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<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b>Headlines</b>	<b>Brief</b>
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<b>June 30, 2018</b> <b>Economic Times</b>	<b>New job seekers: Spouses of Indian techies in US</b>	Recruitment firms say in the past one year they have seen a 100% jump in the CVs they were getting from Indian IT professionals working in the US and their spouses. They even have added a new profile of job seekers — spouses of Indian IT professionals, according to firms like TeamLease, Randstad, Adecco, ManpowerGroup and ABC Consultants.
<b>June 30 2018</b> <b>The Indian Express</b>	<b>Delhi Confidential: Good gesture</b>	Congress president Rahul Gandhi is said to be planning an official visit to some European countries soon as part of his outreach to the Indian diaspora and connect with business leaders and heads of state. Rahul had last year travelled to the US and interacted with students of University of California, Berkeley. He had visited the UAE later and travelled to Singapore and Malaysia in March this year. Rahul's Europe visit is in the planning stages and those close to him indicate that he is expected to have interactive sessions with students, meetings with business leaders, and address Indian community gatherings.
<b>June 30, 2018</b> <b>The Tribune</b>	<b>UK defends move to refuse right to live, work to Indian professionals</b>	The UK government has defended its controversial decision to deny residency rights to hundreds of highly skilled professionals, including Indians, who made legally acceptable amendments to their tax records, claiming the applicants caught up in the visa row are guilty of misconduct. At the conclusion of the first phase of the review, UK minister for immigration Caroline Nokes reported in a letter to the House of Commons' influential Home Affairs Select Committee (HASC) that her department's decision to refuse applications under Paragraph 322(5) of the UK's immigration rules due to a discrepancy in reported earnings had been "correct".
<b>June 29, 2018</b> <b>Forbes</b>	<b>Weak Indian rupee: NRIs could again bail the nation out of the brewing forex crisis</b>	They did it in 1998 and again in 2013. Non resident Indians could do it now yet again though the crisis is not full blown as in 2013, with forex reserves standing at comfortable US \$410 billion level constituting 10 months' import.  The risk factor for the NRIs is the possibility of Indian rupee sliding further at the time of redemption as well as at the time of payment of interest. A weak rupee on maturity could annul the interest rate advantage Indian bonds have over say the US.

<p><b>June 29, 2018</b></p> <p><b>The times of India</b></p>	<p><b>Indians in Thailand connect with their roots through sports, events</b></p>	<p>Fearing that present generation of children of Indians spread across the Southeast Asian countries may forget their cultural roots, Thailand-based Persons of Indian Origin (PIO) are trying to unite them. Umbrella organization Indian Association of Thailand (IAT) is out to make young Indians living in these countries with aware of their culture, sports and traditional practices .</p>
<p><b>June 29, 2018</b></p> <p><b>Financial Express</b></p>	<p><b>‘Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam’ to be central message of India Day parade 2018 in Manhattan</b></p>	<p>With the central message of ‘Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam’ (the world is one family), the India Day parade here this year hopes to bring together for the first time communities from other South Asian and Caribbean nations to participate in the largest parade outside India to mark the country’s Independence. The 38th India Day Parade, organised by the Federation of Indian Associations (FIA) – New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, will be held on August 19 and run through several streets of Madison Avenue in the heart of Manhattan, featuring tableaux by various Indian-American organisations, marching bands, police contingents and cultural performances by Indian-American children.</p>
<p><b>June 28, 2018</b></p> <p><b>The Economic Times</b></p>	<p><b>NRIs giving up Indian addresses to escape scrutiny by tax authorities</b></p>	<p>In the past few years, hundreds of non-resident Indians (NRIs) have been either summoned or served notices by the Income Tax (I-T) Department and Enforcement Directorate (ED) — sparking fear and unease among many in the diaspora who were asked to explain assets and earnings for certain years.</p> <p>Now, many have found a ploy to escape the glare of the Indian authorities and avoid the trouble that follows. It’s simple: they are changing the Indian addresses mentioned in their passports to their current addresses in countries where they reside. This helps to establish and reinforce their tax residency status in the country concerned and stops the automatic flow of financial information to the government of another country (India).</p>
<p><b>June 26, 2018</b></p> <p><b>The Hindu</b></p>	<p><b>Nikki Haley’s June 26-28 New Delhi visit set to bolster India-U.S. ties</b></p>	<p>Visit of Indian-origin Nikki Haley -- star of the Trump team and United States envoy to the United Nations --could contribute to ongoing bilateral dialogue to address host of irritants in bilateral ties ranging from trade to Russia to Iran.</p> <p>The visit to India by one of the Republican party’s rising stars comes just days before U.S. Secretary of State Michael Pompeo and Secretary of Defence James Mattis will host External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj and Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in Washington for the inaugural U.S.-India 2+2 Dialogue on July 6.</p>

<b>June 25, 2018</b> <b>Online Indian News</b>	<b>Indian diaspora offers a window into each others country</b>	Minister for Commerce & Industry and Civil Aviation of India, Suresh Prabhu co-chaired the 15th Session of the India-Australia Joint Ministerial Commission with the Australian Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment, Steven Ciobo, in Canberra. Both Ministers emphasized the need for growth in two-way trade and investment. They discussed about how mutual strengths could contribute to economic modernization. Both Ministers noted that the Indian diaspora offers a window into each others country.
<b>June 25, 2018</b> <b>DNA</b>	<b>Return of the prodigals: Why Indian artistes from abroad are returning to the country</b>	Reasons mentioned are: More avenues, audience are open, credit to the younger generation, the market is better, and the scenario is fascinating.
<b>June 24, 2018</b> <b>Business Standard</b>	<b>Imparting values, and a language, in the US through ancient texts (Diaspora Feature)</b>	The Hindi Gurukul recently received recognition from the Illinois State Board of Education for having met its ethnic language programme standards. Ajay said this recognition holds great promise. "This takes us a step closer to get our students recognition for foreign language skills at the high school and college levels in future," he said.
<b>June 23, 2018</b> <b>The Hindu</b>	<b>London Mayor condemns U.K.'s 'deeply offensive' visa policy towards Indian students</b>	London Mayor Sadiq Khan described as "deeply offensive" the link drawn by the British government between the issue of Indian over-stayers and the decision to exclude Indians from the relaxation of visa documentation requirements for students from a number of countries.
<b>June 22, 2018</b> <b>First Post</b>	<b>India remained world's top recipient of remittances from diaspora in 2017, says World Bank report</b>	India continued to be the world's top recipient of remittance from its diaspora, gathering \$69 billion in 2017 – nearly 1.5 times India's defence budget for 2018-19 – an increase of 9.5 percent from the previous year, according to World Bank <a href="#">data</a> . Remittances to India from its diaspora increased 22 times to \$69 billion in 2017 from \$3 billion in 1991, but as a proportion to the gross domestic product (GDP) fell 1.2 percentage points to 2.8 percent in six years to 2017. Such remittances increased nine times worldwide to \$613 billion during the same period. The countries that followed India in receiving remittances were China, the Philippines, Mexico, Nigeria and Egypt, according to the latest <a href="#">migration report</a> by the World Bank.
<b>June 22, 2018</b> <b>Udaipur Kiran</b>	<b>EAM Sushma Swaraj addresses Indian diaspora in South Africa</b>	External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj, who is on a five-day visit to South Africa, was given a civic reception by the Indian community at Pietermaritzburg, South Africa. Speaking on the occasion, the Minister said that India is a country of youth and under PM Modi's leadership, the country is moving forward. She will attend a Youth Summit today where African and Indian youths will speak on the relevance of Mahatma Gandhi's message of peace and harmony. Earlier on Wednesday, the External Affairs Minister planted a sapling in the Phoenix settlement where Mahatma Gandhi had developed his philosophy of non-violence during his stay in South Africa. She also interacted with students of the Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Computer Education and Information Technology, a centre established

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<p><b>June 22, 2018</b> <b>Business Standard</b></p>	<p><b>India Trying to Make Chabahar Port in Iran Operational by 2019</b></p>	<p>Opening up of the <u>Chabahar Port</u> would make the CIS countries more accessible. Shri Nitin Gadkari and Shri Sirodjidin Muhridin, FM of Tajikistan agreed to enhance mutual cooperation in the area of sustainable water development. Shri Gadkari had also conveyed to the Tajikistan leader, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's commitment towards expanding economic cooperation between the two countries and said that New Delhi would be willing to share with Tajikistan, Indian expertise in building quality infrastructure.</p> <p>Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre at Dushanbe will offer classes in Hindi, Sanskrit, Yoga and various performing arts like music and dance to the Indian diaspora as well as Tajik people. The Centre has generated a lot of interest and excitement amongst the Tajik people.</p>
<p><b>June 22, 2018</b> <b>Dariya News</b></p>	<p><b>Shankar Mahadevan Academy associates with Maharashtra Mandal Singapore</b></p>	<p>Shankar Mahadevan Academy (SMA), a world renowned music school founded by singer and composer Shankar Mahadevan, today on World Music Day announced a partnership-with Maharashtra Mandal Singapore (MMS), to offer Indian music programs to students in Singapore. This association will look at reaching out to Indians based out of Singapore and further enhance their music learning experience</p>
<p><b>Jun 21, 2018</b> <b>Swaraj</b></p>	<p><b>Referendum 2020 Issue: In More Embarrassment for AAP, Its NRI Units Back Sukhpal Khaira</b></p>	<p>The Aam Aadmi Party (AAP)'s main unit in Delhi may have distanced itself from its Punjab leader Sukhpal Khaira's alleged support to 'Referendum 2020', but the party's non-resident Indian (NRI) unit has come out openly in Khaira's support. Referendum 2020 is a secessionist movement for a separate homeland for Sikhs.</p>
<p><b>June 21, 2018</b> <b>ROI</b></p>	<p><b>Meet the man who has brought 18 companies to N.J. from India</b></p>	<p>Bhavsar, the founder and chairman of MIG Media Neurons, has brought 18 companies to New Jersey from India in the past two years.</p>
<p><b>June 21, 2018</b> <b>One India</b></p>	<p><b>UK-India Week 2018: Indian students are going everywhere but not to the UK, says Dinesh Patnaik</b></p>	<p>The Young Leaders forum Conclave today was conducted to discuss the challenges against youth empowerment and how young leaders from the diaspora can help build stronger bilateral bridges and promote better cultural understanding.</p>

<p><b>June 20,2018</b></p> <p><b>Media India Group</b></p>	<p><b>Indo-French ties driven by Modi-Macron chemistry: Swaraj</b></p> <p><b>India and France are in a new phase of their relationship</b></p>	<p>In her address to the diaspora, Swaraj committed that her ministry and the embassy were available to the Indian diaspora at all the times. “My ministry and this embassy is here to help you 24 by 7,” she declared, amidst loud cheers from the diaspora. However, she also had a word of advise for the Indian community in France. “Wherever I have visited, I have heard three things about Indians that make me very proud of our diaspora. One, Indians are good neighbours; two, they are hard working; and three, they follow the law and order. These three things are the aspects that are most visible about any community and hence it is very important for all of you to consider yourselves as the real ambassadors of India. Your actions will leave a lasting memory for the French and hence it is important that you keep in mind that you are representing India here and whatever you do will impact India’s image in the mind of the French people,” Swaraj said.</p>
<p><b>June 20, 2018</b></p> <p><b>The Indian Express</b></p>	<p><b>Look who’s starting up</b></p>	<p>Prime Minister <u>Narendra Modi</u> recently held an interactive session on start-ups and innovation, in which he underscored the importance of promoting entrepreneurship. A slew of policies has been rolled out under the “Start Up India” scheme, launched in 2016. It is a conscious effort to squarely address the challenge of unemployment amongst educated youth, by encouraging them to become job creators — not job seekers.</p> <p>Technologists and entrepreneurs of the Indian diaspora in the Bay area and other parts of the world could be one of the finest resources of Start Up India movement. A platform could be created to channelise NRI investment in technology-based start ups. A “soft touch”, nimble and responsive regulatory framework will be required to support the rapidly changing technology landscape.</p>
<p><b>June 20, 2018</b></p> <p><b>Tribune News Service</b></p>	<p><b>Alarm bells for would-be NRI brides</b></p>	<p>The mandatory registration of NRI marriages within seven days has left the Punjabi diaspora confused due to its ambiguity. For instance: What would be the way out if a would-be-bride or groom already has a passport and visa, but fails to get the marriage registered within seven days. whether the new rule is for those betrothed to NRIs who have yet to apply for a passport or those already in the process of acquiring one.</p> <p>Knotty affair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Punjab tops the list of states facing the problem of NRI desertions followed by Andhra Pradsh</li> <li>• More than 25,000 cases are pending in state courts against NRIs who have allegedly deserted their wives</li> <li>• Statistics show that two out of 10 NRI marriages fail even before the honeymoon period</li> <li>• There is lack of action on part of the Union Government as just 203 cases were taken up with 12 Indian Missions abroad during 2012-15</li> </ul>

<p><b>June 20, 2018</b></p>	<p><b>Telangana, Andhra Pradesh keep tabs as Kerala unwraps its NRI chitty</b></p>	<p>Telangana and Andhra Pradesh, which enjoy substantial diaspora population, have been keeping tabs on Kerala government's experiment to garner Rs 10,000 crore this year through a diaspora chit fund.</p>
<p><b>June 19, 2018</b> <b>Muscat Daily</b></p>	<p><b>Embassy Invites NRIs, PIOs to participate in Quiz Contest</b></p>	<p>The Embassy of India in Muscat has announced the second edition of 'Bharat Ko Janiye' quiz. The quiz is being organised by the Indian Ministry of External Affairs to encourage diaspora youth to enhance their knowledge about India. The quiz also offers a chance to the participants to win a 15-day tour of India and several other exciting prizes</p>
<p><b>June 19, 2018</b> <b>Prokerala</b></p>	<p><b>India Will Construct War Memorial At Villers-Guislain In France, Says Sushma Swaraj</b></p>	<p>India will construct a war memorial at Villers-Guislain, a town around 200 km from Paris, to honour the valour and sacrifice of thousands of its soldiers, sailors and airmen who fought in World War I. The announcement was made by External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj in Paris. This will be the second such memorial in Europe. During the World War I, Villers-Guislain had witnessed a fierce battle in which the British Indian cavalry regiments were heavily involved. The town was held by the Germans but was finally liberated by allied forces in 1918. She also handed over certificates of appreciation to Indian community organisation and individuals who have contributed to the Swachh Bharat Kosh.</p> <p>The minister also attended a ceremony held to name the Indian Culture Centre in the memory of Swami Vivekanand.</p> <p>A bilateral Letter of Intent was signed between India and France in her presence on cooperation in the field of conservation of pre-historic ornate caves and rock shelters. The document signed between the Ministry of Culture of India and the Ministry of Culture of France will aid conservation efforts at the Bhimbetka caves in India and the caves of Lascaux and Chauvet in France.</p> <p>Ms Swaraj also visited the India House, Maison de l'Inde, which is a hostel for Indian students in the University City of Paris.</p> <p>She addressed the Indian students and unveiled a plaque at the India Hostel to commemorate the golden jubilee of the landmark building.</p>
<p><b>June 19, 2018</b> <b>La Croix</b></p>	<p><b>The rich Indians are moving out</b></p>	<p>India's mega rich are migrating to foreign shores, with at least 7,000 US dollar millionaires changing their residence status last year alone, spurring fears the country may see more human and capital flight unless it improves its standard of living. Most relocated to new homes in North America, the Antipodes — specifically Australia and New Zealand — and the United Arab Emirates, according to a report by global market research group New World Wealth. Observers say this resembles a trend seen in China and other developing countries that are amassing new wealth at an accelerated rate. Some 10,000 rich Chinese</p>



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<p><b>18-Jun-2018</b> <b>Business Standard</b></p>	<p><b>Kerala government to start registration for its ambitious NRI chit scheme</b></p>	<p>Immediately after it assumed office two years ago, Kerala's Left Democratic Front government announced a plan to raise funds for infrastructure from sources outside of the Budget and created a special purpose vehicle — Kerala Infrastructure Investment Fund Board (KIIFB) — for this purpose. While the principal source of the KIIFB corpus is state-guaranteed bonds — against an ambitious target of Rs 1 lakh crore, a sum of Rs 10,000 crore has already been raised via this route —, the NRK chit funds were meant to be a supplementary source.</p>
<p><b>June 18,2018</b></p>	<p><b>Moscow Based Bengali Couple Infuses Indian Flavours into FIFA World Cup</b></p>	<p>The Indian diaspora in Russia, although relatively small in number when compared to other nations, has long made its presence felt. With people from around the world converging in Russia since the football World Cup began, a couple from Kolkata is making news for their eateries in Moscow. Prodyut and Suman Mukherjee have been running two eateries—Talk of the Town and Fusion Plaza—that has been serving traditional Indian cuisine in Moscow for the last 27 years. Not only are they expanding the appeal of Indian cuisine in Moscow, but also serving butter chicken, kebabs and a rich vegetarian spread at a 25% discount for customers with Fan IDs, which are required to watch World Cup matches.</p>
<p><b>Jun 18, 2018</b> <b>Times Now</b></p>	<p><b>President Ram Nath Kovind calls Indian diaspora in Greece 'cultural ambassadors'</b></p>	<p>President Kovind said that the Indian Diaspora played a greater role in strengthening economic and cultural relations between the two countries. President Kovind then talked about facilities given to the NRIs, these are, 24-hour helpline in the embassies for the diaspora; inaugurated Pravasi Bhartiya Kendra which acts as a resource center for diaspora whenever they visit India; Know India program for you (Indian Diaspora) to gain more information about our country; introduction of Overseas Citizens of India or Persons of Indian Origin cards. He also invited the India diaspora to attend the forthcoming Pravasi Divas.</p>
<p><b>June 17,2018</b></p>	<p><b>How India is carving out a niche for itself in the field of Artificial Intelligence</b></p>	<p>The focus is on areas such as agriculture, healthcare, education and infrastructure. There are also moves to channel global AI talent and resources to develop solutions that can benefit millions at the grassroot. And this month, India made its first steps in articulating what it wants to be in an AI-centric future.</p>
<p><b>June 17, 2018</b> <b>Little India</b></p>	<p><b>NRI Designers Ramp Up Presence in Fashion Industry</b></p>	<p>While iconic designers like Armani and Oscar de la Renta always loom large, in recent years Indian-origin designers are beginning to jostle for space too. Like other professionals in the field, designers from the Indian diaspora too have to make efforts to create their brand identity, line up the first customers and then get the word across to a broader audience. And the last step is perhaps where the acid test lies — to bag a big enough client who gives visibility to the brand in a foreign land. Increasingly, Indian-origin designers are breaking through, and not just by their international celebrity client lists.</p>

<p><b>June 17, 2018</b> <b>The Tribune</b></p>	<p><b>Which way will the Canadian Punjabis sway?</b></p>	<p>Political parties across the board are redrawing their strategies to woo the Indian community for the forthcoming elections in 2019. The Indian community is traditionally known to have supported the Liberals.</p> <p>New Democratic Party (NDP) is led by Jagmeet Singh is close to fringe elements and support Khalistan. What ruffles New Delhi at the moment is a spate in activities of the separatist organisations supporting Khalistan movement in Canada. Gurdwaras in North America have banned the entry of government officials. Recently in one such event, radical leaders from other organisations tried to build a narrative around the referendum, striking a raw nerve amidst slogans of “Khalistan Jindabad” while eulogising Sikh extremist Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale, who once headed radical outfit Damdami Taksal, and was a notable supporter of the Anandpur Resolution. “India would like to see a government that’s hard on radicals. Trudeau ruined his career because of his deep understanding with them. The time has come to look forward and talk about progressive agendas as next generations here hardly find themselves in sync with the old issues,” says Calgary-based Vikram Parmar who immigrated in 1990 and now owns warehouses here.</p>
<p><b>June 16, 2018</b> <b>The Telegraph</b></p>	<p><b>Diaspora help for Bihar</b></p>	<p>Around a dozen attendees to the Pravasi Bharatiya Divas event from the US are likely to visit Bihar to explore business opportunities. The event will be held in January 2019. New Jersey-base Alok, a software engineer and co-owner of an information technology consulting firm planned to felicitate some ministers from Bihar in the special session for guests from the US at the Pravasi Bharatiya Divas event so that the state could get an opportunity to showcase investment and business opportunities.</p>
<p><b>June 16, 2018</b> <b>Patrika</b></p>	<p><b>Maharana Pratap Jayanti 2018 : विदेशी धरती पर मेवाड़ के वीर ...</b></p>	<p><b>सूरीनाम दक्षिण अमरीका में आज भी दानदाता को वहां के प्रवासी भारतीय 'भामाशाह' कहकर पुकारते हैं।</b></p>
<p><b>Jun 16, 2018</b> <b>Dainik Bhaskar</b></p>	<p><b>UK इमिग्रेशन पॉलिसी में बदलाव, भारतीय छात्रों को आसानी से नहीं मिलेगा वीजा</b></p>	<p>ब्रिटेन के गृह मंत्रालय ने लगभग 25 देशों के विद्यार्थियों के लिए टियर-4 वीजा श्रेणी में ढील की घोषणा की है, लेकिन इसमें भारत का नाम नहीं है। ब्रिटेन की सरकार ने देश के विश्वविद्यालयों में वीजा आवेदन प्रक्रिया को आसान बनाने के लिए तैयार की गई नई सूची से भारतीय विद्यार्थियों को अलग कर दिया है। यह बदलाव छह जुलाई से प्रभावी होंगे। यूके के इस कदम की भारत में खासी आलोचना की जा रही है।</p>
<p><b>June 16,2018</b> <b>Little India</b></p>	<p><b>Indian Diaspora In NZ Urged To Participate In World Hindi Conference 2018</b></p>	<p>In the recent past, many Indian Ministers visiting this part of the world had made it a point to extend the invitation to the members of the Indian diaspora to participate in World Hindi Conference.</p>
<p><b>June 15, 2018</b> <b>Connected to India</b></p>	<p><b>Singapore e-government centre to cooperate with Indian skilling body</b></p>	<p>The Singapore e-Government Leadership Centre (eGL) at the National University of Singapore's Institute of Systems Science (NUS-ISS) and National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) under the Ministry of</p>

		<p>Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, government of India, have come together to collaborate with each other over skilling initiatives for India's workforce. The two parties signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to enhance the skills in India's workforce during Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Singapore from May 31 to June 2, 2018. They will work together to develop and implement skill development programmes across emerging technology areas like Data Analytics, Artificial Intelligence and Robotics. They will also cooperate and collaborate further especially in the areas of vocational training on new-age technologies, training of trainers and assessors, and promoting lifelong learning.</p>
<p><b>June 15, 2018</b></p> <p><b>नया इंडिया</b></p>	<p><b>चुनाव से पहले बड़ा प्रवासी भारतीय शो!</b></p>	<p>इस बार प्रवासी भारतीय दिवस जनवरी के तीसरे हफ्ते में होगा और इसका आयोजन प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी के चुनाव क्षेत्र वाराणसी में होगा। 21 से 23 जनवरी तक वाराणसी में दुनिया भर से आए प्रवासियों का जमावड़ा होगा। प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी मॉरीशस के प्रधानमंत्री प्रविद जगन्नाथ के साथ इस समारोह का उद्घाटन करेंगे। बहरहाल, प्रवासी भारतीयों का सम्मेलन वाराणसी में ही खत्म नहीं हो जाएगा, बल्कि उसके बाद उनको कुंभ का मेला दिखाया जाएगा और प्रयाग में गंगा, जमुना और सरस्वती के संगम पर उनको डूबकी लगवाई जाएगी।</p>
<p><b>June 15, 2018</b></p>	<p><b>Remit2India ropes in Virat Kohli as brand ambassador</b></p>	<p>Indian cricket captain Virat Kohli has become the brand ambassador for Remit2India, an online money transfer portal that focuses on the Indian diaspora. In 2017, India received USD 69 billion according to World Bank's Migration and Development Brief. Kohli will endorse the Remit2India brand by being part of its innovative marketing and customer experience initiatives for three years.</p>
<p><b>June 15, 2018</b></p>	<p><b>PIO woman appointed as GM CFO</b></p>	<p>Dhivya Suryadevara, an accomplished Indian-American chartered financial analyst, has been named the Chief Finance Officer of the US' largest automaker, General Motors, the first woman to get the position in the auto industry</p>
<p><b>June 15, 2018</b></p> <p><b>Business Line</b></p>	<p><b>The View from Jammu</b></p>	<p>Registered in the UK, Voice of Dogras currently has around 25 members in London, and they meet once a month. At the annual Pandit Exodus Remembrance Day rally held at Trafalgar Square on January 18, 2015, Singh presented a pan J&amp;K perspective on the Kashmir issue that transcends the Muslim-Pandit schism. Voice of Dogras wants to widen the conversation on J&amp;K to make it less Valley-centric and more inclusive of the State's other distinctive regions. London is a hub for many lobbies and intellectuals propagating Valley-centric perspectives and aspirations. These entities find audiences at universities as well as local and national legislatures. Back home in Jammu, the group conducts meetings and events at least five times a year and thrice a year in Delhi. While the London members are mostly working professionals, in Jammu and Delhi they include journalists, students, entrepreneurs and teachers, among others. To</p>

		spread awareness of Dogra history among the youth, the VOD team conducts seminars at Jammu University and distributes books in schools. There are also plans to organise Dogri literary events, including one featuring the works of Sahitya Akademi awardee Bandhu Sharma, at Mubarak Mandi in Jammu city. Besides an online presence, the group plans to have an Australian chapter soon. Although another voice barely heard is that of Muslims outside the Valley, some prominent journalists like Zafar Choudhury do highlight the plight of Jammu's Muslims under the Dogra dynasty and in contemporary times. Debates on the social, political, and economic marginalisation of Jammu's Muslims did temporarily surface in the aftermath of the recent rape and murder of an eight-year-old Bakharwal girl in Kathua.
<b>June 15, 2018</b>	<b>200% rise in invites to Indians for Canadian permanent residency</b>	Canada's Express Entry Programs, to invited top-ranked candidates to take up permanent residency. Under the scheme, out of the 86,022 invitations sent in 2017, nearly 42% (or 36,310) were to those holding Indian citizenship. The total number of invitations sent in 2017 was more than double the previous year — 33,782. In 2016, the number of invites sent to those having Indian citizenship in Canada was merely 11,037, showing an increase by more than 200% a year later
<b>June 14, 2018</b>	<b>Indian-origin woman running for mayor's post in Israel</b>	Dr <u>Ricky Shay</u> is the first person of Indian origin to run for the mayor's post in Ashkelon, one of the big cities of Israel. She was inspired to run for the post while working for the twin city pact between Vadodara and Ashkelon.
<b>June 14, 2018</b>	<b>MEA website to display summons to NRI men who abandon wives in India</b>	The decision was taken among other legal solutions for redressing the issues faced by women in NRI marriages at a meeting chaired by Rajnath Singh
<b>June 14, 2018</b>	<b>NRI husbands must now register marriage within a week, update marital status on passport</b>	An inter-ministerial panel on Wednesday came up with the new norm in an attempt to prevent NRI husbands from abandoning their wives. In Chandigarh has suspended the passports of seven Non-Resident Indian (NRI) men who had deserted their wives soon after marrying them
<b>June 14, 2018</b>	<b>Indian-origin celebrity chef sacked over anti-Islam tweet in Dubai</b>	Atul Kochhar, 48, the second Indian to receive a Michelin star, is well known for his Rang Mahal restaurant at the JW Marriott Marquis Hotel, Dubai. It was in response to the popular US TV series Quantico showing Hindu right-wing nationalist as terrorist. Reacting to the series Chopra tweeted "I's sad to see that you have not respected the sentiments of Hindus who have been terrorised by Islam over 2000 years. Shame on you.
<b>June 14, 2018</b>	<b>High Court in Indian city allows NRI to depose in court using video chat</b>	The Punjab and Haryana High Court has for the first time allowed a US-based NRI, who is the petitioner in a property dispute, to be deposed in a Punjab court using a video chat application such as WhatsApp or Skype

<p>June 14, 2018 BBC Hindi</p>	<p><b><u>आखिर कहां हैं अफ़ग़ानिस्तान में अगवा भारतीय ...</u></b></p>	<p>प्रवासी ग्रुप के संचालक सिकंदर अली ने बताया कि बग़ोदर प्रखंड के कई गांवों के सौकड़ों लोग विदेशों में नौकरी करते हैं.</p>
<p>June 14, 2018 Deshbandhu News</p>	<p><b>अमेरिका में प्रवासी भारतीय संकट में</b></p>	<p>अमेरिका में प्रवासी भारतीयों की संख्या 1,47,500 है। जो वहां के विदेशी-प्रवासियों का कुल 5.5 प्रतिशत हैं। भारत के बाद अमेरिका में चीन के 1,31,800 मैक्सिको के 1,30,000 और कनाडा के 41,200 लोग रहते हैं। अमेरिका की कुल जनसंख्या 31.50 करोड़ है, इस आबादी की तुलना में उसका भू-क्षेत्र बहुत बड़ा, यानी 98,33,520 वर्ग किमी है।</p> <p>अमेरिकी नागरिक बन जाने की प्रबल इच्छा रखने वाले भारतीयों के लिए बुरी खबर सामने आई है। यहां ग्रीन कार्ड प्राप्त करने वालों की सूची इतनी लंबी हो गई है कि कई लोगों को 92 साल तक इंतजार करना पड़ सकता है। इतनी लंबी प्रतीक्षा वहीं कर सकते हैं, जिन्हें भगवान ने सवा सौ साल से भी ज्यादा की उम्र दी हो? गोया न रहेगा बांस, न बजेगी बांसुरी कहावत वरितार्थ होने जा रही है। अमेरिकी ग्रीन कार्ड पाने की लालसा में जिन गैर-अमेरिकीयों ने अर्जियां लगाई हुई हैं, उनकी संख्या 3,95,025 है। इनमें से अकेले भारतीयों के आवेदनों की संख्या 3,06,601 है।</p>
<p>June 13, 2018</p>	<p><b>Indian origin schoolgirl achieves top score on Mensa IQ test, beats Einstein, Hawking</b></p>	<p>Snehal Vijay, a schoolgirl aged 11 just has achieved the highest possible score in a Mensa IQ test, even surpassing that of famed scientists Stephen Hawking and Albert Einstein</p>
<p>June 12, 2018 The Pioneer</p>	<p><b>Punjab to transform 30 places as Tourist Attraction Centre</b></p>	<p>State Tourism and Cultural Affairs Minister Navjot Singh Sidhu on Monday said that the State would see transformation in six months' time to ensure Punjab emerges as a big player in the global tourism sector while the Punjab NRI diaspora would be connected with historical and cultural roots. ADB has given 344 crore loan. Rs 96.97 crore for the revamp of religious and historical cities, 50 crore would be spent under the Prasad scheme, 100 crore has been prepared under Mughal Circuit for historical sites, 100 crore under the Maharaja Circuit — for cities having connection with erstwhile princely states</p> <p>The holy city of Amritsar would be the centre of attraction in terms of tourism as 11 out of the 30 places are in and around it. Among these places include, Heritage Street, Wagha Border, Gobindgarh Fort, Jallianwala Bagh, Partition Museum, War Memorial, Pul Moran, Bhagwan Valmiki Tirath Sthal, Food Street, Maharaja Ranjit Singh Summer Place at Rambagh and Saada Pind in Amritsar. Ropar has treaty spot of Maharaja Ranjit Singh and Lord William Bentick, Bathinda Fort, Patti Fort, Bahadurgarh Fort at Patiala, Virasat-e-Khalsa at Sri Anandpur Sahib, Theme Park Chamkaur Sahib, Aam Khas Bagh Sirhind, Coronation spot of Mughal Emperor Akbar at Kalanaur in Gurdaspur, Samadh Baba Ala Singh, Shaheed-e-Azam Bhagat Singh Museum at Khatkar Kalan, Jang-e-Azadi memorial at Kartarpur, Sarai Lashkari Khan at Doraha, Sarai Shambhu,</p>

		Sarai Noor Mahal, Banasar Bagh Sangrur, Durbar Hall Kapurthala and Moorish Mosque Kapurthala.
<b>June 12, 2018</b> <b>The Times of India</b>	<b>Sharanya becomes the first Indian woman to win Kuwaiti shooting contest</b>	31-year-old TK Sharanya Devihas made the country proud by winning the Al Kandari shootingcontest in Kuwait. This is the first time that an Indian has participated and won the contest. She secured 91 points in the 50 meter sniper 22 category.
<b>June 12, 2018</b> <b>The Economic Times</b>	<b>Ministers from 70 nations to be taken Gujarat</b>	Prime Minister Narendra Modi will launch the 150th anniversary celebrations of Mahatma Gandhi at a first-of-its-kind International Sanitation Convention named after him, where ministers from over 70 countries will be invited and taken on a ‘Gandhi Trail’ in Gujarat. The function, named as ‘Mahatma Gandhi International Sanitation Convention’ will be held in Delhi from September 29 to October 2, with the PM addressing the convention on the birth anniversary of Gandhi with sanitation ministers of 70 to 80 countries in attendance. The government will use the occasion to “showcase its performance” and “success story” in the Swachh Bharat programme in the past four years, which was launched on October 2, 2014, and have a face-to-face dialogue with the world leaders to share their experiences on sanitation programmes
<b>June 12, 2018</b> <b>Gulf News</b>	<b>Saudi woman instructor to lead Yoga Day event in Dubai</b>	Nouf Marwaai, Saudi Arabia’s first certified yoga instructor who India honoured with Padma Shri award, will lead Dubai’s international Yoga Day celebration this year.  Yoga enthusiasts from various yoga schools like Art of Living, Sahaj Yoga, Raja Centre, Heartfulness Yoga, Sky Yoga and Laughter Yoga will participate along with general public interesting in the event.
<b>June 11, 2018</b>	<b>NRIs now prefer investing in commercial real estate over residential</b>	Mumbai, NCR, Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Chennai and Pune are the hottest cities for investments in Grade A offices, co-working office spaces and IT parks.  Later DNA reported that 85 new malls to come up in India in next 5 years
<b>June 11, 2018</b>	<b>Indian Food Festival in Berlin draws huge crowd</b>	An Indian Food Festival organised at the Embassy of India here on Sunday saw enthusiastic participation by members of the Indian diaspora and Indian Community Associations, and strengthened the connect between Berliners and friends of India.  More than 3,000 people enjoyed a variety of cuisine from different regions of India, from the slow-cooked and richly spiced biryani to the savoury and tangy street food from states such as Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Nagaland, Manipur and Assam.  The visitors enjoyed the cultural performances at the festival which featured Indian classical and contemporary music and dance and yoga by artists as well as by

		the members of the Indian diaspora.
<b>June 11, 2018</b>	<b>Two Indian-origin Singaporean ministers behind the Trump-Kim meet</b>	Two Indian-origin ministers in Singapore, <b>Vivian Balakrishnan</b> and <b>K Shanmugam</b> , are playing a key role in facilitating a hassle-free summit between US President <b>Donald Trump</b> and North Korean leader <b>Kim Jong-un</b> . Balakrishnan, Singapore's Foreign Minister, made important visits to Washington, Pyongyang and Beijing in recent days to ensure that there would be no last-minute spoilers for the historic meeting hosted by the city-state. Shanmugam is Singapore's Minister for Law and Home Affairs and he has the responsibility to make sure that the summit, the first between a sitting US president and a North Korean top leader, goes without a hitch from the security point of view.
<b>June 11, 2018</b>	<b>RBI to raise \$30-35 bn via NRI bonds to support rupee</b>	The FPI inflows to India will be impacted by Chinese firms listing in global benchmark indices like MSCI. NRI bonds are forex deposits raised from non-resident Indians at attractive rates for 3-5 years, with some lock-in and an implicit RBI guarantee. As per the report, RBI will issue NRI bonds if the global oil prices persist at USD 70/bbl.
<b>June 10, 2018</b>  <b>Hindustan.com</b>	<b>उसकी तलाश...</b>	वैश्विक स्तर पर हिन्दी की अलख जगाने वाले मॉरीशस के प्रख्यात प्रवासी भारतीय साहित्यकार अभिमन्यु अनंत का बीते दिनों निधन हो गया। भारत के बाहर हिन्दी के प्रसार में उनकी भूमिका अहम रही है। मॉरीशस के इस 'उपन्यास सम्राट' के साहित्य के मूल में शोषण, दमन और बेरोजगारी का प्रतिकार है। वहां की ऐतिहासिक पृष्ठभूमि पर आधारित उनका उपन्यास 'लाल पसीना' उनके लेखन का ऐसा टर्निंग प्वाइंट है, जिसने उन्हें हिन्दी के वृहद संसार में बड़ी प्रतिष्ठा दिलाई। कम महत्वपूर्ण नहीं था कि फ्रांसीसी और ब्रिटिश उपनिवेशवादियों की धूर्तता के बयान इस उपन्यास की भूमिका नोबेल पुरस्कृत फ्रेंच लेखक जेएमजी ले क्लेज्यो ने लिखी, जो अपने आप में महत्वपूर्ण है। प्रस्तुत है इसी उपन्यास और क्लेज्यो की लंबी भूमिका के अंश-.
<b>June 10,2018</b>  <b>Dainik Bhaskar</b>	<b>दिल्ली में प्रवासी राजस्थानियों ने अखिल भारतीय रावत महासभा, भारतीय रावत महासभा,</b>	दिल्ली में प्रवासी राजस्थानियों ने अखिल भारतीय रावत महासभा, राजधानी सर्किल सभाओं और राजस्थान रावत राजपूत महासभा के बैनर तले पिथौरागढ़ दिल्ली के पूर्व शासक सम्राट पृथ्वीराज चौहान का 873वां जन्म दिवस धूमधाम से मनाया। इस मौके पर अखिल भारतीय रावत महासभा के संरक्षक व रक्षा मंत्रालय के रिटायर्ड सहायक निदेशक देवीसिंह चौहान ने सम्राट पृथ्वीराज चौहान के स्वर्णिम अतीत का स्मरण करते हुए उनके जीवन चरित्र, व्यक्तित्व एवं कृतित्व और ऐतिहासिक उपलब्धियों पर विस्तार से प्रकाश डाला। साथ ही अजमेर से जुड़े संस्मरण सुनाए और उनके जीवन प्रसंगों व देश भक्ति से प्रेरणा लेने का आह्वान किया



<p><b>June 9,2018</b></p> <p><b>The Hindu</b></p>	<p><b>The Indian who docked at Osaka</b></p>	<p>The oldest recorded Indian in Japan impacts the country's culture even today. The Indian diaspora in Japan has historically been small, but has encompassed a colourful cast, from revolutionaries to textile traders. The oldest documented Indian resident in Japan, and arguably the most influential, was Bodhisena, a monk from Madurai whose outsized impact on Japanese culture persists even some 1,300 years after he docked on the archipelago's shores.</p>
<p><b>June 9, 2018</b></p>	<p><b>India, China to set up new mechanism to promote people-to-people ties</b></p>	<p>At present, the Indian community in China is around 35,500. A major part of this comprises students (over 18,000), who are pursuing courses in various universities in China. A number of Indians and persons of Indian origin (PIOs) are also working as professionals with various multinational and Indian companies in China. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has reached Hotel Le Meridien. He met members of the Indian diaspora in China.</p>
<p><b>Jun 9, 2018</b></p>	<p><b>Sikh soldier becomes first to wear turban for Trooping the Colour parade in UK</b></p>	<p>Guardsman Charanpreet Singh Lall marched among 1,000 British soldiers who took part in the Trooping the Colour parade</p>
<p><b>June 08, 2018</b></p> <p><b>Economic Times</b></p>	<p><b>Kumbh, Republic Day parade on Pravasi Itinerary</b></p>	<p>Come January 2019 and nearly 7,000 overseas Indians who are expected to arrive in Varanasi to participate in the Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) can look forward to a curated multicity tour complete with a holy bath in Allahabad on the occasion of Kumbh and attendance at the Republic Day parade in Delhi. A six-day Varanasi-Kumbh-Republic Day package tour for overseas Indians has been drawn up as a special case in deference to sentiments of the diaspora, said an external affairs ministry note, which was seen by ET. Arrangements are being made for the participation of the visitors in Kumbh Snan (holy bath) in Allahabad on January 24 and attendance at Republic Day parade on January 2. The day after the PBD gets over, the overseas Indians will be ferried by nine special trains to Allahabad, where they will be accommodated in a special "five-star tent city" and treated to a specially arranged Ram Leela performance by international artists. After the Allahabad leg of the tour they will be brought to Delhi where they will be seated in a special enclosure on Rajpath to see the Republic Day parade. Officials said that the UP government had already booked 3,000 rooms in five-star and four-star hotels in Varanasi for housing the delegate</p>
<p><b>June 7, 2018</b></p>	<p><b>Return journey of NRIs from Saudi Arabia begins; exodus signals grim times</b></p>	<p>Parents are saying that living in Saudi Arabia with families is becoming increasingly expensive, so many of them are sending them to India. Saudi government has started levying fee on various services it offers to expatriate population. The most cumbersome is 'Residence Fee' that is now being charged per person annually as against per family earlier. Therefore, bigger the family, more expensive it is to stay.</p>

<b>Jun 7, 2018</b>	<b>Indian farmer in UAE sets world record of distributing saplings</b>	An Indian farmer, <u>Sudheesh Guruvayoor</u> from Kerala, in the UAE has set a Guinness World Record by distributing the largest number of curry tree saplings in Sharjah
<b>June 6, 2018</b>	<b>Indian-Origin Lawyer Tommy Thomas Appointed As Attorney General For Malaysia</b>	Amidst protests from Islamic groups, Malaysia's king has approved the appointment of ethnic Indian lawyer, Mr. Tommy Thomas as the new Attorney General. With this appointment, Mr. Thomas has become the first person from the minority community to hold the position
<b>June 6, 2018</b>	<b>Indian-origin Texas boy wins Scripps National Spelling Bee</b>	Karthik Nemmani, a 14-year-old from Texas, won the 2018 Scripps National Spelling Bee on Thursday, correctly spelling the word "koinonia" to win the title and take home \$40,000
<b>June 6, 2018</b> <b>Hindustan Times</b>	<b>Indians hail British PM May's green signal for new Heathrow runway</b>	Members of the Indian community have historically been employed at various levels in Heathrow. The £14-billion runway, expected to be completed by 2026, will be entirely privately funded.
<b>June 4, 2018</b>	<b>Indian- Origin Scientists Invents Smart Socks to Treat Leg and Foot Pain</b>	Deepti Aggarwal, a PhD scholar at the School of Engineering at the University of Melbourne, Australia, has developed "smart socks" that can help physiotherapists better diagnose and treat injuries of patients, particularly in remote areas
<b>June 4, 2018</b> <b>Pune Mirror</b>	<b>Indian Expats</b>	These expats (or repats) are usually people of Indian origin who were born and raised elsewhere, or people born and raised in India who have lived away for many years.
<b>June 3, 2018</b>  <b>Daijiworld.com</b>	<b>Abu Dhabi: ISC to hold ladies throw ball tournament on Jun 6</b>	The India Social & Cultural Centre has been in existence in Abu Dhabi since 1967 and is the biggest Indian Community Centre in the UAE with State-of-The-Art facilities well equipped to cater to the sports, socio-cultural needs of over 8,000 family members. Today, it stands as an iconic symbol of the pride and prestige of the whole Indian Community in the entire UAE. ISC Abu Dhabi was selected for the Pravasi Bhartiya Samman Award for their active participation in rendering help to the Indian community in 2017.
<b>June 3,2018</b>	<b>Air India marks 70 years since 1st India-UK flight</b>	Air India is marking 70 years since its first flight took off from Mumbai to London in June 1948, which laid the foundations of the India-UK relationship. The national carrier is inviting members of the Indian diaspora in Britain to share their memories of the airline in its early days. The iconic first flight, on a Super Constellation aircraft, took off from Mumbai on June 8 and landed in London via Cairo and Geneva on June 10, 1948, with just 42 passengers on board, including some Indian Nawabs and Maharajas
<b>June 22,2018</b> <b>Tribune News</b>	<b>UK MP Dhesi meets Air India officials for connectivity</b>	In another News: Tan Dhesi, who hails from Raipur village in Jalandhar, said he had spoken to the Air

<b>Service</b>		India's senior management about the pending demand of the Punjabi diaspora for direct flights between Heathrow airport and Amritsar airport, and the progress made in this regard.
<b>June 2, 2018</b> <b>BBC Hindi</b>	<b>नज़रिया: दक्षिण पूर्व एशिया के लिए ये है मोदी फॉर्मूला</b>	प्रधानमंत्री प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी ने इस हफ्ते तीन देशों की पांच दिवसीय यात्रा के दौरान एक बार फिर अंतर सामुदायिक स्तर तक फैली भारत की धार्मिक और सांस्कृतिक कड़ियों के विस्तार को दिखाने का प्रयास किया.
<b>June 2, 2018</b>	<b>Indian doctors in UK back campaign to scrap 'rigid' visa norms</b>	BAPIO said it had doctors on its list who can come in on a short-term basis to fill National Health Service (NHS) shortage and gain training in the process
<b>June 2, 2018</b>	<b>Aavin to fly to 15 countries with sizeable Tamil diaspora</b>	In what could be a big leap in dairy development in the state, the Tamil Nadu cooperative milk producers' federation, popularly known as Aavin, will soon fly its ultra-heat treated (UHT) milk and milk products to 15 countries, mostly dominated by Indian diaspora, especially Tamil population. The decision comes after the agency's success in Singapore. At least two containers per month are being exported to Singapore.
<b>June 2, 2018</b>	<b>22-yr-old Indian-American running for California governor</b>	Shubham Goel, a techie with roots in Uttar Pradesh, is drawing more and more eyeballs to his campaign blitz
<b>June 2, 2018</b> <b>Financial Express</b>	<b>PM Narendra Modi unveils Mahatma Gandhi's plaque with former Singaporean premier Goh Chok Tong</b>	Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Singapore's former premier Goh Chok Tong today jointly unveiled a plaque to pay tribute at the immersion site of Mahatma Gandhi's ashes at the waterfront Clifford pier in the city-state. Over 250 members of Indian diaspora led by Singapore's Emeritus Minister Goh Chok Tong joined the ceremony at the pier, 70 years after a part of the Mahatma's ashes were immersed in the Singapore water with a plane showering flowers and petals.