

Economic Newsletter : March 2018



Focus Issues



India hosts the second informal WTO Ministerial Meeting

Delegates from as many as 52 countries, participated in the informal meeting of the WTO, held on March 20th in India. Amid increasing protectionism in global trade, this meeting is an initiative by India to facilitate an exchange of views on the issues ...

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High Impact News



President Sirisena attends ISA Founding Conference – India announces LoC of USD 100 million for solar projects in SL

President of Sri Lanka Maithripala Sirisena visited New Delhi from 10-11 March 2018 to attend the Founding Conference of the International Solar Alliance. Two solar power projects worth USD 100

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India Produces 100 Billionth Unit of Renewable Energy in a Year

In the last financial year India achieved the impressive feat of generating over 100,000 GWh of renewable energy units. India's renewable energy production now stands well ahead of the total electricity generation of relatively populous developing nations

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ITEC Day and the International Students' Day celebrated in Sri Lanka

High Commission of India, Colombo organized joint celebration of Indian Technical & Economic Cooperation Day (ITEC Day) and International Students' Day on 22 March 2018. Hon. Nimal Siripala de Silva, Minister of Transport & Civil Aviation, ...

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France and India co-host the first International Solar Alliance summit

Heads of 23 nations and 10 ministerial representatives gathered in New Delhi for International Solar Alliance's first summit on 11 March. ISA was first unveiled by PM Modi and then French President Francois Hollande at the U.N. Climate Change Conference in Paris in November 2015.

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Balkrishna Vitthal Das Doshi wins the Pritzker Architectural Prize for 2018

Celebrated as a pioneer of low-cost housing in India, Balkrishna Vitthal Das Doshi said his works are an extension of his "life, philosophy and dreams" after being named for the Pritzker prize, or architecture Nobel, for 2018.

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Workshop on GST held in Sri Lanka

An awareness workshop on Goods and Service Tax (GST) was organized by the High Commission of India. Officials from Government of Sri Lanka, trade chambers, industry people, attended the discussions which highlighted the fact that Sri Lankan exporters will now have access to hitherto unexplored markets of various states (provinces) in India, thanks to uniform rates of taxation all over India under the new GST Act.

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MITES to provide advisory service to Government of Sri Lanka

The Sri Lankan Government has decided to enlist services of Indian engineering consultancy company MITES Limited to provide advisory services, to improve the road network connecting with the planned Central Expressway

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