germany.
 Indian boxers won 3 gold, 1 silver, and 1 bronze at Galym Zharylgapov Boxing Tournament in Karaganda (Kazakhstan).
81. ▶ India beat Nepal to win first ever South Asian Regional Badminton Tournament (team championship) held at Guwahati, Assam.
82. ▶ India defeated Australia to win its 4th Under 19 Cricket World cup Title, held in New Zealand.
83. ▶ India will host 2023 Cricket World Cup (13th) and 2021 Champions Trophy.
 ICC World Cup 2019 will be held in England and Wales.
84. ▶ India won Blind Cricket World Cup 2018 by beating Pakistan at Sharjah (UAE).
85. ▶ India won First ever IBSF Snooker Team World Cup title by defeating Pakistan in Doha (Qatar). Indian team comprised of Pankaj Advani and Manan Chandra.
86. ▶ India won Hero Nidhaas Cricket Tri Series by defeating Bangladesh, in Sri Lanka.
 Sri Lanka Cricket (SLC) also released a book titled *A Tribute to Jagu*, On occasion of 70th independence of Sri Lanka. It was a tribute to former BCCI President Jagmohan Dalmiya.
87. ▶ India's Shubhankar Sharma won Joburg Open golf tournament to qualify for 2018 British Open.
88. ▶ Indian Badminton Player Parupalli Kashyap won his first international title as Austrian Open International Challenge badminton tournament, by defeating Malaysia's June Wei Cheam.
89. ▶ Indian Boxer Sachin Siwach is named Asian Boxing Confederation's best youth boxer of the year 2017. India also fetched the Best Asian International Technical Official (ITO) award with Lenny D'Gama winning the online poll.
90. ▶ Indian Cricketers Virat Kohli and Mithali Raj respectively were named as Wisden's leading male cricketer and standout female cricketer of the year. England's Female Cricketers Heather Knight, Anya Shrubsole and Natalie Sciver are also named among Wisden's five cricketers of the year.
91. ▶ Indian archer Deepika Kumari won bronze at Indoor Archery World Cup Stage 2 in Bangkok (Thailand).

92. ▶ Indian batsman Rohit Sharma became first to score 3 double centuries in ODI cricket, after he scored 208 Not out against Sri Lanka in Mohali.

▶ India also become first team to register 300+ totals 100 times in ODIs, after posting 392 against Sri Lanka in same game at Mohali.

93. ▶ Indian chess player Viswanathan Anand won World Rapid Chess tournament title in Saudi Arabia, beating Russia's Vladimir Fedoseev.

94. ▶ Indian golfer Shiv Kapur won Royal Cup at Pattaya (Thailand), his 3rd Asian Tour title of 2017.

95. ▶ Indian shooter Shahzar Rizvi grabbed number one spot in 10m air pistol rankings by ISSF. He won silver in recent World Cup in Changwon (South Korea).

96. ▶ Indian women cricketer Jhulan Goswami became first woman in world to take 200 wickets in ODI cricket.

97. ▶ Indonesia Masters Badminton 2018 -

▶ Men's Singles - Anthony Sinisuka Ginting (Indonesia)

▶ Women's Singles - Tai Tzu-ying (Chinese Taipei), defeated India's Saina Nehwal

▶ Men's Doubles - Indonesia's Markus Fernaldi Gideon AND Kevin Sanjaya Sukamuljo

▶ Women's Doubles - Japan's Misaki Matsutomo AND Ayaka Takahashi

▶ Mixed Doubles - China's Zheng Siwei AND Huang Yaqiong

98. ▶ International Cricket Council (ICC) announced that 2018 Women's World T20 will be hosted by West Indies in November 2018. Note that Next Men's T20 WC will be held in Australia in 2020.

99. ▶ International Cricket Council (ICC) approved granting International status to all Twenty20 matches between Member Nations. It is a part of wider strategic aim of using the T20 format to globalize the game. All Member women's teams will be awarded T20I status on 1 July 2018, whilst all Member men's teams will be awarded T20I status on 1 January 2019.

100. ▶ International Olympic Committee banned Russia from 2018 Winter Olympic Games to be held in Pyeongchang (South Korea), over its state-orchestrated doping programme. Note that clean Russian athletes will be allowed to compete under an Olympic flag.

101. ▶ International Shooting Sport Federation ISSF World Cup 2018 Leg 1 (Guadalajara Mexico) -

▶ India topped medal tally, with 4 Gold, 1 Silver and 4 bronze medals (Total 9).

▶ Gold - Shahzar Rizvi (Men's 10m air pistol), Manu Bhaker (Women's 10m air pistol), Manu Bhaker And Om Prakash Mitharval (10m air pistol mixed team). Akhil Sheoran (men's 50m rifle 3 position).

▶ Silver - Anjum Moudgil (Women's 50m Rifle 3 Positions).

102. ▶ International Shooting Sport Federation ISSF World Cup 2018 Leg 2 (Changwon, South Korea) -

▶ India could win 1 Silver medal at ISSF WC Leg 2, won by Shahzar Rizvi in 10 metre men's air pistol.

▶ In ISSF World Cup 2018 Leg 1 in Guadalajara (Mexico), India topped medal tally with 4 Gold, 1 Silver and 4 bronze medals (9 Medals).

▶ India's Total Medal Tally in ISSF WC 2018 stands at 10 Medals, as of now. Medal Tally after Leg 2 looks like -

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	China	6	4	2	12
2	United States	5	1	3	9
3	India	4	2	4	10
4	Russia	3	2	0	5
5	Finland	2	0	1	3

103. ▶ Iraq will host West Asia Football Federation championship in Basra in November 2018, after FIFA recently lifted a three-decade ban on Iraq hosting international football.

104. ▶ Italian Open Tennis 2018 (also known as Rome Masters) -

▶ Men's Singles - Rafael Nadal (Spain)

▶ Women's Singles - Elina Svitolina (Ukraine)

▶ Men's Doubles - Colombia's Juan Sebastián Cabal AND Robert Farah

▶ Women's Doubles Ashleigh Barty (Australia) AND Demi Schuurs (Netherlands)

105. ▶ Jammu and Kashmir Cricket Association (JKCA) appointed Cricketer Irfan Pathan as coach-cum-mentor for 2018-19 season.

106. ▶ KL Rahul has been named *Cricketer of the Year* in 6th edition of Wisden India Almanack. Shantha Rangaswamy has been inducted into the Wisden India Hall of Fame.


107. ▶ Karnataka won Vijay Hazare Trophy ODI tournament for 3rd time, defeating Saurashtra.


108. ▶ Kerala Kings won first T10 Cricket League champion at Sharjah Cricket Stadium (UAE), defeating Punjabi Legends.

109. ▶ Kerala won their sixth Santosh Trophy Football title, defeating Bengal.

110. ▶ Kidambi Srikanth became first Indian male badminton player to attain world number 1 ranking, since Prakash Padukone in 1980s.

111. ▶ Laureus World Sports Awards 2018 -

 Sportsman of the Year AND Comeback of the year - Swiss Tennis star Roger Federer. With this, He became most decorated winner ever in Laureus World Sports Awards (total 6 awards).

 Sportswoman of the Year - Serena Williams (USA). She is now most decorated female Laureus Award winner with five Laureus statuettes.

 Breakthrough of the Year - Golfer Sergio Garcia (Spain).

 Team of the Year - British F1 Team Mercedes AMG Petronas.

 Action Sportsperson of the Year - French sailor Armel Le Cléac'h.

 World Sportsperson of the Year with a Disability - Swiss wheelchair racer Marcel Hug.

 Lifetime Achievement Award - American former track and field athlete Edwin Moses.

112. ▶ Meghalaya signed Host City Contract with Indian Olympic Association (IOA) to host 39th National Games in 2022.

113. ▶ Mercedes' British driver Lewis Hamilton won Formula 1 Spanish Grand Prix 2018 -

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114. ▶ Mercedes' British driver Lewis Hamilton won the Formula 1 Azerbaijan Grand Prix 2018.

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115. ▶ Minerva Punjab FC beat Churchill Brothers FC to win their I-League Football title in Panchkula (Haryana).


116. ▶ Misc. Sporting Events (May 2018) -

- ▶ Indian Blind Football Federation (IBFF) conducted 3rd All India Invitational Blind Football Tournament in Kochi (Kerala).
- ▶ India finished on top in 3rd South Asian Junior Athletics Championships in Colombo (Sri Lanka), with 20 gold, 22 silver and 8 bronze medals (50 Medals).
- ▶ India's javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra finished 4th in IAAF Diamond League at in Doha (Qatar). Neeraj Chopra bettered his previous national record mark of 86.48 metres, with a throw of 87.43 metres. Germany's Thomas Rohler won gold medal with throw of 91.78 metres.
- ▶ Shooters Gagan Narang and Pooja Ghatkar won silver in mixed event at Grand Prix of Liberation international shooting competition in in Pilsen (Czech Republic).
- ▶ Indian judokas won 3 medals at Asian Cadet Judo Championships 2018 in Beirut (Lebanon) - Gold - Rohini S Mohite AND Thanjam Tababi Devi, Bronze - Harish.
- ▶ Indian U-16 football team won Four-Nation Tournament held in Serbia , defeating Tajikistan. Tournament was played by India, Serbia, Tajikistan and Jordan.
- ▶ Indian shooter Heena Sidhu won gold medal in 10-meter air pistol category of international shooting competition of Hannover (Germany).
- ▶ Swiss Tennis Star Roger Federer became oldest world number one male tennis player for 2nd time in his career. He regained top rank after Rafael Nadal lost in Madrid Open quarter-final.
- ▶ Bala Prasath won Formula Junior Racing Series 2018 Championship in Coimbatore (Tamil Nadu).
- ▶ Srinath Narayanan won LIC 3rd Kolkata Open International Grandmasters Chess Tournament.
- ▶ Indian Shooter Tejaswini Sawant won gold in Munich Grand Prix (Germany).
- ▶ Table tennis player Manika Batra and weightlifter Mirabai Chanu signed multi-year agreements with sports management firm IOS.
- ▶ A mountain biking race, touted to be world's highest, at over 17,000 feet across 330 km will be held in June 2018 in North Sikkim. The themes for the race are 'Beti Bachao Beti Padhao' and 'Secure Himalayas'.

117. ▶ Misc. Sports Events (April 2018) -



- ▶ 17th Sub-junior National Wushu Championships held in Jammu.
- ▶ India defeated Bangladesh to win fifth South East Asian Women Handball Championship, in Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh).
- ▶ India's Selena Selvakumar and Shreya Shivakumar won 2 bronze medals at 2018 Ivory Coast Junior and Cadet Open Table Tennis Tournament in Abidjan (Côte d'Ivoire).

- 8th South Asian Judo Championships held in Lalitpur (Nepal). India won 10 Gold medals and stayed on top. India won all 7 Gold medals in Women's events and men won 4 Gold medals. Next South Asian Judo Championships will be held in Bangladesh.
 - 16th Federation Cup Junior National athletics championships held at Coimbatore (Tamilnadu). This meet will serve as selections trials for 18th Asian Junior Athletic Meet to be held at Gifu (Japan) in June.
 - Asian Armwrestling Championships and Para Armwrestling Championships 2018 held in Kazakhstan. India's Differently-abled Indian arm wrestler Shrimant Jha won a bronze medal in 80kg senior category.
 - India will host Asian Weightlifting Championship in 2019.
 - India's CA Bhavani Devi won silver medal in sabre event of Tournoi World Cup Satellite Fencing Championship in Reykjavik (Iceland).
 - 56th Belgrade International Boxing Championship held at Belgrade in Serbia. Indian boxers won 3 gold, 5 silver and 5 bronze medals.
118. ▶ Monterrey Open Women's Tennis 2018 (Mexico) -
 - Women's singles - Garbiñe Muguruza (Spain)
 - Women's doubles - Naomi Broady (United Kingdom) & Sara Sorribes Tormo (Spain)
 119. ▶ Mumbai Football Arena will host inaugural edition of 4 nation Intercontinental Cup to be held in June 2018 and will see participation of South Africa, New Zealand and Chinese Taipei.
 120. ▶ Mumbai batsman Prithvi Shaw will be captain of Indian Side in upcoming ICC U-19 World Cup 2018 in New Zealand.
 121. ▶ NECC-ITF women's tennis championship in Pune -
 - Singles - Spain's Georgina Garcia-Perez.
 122. ▶ Nagpur's Kanchanmala Pande became the first Indian to secure pole position at World Para-Swimming Championships 2017 in Mexico as she won gold in 200 meter medley event in S-11 category.
 123. ▶ Nepal gained one-day international status for first time, after winning over Papua New Guinea during World Cup Qualifiers in Zimbabwe. Nepal will now join three other teams - Scotland, Netherlands and UAE with temporary ODI status until 2022.
 124. ▶ New Delhi will host India Open International Boxing Tournament in January - February 2018. For first time, India will field a team in upcoming edition of World Series Boxing, AIBA's professional league. Team will be sponsored by Boxing Federation of India (BFI).
 125. ▶ Noted Brazilian Footballer Formally announced his retirement. He was although not playing for national side since last 2 years.
 126. ▶ Noted Brazilian Footballer Kaka Retired from Professional Football.
 127. ▶ Odisha government will sponsor Indian National Hockey teams for next 5 years, along with upcoming Men's Hockey World Cup in November - December 2018 in Kalinga Stadium (Bhubaneswar).
 128. ▶ PM Narendra Modi launched first Khelo India School Games at Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium in New Delhi, to be held till Feb 08, 2018 -
 - In this first edition of Khelo India School Games, Under-17 athletes are invited to participate across 16 disciplines - *Archery, Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Boxing, Football, Gymnastics, Hockey, Judo, Kabaddi, Kho-Kho, Shooting, Swimming, Volleyball, Weightlifting, and Wrestling*. 199 gold medals, 199 silver medals and 275 bronze medals will be awarded in this edition.
 - Khelo India* has been introduced to revive sports culture at grass-root level by building a strong framework for all sports and establishing India as a great sporting nation.
 - Talented players identified in priority sports will be provided annual assistance of INR 5 lakh per annum for 8 years.
 129. ▶ Pankaj Advani won Asian Billiards Championships title by defeating B Bhaskar, in Yangon, Myanmar. India's Ameer Kamani won Asian Women's Snooker title by defeating her Thai opponent Siripaporn Nuanthakhamjan.
 130. ▶ Portuguese Footballer Cristiano Ronaldo became first player in UEFA Champions League history to score 100 goals for a single club (Real Madrid).
 131. ▶ Pune International Marathon 2017 -
 - It was held Despite being denied permission by Athletics Federation of India.
 - Winners - Tisasua Basazin
 - Men - Ethiopia's Getachew Basha.
 - Women's Half Marathon - Ethiopia's Tisasua Basazin.
 132. ▶ Punjab won 8th men's National hockey championships, defeating Petroleum Sports Promotion Board, in Lucknow (UP).
 133. ▶ Railway Sports Promotion Board (RSPB) won 8th Senior National Women's Hockey Championship, defeating Madhya Pradesh in Ranchi.
 134. ▶ Real Madrid won 2017 - 18 UEFA Champions League Football by defeating Liverpool in Kiev (Ukraine).
 135. ▶ Real Madrid won FIFA Club World Cup 2017 in UAE, defeating Gremio in Final.
 - Real Madrid is first side in the history of FIFA Club World Cup to retain the trophy.

 Real Madrid has now won five trophies in 2017 – Champions League, La Liga, Uefa Super Cup, Spanish Super Cup and Club World Cup.

136.  Red Bull's Australian driver Daniel Ricciardo won Formula 1 Monaco Grand Prix 2018 -
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137.  Red Bull's Australian Racer Daniel Ricciardo won Chinese Grand Prix 2018.
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138. ▶ Reigning Ranji Trophy champions Vidarbha won Irani Cricket Cup beating Rest of India.
139. ▶ Sharmila Nicollet become first Indian golfer to qualify for China Ladies PGA Tour.
140. ▶ Shikhar Dhawan became first Indian cricketer to score a century in his 100th One-day International.
141. ▶ South Africa's Kagiso Rabada became youngest bowler ever (22 years age) to top ICC Test Bowlers' rankings.
142. ▶ South Korea won 5th Women's Hockey Asian Champions Trophy, Defeating defending champions India in Donghae City (South Korea).
143. ▶ Spain's Rafael Nadal and Garbine Muguruza are named as International Tennis Federation (ITF) world champions for male and female categories respectively. This is first time in 19 years that both awards have gone to players from the same country.
144. ▶ Sports Minister Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore launched official anthem and mascot of Khelo India School Games, beginning January 31.
- ▶ Government will extend cash incentives to grassroots level coaches of medal-winning athletes in International Games. Now, when an athlete wins a medal at Commonwealth / Asian / Olympic Games, 20 % of money will go to coaches who worked on them at grass-root level and 30 % will be given to developmental coaches.
 - ▶ Under Khelo India, Sports Ministry will select 1000 athletes every year Through School Games, for a scholarship of Rs 5 lakhs each for eight successive years.
 - ▶ Mascots of Khelo India School Games are *Vijay the tiger* and *Jaya the black buck*. While, *Aur khelna chahte hain hum* is official anthem.
145. ▶ Strandja Memorial Boxing Tournament at Sofia in Bulgaria -
- ▶ India won 2 Gold, 3 Silver and 6 Bronze Medals.
 - ▶ Gold - Amit Panghal (defeated Morocco's Said Mordaji in 49 KG Category), Vikas Krishan (won gold in 75 kg category, was also adjudged best boxer of event).
 - ▶ Silver - Mary Kom (48kg), Seema Poonia (81kg).
146. ▶ Switzerland won 3rd Hopman Cup (Tennis) as Roger Federer and Belinda Bencic beat Germany's Alexander Zverev and Angelique Kerber at Perth Arena (Australia).
147. ▶ Tamil Nadu won Senior Women's National Football Championship for the first time, defeating Manipur in Cuttack (Odisha).
148. ▶ Tata Mumbai Marathon 2018 -
- ▶ Ethiopia's Solomon Deke won in Men's Category. Amane Gobena (Ethiopia) won in women's Category.
 - ▶ T ZGopi won in Indian Elite Men's category while Sudha Singh won in Indian Elite Women category.
149. ▶ Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games committee announced that 2 futuristic figures, inspired by anime, have been chosen as mascots for the mega sporting event, aimed at boosting children's participation in Games. Mascots will be launched in late 2018.
150. ▶ USA's Christian Coleman broke 20 year old world record of Maurice Greene in 60 metres sprint with 6.34 seconds timing, at US Indoor National Championships in Albuquerque.
151. ▶ Vidarbha won the Ranji Trophy of Cricket for the first time, defeating Delhi in Indore (Madhya Pradesh), with Rajneesh Gurbani named as Man of The Match.
152. ▶ WTA Auckland Women's Tennis Open (New Zealand) -
- ▶ Singles - Julia Görges (Germany)
 - ▶ Doubles - Sara Errani (Italy) AND Bibiane Schoofs (Netherlands)
153. ▶ Winter Paralympics 2018 (Pyeongchang, South Korea) -
- ▶ 569 Athletes from 49 Nations participated in 80 Events in 6 sports. No Indian para-athlete participated in these games.
 - ▶ Medal Table -

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	United States	13	15	8	36
2	Neutral Paralympic Athletes	8	10	6	24

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
3	Canada	8	4	16	28
4	France	7	8	5	20
5	Germany	7	8	4	19
6	Ukraine	7	7	8	22
7	Slovakia	6	4	1	11
8	Belarus	4	4	4	12
9	Japan	3	4	3	10
10	Netherlands	3	3	1	7

154. ▶ Wrestler Sushil Kumar and Boxer Mary C. Kom resigned as *National Sports Observers*.

155. ▶ XXI (21st) Commonwealth Games 2018, Held at Gold Coast, Queensland Country (Australia) -

📌 About -

📌 Motto - Share the Dream.

📌 4426 Athletes from 71 Commonwealth Nations participated in 275 Events of 19 sports.

📌 Borobi is Official mascot of 2018 Commonwealth Games. Borobi is a blue koala, with indigenous markings on its body.

📌 Medal Tally -

Rank	CGA	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	Australia	80	59	59	198
2	England	45	45	46	136
3	India	26	20	20	66
4	Canada	15	40	27	82
5	New Zealand	15	16	15	46
6	South Africa	13	11	13	37
7	Wales	10	12	14	36
8	Scotland	9	13	22	44
9	Nigeria	9	9	6	24
10	Cyprus	8	1	5	14

📌 India at CWG 2018 -

📌 PV Sindhu was flag-bearer of Indian contingent for opening ceremony.

📌 India Finished 3rd with 66 Medals (26 Gold, 20 Silver and 20 Bronze), better than 5th Place India had in 2014 CWG Games in Glasgow (Scotland) with 64 Medals (15 G, 30 S, 19 B).

📌 Indian Gold Medalists at CWG 2018 -

📌 Saikhom Mirabai Chanu - **Weightlifting** Women's 48 kg

📌 Khumukcham Sanjita Chanu - **Weightlifting** Women's 53 kg

📌 Sathish Sivalingam - **Weightlifting** Men's 77 kg

📌 Ragala Venkat Rahul - **Weightlifting** Men's 85 kg

📌 Punam Yadav - **Weightlifting** Women's 69 kg

📌 Manu Bhaker - **Shooting** Women's 10 metre air pistol

📌 Table tennis Women's team (Manika Batra, Mouma Das, Sutirtha Mukherjee, Madhurika Patkar, Pooja Sahasrabudhe)

📌 Jitu Rai - **Shooting** Men's 10 metre air pistol

📌 Table tennis Men's team (Sharath Achanta, Anthony Amalraj, Harmeet Desai, Sanil Shetty, Sathiyen Gnanasekaran)

📌 Badminton Mixed team (Pranav Chopra, Prannoy Kumar, Saina Nehwal, Ashwini Ponnappa, Satwiksairaj Rankireddy, Sikki Reddy, Chirag Shetty, Gadde Ruthvika, Shivani, P V Sindhu, Kidambi Srikanth)

📌 Heena Sidhu - **Shooting** Women's 25 metre pistol

📌 Shreyasi Singh - **Shooting** Women's double trap

📌 Rahul Aware - **Wrestling** Men's freestyle 57 kg

📌 Sushil Kumar - **Wrestling** Men's freestyle 74 kg

📌 Tejaswini Sawant - **Shooting** Women's 50m rifle 3 positions







📌 Anish Bhanwala - **Shooting** Men's 25 metre rapid fire pistol

📌 Bajrang Punia - **Wrestling** Men's freestyle 65 kg

📌 Mary Kom - **Boxing** Women's light flyweight 48 kg

📌 Sanjeev Rajput - **Shooting** Men's 50m rifle 3 positions

📌 Gaurav Solanki - **Boxing** Men's flyweight 52 kg

-  Neeraj Chopra - **Athletics** Men's javelin throw
-  Sumit Malik - **Wrestling** Men's freestyle 125 kg
-  Vinesh Phogat - **Wrestling** Women's freestyle 50 kg
-  Manika Batra - **Table tennis** Women's singles
-  Vikas Krishan Yadav - **Boxing** Men's middleweight 75 kg
-  Saina Nehwal - **Badminton** Women's singles (Beating India's P V Sindhu)

156. ▶ Zimbabwe Cricket council appointed 56 year old former Indian Cricketer Lalchand Rajput as interim head coach of Zimbabwe.

157. ▶ Zimbabwe Cricket sacked its entire coaching staff and removed Graeme Cremer as captain after their failure to qualify for the 2019 World Cup. Note that ICC Cricket World Cup 2019 Qualifier was recently held in Zimbabwe. 10 teams participated in it and it was won by Afghanistan. West Indies (WINDIES) was other finalist team. AFG and WIN qualified for ICC Cricket World cup 2019 to be held in England and Wales.

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