

Weekly One Liner Updates **15-21st November 2018**

Dear readers,

Weekly One Liner Updates is a collection of important news and events that occurred in the third **week** (15-21st) of **November** 2018. This file is important for, **Banking interviews** and all upcoming Banking & Insurance exams.

Banking & Financial Awareness

1. The Reserve Bank of India has imposed a Rs. 3-crore fine each on two lenders for non-compliance of various norms ___ **Deutsche Bank & Jammu and Kashmir Bank.**

Note:

- According to RBI, the penalties on these two banks have been imposed taking into account the failure of the banks to adhere to the directions issued by it.

2. Karnataka Bank has introduced a new savings bank (SB) scheme ___ **KBL SB – TASC.**

3. Who has signed a loan agreement of 105-million Dollar with India to continue financing the transmission system upgrades in Himachal Pradesh for increased supply of hydropower ___ **Asian Development Bank (ADB).**

Note:

- The loan agreement was signed by Additional Secretary in the Finance Ministry Sameer Kumar Khare, Country Director of ADB's India Resident Mission, Kenichi Yokoyama.

4. Government of India and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) sign USD 300 Million loan to support ___ **India Infrastructure Finance Company Limited (IIFCL).**

Note:

- The Project will enhance availability of long-term finance for PPP projects, improve operational capacity of IIFCL, and expand the portfolio of infrastructure financing instruments available to IIFCL.
- The Project supports the renewed effort of the Government of India in accelerating infrastructure growth through increased Private Sector investment.

5. Who has launched two funds for the small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and affordable housing sectors ___ **SBICAP Ventures (SVL).**

Note:

- It is an alternative asset manager and a wholly owned subsidiary of SBI Capital Markets.

6. As per Fitch Ratings, India's sovereign rating at ___ **'BBB-'**.

Note:

- The agency added that the economy would shrug off any lingering effects of demonetization and GST during 2018-19 and 2019-20.
- "Fitch forecasts growth to rebound to 7.3% in FY19 and 7.5% in FY20.
- The Fitch gave the country its first sovereign rating upgrade since 2004.

7. An asset management company (AMC) for resolving large bad loans has been formed and will be called as ___ **Sashakt India Asset Management.**

Note:

- The chairman of a bankers' panel Sunil Mehta working on a faster resolution of stressed assets in public sector banks.
- Under the project, the committee had to float an AMC and an AIF to resolve non-performing assets (NPAs) over Rs 500 crore.
- The Mehta committee comprises representatives of all major banks, including State Bank of India (SBI).

8. **National Stock Exchange of India (NSE)** has launched a mobile application and web-based platform for retail investors to buy government securities__ NSE goBID.

Note:

- The platform will allow retail investors to invest in treasury bills (T-Bills) of 91 days, 182 days and 364 days and various government bonds from one year to almost 40 years.

9. The bank has launched India's first interactive Credit Card with buttons__ **IndusInd bank.**

Note:

- IndusInd Bank has launched IndusInd Bank Nexxt Credit Card, which empowers customers with a choice of payment options such as EMI, Reward Points or Credit at the push of a button, on the card, at the point of sale (POS).
- The bank claims it to be the nation's first interactive credit card with buttons.

Important Dates

1. The World Philosophy Day being observed on ____ **15th November.**

Note:

- World Philosophy Day was proclaimed by UNESCO to be celebrated every 3rd Thursday of November.
- It is a day for people to share thoughts, openly explore and discuss new ideas and inspire public debate or discussion on society's challenges.
- In 2002, UNESCO first declared the third Thursday in November to be world philosophy day.

2. International Day for Tolerance observed every year on ____ **16 November.**

Note:

- The International Day for Tolerance is an annual observance day declared by UNESCO in 1995 to generate public awareness of the dangers of intolerance.

3. The World Toilet Day is observed across the world on ____ **19th November.**

Note:

- The theme for 2018 is 'Nature-based solutions'.
- The day is about inspiring action to tackle the global sanitation crisis. United Nations' Sustainable Development Goal 6 (SDG 6) aims to ensure availability and sustainable management of sanitation and water for all by 2030.

4. The Quami Ekta Week (National Integration Week) is being observed across the country from ____ **19th to 25th November 2018.**

Note:

- The week is observed to highlight the strength and resilience of the nation to withstand any potential threats to the secular fabric.

5. The Universal Children's Day has been observed across the world on ____ **20th November.**

Note:

- The theme of 2018 is 'Children are taking over and turning the world blue'.
- The intergovernmental organisation is asking individuals, schools and corporates worldwide to 'Go Blue' this Universal Children's Day to help build a world where every child goes to school and is safe from harm.

6. The World Fisheries Day (WFD) is being celebrated throughout the world on ____ **21st November.**

Note:

- The Day helps in highlighting the critical importance to human lives, of water and the lives it sustains, both in and out of the water.
- According to Agriculture Minister Radha Mohan Singh, the Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund of 7,522 crore rupees will augment production and create more jobs.

Obituaries

1. Asia's first woman neurosurgeon passed away in Chennai ___ **T.S. Kanaka**.

Note:

- Kanaka, who retired as professor of Neurosurgery, Institute of Neurology, Madras Medical College (MMC), in 1990.
- She was known to have inspired many women to take to the field of neurosurgery in the country.
- She was the third woman neurosurgeon in the whole world.

2. Ad Guru passed away in Mumbai ___ **Alyque Padamsee**.

Note:

- Mr Padamsee was also best known for his role as Muhammad Ali Jinnah in historical drama "Gandhi" (in 1982).
- He was honored with Padmashri (in 2000), named Advertising Man of the Century by The Advertising Club in Mumbai.

3. Maha Vir Chakra awardee Brigadier passed away in a private hospital in Mohali in Punjab___ **Kuldip Singh Chandpuri (retd)**.

Note:

- Mr. Chandpuri is known as the hero of the historic 1971 battle of Longewala.
- The battle of Longewala (1971) was one of the first major engagements in the western sector during the Indo-Pak war of 1971, fought between assaulting Pakistani forces and Indian defenders at the Indian border post of Longewala in the Thar desert of Rajasthan.

4. Revered saint of Triveni Dham passed away in Jaipur___ **Narayan Das Maharaj**.

Note:

- He was awarded Padma Shri in January 2018.
- He founded Sanskrit University and then handed it over to the Rajasthan government.

5. Kerala Lok Sabha MP passed away at a private hospital in Chennai ___**MI Shanavas**.

Note:

- He was elected to the Lok Sabha in 2009 and again in 2014.
- Current, He was working president of the Kerala Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC).

New Appointments

1. Who sworn in as the 24th Chief Justice of the Madhya Pradesh High Court_ **Justice Sanjay Kumar Seth**.

Note:

- State Governor Anandi Ben Patel administered the oath of office to Justice Seth in a ceremony.
- Before becoming a high court judge, he had served as an additional advocate general.
- He was enrolled as an advocate on 24th July, 1981, and practiced in Jabalpur.

2. Who takes additional charge of the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers _ **D V Sadananda Gowda**.

Note:

- The move was necessitated following the demise of Ananth Kumar.
- Currently, he is the minister for statistics and programme implementation

3. Who steps down as Yes Bank chairman _**Ashok Chawla**.

Note:

- Yes Bank chairman Ashok Chawla's resignation comes days after the bank sought RBI's opinion on Chawla continuing in the post after being named in a corruption charge sheet in the Aircel-Maxis case.
- Chawla, a former secretary with the ministry of finance, is also the chairman of the National Stock Exchange.

4. Justice Amareshwar Pratap Sahi sworn in as Chief Justice of ___**Patna High Court**.

Note:

- The oath of office was administered by Bihar governor Lalji Tandon.

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- Patna High Court is the High Court of the state of Bihar, established on 3 February 1916
5. UIDAI head Ajay Bhushan Pandey to be next ___ **Revenue Secretary**.
- Note:**
- He will succeed current Finance and Revenue Secretary Hasmukh Adhia (retires on 30th November 2018).
 - Mr. Pandey will continue to hold the additional charge of Chief Executive Officer of UIDAI and Chairman of Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN) until further orders.
6. Who has been appointed as chairman of the Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) ___ **Jalaj Srivastava**.
- Note:**
- Currently Mr. Srivastava is working as Additional Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture.
 - The IWAI comes under the Union Ministry of Shipping, Road Transport and Highways.

Important News - India

1. The 38th edition of India International Trade Fair (IITF) 2018 opens at Pragati Maidan in ___ New Delhi.
- Note:**
- The flagship event of **India Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO)** will continue from 14th to 27th November 2018.
 - The partner country is the **Islamic Republic of Afghanistan** and the **focus country** is the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal.
 - The focus state is **Jharkhand**.
 - This edition of IITF assumes special significance as it marks the beginning of the 150th birth anniversary celebrations of Mahatma Gandhi.
2. A unique initiative of online professional development of 15 lakh higher education faculty using the MOOCs platform ___ **SWAYAM**.
- Note:**
- The ministry of HRD also launched Leadership for Academicians Programme (LEAP) which will be implemented through 15 top institutions like IITs, TISS, DU, JNU and IISERs and also include a week training in a foreign campus of the likes of Harvard University, Oxford University, Purdue University and NTU Singapore, among others.
3. Agriculture Minister Radha Mohan Singh launched a start-up scheme to encourage youth to join cooperative business ventures in agriculture and allied sectors ___ **Yuva Sahakar**.
- Note:**
- The scheme will be linked to Rs 1000 crore 'Cooperative Start-up and Innovation Fund (CSIF) created by the NCDC.
 - The National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) under the agriculture ministry has come up the Yuva Sahakar-Cooperative Enterprise Support and Innovation Scheme.
4. ISRO successfully launches GSLV Mark III D2 carrying ___ **GSAT 29 satellite**.
- Note:**
- ISRO's Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle Mark III (GSLV Mk-III-D2) - on its second developmental flight - lifted off from Sriharikota, India's rocket port in Andhra Pradesh on the coast of the Bay of Bengal.
 - India's heaviest rocket referred to as "Baahubali".
 - It carries Ka/Ku-band high throughput communication transponders, which are intended to cater to the communication requirements of users, including those in remote areas.
5. Delhi Police Commissioner launches e-learning portal ___ **NIPUN**.
- Note:**
- The e-learning portal aims at imparting online training and information through specialized courses designed by experts.

- It will benefit the police officers investigating various cases by providing online resource and information on the law, standing orders, investigation checklists, forms for case files, latest High Court and Supreme Court rulings.
6. Who has constituted the Himalayan State Regional Council__ **NITI Aayog**.
- Note:**
- The council, which will be chaired by VK Saraswat, Member, NITI Aayog, will consist of Chief Secretaries of the 12 Himalayan States as well as secretaries of central ministries, among others.
 - It will review and implement identified action points based on the reports of five working groups.
7. India's first specialized hospital for elephants was formally opened in __ **Mathura**.
- Note:**
- The hospital is designed to treat injured, sick or geriatric elephants and is equipped with a medical hoist for lifting elephants.
8. The 6th Indian Social Work Congress (ISWC) 2018 was held in __**New Delhi**.
- Note:**
- The theme of 6th ISWC 2018 was "Human Development and Social Inclusion: Imperatives for Social Work Education and Practice".
 - It was jointly organized by National Association of Professional Social Workers in India (NAPSWI) and Department of Social Work (Delhi School of Social Work), University of Delhi.
9. Ministry is celebrating its first Naturopathy Day across the country __ **AYUSH Ministry**.
- Note:**
- More than 1,000 Naturopathy specialist doctors from all over the country participated in the event, which was organised by International Naturopathy Organisation in association with Ministry of Ayush.
 - Work on building natural clinics is already in progress in Pune, Goa, Delhi, Haryana, Karnataka, Kerala and Andhra Pradesh.
10. The two-days 8th National Conference of Women in Police (NCWP) has begun in ____**Ranchi**.
- Note:**
- The conference is being organized by Bureau of Police Research & Development in collaboration with Jharkhand Police.
 - It is the only national level platform to address the issues of Women in uniform and create an enabling atmosphere for them to maximize and optimize their professional potential.
11. 14th edition of international children's theatre festival held in ____**New Delhi**.
- Note:**
- The 14th edition of JashneBachpan (theatre festival for children) was held at the Sammukh, Abhimanch, Abhikalp and Little Theatre Group (LTG) auditorium in New Delhi.
 - The JashneBachpan has been organized by National School of Drama.
12. The Union Ministers Suresh Prabhu and Jayant Sinha jointly launched the upgraded version of web portal and mobile app __**AirSewa2.0**
- Note:**
- It is an upgraded version of AirSewa1.0 to provide a superior user experience with enhanced functionalities.
 - The upgrade version of AirSewa will offer passengers a convenient and hassle-free air travel experience.
 - The AirSewa 1.0 was received well, with around 30,000 app downloads and around 75,000 web portal hits since its launch.
13. Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh has released a book 'Radio Kashmir in Times of Peace & War' written by ____**Dr Rajesh Bhat**.
- Note:**
- The book explains the role played by Radio Kashmir in serving the people of Kashmir and strengthening democratic institutions in Kashmir, since the inception of Radio Kashmir in 1947.

States News

1. Jharkhand state celebrated its 18th foundation day on **__15th November 2018.**

Note:

- The Jharkhand state was carved out of the southern part of Bihar on 15 November 2000.
- Chief minister Raghubar Das declared Jharkhand open defecation free (ODF).

2. The state Govt. has launched the 'Cow Samridhi Plus Scheme' to provide insurance coverage to dairy farmers in the state **__ Kerala Government.**

Note:

- It will give insurance coverage to dairy farmers at low premium rates.
- Farmers belonging to the general category will be getting 50% subsidy on premiums while those belonging to Scheduled Caste (SC) and Scheduled Tribe (ST) category would get 70% subsidy on the premium.

3. The fifteen days Aadi Mahotsav festival has begun in **__Delhi.**

Note:

- More than 600 artisans from 23 states will participate in the event.
- The theme of the festival is 'celebration of the spirit of tribal culture, craft, cuisine and commerce'.

4. The union Govt. has approved the additional assistance of Rs. 546 crores from National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) to **__Karnataka.**

Note:

- The decision was taken during a High-Level Committee, Chaired by Home Minister Rajnath Singh to consider the additional Central Assistance to the State affected by floods during 2018-19.
- The National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) is a specialised force constituted "for the purpose of specialist response to a threatening disaster situation or disaster" under the Disaster Management Act, 2005.

Important News – World

1. Prime Minister Narendra Modi participated in the ASEAN-India Breakfast Summit in **__Singapore.**

Note:

- The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) is a regional intergovernmental organization comprising 10 Southeast Asian countries, which promotes intergovernmental cooperation and facilitates economic, political, security, military, educational, and socio-cultural integration among its members and other Asian states.
- The ASEAN members are Indonesia, Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, The Philippines, Vietnam, Myanmar, Cambodia, Brunei, and Laos.

2. Who will overtake the US to become the world's second-biggest emitter of carbon dioxide from the power sector before 2030 **__ India.**

Note:

- Carbon dioxide emissions from India's power sector are expected to rise to nearly 80 percent by 2040 as power use almost triples, driven in part by air conditioning, the Paris-based IEA said in the report.
- China will remain the biggest emitter.
- Even with the jump in power demand and emissions, India's per-capita electricity consumption will remain one of the world's lowest, according to the report.

3. The World Tolerance Summit opens for the first time in **__UAE, Dubai.**

Note:

- The two-day summit is being held in line with the UN's International Day of Tolerance.
- The theme of the Summit was 'Prospering from Pluralism: Embracing Diversity through Innovation and Collaboration'.

4. Oxford Dictionary has declared the adjective as the Word of the Year 2018 **__toxic.**

Note:

- The adjective toxic is defined as 'poisonous'.
- The word toxic was selected from a shortlist that included contenders such as 'gaslighting,' 'incel' and 'techlash'.

5. India and United Kingdom have signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for collaboration in **__Cancer research.**

Note:

- The MoU was signed between Department of Biotechnology (DBT) and Cancer Research UK (CRUK) for India-UK Cancer Research Initiative for collaboration in cancer research for the next five years.
6. The Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) summit ended with its leaders failing to agree on a formal joint statement in ___**Papua New Guinea**.
- Note:**
- The Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) is a regional economic forum established in 1989 to leverage the growing interdependence of the Asia-Pacific. APEC has 21 members.

Honor & Awards

1. An educationist has been conferred with the coveted Global Education Leaders Award 2018___ **Dr. Saroj Suman Gulati**.
- Note:**
- The award has been conferred on Dr. Gulati in recognition of her exemplary contribution to 'K-12 education and promotion of Art and Culture'.
 - Dr. Gulati (Director of Blue Bells Group of Schools) was among the nine eminent education leaders from India who were awarded for their exemplary contribution in various spheres of education and social development.
2. Veteran Journalist received Raja Ram Mohan Roy award ___ **N Ram**.
- Note:**
- Eminent journalist N Ram has been selected under prestigious award category of Raja Ram Mohan Roy award.
 - Ruby Sarkar (Chief Correspondent of Deshbandhu Bhopal) and Rajesh Joshte (Daily Pudhari in Ratnagiri) will share the award in category of Rural Journalism.
 - N Ram is the Chairman of the Hindu Publishing Group.
3. Who has won 2018 Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development__ **Centre for Science and Environment (CSE)**
- The CSE was established in 1980 under leadership of the late Anil Agarwal and is presently headed by Sunita Narain.
 - The Indira Gandhi Prize is the prestigious award accorded annually by Indira Gandhi Memorial Trust to individuals or organisations in recognition of creative efforts toward promoting international peace, development and a new international economic order.
 - **Indira Gandhi peace prize** conferred by Indira Gandhi Trust each year on the late Prime Minister's birth anniversary.
4. The 49th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) has begun at the Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Stadium in ___**Panaji (Goa)**.
- Note:**
- Malayalam movie Olu (directed by Shaji Karun) will be the opening movie of the feature film section of Indian panorama.
 - World Panorama section will present 67 movies including 15 OSCAR nominated films from different countries.
 - Israel is the focus country, Jharkhand is the focus state this year.
 - Veteran Israeli filmmaker Dan Wolman will be given the Lifetime Achievement Award.
 - This year's IFFI will showcase six Indian sports biopics (Gold, Mary Kom, Bhaag Milkha Bhaag, 1983, MSD: The untold story and Soorma) as an extension of Khelo India initiative.

Sports News

1. Who has been chosen as UNICEF's India's Youth Ambassador__ **Hima Das**.
- Note:**
- Hima Das made history by becoming India's first ever track and field gold medallist at the IAAF World Championships 2018.
 - She also clinched a gold medal in Women's 4 x 400 m Relay event at the 2018 Asian Games
 - She is the daughter of a farmer from the village of Dhing in Assam's Nagaon district.

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2. Polish tennis player announces retirement due to health reasons __ **Agnieszka Radwanska**.

Note:

- Radwanska, who reached a career-high ranking of second in 2012, complained of health woes last year, including suffering from viruses which she had to fight using antibiotics.
- She struggled for form in the 2018 season, falling to 75 in the world rankings after starting the year in the top 30.

3. The 10th edition of Women's World Boxing Championships begin in __ **Delhi**.

Note:

- This tenth edition of the tournament is set to be the biggest ever as more than 300 boxers from 72 countries are taking part.
- The highlight of 10th edition will be that new countries—Scotland, Malta, Bangladesh, Cayman Islands, DR Congo, Mozambique, Sierra Leone and Somalia—are making their debut.

4. Former England midfielder announced his retirement after making more than 700 appearances for seven clubs__ **Joe Cole**.

Note:

- Cole made 716 professional appearances, scoring 104 goals for seven clubs and his 56 England caps spanned across three World Cup tournaments.
- He made his international debut aged 19 when he was earmarked as one of England's brightest young talents at the Hammers.

5. Former Australia all-rounder has retired from International Cricket__ **John Hastings**.

Note:

- His final international was a one-day match against New Zealand in 2017.
- Hastings played one Test, 29 ODIs and nine.

6. India's ace cueist has won his third straight IBSF billiards crown in the 150-up format__ **Pankaj Advani**.

Note:

- Earlier, He had won in his hometown Bengaluru in 2016 before doing the same in Doha last year.

7. Who settled for a bronze medal in the Under-21 singles category in the International Table Tennis Federation Challenge Belgosstrakh Belarus Open in Minsk, Belarus__ **Manav Thakkar**.

Note:

- Manav lost to Russia's Denis Ivonin in the semifinals to miss out on the gold.

8. Australia's biggest stadium Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) will host the final match of both the men's and women's World Twenty20 cricket in __ **2020**.

Note:

- The eight host cities will be Adelaide, Brisbane, Canberra, Geelong, Hobart, Melbourne, Perth and Sydney.
- The Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) is an Australian sports stadium located in Yarra Park, Melbourne, Victoria.

9. The winner of ATP 2018 championship__ **Alexander Zverev**.

Note:

- Alexander Zverev (Germany) beat world number one Novak Djokovic 6-4 6-3 to win the ATP Finals.
- Zverev is the first German to win the title since Boris Becker in Frankfurt in 1995 and the youngest since Djokovic won at the same age in Shanghai in 2008.
- The 2018 ATP World Tour is the global elite men's professional tennis circuit organised by the Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) for the 2018 tennis season.

10. Who has won the 59th edition of the junior boys Subroto Cup International Football tournament at the Ambedkar Stadium in New Delhi__ Bangladesh Krida Shiksha Prothishtan (BKSP).

Note:

- BFSP defeated Amini School (Afghanistan) by a solitary goal.
- A total of 95 teams and 1500 players participated in the tournament, including eight teams from Afghanistan, Bangladesh and Nepal.

11. India's shuttler has won bronze medal at Li Ning BWF World Junior Badminton Championships 2018 at Markham, Canada__ **Lakshya Sen.**

Note:

- This was overall India's fifth boy's singles bronze medal at BWF World Junior Championships.
- Earlier, RMV Gurusaidutt (2008), B Sai Praneeth (2010), HS Prannoy (2010) and Sameer Verma (2011) have won bronze medal.
- Siril Verma (2015) is India's only boy's singles silver-medalist at World Junior Championships.

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