

# [Unified Commanders' Conference – 2018](#)

1. The two day Unified Commanders' Conference for the year 2018 commenced on 30 Jul 18 at New Delhi. The Conference provided a platform for discussions at the Apex Level on all 'Joint Issues' amongst the three Services & Ministry of Defence and enabled stock taking of the previous year and facilitated planning for future.

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## [GM Crops](#)

As per report of International Service for the Acquisition of Agri-biotech Applications, 2018, India ranks 5th in global cultivation of GM crops. Bt. cotton is the only GM crop approved for commercial cultivation in the Country.

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## [Policy for Disposal of Garbage](#)

The Minister of State for Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Dr. Mahesh Sharma has said that the Ministry, in supersession of Municipal Solid Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2000, has notified the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016.

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## [Plastic Free Zones](#)

Minister of State for Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Dr. Mahesh Sharma has said that India was the global host for "World Environment Day – WED 2018" celebrated on 5th June, 2018. In a written reply to a question in Rajya Sabha here today, Dr. Sharma said that during this celebration, the Ministry launched pan-India plastic clean-up drive in public areas, national

reserves, forests, beaches, rivers etc. Further, letters were written to the State Governments asking them to make protected areas as “Plastic Free Zones”.

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## **KVIC Launches Exclusive Western and Ethnic Designer Wear**

Giriraj Singh launching Western and Ethnic Khadi Designer Wear in New Delhi today

Union Minister of State (I/C) for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) Giriraj Singh launched Western and Ethnic Designer Wear collections at Khadi Bhawan at Connaught Place here today.

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