



Current Affairs - May to July 2018

Month Type



- 94 Current Affairs were found in **Last Three Months** for Type - **Sports**

Sports

- 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)

- 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)

- 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.
5. ▶ 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.
6. ▶ 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)
7. ▶ 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)
8. ▶ 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
9. ▶ 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.
10. ▶ 2018 Mercedes Cup Men's Tennis (Stuttgart, Germany) -
- 🏆 Singles - Roger Federer (Switzerland), defeating Milos Raonic (Canada)

- 🔗 Doubles - Germany 's Philipp Petzschner AND Tim Pütz
- 11. ▶ 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.
- 12. ▶ 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)
- 13. ▶ 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.
- 14. ▶ 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.
- 15. ▶ 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.
- 16. ▶ 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
- 17. ▶ American fighter Ronda Rousey will become first female MMA fighter to be inducted into Ultimate Fighting Championship Hall of Fame.
- 18. ▶ 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.
- 19. ▶ 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.
- 20. ▶ 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.
- 21. ▶ Australian Cricketer Aaron Finch scored highest ever individual score in T20 Internationals, scoring 172 runs in 76 balls against Zimbabwe.
- 22. ▶ 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.
- 23. ▶ Bangladesh won Women's Asia T20 Cricket Cup 2018 in Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia), defeating India.
- 24. ▶ 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.
- 25. ▶ Brooks Koepka (USA) won US Open Golf 2018 by defeating Tommy Fleetwood, becoming first player in 3 decades to successfully defend his title.
- 26. ▶ 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).

27. ▶ 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.
28. ▶ 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 (KKIP)
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

29. ▶ 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.
30. ▶ England created new record for highest total in a men's ODI with 481 against Australia, beating its own previous Record.
31. ▶ FIFA lifted 18 Month long suspension imposed on Guatemala Football Association (Central America), over its failure to comply with anti-corruption rules.
32. ▶ 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.
33. ▶ Ferrari's German racer Sebastian Vettel won Formula 1 British Grand Prix 2018 -

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35. ▶ 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.
36. ▶ 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.
37. ▶ 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)
38. ▶ 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.

39. ▶ 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.

40. ▶ ICC included Nepal, Netherlands, Scotland and the UAE in their ODI rankings list apart from 12 existing countries.

41. ▶ 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)

42. ▶ 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*.

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

44. ▶ 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.

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

46. ▶ 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.

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

48. ▶ 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.

49. ▶ 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.

50. ▶ 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.

51. ▶ 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.

52. ▶ 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).

53. ▶ Indian squash player Dipika Pallikal has been appointed as Asia's representative in Athletes Advisory Commission of Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF).
54. ▶ 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.
55. ▶ 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.
56. ▶ 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.
57. ▶ 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 -

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3	India	4	2	4	10
4	Russia	4	2	0	6
5	Ukraine	3	0	1	4


58. ▶ 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.
59. ▶ 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)
60. ▶ July 07 - International Day of Cooperatives (IDC). 2018 theme is *Sustainable societies through cooperation*. It is also known as World Chocolate Day.
61. ▶ Kagiso Rabada Named South Africa's Cricketer Of The Year, for 2nd time. He is also named ODI and Test Cricketer of the Year.
62. ▶ 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
63. ▶ 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.
64. ▶ MS Dhoni became fastest wicketkeeper-batsman and third fastest Indian to score 10,000 runs in ODI cricket, achieving it in 273 innings.
65. ▶ Mercedes's British driver Lewis Hamilton won Formula 1 French Grand Prix 2018 -

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68. ▶ Mike Hesson (New Zealand), Belinda Clark (Australia), and Kyle Coetzer (Scotland) have been appointed to International Cricket Council (ICC) Cricket Committee.

69. ▶ 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

70. ▶ 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 Portuguese 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.

71. ▶ 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 Gavitt 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.

72. ▶ 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'.

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

74. ▶ 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.

75. ▶ 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.

76. ▶ 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.

77. ▶ Real Madrid won 2017 - 18 UEFA Champions League Football by defeating Liverpool in Kiev (Ukraine).


78. ▶ Red Bull's Belgian-Dutch driver Max Verstappen won Formula 1 Austrian Grand Prix 2018 -

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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	
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21	Abu Dhabi Grand Prix	25 November	

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

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80. ▶ South Korea won 5th Women's Hockey Asian Champions Trophy, Defeating defending champions India in Donghae City (South Korea).
81. ▶ 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.
82. ▶ Sports Minister Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore stated that name of Sports Authority of India will be changed to Sports India.
83. ▶ 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).
84. ▶ 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).
85. ▶ 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
86. ▶ Tim Paine and Aaron Finch have been appointed as Australia Cricket Team's new ODI and T20 captains respectively.
87. ▶ 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.
88. ▶ 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.
89. ▶ 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.
90. ▶ 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)
91. ▶ 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.
92. ▶ 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).
93. ▶ 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.
94. ▶ Zimbabwe Cricket council appointed 56 year old former Indian Cricketer Lalchand Rajput as interim head coach of Zimbabwe.

