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Sports

- ▶ 2018 Women's Hockey World Cup 2018 (London (England)) -
 - Netherlands won the title for record 8th time, defeating Ireland in Final by 6-0.
 - Kitty van Male (Netherlands) was Top Goal Scooper with 8 Goals, while Netherlands' Lidewij Welten was named best player.
 - Spain won 3rd place, defeating Australia to claim their first ever World Cup medal.
 - India finished 8th in 16 Teams Tournament.
- ▶ International Olympics Committee (IOC) picked its first African host of any Olympics, by awarding 2022 Youth Games Hosting to Senegal will host youth games in 3 places - Dakar, A new city of Diamniadio and coastal resort of Saly.
- ▶ 12th Malaysia Open Badminton title -
 - Men's Singles - Lee Chong Wei (Malaysia)
 - Women's Singles - Tai Tzu-ying (Chinese Taipei)
 - Men's Doubles - Japan's Takeshi Kamura AND Keigo Sonoda
 - Women's Doubles - Japan's Misaki Matsutomo AND Ayaka Takahashi
 - Mixed Doubles - China's Zheng Siwei AND Huang Yaqiong
- ▶ 18th Asian Junior Athletics Championships 2018 in Gifu (Japan) -
 - 437 under 20 athletes from 35 nations participated in 44 Events.
 - Medal Table -

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	Japan	14	15	12	41
2	China	11	8	5	24
3	India	5	2	10	17
4	Chinese Taipei	4	5	3	12
5	Sri Lanka	3	4	2	9

- India Ranked 3rd with 17 Medals.
 - Gold - Ashish Jakhar (Hammer Throw), Kamalraj Kanagaraj (Triple Jump), Ajeet Kumar (5000 Metres), Anu Kumar (800 Metres), Jisna Mathew (400 metres Female Event)
 - Silver - 4×400 m relay Female Team comprising Subha Venkatesan, Rachna, Nidhi Singh AND Jisna Mathew, Damneet Singh (Hamer Throw)
- ▶ 1st North East Olympic Games 2018 held at Main Stadium Khuman Lampak Sports Complex in Imphal (Manipur) -
 - Games included 12 disciplines: Athletics, Archery, Badminton, Boxing, Football, Judo, Karate-Do, Shooting, Table Tennis, Taekwondo, Weightlifting and Wushu.
 - Manipur crowned as the overall champions, with 159 medals (80 Gold, 48 Silver and 31 Bronze). Assam came second with 140 medals. Arunachal Pradesh finished third with 76 medals.
 - 2nd edition of North East Olympic Games will be held in Arunachal Pradesh in 2019.
- ▶ 2018 AIBA Youth Women's & Men's World Championships in Budapest (Hungary).
 - 359 boxers from 65 countries participated. Mascot was Hungarian Grey bull and cow
 - Indian Winners:

- 🔗 Gold -Nitu (Women's Light Fly 45-48kg), Sakshi (Women's Feather 54-57kg)
- 🔗 Silver - Anamika (Women's Fly 48-51kg), Manisha (Women's Light Welter 64kg)
- 🔗 Bronze - Bhavesh Kattimani (Men's Fly 49-52kg), Ankit (Women's Light – 60kg), Jony (Women's Light 57-60kg), Pahwa A (Women's Middle 69-75kg), Gaidhani S (Women's Light Heavy 81kg), Yadav N (Women's Heavy +81kg)

🔗 Awards:

- 🔗 Best Men Boxer – Dzhambulat Bizhamov (Russia – 69KG)
- 🔗 Best Women Boxer – Charlie Cavanagh (Canada – 69KG)
- 🔗 Best Team – Team Russia
- 🔗 Fair Play Award – Team Hungary

7. ▶ 2018 ATP Shenzhen Open Men's (Tennis) in Shenzhen (China) -

- 🔗 Singles - Yoshihito Nishioka (Japan)
- 🔗 Doubles - Ben McLachlan (Japan) and Joe Salisbury (United Kingdom)

8. ▶ 2018 Asian Games -

🔗 Facts -

- 🔗 It was 18th edition of Asian Games, hosted by Jakarta and Palembang (Indonesia).
- 🔗 11720 Athletes from 45 Nations participated in 465 events of 40 sports.
- 🔗 Official Mascots were named Bhin Bhin, Atung and Kaka, representing Eastern, Central, and Western regions of Indonesia respectively.
- 🔗 Next, 19th edition of Asian Games will be hosted by Hangzhou (China), in 2022.
- 🔗 Japanese swimmer Rikako Ikee named Most Valuable player in 18th Asian Games, after she had won 6 medals which is the most for a female athlete at a single Game. She will get a trophy and a cheque for \$50,000. She became the fourth Japanese athlete to win the award since its inception at the 1998 Bangkok Games, and first female athlete to be given this title.

🔗 Medal Table -

Rank	NOC	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	China	132	92	65	289
2	Japan	75	56	74	205
3	South Korea	49	58	70	177
4	Indonesia	31	24	43	98
5	Uzbekistan	21	24	25	70
8	India	15	24	30	69

🔗 India at 2018 Asian Games -

- 🔗 570 Indian athletes participated in 36 sports.
- 🔗 Javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra was flag bearer for Indian contingent at opening ceremony of Asian Games 2018. Indian women hockey captain Rani Rampal was India's flag-bearer for Closing Ceremony.
- 🔗 It was India's best ever performance in terms of total medal tally. In terms of gold medal tally, India match its best performance at the inaugural 1951 Games in New Delhi.
- 🔗 Delhi Government announced enhance in prize money for medalists -
 - 🔗 Gold - 1 crore (earlier 20 lakh)
 - 🔗 Silver - 75 lakh (earlier 14 lakh)
 - 🔗 Bronze - 50 lakh (earlier Rs 10 lakh).
 - 🔗 Trainers of medal winners to get 6 lakh (earlier Rs 3 lakh).
- 🔗 As per official provisions, pensions of medalists are -

Category	Amount
Medallist at Olympic/Para-Olympic Games	20000
Gold medallist at World Cup/World Championship (in Olympic/Asian Games disciplines)	16000
Silver/Bronze medallist at World Cup/World Championship (in Olympics / Asian Games disciplines)	14000
Gold medallist in Asian Games/Commonwealth Games/Para Asian Games	
Silver and Bronze medallist in Asian Games/Commonwealth Games/Para Asian Games	12000

🔗 Some facts and notable points -

- 🏸 PV Sindhu became the first badminton player to win silver in Asian Games, after she lost to Tai Tzu-Ying (Taiwan).
- 🏹 Rahi Sarnobat became the first Indian woman to win a gold medal in shooting at the Asian Games.
- 🏪 Vinesh Phogat became the first Indian woman wrestler to win a gold medal at the Asian Games.
- 🏊 Swapna Barman gave India its first-ever Asiad gold in women's heptathlon event.
- 🏹 Neeraj Chopra became the first Indian javelin thrower to win an Asiad gold.
- 🐎 Fouaad Mirza became the first Indian to win an Asian Games individual equestrian medal since 1982.
- 🏳️ India also won its first medal in sepaktakraw at the 18th Asian Games.
- 🏳️ India's first medal in Kurash came through Malaprabha Yallapa Jadav.
- 🏸 Saina Nehwal winning bronze in Badminton, after losing to Tai Tzu Ying of Chinese Taipei in women's singles semifinals.

🏳️ Indian Gold Medalists (15 Medals) -

- 🏃 Athletics - 7
 - 🏹 Tajinderpal Singh Toor (Men's shot put) - *It was India's first gold in Athletics at 2018 Asian Games.*
 - 🏹 Neeraj Chopra (Men's javelin throw) - *First Indian javelin thrower to win an Asiad gold. With this, he also set up a national record.*
 - 🏃 Manjit Singh (Men's 800 metres)
 - 🏃 Arpinder Singh (Men's triple jump) - *He ended India's 48-year wait for a gold medal in men's triple jump event at Asian Games. It was an Indian medal in men's triple jump, after 36 years.*
 - 🏊 Swapna Barman (Women's heptathlon) - *India's first-ever Asiad gold in women's heptathlon event.*
 - 🏃 Jinson Johnson (Men's 1500 metres)
 - 🏃 M. R. Poovamma, Saritaben Gaikwad, Hima Das, Vismaya (Women's 4 x 400 m relay)
- 🥊 Boxing - 1
 - 🏃 Amit Panghal (Light flyweight (49 kg))
- 🏹 Bridge - 1
 - 🏃 Pranab Bardhan, Shibhnath Sarkar (Men's pair)
- 🚣 Rowing - 1
 - 🏃 Sawarn Singh Dattu, Baban Bhokanal, Om Prakash, Sukhmeet Singh (Men's quadruple sculls)
- 🏹 Shooting - 2
 - 🏃 Saurabh Chaudhary (Men's 10 metre air pistol)
 - 🏹 Rahi Sarnobat (Women's 25 metre pistol) - *She became first Indian woman to win a gold medal in shooting at the Asian Games.*
- 🎾 Lawn tennis - 1
 - 🏃 Rohan Bopa
 - 🏃 nna, Divij Sharan (Men's doubles)
- 🏪 Wrestling - 2
 - 🏃 Bajrang Punia (Men's freestyle 65 kg)
 - 🏃 Vinesh Phogat (Women's freestyle 50 kg)

🏳️ India's Silver Medalists -

- 🏹 Shooting -
 - 🏃 Deepak Kumar (Men's 10 metre air rifle)
 - 🏃 Lakshay Sheoran (Men's trap)
 - 🏃 Sanjeev Rajput (Men's 50 metre rifle three positions)
 - 🏃 Shardul Vihan (Men's double trap)
- 🏳️ Kabaddi -
 - 🏃 Women's kabaddi (Lost to Iran).
- 🐎 Equestrian -
 - 🏃 Fouaad Mirza (Individual eventing)
 - 🏃 Team eventing
- 🏃 Athletics -
 - 🏃 Hima Das (Women's 400 metres)
 - 🏃 Muhammed Anas (Men's 400 metres)

- 🏹 Dutee Chand (Women's 100 metres)
- 🏹 Dharun Ayyasamy (Men's 400 metres hurdles)
- 🏹 Sudha Singh (Women's 3000 metres steeplechase)
- 🏹 Neena Varakil (Women's long jump)
- 🏹 Jinson Johnson (Men's 800 metres)
- 🏹 Rajiv Arokia, Muhammed Anas, Hima Das, M. R. Poovamma (Mixed 4 x 400 metres relay)
- 🏹 Dutee Chand (Women's 200 metres)
- 🏹 Dharun Ayyasamy, Kunhu Mohammed, Rajiv Arokia, Muhammed Anas (Men's 4 x 400 m relay)

🏹 Archery -

- 🏹 Abhishek Verma, Rajat Chauhan, Aman Saini (Men's team compound)
- 🏹 Muskan Kirar, Madhumita Kumari, Jyothi Surekha Vennam (Women's team compound)

🏹 Badminton -

- 🏹 P. V. Sindhu (Women's singles)

🏹 Kurash -

- 🏹 Pincky Balhara (Women's 52 kg)

🏹 Sailing -

- 🏹 Shweta Shervegar, Varsha Gautham (49er FX women)

🏹 Hockey -

- 🏹 Women's hockey team

🏹 Squash -

- 🏹 Dipika Pallikal, Joshna Chinappa, Tanvi Khanna, Sunayna Kuruvilla (Women's team)

9. ▶ 2018 Athletics World Cup held in London (United Kingdom) -

- 🏹 This was the first edition of this competition.
- 🏹 416 athletes from 8 nations participated in 34 events. India did not participate in the event.

🏹 Medal Table -

- 🏹 United States (USA) - 28 Medals (11 G)
- 🏹 Jamaica - 16 Medals (6 G)
- 🏹 Poland - 13 Medals (6 G)
- 🏹 Great Britain - 13 Medals (3 G)
- 🏹 South Africa - 9 Medals (3 G)

10. ▶ 2018 China Open (Tennis) -

- 🏹 Men's Singles - Nikoloz Basilashvili (Georgia)
- 🏹 Women's Singles - Caroline Wozniacki (Denmark)
- 🏹 Men's Doubles - Łukasz Kubot (Poland) AND Marcelo Melo (Brazil)
- 🏹 Women's Doubles - Czech Republic's Andrea Sestini Hlaváčková AND Barbora Strýcová

11. ▶ 2018 China Open Badminton -

- 🏹 Men's Singles - Anthony Sinisuka Ginting (Indonesia)
- 🏹 Women's Singles - Carolina Marín (Spain)
- 🏹 Men's Doubles - Denmark's Kim Astrup AND Anders Skaarup Rasmussen
- 🏹 Women's Doubles - Japan's Misaki Matsutomo AND Ayaka Takahashi
- 🏹 Mixed Doubles - China's Zheng Siwei AND Huang Yaqiong

12. ▶ 2018 Cincinnati Masters Tennis 2018 (Also called Western & Southern Open) -

- 🏹 Men's Singles - Novak Djokovic (Serbia)
- 🏹 Women's Singles - Kiki Bertens (Netherlands)
- 🏹 Men's Doubles - Jamie Murray (United Kingdom) AND Bruno Soares (Brazil)
- 🏹 Women's Doubles - Lucie Hradecká (Czech Republic) AND Ekaterina Makarova (Russia)

13. ▶ 2018 FIFA Football World Cup (21st) -

- 🏹 Winners -
 - 🏹 France won the title, defeating first-time finalists Croatia. It was 2nd World Cup title for France.
 - 🏹 Final was played in Luzhniki Stadium (Moscow), with Antoine Griezmann (France) named Man of the Match.
 - 🏹 Belgium defeat England to finish 3rd. England named 4th.

🏆 Notable Facts -

🏆 Awards -

- 🏆 Golden Ball (Best Player in Tournament) - Luka Modric (Croatia).
- 🏆 Golden Boot (Top Goal Scorer) - Harry Kane (England)
- 🏆 Golden Glove (Best Goalkeeper) - Thibaut Courtois (Belgium)
- 🏆 Best young player - Kylian Mbappé (France)
- 🏆 Fair play award - Spain

🏆 Russia Hosted FIFA World Cup for the First Time.

🏆 32-day tournament featured 32 teams and 64 games, played in 12 stadiums across 11 cities in Russia.

🏆 Portugal captain Cristiano Ronaldo scored FIFA World Cup 2018's first hat-trick, overall 51st in World Cup history. Ronaldo also became first player to score in eight consecutive major international tournaments.

🏆 Argentine Goalkeeper Javier Mascherano announced his retirement from international football after FIFA World Cup 2018.

🏆 Japan became the first-ever Asian nation to defeat a South American country in World Cup history, after defeating Colombia.

🏆 Brazil Holds most WC Titles (5), Followed by Germany and Italy (4 Each).

🏆 2022 FIFA WC will be hosted by Qatar (32 teams) and 2026 FIFA WC will be hosted by USA, Canada and Mexico (48 Teams), called United2026.

🏆 Anthropomorphic Eurasian wolf *Zabivaka* was official mascot of 2018 FIFA World Cup.

🏆 2019 FIFA Women's WC will be held in France.

14. 🏆 2018 Forbes list of 'The World's 100 highest paid athletes' -

🏆 Top 5 -

- 🏆 Floyd Mayweather (USA) - Boxing (285 Million USD)
- 🏆 Lionel Messi (Argentina) - Soccer (111 million USD)
- 🏆 Cristiano Ronaldo (Portugal) - Soccer (108 million USD)
- 🏆 Conor McGregor (Ireland) - Mixed Martial Arts (99 million USD)
- 🏆 Neymar (Brazil) - Soccer (90 million USD)

🏆 Indian cricket captain Virat Kohli is the sole Indian and Cricketer to feature in List with Pay of \$24 Million USD.

🏆 No Female Athlete Named in 2018's list. Last Year, USA Tennis star Serena Williams with \$27 Million USD Earnings was ranked 51st.

15. 🏆 2018 Gerry Weber Open Men's Tennis Title (Also called Halle Open (Germany)) -

- 🏆 Singles - Borna Ćorić (Croatia), defeating Swiss tennis ace Roger Federer.
- 🏆 Doubles - Łukasz Kubot (Poland) AND Marcelo Melo (Brazil)

16. 🏆 2018 Hyundai Archery World Cup Final held in Samsun, Turkey.

🏆 South Korea topped the medal tally with: 3 gold, 1 silver and 1 bronze medals. Turkey stayed at 2nd.

🏆 India won 3 medals - 1 silver and 2 bronze.

🏆 Silver - Abhishek Verma and Jyothi Surekha

🏆 Bronze - Abhishek Verma AND Deepika Kumari

17. 🏆 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)

18. 🏆 2018 Hyundai Archery World Cup Round 3 held in Salt Lake (USA). India won 3 medals at the event.

🏆 Medals in Round 3 -

🏆 Gold for Deepika Kumari in Recurve Women. She defeated Michelle Kroppen (Germany). This win ensured Deepika will represent the country at the season-ending Archery World Cup Final in Samsun, Turkey in October 2018.

🏆 Silver for Abhishek Verma in COMPOUND MEN

🏆 Bronze for COMPOUND MIXED TEAM

🏆 Previous Rounds in 2018 Hyundai Archery World Cup

🏆 Round 1 (Shanghai (China)) -

🏆 Bronze for Compound Mixed Team

🏆 Round 2 (Antalya (Turkey)) -

🏆 Silver for Compound Women Team


 Bronze for Compound Mixed Team


19. ▶ 2018 Junior World Weightlifting Championships held in Tashkent (Uzbekistan) -
 -  Iran claimed title with 512 points, followed by host Uzbekistan (436 points) and Turkey (411 points).
 -  Indian lifter Jhili Dalabehera won Bronze, lifting 167 kg in 48 kg category. She is 2nd Indian woman after Saikhom Mirabai Chanu in 2013 to win a medal in Junior World Championships.
20. ▶ 2018 Los Cabos Men's Tennis Open -
 -  Singles - Fabio Fognini (Italy)
 -  Doubles - Marcelo Arévalo (El Salvador) AND Miguel Ángel Reyes-Varela (Mexico)
21. ▶ 2018 Mercedes Cup Men's Tennis (Stuttgart, Germany) -
 -  Singles - Roger Federer (Switzerland), defeating Milos Raonic (Canada)
 -  Doubles - Germany 's Philipp Petzschner AND Tim Pütz
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 Rogers Cup Tennis (Toronto (Canada)) -
 -  Men's Singles - Rafael Nadal (Spain)
 -  Women's Singles - Simona Halep (Romania)
 -  Men's Doubles - Henri Kontinen (Finland) AND John Peers (Australia)
 -  Women's Doubles - Ashleigh Barty (Australia) AND Demi Schuurs (Netherlands)
25. ▶ 2018 Shanghai Rolex Masters Men's tennis Title -
 -  Singles - Novak Djokovic (Serbia)
 -  Doubles - Łukasz Kubot (Poland) AND Marcelo Melo (Brazil)
26. ▶ 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.
27. ▶ 2018 Tianjin Open Women's Tennis (China) -
 -  Singles - Caroline Garcia (France)
 -  Doubles - Nicole Melichar (USA) AND Květa Peschke (Czech Republic)
28. ▶ 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.
29. ▶ 2018 Vietnam Open (Badminton) -
 -  Men's Singles - Shesar Hiren Rhustavito (Indonesia)
 -  Women's Singles - Yeo Jia Min (Singapore)
 -  Men's Doubles - South Korea's Ko Sung-hyun AND Shin Baek-cheol
 -  Women's Doubles - Japan's Misato Aratama AND Akane Watanabe
30. ▶ 2018 World U20 Championships in Athletics (also known as the World Junior Championships), held in Tampere (Finland) -
 -  1462 Athletes from 158 Nations participated in 44 Events.
 -  Top 5 - Kenya (1), Jamaica (2), USA (3), Ethiopia (4), Great Britain (5)
 -  Assam's Hima Das became first Indian woman to win gold at IAAF World Under-20 Athletics Championships, after she won Women's 400 Metre Event, clocking 51.46 Seconds.
31. ▶ 2018 World Wrestling Championships in Budapest (Hungary)
 -  Medal Table -

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
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Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	Russia	10	1	2	13
2	Japan	5	1	4	10
3	United States	4	3	5	12
4	Turkey	1	4	4	9
5	Azerbaijan	1	2	2	5

 India at 2018 Wrestling World Championships -


 Ranked 19 (Jointly with Uzbekistan), India could Manage 2 Medals (1 Silver and 1 Bronze).


 Pooja Dhanda won a bronze medal in women's freestyle 57kg weight. Bajrang Punia won silver after he went down against Japan's Takuto Otoguro in 65kg final.

32. ▶ 2018 Youth Olympic Games (Buenos Aires, Argentina)

 It was 3rd edition of Youth Olympic Games, that began with 2010 (Singapore) and 2014 (Nanjing, China).

 3997 Athletes from 206 Nations participated in 239 Events of 32 sports.


 Mascot was *Pandi*, a young Yaguareté (A southamerican animal very similar to Jaguar).

 Next, 2022 Youth Olympic Games will be hosted by Dakar (Senegal). It will be first ever hosting of any Olympic Games by an African Nation.

 Medal Table -


Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	Russia	29	18	12	59
2	China	18	9	9	36
3	Japan	15	12	12	39
—	Mixed-NOCs	13	13	13	39
4	Hungary	12	7	5	24
5	Italy	11	10	13	34


 India at 2018 Summer Youth Olympics -

 With Total 13 Medals (2 Gold, 9 Silver, 1 Bronze), India was ranked 17th. It was India's Best performance in Youth Olympics So far. India won 8 Medals in 2010 and 2 in 2014, wit No Gold in either of first two.

 Indian Medallists -

 Gold -


 Jeremy Lalrinnunga - Weightlifting (Boys 62 kg)

 Manu Bhaker - Shooting (Girls' 10 metre air pistol) (She also won a silver in International Mixed event, mixing up with Tajikistan's Behzan Fayzuallev)

 Saurabh Chaudhary - Shooting Boys (10 metre air pistol)

 Silver -


 Tushar Mane - Shooting Boys' 10 metre air rifle

 Tababi Devi - Judo Girls' 44 kg

 Mehuli Ghosh - Shooting Girls' 10 metre air rifle

 Lakshya Sen - Badminton Boys' singles

 Simran - Wrestling Girl's freestyle 43 kg

 Men's hockey team (*Lost to Malaysia*)

 Women's hockey team (*Lost to Argentina*)

 Suraj Panwar - Athletics Boys' 5 km walk

 Akash Malik - Archery Boys' individual

 Bronze -

 Praveen Chitravel - Athletics Boys' triple jump

33. ▶ 2019 Asian Youth and Junior Weightlifting Championships will be held in North Korean capital Pyongyang.

34. ▶ 26th Excellence in Sports Performance Yearly Award (ESPY) 2018, Los Angeles (USA) -

 Best Male Athlete - Alexander Ovechkin, Washington Capitals

 Best Female Athlete - Chloe Kim, Snowboard

 Best International Men's Soccer Player - Cristiano Ronaldo (Portugal)

 Best Male Tennis Player - Roger Federer

 Best Female Tennis Player - Sloane Stephens

35. ▶ 36th National Games will be held in Goa in March - April 2019.

36. ▶ 52nd ISSF World Shooting Championships held in Changwon (South Korea) -

✎ This also served as first qualification for 2020 Summer Olympics.

✎ India at the Games -

✎ In Senior - India won total 7 Medals (2 Gold, 4 Silver, 1 Bronze), ranked 9th.

✎ In Junior - India won total 20 Medals (2 Gold, 4 Silver, 1 Bronze), ranked 2nd.

✎ India with 27 medals was overall (senior + junior) ranked 3, after China (43 medals) and South Korea (36 medals).

✎ Shahzar Rizvi claimed India's first medal at ISSF World Cup 2018, winning 10m air pistol silver.

✎ Indian Gold Medalists -

✎ Senior -

✎ 50 m pistol (Om Prakash Mitharwal)

✎ Double trap (Ankur Mittal)

✎ Junior -

✎ 10 m air rifle (Hriday Hazarika)

✎ 10 m air pistol (Saurabh Chaudhary)

✎ 25 m pistol (Udhayveer Sidhu)

✎ 25 m standard pistol (Vijayveer Sidhu)

✎ 50 m pistol (Arjun Singh Cheema)

✎ 25 m standard pistol team (Vijayveer Sidhu, Rajkanwar Singh Sandhu, Adarsh Singh)

✎ 25 m pistol team (Udhayveer Sidhu, Vijayveer Sidhu, Rajkanwar Singh Sandhu)

✎ 50 m pistol team (Arjun Singh Cheema, Gaurav Rana, Anmol)

✎ 10 m air rifle Women team (Elavenil Valarivan, Shreya Agrawal, Manini Kaushik)

✎ Medal table -

✎ Senior -

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	China	9	9	3	21
2	Russia	8	8	10	26
3	South Korea	7	5	8	20
4	Germany	6	6	3	15
5	Sweden	4	2	3	9
9	India	2	4	1	7

✎ Junior -

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	China	11	6	5	22
2	India	9	5	6	20
3	Italy	5	1	3	9
4	South Korea	4	9	3	16
5	Norway	2	0	1	3

37. ▶ A friendly Football match played between India and China in Suzhou (China), as first time in 21 years, after Nehru Cup in Kochi in 1997. Sandesh Jhingan was captain of Indian team for the Match. The game ended in a Draw at 0-0.

38. ▶ American fighter Ronda Rousey will become first female MMA fighter to be inducted into Ultimate Fighting Championship Hall of Fame.

39. ▶ Argentina Footballer Lionel Messi won European Golden Shoe for fifth time, after winning it earlier in 2010, 2012 and 2013, 2017.

✎ Additionally, Portuguese footballer Cristiano Ronaldo is named he most popular athlete as he topped ESPN World Fame 100 list for 3rd straight year.

40. ▶ Asian Para Games 2018 (Jakarta, Indonesia)-

✎ 2762 Athletes from 43 Nations participated in 512 Events in 18 sports.

✎ Official mascot was a Bondol eagle named Momo (short for motivation and mobility).

✎ India ranked 9th with total 72 Medals. It was India's best ever show in Asian Para Games.

✎ Medal Table -

Rank	NPC	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	China (CHN)	172	88	59	319
2	South Korea (KOR)	53	45	46	144

Rank	NPC	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
3	Iran (IRI)	51	42	43	136
4	Japan (JPN)	45	70	83	198
5	Indonesia (INA)	37	47	51	135
6	Uzbekistan (UZB)	35	24	18	77
7	Thailand (THA)	23	33	50	106
8	Malaysia (MAS)	17	26	25	68
9	India (IND)	15	24	33	72
10	Hong Kong (HKG)	11	16	21	48

41. ▶ Assam CM Sarbananda Sonowal named Indian Athlete Hima Das as first sports ambassador of Assam. Hima recently became first Indian to win gold at IAAF World Under-20 Athletics Championships, after winning Women's 400 Metre Event, clocking 51.46 Seconds.
42. ▶ Australia defeated India to win 37th (their 15th title) and last Men's Hockey Champions Trophy tournament, in Breda (Netherlands). It will be replaced by Hockey Pro League (HPL) in 2019.
43. ▶ Australian Cricketer Aaron Finch scored highest ever individual score in T20 Internationals, scoring 172 runs in 76 balls against Zimbabwe.
44. ▶ BCCI registered its new constitution with the Registrar of Societies of Tamil Nadu, in line with reforms listed by Supreme Court-appointed Justice Lodha Committee.
- ▶ Granted full permanent membership to Railways, Tri-Services, and Association of Indian Universities.
 - ▶ It restored voting rights of the cricket associations of Gujarat and Maharashtra.
 - ▶ It also agreed for *One State, One Vote* policy, that was recommended by R.M. Lodha Committee, formed in January 2015 after Mukul Mudgal Committee report that called for reforms within BCCI.
45. ▶ Badminton World Championships 2018, Held at Nanjing (China). -
- ▶ India's P V Sindhu finished second best in Women's Singles, becoming only Indian to have four world championships podium finishes.
 - ▶ Men's singles - Kento Momota (Japan), defeating China's Shi Yuqi. He became first Japanese man to win it.
 - ▶ Women's singles - Carolina Marin (Spain) won by defeating India's P V Sindhu.
 - ▶ Men's doubles - Chinese pair of Li Junhui and Liu Yuchen
 - ▶ Women's doubles - Japanese pair of Mayu Matsumoto and Wakana Nagahara.
 - ▶ Mixed doubles - Chinese pair of Zheng Siwei and Huang Yaqiong.
 - ▶ Mascot of Event was *Yu Bao*.
46. ▶ Bangladesh Cricketer Shakib Al Hasan became quickest to reach 10000 runs (ODI + Tests + T20I) and pick 500 wickets in international cricket. He also became first Bangladeshi cricketer with 500 international wickets.
- ▶ Also, England Became First ODI Nation to loose to an Associate Nation, after they lost an ODI to Scotland, in Edinburgh.
47. ▶ Bangladesh won Women's Asia T20 Cricket Cup 2018 in Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia), defeating India.
48. ▶ Biennial Asian Nations Cup Chess Tournament held in Hamadan (Iran) -
- ▶ India won 5 medals - 1 gold, 2 silver, 2 bronze AND ranked 2nd in overall ranking.
 - ▶ Winning team of Gold consisted of Harika Dronavalli, Eesha Karavade, Padmini Rout, Vaishali R, Aakanksha Hagawane.
 - ▶ Medal Table was topped by Iran Green.
49. ▶ 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.
50. ▶ Brooks Koepka (USA) won US Open Golf 2018 by defeating Tommy Fleetwood, becoming first player in 3 decades to successfully defend his title.
51. ▶ 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).

52. ▶ CERN(world's largest physics laboratory) has discovered two new particles, as well as hints of another new particle, in high-energy proton collisions at 27-km-long Large Hadron Collider. The particles belong to the same family of protons called baryons.
53. ▶ 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.
54. ▶ 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


55. ▶ Commonwealth Games gold medallist weightlifter Sanjita Chanu and tennis player Yuki Bhambri have been dropped from Target Olympic Podium (TOP) Scheme, amid positive dope sample test results.
56. ▶ Denmark Open Badminton 2018 -
- 🎨 Men's Singles - Kento Momota (Japan)
 - 🎨 Women's Singles - Tai Tzu-ying (Chinese Taipei), **defeating Saina Nehwal (India)**
 - 🎨 Men's Doubles - Indonesia's Marcus Fernaldi Gideon AND Kevin Sanjaya Sukamuljo
 - 🎨 Women's Doubles - Japan's Yuki Fukushima AND Sayaka Hirota
 - 🎨 Mixed Doubles - China's Zheng Siwei AND Huang Yaqing
57. ▶ England created new record for highest total in a men's ODI with 481 against Australia, beating its own previous Record.
58. ▶ FIFA lifted 18 Month long suspension imposed on Guatemala Football Association (Central America), over its failure to comply with anti-corruption rules.
59. ▶ 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.
60. ▶ FIFA took temporary control over the Uruguayan Football Association (AUF) due to governance issues.
61. ▶ Ferrari's German racer Sebastian Vettel won Formula 1 British Grand Prix 2018 -

🎨 2018 Formula 1 (F1) Calendar-

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62. ▶ Ferrari's German driver Sebastian Vettel won Formula 1 Canadian Grand Prix 2018 -

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63. ▶ Ferrari's Racer Sebastian Vettel (Germany) won F1 Belgian Grand Prix -

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64. ▶ Ferrari's Racer Kimi Raikkonen (Finland) won F1 USA Grand Prix -


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18	USA Grand Prix	21 October	Kimi Raikkonen (Finland)
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65. ▶ 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.

66. ▶ For first time in history of FIFA international football team rankings, two teams are sharing top spot after World Cup 2018 semi-finalists Belgium joined World Cup winners France Jointly at top of rankings.

67. ▶ Forbes' List Of Highest Paid Female Athletes 2018 -

 American Tennis Player Serena Williams (with earnings of \$18.1 million) is highest paid female athlete for 3rd consecutive year.

 Top 3 -

- 🔑 Serena Williams (\$18.1 million) (American Tennis Player)
- 🔑 Dane Caroline Wozniacki (\$13 million) (Danish Tennis Player)
- 🔑 Sloane Stephens (\$11.2 million) (American tennis player)

🔑 Indian badminton player P.V. Sindhu ranked at 7th place with earnings of \$8.5 million.

68. ▶ 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.
69. ▶ Former India Cricketer Anil Kumble's Tech startup Spektacom Technologies launched the *Power Bat*, powered by Microsoft's Azure Cloud platform and its Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Internet of Things (IoT) services. Star India is broadcasting partner.
- 🔑 Power Bat will provide real-time data on a player's performance based on parameters like speed of the ball on impact, twist on impact and quality of the shot.
 - 🔑 In a live match, when the batsman hits the ball, data is captured in a new unit of measurement called Power Speks.
70. ▶ France Football magazine announced that, a women's Ballon d'Or will be awarded for first time in 2018, to be presented on 8 December 2018 in Paris (France).
- 🔑 Ballon d'Or is awarded annually for men since 1956.
71. ▶ French Open Tennis 2018 -
- 🔑 Men's Singles - Rafael Nadal (Spain), defeating Dominic Thiem (Austria).
 - 🔑 Nadal equaled Margaret Court's all-time record of 11 Grand Slam singles titles won at one major (French Open).
 - 🔑 Overall, It was Nadal's 17th Grand Slam Victory, 2nd only to Swiss Star Roger Federer (20 Titles).
 - 🔑 Women's Singles - Simona Halep (Romania), Defating Sloane Stephens (USA). It was Halep's first Grand Slam title.
 - 🔑 Men's Doubles - Pierre-Hugues Herbert (France) AND Nicolas Mahut (France)
 - 🔑 Women's Doubles - Barbora Krejčíková (Czech Republic) AND Kateřina Siniaková (Czech Republic)
 - 🔑 Mixed Doubles - Latisha Chan (Chinese Taipei) AND Ivan Dodig (Croatia)
 - 🔑 Boys' Singles - Tseng Chun-hsin (Chinese Taipei)
 - 🔑 Girls' Singles - Cori Gauff (USA)
72. ▶ Germany will host UEFA 2024 European Championship, as Germany's first major football championship hosting since World Cup 2006. 24 national teams will play in 10 German cities.
73. ▶ Government approved participation of Indian Kho Kho team at the 1st International Kho Kho Championship in England in first week of September 2018.
74. ▶ Government approved revised guidelines for MAKA (Maulana Abul Kalam Azad) Trophy, to simplify selection of top performing university in sports for award of MAKA Trophy. Under revised guidelines -
- 🔑 Receiving and Scrutiny of Applications will be invited by Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports / Sports Authority of India (unlike Association of Indian Universities (AIU) upto now).
 - 🔑 Tournaments which are held more than once a year will not be considered for computation of marks.
 - 🔑 Award money for winner has been increased from 10 lakh to 15 lakh. While that for 1st and 2nd Runner-up universities is enhanced from 5 lakh to 7.5 lakh and 3 lakh to 4.5 lakh respectively.
75. ▶ Great Britain won 2018 Sultan of Johor Hockey Cup, defeating India. It was hosted by Malaysia.
76. ▶ Harry Kane (England) named most valuable player for upcoming FIFA World Cup in Russia 2018. Kane is estimated to be worth 201.2 million euros, as calculated by CIES Football Observatory algorithm.
77. ▶ ICC included Nepal, Netherlands, Scotland and the UAE in their ODI rankings list apart from 12 existing countries.
78. ▶ ISSF Junior World Cup 2018 Round 2 (Suhl (Germany)) -
- 🔑 Including Round 1 in Sydney (Australia) in March 2018, India won total 48 Medals in ISSF Junior World Cup 2018 (24 Gold, 7 Silver, 17 Bronze). India is at the top of table in ISSF Junior World Cup 2018.
- 🔑 Medal Table -
- | Rank | Country | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
|------|----------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| 1 | India | 24 | 7 | 17 | 48 |
| 2 | China | 15 | 17 | 14 | 46 |
| 3 | Italy | 7 | 6 | 10 | 23 |
| 4 | Czech Republic | 4 | 1 | 1 | 6 |
| 5 | Russia | 3 | 6 | 1 | 2 |
- 🔑 Gold Medals for India in ISSF Junior World Cup 2018 Round 2 (Suhl (Germany)) -
 - 🔑 Individual -

🏹 Men - Hriday Hazarika (10 Metre Air Rifle), Saurabh Chaudhary (10 metre air pistol), Vijayveer Sindhu (25 meter standard pistol)

🏹 Women - Elavenil Valarivan(10 Metre Air Rifle), Vishwa Jignesh Dahiya (25 meter standard pistol), Manu Bhaker (10 metre air pistol)

🏹 Team -

🏹 Men - 10 metre air rifle, 50 metre pistol, 10 metre air pistol, 25 meter standard pistol, 25 meter pistol

🏹 Women - 50 metre pistol, 25 meter standard pistol

🏹 Mixd Team - 10 metre air pistol (Saurabh Chaudhary / Devanshi Rana), 100 Metre air rifle (Elavenil Valarivan / Divyansh Singh Panwar)

79. ▶ ITF men's Futures Men's tennis tournament (Indonesia) -

🏹 Singles - Niki Kaliyanda Poonacha (IND)

🏹 Doubles - Justin Barki (Indonesia) AND Christopher Rungkat (Indonesia)

80. ▶ 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*.

81. ▶ India Blue won 2017-18 Duleep Cricket Trophy by defeating India Red, in Dindigul (Tamilnadu).

82. ▶ India Women Cricketer Smriti Mandhana became first Indian player to appear in Kia Super League (women's cricket super league in England).

83. ▶ India and Pakistan declared joint winners of Men's Asian Hockey Champions Trophy at Muscat in Oman, after summit clash was called off due to heavy rain.

84. ▶ India defeated Bangladesh to win Unimoni Asia Cup Cricket Championship 2018, held in UAE. This was India's seventh Asia Cup Title.

85. ▶ India defeated Sri Lanka to win their 6th Under-19 Asia Cup Cricket title.

86. ▶ India won Intercontinental Cup football title by defeating Kenya by 2-0 in Mumbai. India's Sunil Chhetri became joint second highest international goal scorer among active players along with Argentina's Lionel Messi with his 64th strike. Portugal's Cristiano Ronaldo is top active scorer with 85 Goals so far.

87. ▶ India won Kabaddi Masters Dubai tournament in Dubai (UAE), Beating Iran in Final.

88. ▶ India won South Asian Football Federation (SAFF) Under-15 Women's Football Championship, held in Thimpu (Bhutan), by defeating Bangladesh.

89. ▶ India's gymnast Dipa Karmakar won gold medal in vault event of FIG Artistic Gymnastics World Challenge Cup at Mersin (Turkey). BJP proposed Dipa Karmakar as brand ambassador of state.

90. ▶ Indian Boxer Neeraj Goyat has been conferred with *WBC Asia Boxer of the Year Award*. He is current WBC Asia champion in welterweight category.

91. ▶ Indian Cricketer Mahendra Singh Dhoni reached milestone of playing 500 international matches, playing 497 international matches for India and 3 matches for Asia. He is ninth player to achieve this, apart from two more Indians - Sachin Tendulkar and Rahul Dravid. Also, Rohit Sharma became first Indian to hit 3 centuries in T20I cricket, after he recently hit one against England.

92. ▶ Indian badminton player Lakshya Sen won gold medal in Badminton Asia Junior Championship in Jakarta (Indonesia), defeating Indonesia's Kunlavut Vitidsarn. He is 2nd Indian to get this title since Gautam Thakkar's gold back in 1965.

93. ▶ Indian badminton player Sourabh Verma won Russian Open Badminton trophy at Vladivostok, defeating Japan's Koki Watanabe. In Mixed Doubles, Rohan Kapoor and Kuhoo Garg, lost against Russian-Korean team of Vladimir Ivanov and Min Kyung Kim.

94. ▶ Indian cricketer Shikhar Dhawan became first Indian to score a century before lunch on first day of a test match, against Afghanistan. He is 6th batsman in world to achieve this feat.

95. ▶ Indian pacer Jhulan Goswami became first bowler in women's cricket to pick 300 international wickets. Also, Mithali Raj went past England's Charlotte Edwards as most-capped captain in women's ODIs with her 118th appearance.

96. ▶ 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).

97. ▶ Indian sprinter Hima Das was appointed as Sports Ambassador of Assam.

🏹 She was first Indian athlete to win gold medal in track event at IAAF World U20 Championships held in Tampere, Finland.

🏹 In 2018 Asian Games (Jakarta), she had won silver medal in 400 m final to win a silver medal. She is nicknamed 'Dhing Express' after her village in Assam.

98. ▶ Indian squash player Dipika Pallikal has been appointed as Asia's representative in Athletes Advisory Commission of Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF).





99. ▶ Indian tennis Player Leander Paes won his second Challenger-level title of season, winning Santo Domingo Open trophy (Dominican Republic) with partner Miguel Angel Reyes-Varela.
100. ▶ International Cricket Council (ICC) announced its Future Tours Programme (FTP) for 2018-2023, which includes World Test Championship and a 13-team ODI league. ICC World Test Championship will be held in July of 2019 to June 2021. Test championship will involve 9 teams playing 3 home and 3 away series.
101. ▶ International Cricket Council (ICC) inducted former Rahul Dravid (India), Ricky Ponting (Australia) and English Female cricketer Claire Taylor into ICC Cricket Hall of Fame. Dravid became 5th Indian to be named in Hall of Fame, after Bishan Singh Bedi, Kapil Dev, Sunil Gavaskar and Anil Kumble.
102. ▶ International Cricket Council released updated version of the Duckworth-Lewis-Stern (DLS) System along with the new ICC Code of Conduct and ICC Playing Conditions. These came into effect from 30 September, with an ODI between South Africa and Zimbabwe.
103. ▶ International Olympic Committee (IOC) added 7 medal events to 2022 Beijing Winter Games, with addition of women's monobob, Big Air freestyle skiing for men and women, plus mixed team events in short track speed skating, ski jumping, ski aerials and snowboard cross.
104. ▶ International Shooting Sport Federation ISSF World Cup 2018 Leg 3 and Leg 4 (In Fort Benning (USA) and Munich (Germany) Respectively) -

▶ India Could Not win a medal in Leg 3 and Leg 4 of ISSF World Cup 2018.



▶ India's Total Medal Tally in ISSF WC 2018 stands at 10 Medals, as of now. Medal Tally after Leg 4 looks like -

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	China	13	14	9	36
2	United States	5	1	3	9
3	India	4	2	4	10
4	Russia	4	2	0	6
5	Ukraine	3	0	1	4

105. ▶ International Tennis Federation (ITF) announced that Madrid (Spain) would host the first 2 new-format Davis Cup Tennis finals in 2019 and 2020. It will engage 18 countries at one place for a week at the end of tennis season. Kosmos will spend \$3 billion over 25 years on revamped 118-year-old Davis Cup.
106. ▶ 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.
107. ▶ 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)
108. ▶ Japan Open Badminton 2018 -
- ▶ Men's Singles - Kento Momota (Japan)
 - ▶ Women's Singles - Carolina Marín (Spain)
 - ▶ Men's Doubles - Indonesia's Marcus Fernaldi Gideon AND Kevin Sanjaya Sukamuljo
 - ▶ Women's Doubles - Japan's Yuki Fukushima AND Sayaka Hirota
 - ▶ Mixed Doubles - China's Zheng Siwei AND Huang Yaqiong
109. ▶ Japan will host 2019 edition of 4th International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF) World Relays, in May 2019. This will serve as a qualifier for world championships taking place in Doha in September and October 2019.
110. ▶ Japan won its first FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup title, held in France. Japan defeated Spain in final.
- ▶ England held 3rd place while France stayed 4th.
 - ▶ Patricia Guijarro (Spain) named as Best Player.
111. ▶ July 07 - International Day of Cooperatives (IDC). 2018 theme is *Sustainable societies through cooperation*. It is also known as World Chocolate Day.
112. ▶ Kagiso Rabada Named South Africa's Cricketer Of The Year, for 2nd time. He is also named ODI and Test Cricketer of the Year.
113. ▶ Kho-Kho will be included as a demonstration sport in Asian Indoor Games, Also having possibility to be included as a discipline in next Asian Games.
114. ▶ Lagos International Badminton 2018 -

-  Men's Singles - Misha Zilberman (Israel)
-  Women's Singles - Ksenia Polikarpova (Israel)
-  Men's doubles - India's Mannu Attri and Sumeeth Reddy
-  Women's doubles - India's Kuhoo Garg and Ria Mukherjee
-  Mixed doubles - India's Manu Attri and Manisha

115. ▶ Laver cup Tennis 2018 (Chicago, United States)-

-  Its an indoor hard court men's tennis tournament between two teams - Team Europe and Team World. It was founded in 2017.
-  Team Europe successfully defended their title, winning the tournament 13–8.

116. ▶ Long time Rivals North and South Korea will field a unified team for semi-finals of world Table Tennis championships to be held in Halmstad (Sweden). It was decided after a recent meet between two nations to ease up tensions.


117. ▶ MS Dhoni became fastest wicketkeeper-batsman and third fastest Indian to score 10,000 runs in ODI cricket, achieving it in 273 innings.

118. ▶ Madurai Panthers won their first Tamil Nadu Premier League 2018 title, defeating Dindigul Dragons.

119. ▶ Maldives won 2018 South Asian Football Federation (SAFF) Cup 2018, defeating India. It was hosted by Bangladesh.

120. ▶ Manipur won 24th Senior Women's National football championships in Cuttack (Odisha). Manipur secured their 19th title win after beating Odisha.

121. ▶ Mercedes's British driver Lewis Hamilton won Formula 1 French Grand Prix 2018 -

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122. ▶ Mercedes's Racer Lewis Hamilton (England) won F1 German Grand Prix -

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123. ▶ Mercedes's Racer Lewis Hamilton (England) won F1 Hungarian Grand Prix -

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124. ▶ Mercedes's Racer Lewis Hamilton (UK) won F1 Italian Grand Prix -

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125. ▶ Mercedes's Racer Lewis Hamilton (UK) won F1 Japanese Grand Prix -

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126. ▶ Mercedes's Racer Lewis Hamilton (UK) won F1 Russian Grand Prix -

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127. ▶ Mercedes's Racer Lewis Hamilton (UK) won F1 Singapore Grand Prix -

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128. ▶ Mercedes' British driver Lewis Hamilton won Formula 1 Spanish Grand Prix 2018 -
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129. ▶ Mike Hesson (New Zealand), Belinda Clark (Australia), and Kyle Coetzer (Scotland) have been appointed to International Cricket Council (ICC) Cricket Committee.

130. ▶ Minister of Youth Affairs & Sports Rajyavardhan Rathore approved revision of pension to meritorious Sportspersons. New Rates are -

Category	Pension Amount
Medallist at Olympic/Para-Olympic Games	20000
Gold medallist at World Cup/World Championship (in Olympic/Asian Games disciplines)	16000

Silver/Bronze medallist at World Cup/World Championship (in Olympics / Asian Games disciplines)	14000
Gold medallist in Asian Games/Commonwealth Games/Para Asian Games	
Silver and Bronze medallist in Asian Games/Commonwealth Games/Para Asian Games	12000

131. ▶ Misc. Sporting Events (August 2018) -

- 🏊 10-year-old swimmer Clark Kent Apuada (USA) has broke a record held by Noted Olympian Swimmer Michael Phelps, completing 100-meter butterfly in 1:09:38, ahead of Phelps' record that he set in 1995 (with 1:10.48 timing).
- 🏊 Kliment Kolesnikov of Russia created a world record for 50 metres backstroke swimming, as he won European Championship in Glasgow (Scotland). He recorded 24 seconds and broke previous record by 0.04 seconds.
- ♟️ Indian Chess Player Vaibhav Suri beat Prithu Gupta and won Biel Masters Chess title in Switzerland.
- 🏌️ Indian Golfer Gaganjeet Bhullar won his first European Tour title at Fiji International.
- 🏏 Indian Cricketer Virat Kohli became fastest captain to reach 7000 international runs. Kohli also featured at top in latest ICC Test Rankings. Also, Nepalese cricketer Rohit Kumar Paudel (aged 15 years) became 4th youngest debutant in men's ODI cricket.
- 🎾 Karman Kaur Thandi became 6th Indian to rank among top 200th in WTA (Women's Tennis Association) list, after Ankita Raina, Sania Mirza, Nirupama Vaidyanathan, Shikha Uberoi and Sunitha Rao.
- ⚽ India's under-20 Football team won a game against traditionally strong Argentina tea by 2-1, during COTIF Cup in Spain. Also, under-16 team football of India defeated under-16 champions team of Iraq in West Asian Football Federation Cup in Amman (Jordan).
- 🏊 India's Swastika Ghosh won bronze medal in junior girls' doubles along with Singapore's Jingyi Zhou in 2018 Hang Seng Hong Kong Junior and Cadet Open, in Hong Kong.
- 🇯🇵 Tokyo 2020 (Japan) will be first Olympics to use facial recognition technology to increase security around all venues. It will use IC chips within identification cards to automatically verify identity of those entering over 40 sporting venues.
- 🏆 Indian-American student Avi Goel won world championship at International Geography Bee's junior varsity division held in Berlin (Germany).
- 🏆 Saudi Arabia's Mosaad Aldossary won FIFA eWorld Cup held at O2 Arena in London (Britain).
- 🏏 English cricketer James Anderson became first player to take 100 wickets at Lord's, achieving it during second Test against India.
- 🏌️ Indian golfer Viraj Madappa became youngest Indian to win on Asian Tour, after winning his first title on Asian Tour at Take Solutions Masters in Bengaluru (Karnataka).
- 🏏 Indian cricketer Virat Kohli stayed at top spot in list of highest run scorers in international cricket in 2018.
- 🚴 Indian cyclist Esow Alben won India's maiden medal in track cycling at world level, after he won silver medal in Men's Keirin event of UCI Junior Track Cycling World Championships held in Aigle (Switzerland).
- 🏆 New Delhi will host Combined ISSF (International Shooting Sport Federation) World Cup to be held before 2020 Tokyo Olympics.
- ♟️ 14 years old Nihal Sarin became India's 53rd Chess Grandmaster after winning at Abu Dhabi Masters. Also, Vaishali R (17 years), became India's latest Woman Grandmaster (WGM) after earning her third and final WGM norm at Riga Technical University Open at Latvia.
- 🏊 India's Para Athlete Divyesh Sondagar won 2 Gold medals in World Cerebral Palsy Games in Barcelona (Spain).
- 🏏 Pakistani fast bowler Mohammad Irfan set the world record for the most economical four-over bowling figures in history of T20 cricket, when he conceded just 1 run in 4 overs spell, with 23 dot balls.

132. ▶ Misc. Sporting Events (July 2018) -

- 🏊 India's Bajrang Punia won Gold in 65kg Category in United World Wrestling's Tbilisi Grand Prix (Georgia Capital), defeating Iranian wrestler Mehran Nasiri. Also, India's Deepak Punia won bronze medal in 86kg category, defeating Turkey's Osman Gocen.
- 🏊 NADA gave 4 year suspension to shot putter Inderjeet Singh for testing positive for anabolic steroids in a dope test before 2016 Rio Olympics.
- 🏊 India won 3 silver and 1 bronze to finish joint third with Iran in Asia Cup World Ranking Tournament Stage 3 in Taipei. Korea topped tally with 8 gold, 3 silver and 3 bronze, followed by hosts Taipei.
- ⚽ Noted Portugese Footballer Cristiano Ronaldo left Spanish club Real Madrid after 9 years, joining Italian club Juventus in a reported £105-million (INR 956 crores) four-year deal.
- 🚢 India's INS Tarangini arrived Sunderland (UK), during its #Lokayan-18 voyage. It also participated in prestigious 'tall ship races – 2018'.

- 🏹 Indian shooter Elavenil Valarivan won women's air rifle gold medal in 28th Meeting of Shooting Hopes junior international championship in Plzen (Czech Republic).
- 🏹 Indian Badminton Player Ajay Jayaram finished runners-up at White Nights International Challenge in Gatchina (Russia).
- 🏹 Golfer Rishi Narain won Indian Golf Union's 48th annual All India Seniors Golf Championship.
- 🏹 India's javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra won gold medal in Sotteville Athletics meet (France), covering distance of 85.17 meters. He also won gold medal in Savo Games in Lapinlahti (Finland).
- 🏹 Alisson Becker of Brazil became World's most expensive goalkeeper, while transferring clubs from Italy's Roma to England's Liverpool for a record £56 million. Noted Portuguese player Cristiano Ronaldo also changed from Real Madrid (Spain) to Juventus (Italy).
- 🏹 Indian Golfer Shubhankar Sharma became youngest Indian golfer to make cut in any major after he capped a wonderful back nine at 147th Open Championships at Carnoustie (Scotland).
- 🏹 India won 8 medals in Junior Asian Wrestling Championship concluded in New Delhi., comprising of 2 gold (Sachin Rathi, Deepak Punia), 3 silver and 3 bronze.
- 🏹 Indian sprinter Muhammed Anas Yahiya broke his own national record to win 400 metres race at Cena Noveho Mesta nad Metuji meet in Czech Republic, with time of 45.24 seconds.
- 🏹 Fakhar Zaman became first Pakistani cricketer to score a double century in ODIs, after hitting one against Zimbabwe. He also became quickest player in history to reach 1,000 runs in ODIs, taking 18 innings.
- 🏹 Indian Wrestler Vinesh Phogat won gold at Spanish Grand Prix in Madrid, defeating Canada's Natasha Fox.
- 🏹 India won 17 medals to finish at top in 36th Golden Glove of Vojvodina youth boxing tournament in Subotica (Serbia), including 7 Gold, 6 Silver and 4 bronze. Russia was 2nd with 11 medals.
- 🏹 Indian team won 4 silver and 5 bronze medals at 7th World Junior Wushu Championships in Brasilia (Brazil).
- 🏹 Vancouver Knights won Inaugural 2018 Global T20 Canada Cricket Tournament. Six teams took part in it.
- 🏹 Ukraine's Oleksandr Usyk became first man to hold all four world cruiserweight titles, after he beat Russia's Murat Gassiev.
- 🏹 BCCI Include 9 More teams in Ranji Trophy Cricket competition for 2018-19 season, now with 37 teams.
- 🏹 28th Meeting of Shooting Hopes junior International Championship held in Pilsen (Czech Republic).
 - 🏹 India won 27 medals (11 Gold, 9 Silver, 7 Bronze)
 - 🏹 Manu Bhaker won her 9th International Gold medal in 1 year.
- 🏹 Asian Cup for Cadets & Junior Judo Championships 2018 held in Macau. Indian Cadet and Junior Judo Teams have won 15 medals (4 Gold, 2 Silver and 9 Bronze medals).
- 🏹 India Cricketer Virat Kohli presented with International Player of the Year award 2017-2018 by England's Popular Cricket Fan Club Barmy Army.
- 🏹 Indian women's compound archery team became world rank one side in category, ahead of Chinese Taipei team.
- 🏹 Yasar Dogu International Wrestling in Istanbul (Turkey) -
 - 🏹 India won 10 medals, with Bajrang Punia and Pinki winning Gold. Women won 7 medals.
- 🏹 15th National Youth Athletics Championships held in Vadodara (Gujarat).
- 🏹 Kathleen Baker (US) has set a world record of 58 sec to win 100m backstroke at US swimming championships. She has got past 58.10 record set by Canadian Kylie Masse at World Championships in Budapest in July 2017.
- 🏹 India won 15 medals (including 2 gold) at Jordan Junior and Cadet Open. Gold was won by Suhana Saini and Deepit Patil & Dev Shroff (Doubles).
- 🏹 International Army Games 2018 held at Patriot Park in Moscow (Russia).
- 🏹 American Golfer Dustin Johnson won 2018 RBC Canadian Open Golf Championship.
- 🏹 Noted Former Indian Cricketer Kapil Dev is selected in national golf team to take part in 2018 Asia-Pacific Senior Amateur Championships to be held in October in Japan.
- 🏹 All five Indian participants won gold medals at 49th International Physics Olympiad held in Portugal.
- 🏹 International Cricket Council organised the 'Sano Cricket Curry Festival' in Japanese city of Sano to promote cricket in Japan.

133. ▶ Misc. Sporting Events (June 2018) -

- 🏹 Ariya Jutanugarn (Thailand) won 73rd US Women's Open, becoming first player from Thailand to win a US Women's Open title.
- 🏹 Long distance runner Gavit Murali Kumar bagged a gold in men's 10,000m race at Gouden Spike meeting in Leiden (Netherlands) He also became second fastest Indian in this event, 2nd only to Surendra Singh, who holds national record of 28:02.89.
- 🏹 India's Simran Singhi and Ritika Thaker win Mauritius Open Badminton title 2018.
- 🏹 Indian boxers won 1 Gold and 2 Silver medals at Umakhanov Memorial Tournament in Russian city of Kaspiysk.

- 🏆 Gold - Saweety Boora in Women's 75 kg category, beating Anna Anfinogenova (Russia).
- 🏆 Silver - Brijesh Yadav (men's 81 kg) and Virender Kumar (91 kgs).
- 🏆 Indian swimmer Sandeep Sejwal won gold medal in men's 50m breaststroke event at Singapore National Swimming Championships in Singapore.
- 🏆 India's R Praggnanandhaa become country's youngest and world's second youngest Grand Master at age of 12 years and 10 months, after reaching the final round of Grenadine Open in Italy.
- 🏆 Indian Tennis Player Karman Kaur Thandi won first singles title on ITF Pro circuit at Hong Kong ITF Tournament.
- 🏆 18th KSS Memorial Shooting Championships held in New Delhi.
- 🏆 Ulaanbaatar Cup boxing tournament 2018 held in Mongolia. India won total 9 medals, including a Gold by Mandeep Jangra (69kg).
- 🏆 Chemistry World Cup of Olympic Boxing 2018 held in Halle (Germany), conducted in 10 Weight Categories. Cuba topped medal tally by winning 9 medals in total. India won 6 medals (2 gold, 1 silver and 3 bronze medals). India's Gaurav Solanki (52kg) defeated Cuba's Jorge Alejandro Merencio and won a gold medal.
- 🏆 Sprinter Dutee Chand has set a new national record in women's 100-metre race, when she clocked 11.29 seconds at 58th National Inter-State Senior Athletics Championships in Guwahati (Assam).
- 🏆 45th Glenmark Junior and 35th Sub Junior National Aquatic Championships held in Pune, (Maharashtra).
- 🏆 12th Tunis International Meeting organized by National Paralympic Committee of Tunisia. Iran won total 23 medals. India's Amit Kumar Saroha wins gold at World Para Athletics Grand Prix, in men's club throw F51 event.

134. ▶ 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 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'.

135. ▶ Misc. Sporting Events (October 2018) -

- 🏆 Prithvi Shaw became youngest Indian to score a century on Test debut (aged 18 years), scoring against Windies in Rajkot. He also became youngest Indian to win the Man of the Series award in Test cricket history.
- 🏆 Virat Kohli became quickest batsman to reach 24 Test cricket centuries after great Australian Sir Donald Bradman.
- 🏆 India's Keerthana Pandian won girls' title in IBSF World Under-16 Snooker Championships, in St Petersburg (Russia).
- 🏆 India's Squash player Vikram Malhotra won in Texas Open Squash Championship (USA), defeating Daniel Mekbib of Czech Republic.
- 🏆 Indian pair of Meghana Reddy and Tasnim Mir won Under-15 girls doubles title in Badminton Asia Junior Under-17 and Under-15 championships, at Mandalay (Myanmar). India won total 5 medals in championships - 1 gold and 4 bronze.
- 🏆 Deborah Herold won gold in elite women's 40 kilometre competition at Saksham Pedal Delhi, India's Premier Cyclothon. Shreedhar Savanur won gold medal in men's 50 kilometres.

- 🏊 Bajrang Punia became first Indian wrestler to get seeded at the World Championship that will be held in Budapest (Hungary). In 65kg category of men's freestyle event, Bajrang Punia has been seeded third.
- ⚽ Portugal's Cristiano Ronaldo became first player to score 400 goals across the top-five European football leagues.
- 🏍️ Marc Marquez (Spain) won his 7th World Title and fifth Premier Class Title, after he won Japanese Moto Grand Prix.
- 🏏 Virat Kohli became Fastest Cricketer to score 10000 ODI Runs, taking just 205 innings. Previous best was Sachin Tendulkar (259 Innings).
- 🏒 Indian Navy won 14th PMC Bank all-India Guru Tegh Bahadur Gold Cup hockey tournament, in Mumbai.
- 🏸 Wheelchair Badminton Player Sanjeev Kumar won two gold medals and a bronze medal at the Denmark Open in Odense.
- 🎱 India's Sourav Kothari defeated Peter Gilchrist of Singapore to win 2018 WBL World Billiards Championship title.
- 🏌️ Indian golfer Khalin Joshi won Panasonic Open India title, becoming 7th Indian to win Panasonic Open India title in its last 8 editions.
- 🏓 Indian table tennis player Ayhika Mukherjee won a silver medal in under-21 women's singles category of the ITTF Challenge Belgium Open. Also, India's Anthony Amalraj and Sanil Shetty won bronze medal in men's doubles.
- ⚽ FIFA (Fédération Internationale de Football Association) enhanced prize money for the women's World Cup with 2019 tournament in France in June - July. Overall contribution will be \$50 million for the 24 participating nations. It Includes doubling prize money from \$15 to \$30 million.
- 🏃 Kenyan distance runner Abraham Kiptum has set new new world best time of 58 mins 18 sec for half-marathon, at Valencia Half Marathon in Spain.
- 🏓 India's Vishal Rajveer Shah won gold and Raegan Alburquerque won silver in 2018 Egypt Junior & Cadet Open table tennis tournament.

136. ▶ Misc. Sporting Events (September 2018) -

- 🏏 Anjum Moudgil and Apurvi Chandela became first set of Indian shooters to secure quota places for 2020 Tokyo Olympics.
- 🏸 Indian shuttlers Anoushka Parikh, Saurabh Sharma AND Krishna Prasad Garaga, Dhruv Kapila won mixed doubles and men's doubles title respectively, at RSL Kharkiv International challenge in Kharkiv (Ukraine).
- 🏃 Man Kaur, 102-year-old Indian athlete won 200m race in 100-104 age group category at World Masters Athletics Championships in Spain. Last year, Man Kaur won 100m gold at World Masters Games at Auckland (New Zealand).
- 🏃 Kenyan Eliud Kipchoge set a new marathon world record in Berlin (Germany), smashing previous best as he clocked 2 hours 1 minute 39 second.
- 🏊 Simranjit Kaur (64kg), Monika (48 kg) and Bhagyabati Kachari (81 kg) claimed gold medals at Ahmet Comert Tournament in Istanbul (Turkey).
- 🏊 Indian boxing champion M C Mary Kom won her 3rd gold medal of 2018 in 48 kg category, while Jyoti Gulia picked up gold in 51 kg of youth category of Silesian Open boxing Tournament for women in Gliwice (Poland).
- 🏪 Medved International Wrestling tournament held in Minsk (Belarus). India's Sakshi Malik won silver in 62 kg category. India's Pooja Dhanda won a Bronze medal in 57 kg category.
- 🏏 Mahendra Singh become 2nd most capped player for India in international cricket as he played his 505th match for India, in Asia Cup 2018 against Pakistan. Dhoni overtook Rahul Dravid as 2nd most capped player for India.
- 🎱 India won silver medal after losing to Pakistan in final of Asian Team Snooker Championships, in Doha (Qatar).
- 🏪 Junior World wrestling championships held in Trnava (Slovakia), with India winning total 7 Medals (Silver - 4, Bronze - 3).
- 🚴 5th Track Asia Cup Cycling championships held in New Delhi. India topped medal tally with 6 gold, 5 silver and 2 bronze medals. It was followed by Indonesia in 2nd place and Hong Kong in third.
- 🏓 Serbia Junior and Cadet Open (table tennis) held in Belgrade (Serbia).
 - 🏓 Cadet boys singles title was won by India's Payas Jain. Junior girls also won team title.
 - 🏓 Cadet boys team event title won by India's Payas Jain and Vishwa Deenadayalan.
 - 🏓 Silver medal was won by India B team - Divyansh Srivastava and Aadarsh Om Chhetri.
- 🏪 Blind chess player Vaishali Narendra Salavkar became first Indian female to be part of the International Braille Chess Association (IBCA) team at world chess Olympiad held in Batumi (Georgia).
- 🏃 58th National Open athletics championships held at Kalinga Stadium in Bhubaneswar (Odisha).
- 🏏 India's Yuvraj Wadhvani won 25th Asian junior individual squash championship title, by beating Anas Ali Shah of Pakistan. It was held in Chennai. Also, in Under 15, Arnav Sareen settled for runner-up spot.
- 🏪 8th Asian Yoga Sports Championship organised by Asian Yoga Federation in Thiruvananthapuram (Kerala).

137. ▶ Mithali Raj become first Indian Female Cricketer to score 2000 runs in T20I cricket.

138. ▶ Mumbai defeated Delhi to win Vijay Hazare Cricket Trophy.
139. ▶ New Kabaddi Federation of India (NKFI) launched Indo International Premier Kabaddi League, to start on 26 January 2019.
- ▶ Winner will be awarded a cash prize of Rs 1.25 crore, with Over 1000 players participating.
 - ▶ League will have 8 teams, Each team having 2 to 3 international players.
140. ▶ New Zealand Cricketer Amelia Kerr created a world record in women's ODI cricket by scoring an unbeaten 232 runs (145 Balls) in a match against Ireland in Dublin.
141. ▶ Odisha Mining Corporation (OMC) is appointed as official partner for Hockey Men's World Cup 2018 to be held in November - December at Kalinga Stadium in Bhubaneswar. India will host Hockey WC for 3rd time.
142. ▶ Odisha for First time will Organize 2018 Men's Hockey World Cup, which will be the 14th edition of tournament. It will be organized in November - December 2018, at Kalinga Stadium in Bhubaneswar.
143. ▶ Odisha government launched 'Olly', official mascot of 2018 Men's Hockey World Cup, aimed at raising awareness about conservation of Olive Ridley turtle. 2018 Men's Hockey WC is to be hosted at Kalinga Stadium (Bhubaneswar) in Nov - Dec 2018.
144. ▶ Parijat Urja Chakra and Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) organized a special campaign at Fatehgarh village of Ambala in Haryana, to create awareness about the ill effects of crop residue burning and management.
145. ▶ Professional Boxer Canelo Alvarez signed he largest contract in the history of sports, agreeing a five-year, 11-fight deal worth at least \$365 million with streaming service DAZN. Under it, Alvarez will participate in 11 fights starting December 2018. Previous richest contract was 13-year, \$325-million deal signed by New York Yankees' Giancarlo Stanton in 2014.
146. ▶ Rani Rampal is named as captain of India's 18-member squad for women's hockey World Cup to be played in London in July 2018.
147. ▶ Real Madrid won 2017 - 18 UEFA Champions League Football by defeating Liverpool in Kiev (Ukraine).
148. ▶ Red Bull's Belgian-Dutch driver Max Verstappen won Formula 1 Austrian Grand Prix 2018 -

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149. ▶ Red Bull's Australian driver Daniel Ricciardo won Formula 1 Monaco Grand Prix 2018 -

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150. ▶ Red Bull's Racer Max Verstappen (Netherlands) won F1 Mexican Grand Prix -


 With this, Mercedes's Racer Lewis Hamilton (UK) won his 5th F1 world title.

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151. ▶ Romanian Female tennis player Simona Halep became first recipient of the Chris Evert Women's Tennis Association (WTA) World No.1 Trophy, named after WTA's first-ever world number one, Chris Evert.
152. ▶ September 25 - Antyodaya Divas. It marks birth anniversary of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya.
153. ▶ South Korea won 5th Women's Hockey Asian Champions Trophy, Defeating defending champions India in Donghae City (South Korea).
154. ▶ Sport Australia Hall of Fame announced cricketering great Richie Benaud, who died in April 2015, as 40th Legend of Australian Sport. He is third cricketer behind Sir Donald Bradman and Keith Miller to be given Legend status.
155. ▶ Sports Authority of India cleared 734 players for a scholarship programme under Khelo India Talent Identification Development scheme, with 1.2 lakh stipend for selected trainees. Talent spotting and age verification of the selected players has been driven by trusted method through TW3.
156. ▶ Sports Minister Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore stated that name of Sports Authority of India will be changed to Sports India.
157. ▶ Sports Ministry granted a financial assistance (for Medical purpose) of 5 Lakh to Manipuri Fencer Kalambia Chanu, from Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay National Welfare Fund for Sportsperson (PDUNWFS).
158. ▶ Sports and Youth Affairs Ministry included entire Men's Hockey team of India under Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS), being first instance of an entire team made as beneficiary of scheme. 18 team members will be provided with monthly allowance of Rs. 50,000 each under Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS).
159. ▶ Supreme Court approved draft Constitution of Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) -
- ▶ Granted full permanent membership to Railways, Tri-Services, and Association of Indian Universities.
 - ▶ It restored voting rights of the cricket associations of Gujarat and Maharashtra.
 - ▶ It also agreed for *One State, One Vote* policy, that was recommended by R.M. Lodha Committee, formed in January 2015 after Mukul Mudgal Committee report that called for reforms within BCCI.
160. ▶ Swiss tennis Player Roger Federer won his 99th career title after winning the Basel Open. Federer is now 10 titles short of all-time record holder Jimmy Connors, who leads with 109 titles.
161. ▶ Thailand Open Badminton 2018 -
- ▶ Men's Singles - Kanta Tsuneyama (Japan)
 - ▶ Women's Singles - Nozomi Okuhara (Japan), defeated PV Sindhu (India)
 - ▶ Men's Doubles - Japan's Takeshi Kamura AND Keigo Sonoda
 - ▶ Women's Doubles - Indonesia's Greysia Polii AND Apriyani Rahayu
 - ▶ Mixed Doubles - Indonesia's Hafiz Faisal AND Gloria Emanuelle Widjaja
162. ▶ The Best FIFA Football Awards 2018 (London) -
- ▶ Best FIFA Men's Player - Luka Modrić (Croatia)
 - ▶ Best FIFA Goalkeeper - Thibaut Courtois (Belgium)
 - ▶ Best FIFA Men's Coach - Didier Deschamps (France)
 - ▶ Best FIFA Women's Player - Marta (Brazil)
 - ▶ Best FIFA Women's Coach - Reynald Pedros (Lyon)
 - ▶ FIFA Fair Play Award - Lennart (Germany), Missed an Eredivisie match to donate stem cells to a leukemia patient
 - ▶ FIFA Puskás Award (Best Goal) - Mohamed Salah (Egypt), Plays for Liverpool FC. Won for his goal in 2017–18 Premier League.
163. ▶ Tim Paine and Aaron Finch have been appointed as Australia Cricket Team's new ODI and T20 captains respectively.
164. ▶ Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee officially launched its Olympic mascots *Miraitowa* and *Someity*.
- ▶ Blue-checked *Miraitowa* is derived from a combination of Japanese words for future and eternity and seeks.
 - ▶ Pink-checked Paralympic mascot *Someity* owes its name to a type of cherry tree blossom and exhibits enormous mental and physical strength.
165. ▶ Triple jumper Arpinder Singh became first Indian to win a medal in IAAF Continental Cup 2018 held in Ostrava (Czech Republic), after winning bronze. He was representing the Asia-Pacific team.
- ▶ IAAF Continental Cup (formerly known as IAAF World Cup) is an international athletics competition. It is the only world cup contested by teams representing entire continents, rather than just those of individual countries.

 In 2018, first Athletics World Cup was held in London (UK). It is not related to original IAAF Continental Cup, and latter continues to be held.

166. ▶ UAE will host upcoming Asia Cup Cricket T20 Tournament 2018. 6 Asian Teams will participate in it.

167. ▶ US Open Tennis 2018 -

 Men's Singles - Novak Djokovic (Serbia), defeating Juan Martín del Potro (Argentina). It was 14th Grand Slam Title for Djokovic, and his 3rd US Open title.

 Women's Singles - Naomi Osaka (Japan), Defeating Serena Williams (USA).


 Men's Doubles - USA's Mike Bryan AND Jack Sock

 Women's Doubles - Ashleigh Barty (Australia) AND CoCo Vandeweghe (USA)

 Mixed Doubles - Bethanie Mattek-Sands (USA) AND Jamie Murray (UK)

168. ▶ US defeated Belgium in 4th Quidditch World Cup 2018 final to win their 3rd title, Hosted by Italy. Quidditch is a game mentioned in JK Rowling's Harry Potter books.

169. ▶ USA, Mexico and Canada chosen as hosts of 2026 FIFA Football World Cup.

 2026 FIFA World Cup will be 23rd FIFA World Cup. It will be jointly hosted by 16 cities in USA (60 Matches), Canada (10 Matches) and Mexico (10 Matches). 2026 World Cup will also see the tournament expanded from 32 to 48 teams.

 2022 FIFA World Cup will be hosted by Qatar, with 32 teams participating.


170. ▶ Wimbledon 2018 Tennis Championships, London (UK) -

 Men's Singles - Novak Djokovic (Serbia), defeating Kevin Anderson (South Africa). Djokovic won his 4th Wimbledon title and overall his 13th Grand Slam Title.


 Women's Singles - Angelique Kerber (Germany), defeating Serena Williams (USA). It was Angelique Kerber's 1st Wimbledon and overall her 3rd Grand Slam win.

 Men's Doubles - USA's Mike Bryan AND Jack Sock

 Women's Doubles - Czech Republic's Barbora Krejčíková AND Kateřina Siniaková

 Mixed Doubles - Alexander Peya (Austria) AND Nicole Melichar (USA)

 Boys' Singles - Tseng Chun-hsin (Chinese Taipei)

 Girls' Singles - Iga Świątek (Poland)

171. ▶ Wimbledon officials announced increase of £50,000 for 2018 men's and women's singles champions, to receive £2.25 million as Prize Money This year. It has boosted overall prize money total to £34 million this year.

172. ▶ With 69 Doping cases, India is ranked joint-sixth (with Russia) in World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA)'s report of number of doping violations in 2016. India improved after being joint-third for from 2013 to 2015. Italy topped drug cases in 2016, followed by France (86), USA (76).

173. ▶ Women's Boxing World Championships, to be hosted by India after more than a decade, in November 2018 in New Delhi.

174. ▶ World Junior Squash Championships 2018 (Chennai, India) -

 Egypt beat England to win World Junior squash team title.

 Czech Republic and USA finished third and secured the bronze medal. Host India finished 11th overall.

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

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