



### Current Affairs - March 2018 to May 2018

Month  Type



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

#### Sports

- Indian Wells Masters tennis Title (also known as BNP Paribas Open), held at Indian Wells Tennis Garden in Indian Wells, California (US) -
  - Men's Singles - Juan Martin Del Potro (Argentina) (*defeated Roger Federer (Switzerland)*)
  - Women's Singles - Naomi Osaka (Japan) (*Defeated Daria Kasatkina (Russia)*)
  - Men's Doubles - USA's John Isner AND Jack Sock
  - Women's Doubles - Hsieh Su-wei (Chinese Taipei) AND Barbora Strycova (Czech Republic)
- 'Son of Dreams' has been unveiled as official Mascot of FIBA Basketball World Cup 2019 to be held in 8 Chinese Cities in August to September 2019.
- 17th IAAF World Indoor Championships held in Birmingham (United Kingdom) -
  - 632 athletes from 144 nations participated in 26 Events.

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	USA	6	10	2	18
2	Ethiopia	4	1	0	5
3	Poland	2	2	1	5
4	Great Britain & Northern Ireland	2	1	4	7
5	Authorized Neutrat Athletes (ANA)	2	1	0	3

- India could not win a medal at the event. 1 Indian Athlete participated in event - Siddhant Thingalaya (Track and field athlete).

- 2018 Asian Wrestling Championships held at Bishkek (Kyrgyzstan).

Medal Tally -

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

India at the Event -

- India secured 9th Rank, with 8 Medals (1 Gold, 1 Silver and 6 Bronze).
- Navjot Kaur won 1st ever gold medal for India in Asian Wrestling championships, after She defeated Imai Miyu of Japan in 65 kg freestyle. Vinesh Phogat claimed silver medal. She also became World No. 2 in 65 kg category as per the latest rankings by

United World Wrestling.

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

5. ▶ 2018 Asian Youth and Junior Weightlifting Championships in Urgench (Uzbekistan) -

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

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

🏅 India will host Asian Weightlifting Championships in 2019.

6. ▶ 2018 Badminton Asia Championships Held in Wuhan (China) -

🏅 Winners -

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

🏅 Medal Table -

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

7. ▶ 2018 Barcelona Open Banco Sabadell Men's Tennis Title -

🏅 Singles - Rafael Nadal (Spain)

🏅 Doubles - Spain's Feliciano López AND Marc López

8. ▶ 2018 Hyundai Archery World Cup Round 1 (Shanghai (China)) -

🏅 India - (2 Bronze). Medalists -

🏅 Bronze for Abhishek Verma (Compound Men)

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

9. ▶ 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)

10. ▶ 2018 Kunming Open Tennis Title (China) -

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

🏅 Women's Singles - Irina Khromacheva (Russia)

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

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

11. ▶ 2018 Monte - Carlo Masters Men's Tennis Tournament (France) -

🏅 Singles - Rafael Nadal (Spain)





🏅 Doubles - USA's Bob Bryan AND Mike Bryan

12. ▶ 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.
13. ▶ 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)
  14. ▶ 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.
  15. ▶ 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.
  16. ▶ 99-year-old Australian swimmer smashed world record for his age group during Commonwealth Games trials in Queensland (Australia). He clocked 50 metres in 56.12 seconds.
  17. ▶ Afghan Cricketer Rashid Khan (19 years age) became youngest captain in history of international cricket, after he was chosen to lead the T20I side.
  18. ▶ All India Football Federation (AIFF) launched *Scout-Me* application to discover future players. AIFF became first National Sports Federation to launch a mobile based scouting application to discover future players.
  19. ▶ Archery Asia Cup 2018 (Bangkok (Thailand))-
    - 🔵 India's Muskan Kirar and Promila Daimary clinched gold medals in the women's compound and recurve events respectively.
  20. ▶ 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 the most popular athlete as he topped ESPN World Fame 100 list for 3rd straight year.
  21. ▶ Australia won 27th Sultan Azlan Shah Hockey cup 2018 for record 10th time, defeating England in Malaysia.
  22. ▶ Australian Cricket team captain Steve Smith has been suspended and fined 100 percent of his match fee by International Cricket Council (ICC), amid a ball-tampering controversy in South Africa. Another Player Cameron Bancroft has been involved in same and was fined 75% match fee, along with 3 demerit points. Australia Cricket Team's head coach Darren Lehmann also announced his resignation.
  23. ▶ Barcelona FC became first team in 85 years to win four straight Copa del Rey Football titles after defeating Sevilla.
  24. ▶ Barcelona FC defeated Deportivo to win La Liga Football League Title (Spain) for 25th time. Barcelona also extended their league record unbeaten streak to 34 matches.
  25. ▶ Bayern Munich FC won German Football League called Bundesliga for 28th time, defeating Augsburg.
  26. ▶ Bengaluru FC won inaugural edition of Super Cup Football tournament in Bhubaneswar (Odisha), defeating Kolkata football giants East Bengal.
  27. ▶ Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) recommended Rahul Dravid for Dronacharya award, Virat Kohli's for Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna honour and Sunil Gavaskar for Dhyan Chand Lifetime Achievement Award.
  28. ▶ 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.
  29. ▶ 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).

30. ▶ 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.
31. ▶ 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

32. ▶ Chennaiyin FC won Indian Super League Football's 4th Session after defeating Bengaluru FC by 3-2.
33. ▶ Cricket Australia banned Steve Smith and David Warner from playing for Australia for 1 year, after recent ball-tampering scandal during Cape Town Test against South Africa. Cameron Bancroft has been given a nine-month ban for executing the plan.  
 Additionally, David Warner will never be considered for any leadership position in future.
34. ▶ ESPN Multi-Sport Awards -  
 Badminton players, PV Sindhu and Kidambi Srikanth named Sportspersons of the Year in Male and Female Categories.  
 Badinton Coach Pullela Gopichand adjudged 'best coach'.  
 Indian Women's Hockey Team got 'Team of the Year' title.
35. ▶ Egyptian Football Player forward Mohamed Salah is named Player of the Year by England's Professional Footballers' Association (PFA).
36. ▶ FC Goa and Forca Goa Foundation introduced *FC Goa Soccer Schools* as a soccer programme for kids, aimed at developing football in Goa and to provide opportunity to more children to play it.
37. ▶ FIFA lifted 30 year old ban on Iraq for hosting international football matches. FIFA allowed games to be staged in Arbil, Basra and Karbala.
38. ▶ 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.
39. ▶ Ferrari's German Racer Sebastian Vettel won Australian Grand Prix title.

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


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41. ▶ 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.

42. ▶ 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.


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

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

 Medal Table -

Rank	Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	China	9	8	8	25
2	India	9	5	8	22
3	Italy	3	1	2	6
4	Australia	1	2	0	3
5	Chinese Taipei	0	2	0	2

 Gold Medals for India -

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

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


44. ▶ 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*.

45. ▶ India B won 45th Deodhar Cricket Trophy 2018 by defeating Karnataka in Dharamsala (Himachal Pradesh).

46. ▶ India Under-16 Football team won Jockey Cup International Youth Invitational Football Tournament in Hong Kong, defeating Hong Kong.

47. ▶ India won First ever IBSF Snooker Team World Cup title by defeating Pakistan in Doha (Qatar). Indian team comprised of Pankaj Advani and Manan Chandra.

48. ▶ India won Hero Nidhaas Cricket Tri Series by defeating Bangladesh, in Sri Lanka.

 Sri Lanka Cricket (SLC) also released a book titled *A Tribute to Jagu*, On occasion of 70th independence of Sri Lanka. It was a tribute to former BCCI President Jagmohan Dalmiya.

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

50. ▶ Indian Cricketers Virat Kohli and Mithali Raj respectively were named as Wisden's leading male cricketer and standout female cricketer of the year. England's Female Cricketers Heather Knight, Anya Shrubsole and Natalie Sciver are also named among Wisden's five cricketers of the year.

51. ▶ Indian chess player Viswanathan Anand won Tal Memorial rapid chess title in Moscow (Russia), defeating Boris Gelfand of Israel.

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 tennis' Player Leander Paes became most successful doubles player in history of Davis Cup, after he won his record 43rd title along with Rohan Bopanna.

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

55. ▶ International Olympic Committee (IOC) restored Russia's Olympic membership following its suspension from 2018 Winter Olympics at Pyeongchang in South Korea.


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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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. ▶ Jammu and Kashmir Cricket Association (JKCA) appointed Cricketer Irfan Pathan as coach-cum-mentor for 2018-19 season.
- 61. ▶ KL Rahul has been named *Cricketer of the Year* in 6th edition of Wisden India Almanack. Shantha Rangaswamy has been inducted into the Wisden India Hall of Fame.
- 62. ▶ Kerala won their sixth Santosh Trophy Football title, defeating Bengal.
- 63. ▶ Kidambi Srikanth became first Indian male badminton player to attain world number 1 ranking, since Prakash Padukone in 1980s.
- 64. ▶ 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.
- 65. ▶ Mario Abdo Benítez has been elected as New president of South American Nation Paraguay.
- 66. ▶ Mercedes' British driver Lewis Hamilton won Formula 1 Spanish Grand Prix 2018 -

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

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68. ▶ Miami Open Tennis 2018 (USA) -

- 🎾 Men's Singles - John Isner (USA)
- 🎾 Women's Singles - Sloane Stephens (USA)
- 🎾 Men's Doubles - Mike Bryan (USA), Bob Bryan (USA)
- 🎾 Women's Doubles - CoCo Vandeweghe (USA), Ashleigh Barty (Australia)

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

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

71. ▶ 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'.

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

- 🎾 17th Sub-junior National Wushu Championships held in Jammu.
- 🎾 India defeated Bangladesh to win fifth South East Asian Women Handball Championship, in Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh).



- India's Selena Selvakumar and Shreya Shivakumar won 2 bronze medals at 2018 Ivory Coast Junior and Cadet Open Table Tennis Tournament in Abidjan (Côte d'Ivoire).
- 8th South Asian Judo Championships held in Lalitpur (Nepal). India won 10 Gold medals and stayed on top. India won all 7 Gold medals in Women's events and men won 4 Gold medals. Next South Asian Judo Championships will be held in Bangladesh.
- 16th Federation Cup Junior National athletics championships held at Coimbatore (Tamilnadu). This meet will serve as selections trials for 18th Asian Junior Athletic Meet to be held at Gifu (Japan) in June.
- Asian Armwrestling Championships and Para Armwrestling Championships 2018 held in Kazakhstan. India's Differently-abled Indian arm wrestler Shrimant Jha won a bronze medal in 80kg senior category.
- India will host Asian Weightlifting Championship in 2019.
- India's CA Bhavani Devi won silver medal in sabre event of Tournoi World Cup Satellite Fencing Championship in Reykjavik (Iceland).
- 56th Belgrade International Boxing Championship held at Belgrade in Serbia. Indian boxers won 3 gold, 5 silver and 5 bronze medals.

73. ▶ Misc. Sports Events (Mar 2018) -

- Ayyasamy Dharun broke men's 400m hurdles national record and qualified for Commonwealth Games Gold Coast 2018 (Australia). He timed 49.94 Secs for this record.
- Tejaswin Shankar broke his own national record to claim high jump gold at 22nd Federation Cup Senior National Athletics Championships. Shankar jumped 2.28m to beat his own previous national mark of 2.26m.
- Maharashtra women's team won interstate national tennis championship 2018 in Chhattisgarh, organised by Chhattisgarh State Tennis Association (CSTA).
- Indian para-athlete Deepa Malik won gold medal in F-53/54 category javelin event at World Para Athletics Grand Prix in Dubai. She became Asian rank one in F-53 category.
- Bishworjit Singh and Samira Abraham won gold medals in the men's and women's categories of the senior National triathlon championship held in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.
- India's Purva Barve won women's singles (Under-19) title at Israel Junior badminton tournament 2018.
- India's Sanjivani Jadhav won bronze in women's 8km cross country race in 14th Asian Cross Country Championship at Guiyang in China.

74. ▶ Monterrey Open Women's Tennis 2018 (Mexico) -

- Women's singles - Garbiñe Muguruza (Spain)
- Women's doubles - Naomi Broady (United Kingdom) & Sara Sorribes Tormo (Spain)

75. ▶ Mumbai Football Arena will host inaugural edition of 4 nation Intercontinental Cup to be held in June 2018 and will see participation of South Africa, New Zealand and Chinese Taipei.

76. ▶ Nepal gained one-day international status for first time, after winning over Papua New Guinea during World Cup Qualifiers in Zimbabwe. Nepal will now join three other teams - Scotland, Netherlands and UAE with temporary ODI status until 2022.

77. ▶ Odisha will host Senior National Table Tennis Championships after 12 years, as 80th Championship will be held in Cuttack.

78. ▶ Pankaj Advani won Asian Billiards Championships title by defeating B Bhaskar, in Yangon, Myanmar. India's Ameer Kamani won Asian Women's Snooker title by defeating her Thai opponent Siripaporn Nuanthakhamjan.

79. ▶ Para-swimmer Prasanta Karmakar has been suspended for 3 years by Paralympic Committee of India (PCI) due to code of conduct violations.

80. ▶ Punjab won 8th men's National hockey championships, defeating Petroleum Sports Promotion Board, in Lucknow (UP).

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

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

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83. ▶ Red Bull's Australian Racer Daniel Ricciardo won Chinese Grand Prix 2018.

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84. ▶ Reigning Ranji Trophy champions Vidarbha won Irani Cricket Cup beating Rest of India.

85. ▶ South Korea won 5th Women's Hockey Asian Champions Trophy, Defeating defending champions India in Donghae City (South Korea).

86. ▶ 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 Sports person (PDUNWFS).
87. ▶ Tim Paine and Aaron Finch have been appointed as Australia Cricket Team's new ODI and T20 captains respectively.
88. ▶ 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.
89. ▶ Winter Paralympics 2018 (Pyeongchang, South Korea) -

569 Athletes from 49 Nations participated in 80 Events in 6 sports. No Indian para-athlete participated in these games.

Medal Table -

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	United States	13	15	8	36
2	Neutral Paralympic Athletes	8	10	6	24
3	Canada	8	4	16	28
4	France	7	8	5	20
5	Germany	7	8	4	19
6	Ukraine	7	7	8	22
7	Slovakia	6	4	1	11
8	Belarus	4	4	4	12
9	Japan	3	4	3	10
10	Netherlands	3	3	1	7

90. ▶ 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).
91. ▶ XXI (21st) Commonwealth Games 2018, Held at Gold Coast, Queensland Country (Australia) -

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

Medal Tally -

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

India at CWG 2018 -

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

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

Indian Gold Medalists at CWG 2018 -

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

- 🏸 Badminton Mixed team (Pranav Chopra, Prannoy Kumar, Saina Nehwal, Ashwini Ponnappa, Satwiksairaj Rankireddy, Sikki Reddy, Chirag Shetty, Gadde Ruthvika, Shivani, P V Sindhu, Kidambi Srikanth)
- 🏹 Heena Sidhu - **Shooting** Women's 25 metre pistol
- 🏹 Shreyasi Singh - **Shooting** Women's double trap
- 🏹 Rahul Aware - **Wrestling** Men's freestyle 57 kg
- 🏹 Sushil Kumar - **Wrestling** Men's freestyle 74 kg
- 🏹 Tejaswini Sawant - **Shooting** Women's 50m rifle 3 positions
- 🏹 Anish Bhanwala - **Shooting** Men's 25 metre rapid fire pistol
- 🏹 Bajrang Punia - **Wrestling** Men's freestyle 65 kg
- 🏹 Mary Kom - **Boxing** Women's light flyweight 48 kg
- 🏹 Sanjeev Rajput - **Shooting** Men's 50m rifle 3 positions
- 🏹 Gaurav Solanki - **Boxing** Men's flyweight 52 kg
- 🏹 Neeraj Chopra - **Athletics** Men's javelin throw
- 🏹 Sumit Malik - **Wrestling** Men's freestyle 125 kg
- 🏹 Vinesh Phogat - **Wrestling** Women's freestyle 50 kg
- 🏹 Manika Batra - **Table tennis** Women's singles
- 🏹 Vikas Krishan Yadav - **Boxing** Men's middleweight 75 kg
- 🏹 Saina Nehwal - **Badminton** Women's singles (Beating India's P V Sindhu)

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

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

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