In the presence of Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi and Prime Minister of Japan, Shri Shinzo Abe, Ceremony for commencement of Work for First High Speed Train Project (popularly referred as Bullet Train) between Mumbai Ahmedabad to take place on 14th September 2017.

Minister of Railways Shri Piyush Goyal briefed media about Mumbai- Ahmedabad High Speed Train Project (popularly referred to as Bullet Train project) in Rail Bhavan today i.e. 11th September 2017. Minister of State for Railways & Minister of Communication (I/c), Shri Manoj Sinha was also present to brief the media. Chairman, Railway Board, Shri Ashwani Lohani and other board members were also present on the occasion.

Secretary, DEA inaugurates the Workshop on the involvement of Multilateral Agencies in developing the capacity of Finance Departments of the States and Union Territories (UTs).

Shri Subhash Chandra Garg, Secretary, Department of Economic Affairs (DEA), Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India inaugurated here today the familiarization Workshop on the involvement of Multilateral Agencies in developing the capacity of Finance Departments of the States and Union Territories (UTs). The Workshop was organized at the IMF South Asia Regional Training and Technical Assistance Centre (SARTTAC) in New Delhi.

India and Belarus discuss issues pertaining to collaboration in Vocational education and Skill Development

Minister of Education, Belarus, Mr. Karpienka Ihar met the Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas and Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Government of India,

<u>Second State Start Up Conference in</u> New Delhi Tomorrow

The Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion, Government of India is organizing the Second State Startup Conference on 12 September, 2017 in New Delhi. The conference shall be inaugurated by the Minister of State, Shri C.R. Choudhary and shall be attended by senior functionaries from State/Union Territory Governments, Incubators/Accelerators, Funding agencies, VCs, Angel investors and Startups.

<u>Direct Tax Collections up-to August,</u> <u>2017 in the current Financial Year</u> <u>2017-18 show Growth of 17.5%</u>

The Direct Tax collections up to August, 2017 in the current Financial Year 2017-18 continue to register a steady growth. Direct Tax collections, net of refunds, stands at Rs. 2.24 lakh crore which is 17.5% higher than the net collections for the corresponding period of the last year.