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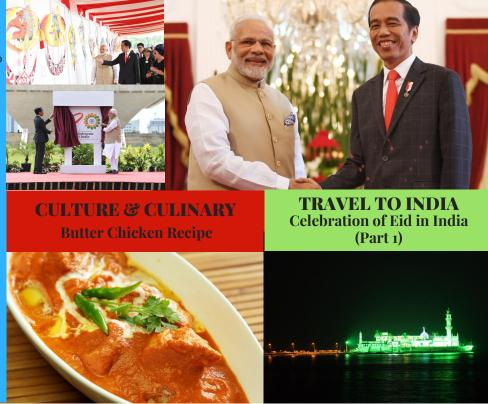
INDIA'S LATEST NEWS



NEWS HIGHLIGHT

- PM Announces 30-day free visa for Indonesians
- India & Indonesia agree to nearly triple bilateral trade to \$50 billion
- India and Indonesia elevate ties
- Economic diplomacy attracted over \$209 bn in investments
- India posts 7.7 % GDP growth in Jan.-March quarter
- PM launches RuPay in Singapore
- India launches 2nd IT corridor in China

VISIT OF PRIME MINISTER OF INDIA TO INDONESIA





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PM ANNOUNCES 30-DAY FREE VISA FOR INDONESIANS

Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced a 30-day free visa for Indonesian citizens and invited the diaspora to travel to their country of origin to experience the 'New India'. Addressing a gathering of Indian diaspora at the Jakarta Convention Centre in the Indonesian capital, Modi said, "not only do the names of our nations rhyme but also there is a distinct rhythm in the India-Indonesia friendship. We will grant free of cost visa for Indonesian citizens for travel of up to 30 days. Many of you may never have been to India. I invite you all to come to India for the Kumbh in Prayag next year".

Source: Economic Times

INDIA & INDONESIA AGREE TO NEARLY TRIPLE BILATERAL TRADE TO \$50 BILLION

India and Indonesia have agreed to double their efforts to boost bilateral trade to billion by 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said after holding comprehensive talks with President Joko Widodo. Prime Minister Modi, who arrived here on his first-ever official visit to Indonesia, exchanged views with President Widodo on potential areas of cooperation in areas like defence, maritime security, trade and economy. In a joint press statement after the talks, Modi said India and Indonesia have agreed to upgrade their ties to Comprehensive Strategic Partnership. He said India and Indonesia have agreed to double their efforts to take bilateral trade to billion by 2025. Source: Millennium Post

INDIA AND INDONESIA ELEVATE TIES

India and Indonesia elevated their bilateral ties to Comprehensive Strategic Partnership. The two countries condemned terrorism in all its forms, as Prime Minister Narendra Modi held "productive discussions" with President Joko Widodo. The two countries also signed 15 agreements, including one to boost defence cooperation, and called for freedom of navigation in the strategic Indo-Pacific region. Mr. Modi, who reached Jakarta on his first-ever official visit to Indonesia, was accorded a red carpet welcome at the Merdeka Palace, one of the presidential palaces in Indonesia.

Source: The Hindu



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ECONOMIC DIPLOMACY ATTRACTED OVER \$209 BN IN INVESTMENTS

External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj said that her ministry's economic diplomacy attracted \$209.83 billion for India's flagship development programmes. "Diplomacy for development was never there in our foreign policy. We not only adopted this but took on our shoulder the responsibility of all our Prime Minister's flagship programmes – Clean India, Skill India, Digital India, Start-up India, Smart Cities – and are working with those countries which have not only the necessary techniques in the respective areas but can also contribute funds for these. I am happy to inform you that from May 2014 to February 2018, funds worth \$209.83 billion have come to this country," she stated. Source: The Quint

INDIA POSTS 7.7 % GDP GROWTH IN JAN.-MARCH QUARTER

The Indian economy posted a GDP growth rate of 7.7 percent during the quarter January-March 2018, according to official data released.

This is the highest GDP growth rate since the two major economic policies of demonetisation and GST (goods and services tax) were introduced by the government in November 2016 and July 2017, respectively. It's also more than the 7.2 percent growth rate achieved in the quarter October–December 2017. For the whole of 2017–18, the country's GDP growth registered was 6.7 percent.

Source: Xinhua

PM LAUNCHES RUPAY IN SINGAPORE

Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched three Indian mobile payment apps at a business event in Singapore, a move aimed at internationalisation of the country's digital payment platforms. At the 'Business, Innovation and Community Event' here where digital platform was the main theme, Prime Minister Modi launched India's BHIM, RuPay and SBI app. The RuPay digital payments system was linked up with Singapore's 33-year-old Network for Electronic Transfers (NETS). RuPay users will be able to make payments at all NETS acceptance points across Singapore.

Source: Tribune

INDIA LAUNCHES 2ND IT CORRIDOR IN CHINA

India launched its second IT corridor in China to cash in on the burgeoning Chinese software market which remained elusive despite the presence of top Indian technology firms. The National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM) has established one more Digital Collaborative Opportunities Plaza (SIDCOP) platform in China in an effort to provide market access to Indian IT firms in the huge Chinese market, the NASSCOM said. Agreements worth RMB 36 million (about USD six million) were signed between Indian service providers and Chinese customers at the launch of the corridor by China's Guiyang Municipal government and the NASSCOM, a NASSCOM official said.

Source: Pioneer



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Press Briefing by Ambassador on the occasion of visit of Prime Minister of India to Indonesia











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INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA





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4TH INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA 2018

Ten Cities, Ten Days, Bringing Together Twenty Thousand Yoga Lovers "Promoting Health and Happiness through Yoga"

Embassy of India is happy to present to you an unprecedented celebration of 4th International Day of Yoga (IDY 2018) across Indonesia and Timor Leste.

In association with Governments, Yoga and community associations; the celebration of 4th IDY would be conducted in Ten cities as per the schedule below.

City	Date	Time	Venue	Contact Person
Malang	22 nd April	6.30 - 8.00 am	Muhammadiyah University, Malang (UMM). Approx, 500 Participants	Mr. Suprapto: +62 8123368597
Jakarta	28 th April	2.00 - 9.00 pm	One Earth Meditation Retreat Centre -	Mr. Joehanes : +62 811144959
Yogyakarta	5th May	3.30 - 5.30 pm	Halaman Kantor Balai Kota, Jl. Kenari No.56, Yogyakarta	Mr. Joehanes : +62 811144959
Bandung	9 th June	6.30 - 8.00 am	Venue, TBC Approx, 500 Participants	Mr. Dudit: +62 81321331574
Bali	16 th June	4.00 - 9.00 pm	Anand Ashram Ubud, Jl. Sri Wedari Km. 3	Mr. Joehanes : +62 811144959
Dili (Timor Leste)	16 th June	6.30 - 8.00 am	Venue, Dili Approx, 500 Participants	Mr. R.O. Sunil Babu +62 8113867270
Bali	17th June	6.30 - 8.00 am	Venue, Renon, Lapangan Niti Mandala, Denpasar Approx, 2000 Participants	Mrs. Kezia : +62 87851431024
Surabaya	21 st June	6.30 - 8.00 am	Brawijaya Driving Range Golf course Jl. Hayam Wuruk No. 54-A Approx, 5000 Participants	Mr. U P Singh: +62 81330896682 Mr. Guna Shekhar: +62 89662270770
Jakarta	23 rd June	6.30 - 8.00 am	Taman Menteng, Jakarta Pusat Approx, 1500 Participants	Mr. Makrand Shukla +62 8159202686
Medan	24 th June	6.30 - 8.00 am	Venue, Brastagi Ground, Tiara	Mrs. Mariana Sin +62 82166689800
Yogyakarta	24 th June	6.30 - 8.00 am	Prambanan Temple Complex Grand finale : Record Breaking Approx, 10000 Participants	Mrs. Roswita: +62 8128863773
Surabaya	10th August	6.30 - 8.00 am	Airlangga University Approx, 500 Participants	Mrs. Afifah +62 8113579313

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4TH INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA

On December 11, 2014, the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) declared June 21st as the International Day of Yoga (IDY). The declaration came after the call for the adoption of June 21st as International Day of Yoga by Indian Prime Minister, Narendra Modi during his address to UNGA on September 27, 2014. The date (June 21) is the Summer Solstice, the longest day of the year in the Northern Hemisphere, and has special significance in many parts of the world. Given the tremendous interest the celebration of the 3rd International Day of Yoga generated in Indonesia, this year celebrations have been planned on an even larger scale. You are cordially invited to join us in the celebration of the 4th IDY.

CELEBRATION OF THE 4TH INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA (IDY) 2018 IN INDONESIA For more details, schedule of the 4th IDY Celebration available at: indianembassyjakarta.com and



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FLAVOR'S OF INDIA BUTTER CHICKEN RECIPE

Recipe Servings: 8
Prep Time: 10 Minutes
Cook Time: 40 Minutes
Total Cook Time: 50 Minutes

Ingredients Of Butter Chicken:

- 700 Gram Raw chicken
- For the Marinade:
- 1 tsp Red chilli powder
- 1 tsp Ginger and garlic paste
- To taste Salt
- 1/2 Kg Curd
- For the Gravy:
- 175 Gram White butter
- 1/2 tsp Black cumin seeds
- 1/2 Kg Tomato, pureed
- 1/2 tsp Sugar
- 1 tsp Red chilli powder
- To taste Salt
- 100 Gram Fresh cream
- 4 Green chillies, sliced
- 1/2 tsp Fenugreek leaves (crushed)

For margination:

In a mixing bowl, mix red chilli powder, ginger garlic paste, salt and curd. Roast the marinated chicken in a tandoor or an oven for about 10–12 minutes until it is three-fourth done.

Prepare the chicken gravy:

Heat half the quantity of white butter in pan.

Pour in the tomato puree, and saute for 2–3 minutes. Add cumin seeds, sugar, red chilli powder and salt. Mix well.

Add the prepared chicken, white butter, fresh cream, sliced green chillies and crushed fenugreek leaves. Saute for 3-4 minutes and let the chicken cook.

Cook till chicken is done. Serve hot with rice or naan.

Butter Chicken! The name alone can make you want to enjoy this everso-popular Indian dish. Butter Chicken continues to be hit amongst Indians and foreigners alike, especially those who want a taste of Indian cuisine. There are many versions of how this dish was created and most historians agree that the iconic Butter Chicken was invented in the kitchens of Moti Mahal. This recipe of Butter Chicken from Moti Mahal is easy to follow and makes for an instant conversation-starter! Marinated overnight, the chicken is roasted and cooked in tomato puree, cream and masalas. A perfect dinner party recipe, this North-Indian style chicken recipe is made throughout the country with equal zest.

Source: www.food.ndtv.com



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CELEBRATION OF EID IN INDIA (PART 1)



1. Mumbai

This busy city celebrates Eid with much delight and ardour. On Eid, people offer prayers at the largest prayer gathering ground-Azad Maidan at South Mumbai. Famous Minara Masjid is decorated with different lights and colourful windows. Mohammed Ali Road serves a variety of food from meat to desserts. Also, Haji Ali Dargah is thronged by a huge crowd of visitors on this day.

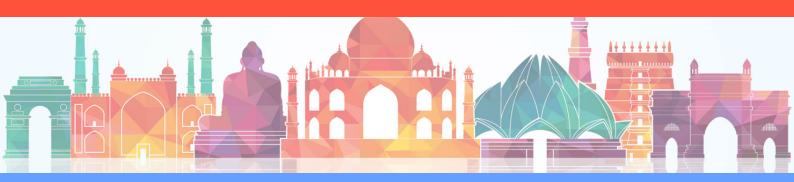
Source: Zee Media Bureau



2. Lucknow

This city celebrates Eid in their Lucknawi Andaz. People offer their namaz at the biggest ground Aishbagh Eidgah and also at Asifi Masjid. The spirit of Eid can be felt entirely when in Lucknow.

Source: Zee Media Bureau



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3. Delhi

Delhi being the capital city attracts maximum number of people during this time of festivity. Each festival is celebrated with equal zeal and zest in the capital. People gather at Jama Masjid to offer prayers and Old Delhi area is full of decorations. Ramzan special Haleem is served at the famous Gali Kebabiyan at Jama Masjid. The entire area is full of people and you can spot children donning new, bright and shiny clothes enjoying the festival. Source: Zee Media Bureau





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