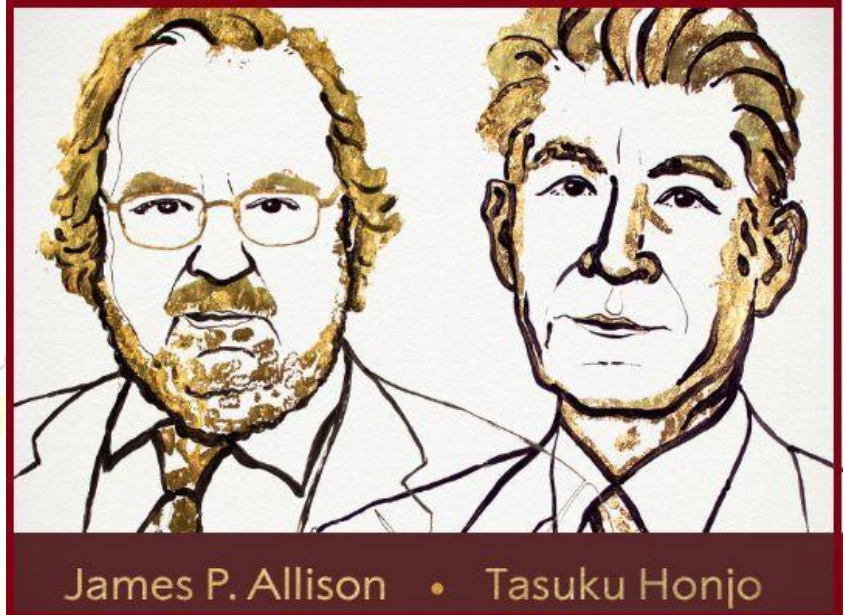


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James P. Allison, Tasuku Honjo jointly win 2018 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine



Cancer therapy: Releasing the brakes of immunity

Cancer kills millions of people every year and is one of humanity's greatest health challenges. The laureates James P. Allison and Tasuku Honjo successfully established an entirely new principle for cancer therapy by stimulating the ability of immune system to attack tumour cells.

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Gita Gopinath becomes first woman Chief Economist at IMF

India-born Gita Gopinath was appointed as the Chief Economist of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) on October 3, 2018, becoming the first woman to hold the position.

Gita Gopinath has also become the second Indian to hold the position, after former RBI Governor Raghuram Rajan.



PM Modi receives UN's Champions of the Earth award



Prime Minister Narendra Modi received the UN Champions of the Earth award, the highest environmental honour of the United Nations on October 3, 2018. The award was presented by UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres at a special ceremony in New Delhi.

The winners include world's first fully solar-powered airport [Cochin International Airport in Kerala](#)



About the award:

The annual '*Champions of the Earth*' prize is awarded to outstanding leaders from government, civil society and the private sector whose actions have had a positive impact on the environment.

The award is the UN's highest environmental recognition celebrating exceptional figures from the public and private sectors and from civil society.

Justice Ranjan Gogoi sworn in as 46th Chief Justice of India

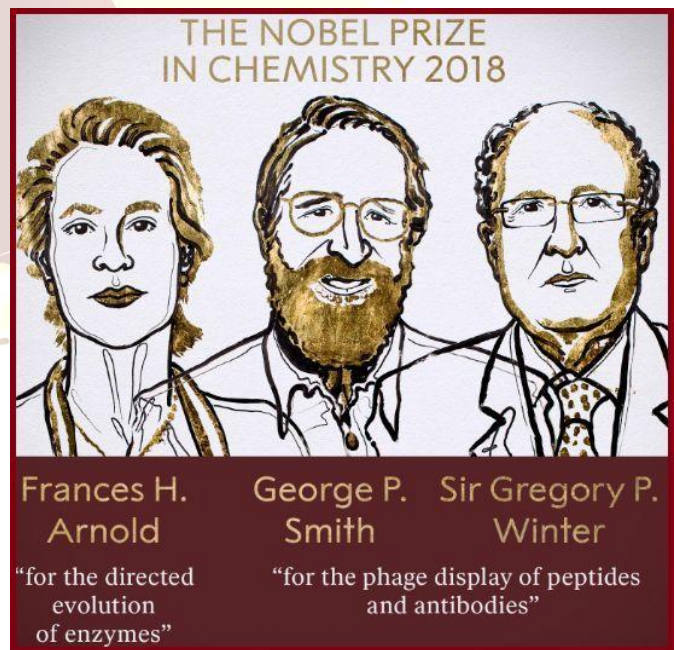
- He succeeds CJI Dipak Misra
- Justice Gogoi has become the first Supreme Court judge from the north-east to be appointed as Chief Justice of India.

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Frances H. Arnold, George P. Smith, Sir Gregory P. Winter win 2018 Nobel Prize in Chemistry

The all three of them harnessed the power of evolution which is revealed through the diversity of life. They took control of evolution and used it for purposes that bring the greatest benefit to humankind.



Aung San Suu Kyi becomes first person to lose honorary Canadian citizenship

Myanmar leader Aung San Suu Kyi on October 3, 2018 became the first person to be stripped of the honorary Canadian citizenship for her role in gross human rights violations against the Rohingya people.



Suu Kyi, the Burmese State Counsellor, has been widely criticised for turning a blind eye to the violence and military crackdown in Myanmar's Rakhine state that forced more than 700000 Rohingya Muslims to seek refuge in Bangladesh, creating one of the world's biggest refugee crisis.

India signs deal with Russia to buy S-400 Triumf Missiles

- S-400 Triumf is an anti-aircraft weapon system

