



World at a glance

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UK



Smarter than Einstein

Ophelia Morgan Dew, a 3 year old girl from Britain, has a higher IQ than Albert Einstein with a score of 171. She has left behind 11 year and 12 year old. Amay Sharma and Rahul Doshi with a score of 162. Ophelia is the youngest member of oldest IQ society Mensa and has secured place in the top 0.03 per cent of the population in terms of brain power.

China



Patriotism classes for intellectuals

China has announced plans for a campaign to 'enhance patriotism' amongst the country's intellectuals. It is an attempt to counter

discontent amongst academicians who have criticized President Xi Jinping recently. The campaign will be launched amongst intellectuals at schools, research institutes, and public institutes according to the Communist Party of China.

Hungary



Kahló swept in the middle

64 years after her death, Frida Kahló comes into scrutiny

as a pro government newspaper has criticized exhibition of her work at the Hungarian National Gallery, Budapest for promoting communism. The criticism became a wider debate on cultural policy since nationalist PM Viktor Orban won a third consecutive mandate in April.

USA



Indra Nooyi's departure from PepsiCo

Indra Nooyi, CEO, PepsiCo, has announced that she will be stepping

down from her position in October this year. This decision leaves only 24 women running America's 500 largest publicly traded companies, and even a lesser number of women from any racial minority.

The Republic of Ecuador



Declaration of state of emergency

The government of Ecuador has declared a state of emergency related to human migration in the provinces of Carchi, Pichincha, and El Oro on August 8, to provide

urgent medical and social attention to the Venezuelan migrants on the northern border. The state of emergency may last for the entire month of August.

India



Kerala battered by heavy rains

With almost all 40 rivers in the state flooded and overflowing dam reservoirs, floods have claimed 29 lives and rendered 54,000 people homeless. Five columns of army have been deployed and navy's southern command has been put on alert. For the first time in 26 years, all the five flood gates of Idukki dam have been opened.

Indonesia



Devastated by earthquake

The tourist island of Lombok was shattered after being hit by an earthquake with a magnitude of 6.9 on

Richter scale. The earthquake killed dozens, destroyed villages, and left thousands stranded. The death toll has reached 98, including two on the neighbouring island of Bali.

Japan



WW II weapons found

About 1400 firearms, 1200 swords, 8 grenades, and 302 bullets believed to date back to WW II were found buried under the Tanashi Elementary School in Tokyo. It is believed that the weapons were discarded when Japan surrendered in 1945.

Saudi Arabia



Tweets snapping ties between two countries

A series of tweets by Canadian Foreign Ministry regarding the arrest of a woman right's activist has spoiled the relationship between Saudi Arabia and Canada. Prince Mohammed bin Salman ordered the Saudi ambassador to leave Canada and also sent back the Canadian ambassador. He has also ordered 800 medical trainees to return to Saudi Arabia.

Car capable of running on air

With an aim to battle against the rise in energy prices and promote clean energy, a group of students from Helwan University have designed a go-kart-like vehicle. The prototype has been developed to fit one person and runs on compressed oxygen. It can hit 40 km/h and last for about 30 kms. It cost is about 18,000 Egyptian pounds.

