

## **World Wetlands Day being celebrated today at Bhoj Wetlands, Bhopa**

World Wetlands Day is celebrated on February 2 each year to mark the Day the Convention on Wetlands was adopted in the Iranian City of Ramsar in 1971.

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## **PM's Awards for Excellence in Public Administration**

'Prime Minister's Awards for Excellence in Public Administration' are instituted to acknowledge, recognize and reward extraordinary and innovative work done by Districts/Organizations of the Central and State Governments.

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## **Global Crude oil price of Indian Basket was US\$ 54.26 per bbl on 01.02.2017**

The international crude oil price of Indian Basket as computed/published today by Petroleum Planning and Analysis Cell (PPAC) under the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas was US\$ 54.26 per barrel (bbl) on 01.02.2017.

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## **New Benefits announced for NPS Subscribers in Union Budget 2017-18**

In a bid to provide further impetus to the National Pension System (NPS), the following provisions have been introduced in the Finance Bill 2017 laid down in the Parliament today.

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## **India Signs Financing Agreement with World Bank for US\$ 201.50 Million for “Third Technical Education Quality Improvement Programme (TEQIP III)”**

A Financing Agreement for IDA credit of US\$201.50 million (equivalent) for the “Third Technical Education Quality Improvement Programme (TEQIP III)” was signed with the World Bank here yesterday. The Financing Agreement was signed by Mr. Raj Kumar (Joint Secretary, Department of Economic Affairs) on behalf of Government of India and Mr. Junaid Kamal Ahmad, Country Director, World Bank (India) on behalf of the World Bank.