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## Important Personalities

- Who has been appointed as the AHF Athletes Ambassador from India for a term of two years? **Salima Tete**
- Newly appointed president of New Development Bank Dilma Rousseff was former president of which country? **Brazil**
- Recently, Election Commission of which state has selected Manjamma Jogati as a poll icon for transgender community? **Karnataka**
- Who has been appointed as the non-executive chairperson and independent director of the NDTV board of directors? **Upendra Kumar Sinha**
- Who will lead the recently formed committee by Central Government to explore pension reforms? **TV Somanathan**
- Who has been taken over as ASSOCHAM President? **Ajay Singh**
- Recently, Hitachi Payment Services has named whom as their managing director? **Sumil Vikamsey**
- United Arab Emirates President has recently appointed whom as their Vice-President? **Sheikh Mansour**
- Hero Motocorp Board has appointed \_\_\_\_\_ as its Chief Executive Officer? **Niranjan Gupta**
- Which company has approved the re-appointment of Praveer Sinha as their CEO and MD? **Tata Power**
- Who has been taken over as Chief Managing Director of PTC India? **Rajib K Mishra**
- Who has been appointed as the first chief of NASA's "Moon to Mars Program"? **Amit Kshatriya**
- Who has been appointed as the Deputy Secretary of State for Management and Resources by the US Senate? **Richard Verma**
- Who has taken charge as Vice-Chief of Naval Staff in the Indian Navy? **Sanjay Jasjit Singh**
- Who has become the first woman President of "The Indus Entrepreneurs (TiE) Rajasthan"? **Sheenu Jhavar**
- What is the name of first women selected by NASA for Artemis II Moon Mission? **Christina Koch**
- Reserve Bank of India has appointed whom as executive director? **Neeraj Nigam**
- Who has been appointed as the 40th president of FICCI Ladies Organisation? **Sudha Shivkumar**
- Who will chair the recently formed committee by Union Housing and Urban Affairs Ministry to focus on stalled legacy projects? **Amitabh Kant**
- Which country has been elected as member of UN Statistical Commission Narcotic Drugs and the Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint UN Program? **India**
- Who has been elected as new chairman of Automotive Tyre Manufacturers' Association? **Anshuman Singhania**
- Recently, Apareesh Kumar Singh has been appointed as new chief justice of which state's High Court? **Tripura**
- Recently, RBI has re-appointed whom as the MD and CEO of AU Small Finance Bank? **Sanjay Agarwal**
- Who has been appointed as the new Chief Investment Officer of Life Insurance Corporation? **Ratnakar Patnaik**
- Who has been appointed as interim MD and CEO of Karnataka Bank? **Sekhar Rao**
- Which private sector lender has appointed Kaizad Bharucha as their deputy managing director? **HDFC Bank**
- Recently, New York Senate has appointed whom as state's first Black chief judge? **Rowan Wilson**
- Recently, Central Government has appointed whom as chairperson of National Technical Research Organization? **Arun Sinha**
- Who will be the next Chief Managing Director of Bharat Dynamics Ltd? **A Madhavarao**
- Who has been appointed as new Chief Managing Director of BEML Limited? **Shantanu Roy**
- What is the name of co-founder of Intel company, who has passed away recently? **Gordon Moore**
- Salim Durani, who has passed away recently, was a famous - **Cricketer**
- Jagarnath Mahto, who has passed away recently, was the education minister of which state? **Jharkhand**
- Name the co-founder of Delhi's iconic Akshara Theatre who passed away at the age of 86 after a battle with respiratory ailments? **Jalabala Vaidya**

## National & International News

- Uttarakhand state the government has announced to set up a sports university in which district? **Haldwani**
- Recently, Sarbananda Sonowal has inaugurated "Sagar Manthan", the real-time performance monitoring dashboard of which ministry? **Ministry of Ports**
- Which wildlife sanctuary of Tamil Nadu has decided to declare as the 18th wildlife sanctuary of the state? **Thanthai Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary**
- Who has inaugurated Vedic Heritage portal to provide a deeper understanding of the Vedic knowledge tradition? **Amit Shah**
- Union Minister Amit Shah unveils the statues of Lord Basaveshwara and Nadaprabhu Kempegowda in which city? **Bengaluru**
- The inaugural joint conference between the Indian and African army chiefs has scheduled to be held in which city? **Pune**
- The Ministry of Education has selected how many schools across the country for its PM SHRI program? **9000**
- Which state has become first in India to have 100% electrified railway network? **Haryana**



**Importance:** The General Assembly on 8 December, 2005 declared that each year on 4 April would be officially proclaimed and observed as the International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action.

**1st observed:** 4 April 2006

**Edition:** 18th

**Motto:** To spread awareness about the threat caused by landmines to the safety, health and lives of civilian populations and encourages state Governments to develop mine clearing programmes.

**Note:** In April 2015, the UN Secretary-General designated actor Daniel Craig as the first UN Global Advocate for the Elimination of Mines and Explosive Hazards.

- Under the Aravalli Green Wall Project, how much area around the Aravalli Hill Range in the four states is to be made green? **05 km**
- Recently in March 2023, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated a Metro Line in which city? **Bengaluru**
- Under which alliance PM Narendra Modi released a booklet 'Amrit Kaal Ka Tiger Vision', presenting the vision for tiger conservation in the next 25 years? **International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA)**
- In March 2023, European Commission has awarded protected geographical indication status to which product of Himachal Pradesh? **Kangra tea**
- India's G20 EMPOWER 2023 based on advancing women's leadership in the Private Sector is scheduled to be held in which state? **Kerala**
- Chhattisgarh's Nagri Dubraj, which has recently got geographical indication tag, is a variety of what? **Rice**
- In April 2023, Union Minister Amit Shah has unveiled 54-Foot-Tall Statue of Lord Hanuman in which state? **Gujarat**
- Marcha rice, which recently got the Geographical Indication tag, is mainly produced in which state? **Bihar**
- Who will head the recently formed committee to explore ways of enhancing the pension benefits of government employees under the National Pension System (NPS)? **T V Somanathan**
- Which state has become the best performer in northeast in e-procurement? **Tripura**
- Recently, Gaj Utsav-2023 was inaugurated at which National Park by the President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu? **Kaziranga National Park**
- Recently, KSINC has launched India's first solar-powered tourist boat in which state? **Kerala**
- What is the name of the special scheme launched by Home Ministry to provide financial support to prisoners who are unable to afford the penalty or the bail amount? **Support for Prisoners**
- The world's first conservation and breeding center for the critically endangered Asian king vulture will open in which state? **Uttar Pradesh**
- The Election Commission has granted national party status to which Political party? **Aam Aadmi Party**
- Recently, Union Minister Amit Shah has launched Vibrant Village program in which state? **Arunachal Pradesh**

- In April 2023, India has released Constitution's first edition of which language? **Dogri**
- Who has inaugurated a Tulip Garden in the Jammu region at Sanasar's Ramban Hill Resort? **Manoj Sinha**
- State Energy Efficiency Index 2021-22 report, which states are in top-performing states? **Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Rajasthan, Telangana**
- Gond Art is related to which state, that has been granted the prestigious Geographical Indication (GI) tag? **Madhya Pradesh**
- What is the name of the governor of Tamil Nadu who has given assent to bill banning online gambling? **Ravindra Narayana Ravi**
- According to the Ministry of Home Affairs, how many villages have identified under "Vibrant Village Programme"? **3000**
- External Minister of India, S Jaishankar has launched "Tulsi Ghat Restoration Project" in which country? **Uganda**
- Which state government has initiated a project named "Sanjeevani" to uplift the livelihood of small dairy farmers? **Himachal Pradesh**
- What is the name of India's first semi-high-speed regional rail service given by National Capital Region Transport Corporation? **RAPIDX**
- Which country will host maiden Global Buddhist meet for the first time in 2023? **India**
- Who has launched a program named A-HELP (Accredited Agent for Health and Extension of Livestock Production)? **Pushkar Singh Dhami**
- The G20 Meeting of Agricultural Chief Scientists has been scheduled to take place in which city from 17 to 19 April? **Varanasi**
- According to a report by the Association for Democratic Reforms, which state's CM is the wealthiest in India? **Andhra Pradesh**
- Recently, Chief Minister of Telangana has unveiled how long Ambedkar statue in Hyderabad? **125 ft**
- What is the name of the tourist train flagged off recently from New Delhi for Ambedkar Circuit? **Bharat Gaurav**
- According to the Ministry of Railway, "Vande Metro" be rolled out by which year? **2023**
- Which country will chair to chair Commonwealth group on reform of financial architecture? **India**
- Which state's Chief Minister has inaugurated Shar Nyima Tsho Sum Namyig Lhakhang (Gonpa)? **Arunachal Pradesh**
- Which state has topped the country in terms of persondays generated under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme? **Rajasthan**
- Which state has recently adopted Water Budget to tackle problem of summer water shortage? **Kerala**
- Recently, Digital Health Summit 2023 was organized by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) in which state? **Goa**
- Recently, Union Minister of Steel Jyotiraditya Scindia has inaugurated India Steel 2023 in which city? **Mumbai**
- Which minister has launched the "YUVA PORTAL" to connect and identify potential young Start-Ups? **Ministry of Science**
- The Executive Committee of the National Mission for Clean Ganga has approved eight projects worth Rs 638 crore. This Committee was chaired by whom? **G Asok Kumar**
- In which state is the famous Cumbum Panneer Thrachai or Cumbum grape grown which has recently been granted the Geographical Indication tag? **Tamil Nadu**
- Recently, Central government has issued the Animal Birth Control Rules 2023. According to it who will set guidelines for it? **Supreme Court**
- Recently, a two day Global Buddhist Summit has held by which ministry with the International Buddhist Confederation? **Ministry of Culture**



**Importance:** On this day, the steamship Savannah leaving from Savannah Georgia (May 22nd 1819) doing the first ever transoceanic voyage all under steam powered engines.

**Motto:** To spread awareness in supporting safe and environmentally sound commerce between the continents across the world.

**1st Observed:** April 5, 1964

**Edition:** 60th

**2023 Theme:** Propelling Indian Maritime to Net Zero.

**Awards Conferred during the National Maritime Day**

NMD Varuna Award, NMD Award of Excellence & Award for 'Outstanding Contribution to Maritime Education and Training'

- Which state in North-East India has got approval from NMC for setting up its first medical college? **Nagaland**
- Maharashtra Government has announced how much reservation for Divyang employees in promotions? **4%**
- According to the Ministry of Jalshakti, which state has the highest number of water bodies in India? **West Bengal**
- Which state government has launched "One Panchayat, One Playground" to revive sports culture? **Kerala**
- India's First Water Metro has been inaugurated by PM Narendra Modi in which city? **Kochi**

## India

- The "War and Women" which has been launched recently at 52nd Session of the United Nations Human Rights Council written by whom? **Dr MA Hasan**
- Which country has recently becomes 31st NATO Member after Turkey's approval? **Finland**
- The government has introduced the Foreign Trade Policy 2023, which aims to increase the country's exports to USD 2 trillion by which year? **2030**
- According to the Ministry of External Affairs, which country can now trade with India using the Indian currency? **Malaysia**
- Which edition of annual exercise SLINEX-2023 between India and Sri Lanka has commenced in Colombo, Sri Lanka? **10th**
- Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been invited by which country for the Bastille Day parade, which is scheduled for July 14th? **France**
- Which Indian fighter jet will participate in French Military exercise with NATO allies? **Indian Rafale**
- The recently launched initiatives "The Animal Pandemic Preparedness Initiative" and "The Animal Health System Support for One Health project" will be funded by which organization? **World Bank**
- Which country has emerged as India's biggest trading partner in FY23? **United States**
- Recently External Minister S Jaishankar has inaugurated Buzi Bridge in which country? **Mozambique**
- Which country has recently become founding member of International Big Cats Alliance? **Nepal**
- According to the reports, which country is the world's largest "narco-state"? **Syria**
- DRDO Industry Academia Centre of Excellence has recently been inaugurated in which IIT? **IIT Hyderabad**
- According to the global wealth tracker Henley and Partners, which city has emerged as richest city in the world? **New York**
- Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank will open first overseas office in which city? **Abu Dhabi**
- Recently, which country has conducted a meeting of trade ministers of the grouping known as C+C5? **China**



**Importance:** To mark the inception of WHO which is seen as an opportunity by the organization to draw worldwide attention to a subject of major importance to global health each year.

**Edition:** 74th

**Motto:** To celebrate the work of nurses and midwives and remind world leaders of the critical role they play in keeping the world healthy.

**2023 Theme:** Health For All

**Note:** This year was marked by WHO as the "International Year of the Nurse and the Midwife"

This year WHO also released "State of the World's Nursing Report 2020" which will provide a global picture of the nursing workforce.

- According to the recently released UNESCO report, how much percent of world's population does not have safe drinking water? **26%**
- Which country will host Shanghai Cooperation Organisation - National Security Advisors meeting?



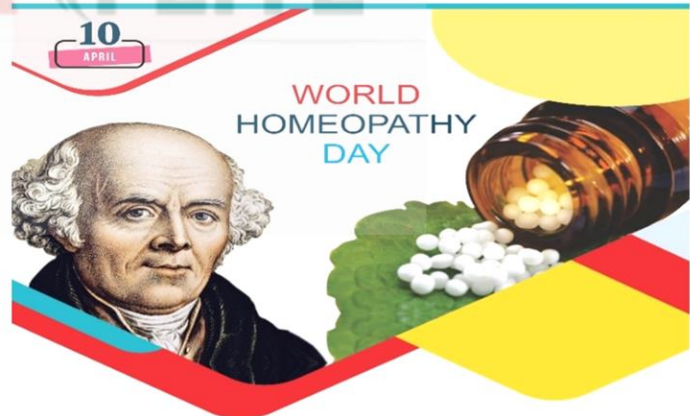
## Banking & Economy

- Which General Insurance company has introduced an industry-first feature for health insurance policyholders called "Anywhere Cashless"? **ICICI Lombard**
- Which bank has recently issued first electronic bank guarantee with National E-Governance Services Limited? **Axis Bank**
- The World Bank has given how much financial assistance to assist Assam in its efforts to improve its disaster preparedness? **\$108 million**
- The Employees' Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) increased the interest rate for the financial year 2022-23 by how much? **8.15 Percent**
- World Bank has approved 363 million dollar loan to provide clean drinking water to which state's rural households? **Karnataka**
- Recently, which regulatory body has observed its foundation day on 1st April 2023? **RBI**
- What is the total financial outlay of the recently launched scheme "New India Literacy Programme"? **Rs 1037.90 crore**
- Which Payments Bank has launched WhatsApp Banking Services in April 2023? **India Post Payments Bank**
- According to a recent report by the World Bank, India's GDP growth is predicted to slow down to what percent in the fiscal year 2024? **6.3%**
- RBI has launched which centralized portal for licensing, approval applications? **PRAVAAH**
- The government has implemented changes to the pricing model of domestic natural gas in accordance with which committee's recommendations? **Kirit Parikh Committee**
- International Monetary Fund cuts India's FY24 GDP forecast to what percent? **5.9%**
- The Telangana government has scheduled the Food Conclave-2023 on April 28 and 29 in which city? **Hyderabad**
- Canara Bank and National Payments Corporation of India have collaborate to introduce cross-border bill payment service in which country? **Oman**
- Which session of India-Spain joint commission for economic cooperation has taken place in New Delhi? **12th**
- Which bank has reintroduces 400 days "Amrit Kalash" retail term deposit scheme? **SBI**
- According to a report by payment services firm Worldline India, which city has emerged as the top

city for digital payment transactions in 2022?

**Bengaluru**

- Which bank has launched India's first Voice Biometric Authentication Banking App? **City Union Bank**
- Chinese Language Day 2023 is observed every year on which day of April? **20th April**
- Which government has introduced ASBA-like facility for secondary market trading in India? **SEBI**
- Which company has teamed up with the Board of Control for Cricket in India as an official partner of the TATA Indian Premier League 2023? **Herbalife**
- Which country is all set to join "Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership" in April 2023? **Britain**
- With which country India has recently signed first Defence Cooperation Agreement to strengthen bilateral relations? **Romania**
- Recently which state government has signed a MoU with Arcelor Mittal-Nippon Steel (AMNS) India to set up a high performance centre (HPC) for gymnastics in the state? **Odisha**
- Which Indian Institute of Technology has joined hands with UIDAI to develop touchless biometric system? **IIT Bombay**
- Which country has recently signed an agreement with India for Cross-Border Digital Payments? **Nepal**



**Importance:** To mark the birth anniversary of German physician Christian Friedrich Samuel Hahnemann, who is the founder and father of homeopathy. The term "homeopathy" was invented by Christian Hahnemann and first appeared in print in the year 1807. This year marks the 268th birthday of Hahnemann.

**Organised by:** World Homeopathy Awareness Organisation

**Motto:** To create better awareness about homeopathy, improve its accessibility and to modernise the system of healing.  
**2023 Theme: Homeopathy- Roadmap for Integrative Medicine**

## Awards & Recognitions

- Who has won the 2023 Abel Prize? Luis Caffarelli
- Who has been honoured with the Highest Civilian Award of Assam for the year 2023 "Assam Baibhav"? **Dr Tapan Saikia**
- In March 2023, the Sacred Hopi site was awarded the Water and Heritage Shield 2023 by the International Committee On Monuments and Sites International Science Committee. This site is located in \_\_\_\_\_. **Arizona**
- Who has been honoured with Wildlife Conservation Award 2023? **Aliya Mir**
- Who has been honored with "Lifetime Achievement Award" by University of Texas? **Naveen Jindal**
- Who has won Kerala Sangeetha Nataka Akademi in Classical Music category? **Palakkad Sreeram**

- traditional Gaddi dress (Luanchadi)? **Anjali Sharma**
- Recently, which Indian cricketer has been inducted with the MCC honorary life membership? **MS Dhoni**
- The Order of the White Eagle, the highest decoration of Poland, has been presented to whom by the President of Poland? **Volodymyr Zelensky**
- Which Indian-American physician has been honoured with young urologist of the year award? **Dr Nitya Abraham**
- The 103rd birth anniversary of Bharat Ratna Pandit Ravi Shankar has been celebrated on April 7. In which year he was awarded by the highest civilian award "Bharat Ratna"? **1999**
- Which Bollywood star has topped in 2023 TIME100 Reader Poll? **Shah Rukh Khan**
- Name the prominent Indian-American mathematician and statistician, who will receive the 2023 International Prize in Statistics, for his monumental work 75 years ago that revolutionised statistical thinking? **Calyampudi Radhakrishna Rao**
- Who has been honoured with the "Maratha Udyog Ratna 2023" award? **Nilesh Sambare**
- The Union Home Minister Amit Shah will present the "Maharashtra Bhushan" Award to whom? **Appasaheb Dharmadhikari**
- Business Leader of the Decade Award has been presented to whom? **Kumar Mangalam Birla**
- Who has been crowned Femina Miss India World 2023? **Nandini Gupta**
- Who has been honoured with Pravasi Bharatiya Samman? **Raj Subramaniam**
- Who has been selected for Malcolm Adiseshiah Award 2023? **Utsa Patnaik**
- Who has received Germany's highest honour "Order of Merit"? **Angela Merkel**
- Who will be honored with the Lata Deenanath Mangeshkar award? **Asha Bhosle**
- Who has been conferred with Prestigious Santokbaa Humanitarian Award? **Sonam Wangchuk**
- Which state has bagged National Award For Fasal Bima Yojana? **Karnataka**
- What is the name of the first female Air Force officer to receive a gallantry medal? **Deepika Misra**

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APRIL



### NATIONAL SAFE MOTHERHOOD DAY

**Importance:** To raise awareness about the proper healthcare of women and maternity facilities to pregnant and lactating women.

**Motto:** To seek every woman has right to live and they could be survive during pregnancy and childbirth.

**Organisation Involved:** White Ribbon Alliance India (WRAI)

#### Pillars of Safe Motherhood

- Family Planning
- Antenatal Care
- Obstetric Care- Clean & Safe delivery
- Parental Care
- Postnatal Care
- Control of STD & HIV Infections

**Note:** India is the first country in the world to have officially declared National Safe Motherhood Day.

- Over a decade later, who has been awarded by Olympic Gold Medal? **Lashinda Demus**
- Who has successfully conquered the peak of Mount Kilimanjaro in South Africa while wearing a



## Sports

- Which women cricket team has won Women's Premier League 2023 final, held at the Brabourne Stadium? **Mumbai Indians**
- Which institution has been honoured with "Best Organizer Award" by Asian Hockey Federation in March 2023? **Hockey India**
- Which group of female boxers have won Gold medals at IBA Women's World Boxing Championship 2023? **Nikhata Zareen, Lovlina Borgohain, Saweety Boora and Nitu Ghanghas**
- Who has become first person to swim from Gateway of India to Elephanta Caves as part of "Drowning Prevention Awareness" campaign? **Krishna Prakash**
- Which Indian youth player has won the bronze medal in the World Youth Weightlifting Championship? **Dhanush Loganathan**
- In March 2023, which sprinter has won the double gold in the 100m and 200m race at the AFI Indian Grand Prix 2 in Kerala? **Archana Suseendran**
- Recently, cricketer Shakib Al Hasan has surpassed whom to become the top T20I wicket-taker? **Tim Southee**
- India's 2nd largest cricket stadium which is to be built in Jaipur will named after whom? **Anil Agarwal**
- Who has won Maiden Miami Opens Title 2023? **Daniil Medvedev**
- Who has won wild Australian Grand Prix 2023? **Max Verstappen**
- Which country has emerged as the winners in both men's and women's categories at the 4th Asian Kho Kho Championships? **India**
- Gregoria Mariska Tunjung has won the Women's singles category at the Madrid Spain Masters 2023 finals by defeating whom? **PV Sindhu**
- Which country has recently been removed as host of the 2023 FIFA Under-17 World Cup? **Peru**
- Who has become the first female umpire to officiate men's T20I match? **Kim Cotton**
- Recently, Aleksander Ceferin has been re-elected as president of which football association until 2027? **Union of European Football Associations**
- Dante Akira Uwai, who has won Medal Design Competition for Gangwon 2024, hails from which country? **Brazil**
- Who clinches men's singles trophy of Orleans Masters Super 300 tournament? **Priyanshu Rajawat**
- Kelvin Kiptum, who has won the London marathon in second fastest time, hails from which country? **Kenya**
- Name the Indian Grandmaster who defeated former world rapid champion Nodirbek Abdusattorov of Uzbekistan in the final to win the World Chess Armageddon Asia & Oceania event? **D Gukesh**
- Which cricketer has become fastest to score 6000 runs in Indian Premier League? **David Warner**
- Name the Indian Greco-Roman wrestler who has clinched a bronze medal at the Asian Wrestling Championships 2023? **Vikas**
- At Asian Wrestling Championships 2023, who has won a Gold Medal in the men's 57 kg freestyle category? **Aman Sehrawat**
- Which bowler has become the fastest player to take 100 wickets in Indian Premier League? **Kagiso Rabada**
- Which female cricketer has named Wisden T20I player of 2022? **Harmanpreet Kaur**
- Which city in India will host Intercontinental Cup in June 2023? **Bhubaneswar**
- FIFA has selected which country to host the under-20 soccer World Cup in the place of Indonesia? **Argentina**
- Gary Ballance, who has announced his retirement from all formats of Cricket, hails from which country? **Zimbabwe**



**Importance:** To mark the birth anniversary of Frank Schnabel, founder of the World Federation of Hemophilia.

This year marks the 33rd anniversary of World Haemophilia Day.

**Motto:** To increase awareness of haemophilia, von Willebrand disease and other inherited bleeding disorders.

**2023 Theme: Access for All: Prevention of bleeds as the global standard of care**

**Note:** This is a critical effort since with increased awareness comes better diagnosis and access to care for the millions who remain without treatment.

## Science & Technology

- What is the name of the platform launched recently by Indian Government for farmers Insurance Claims? **DigiClaim**
- In March 2023, a team of scientists from the Indian Council of Agricultural Research has discovered a new species of Moray Eel fish from which state? **Tamil Nadu**
- One Web company is based in which country, whose 36 satellites have been launched by ISRO? **United Kingdom**
- Which Indian Institute of Technology's researchers has developed pocket-friendly device to detect adulteration in milk? **IIT Madras**

### SETU

- What is the name of the new E-Commerce initiative launched by PhonePe? **Pincode App**
- According to a report by the India Brand Equity Foundation, India will become world's second-largest solar manufacturer by which year? **2026**
- Which aerospace company has recently test-fired 3D-printed cryogenic engine? **Skyroot**
- Adani Power Ltd opened a new power plant in which state that will supply electricity to Bangladesh? **Jharkhand**
- Which country has successfully tested a homemade long-range, high-precision kamikaze drone, "Meraj-532" which is equipped with a 50-kg warhead? **Iran**
- Where did India's 1st 3D Printed Post Office being built by Larsen & Toubro? **Bangalore**
- In April 2023, Asian Development Bank has planned to invest Rs 150 Crore in which Indian venture? **Tata Power Delhi Distribution**
- Which Indian Institute of Technology has collaborated with defence PSU "Advanced Weapons and Equipment India Limited" to focus on innovation? **IIT Kanpur**
- India's first 3D-printed post office is being built in which city? **Bengaluru**
- The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy has granted Miniratna Category-I status to which state-owned Solar energy company? **Solar Energy Corporation of India Ltd**
- Which country has become first to approve Oxford malaria vaccine for children? **Ghana**
- Recently, PM Narendra Modi has inaugurated a methanol plant in which state? **Assam**
- Which Space Agency has launched Juice mission to search for life on Jupiter's moons? **ESA**
- Recently, India has opened its 16th Visa application center in which city of Bangladesh? **Kushtia**
- World Heritage Day 2023 has been observed on which day of April? **18th April**
- Which Ministry has launched "SATHI" Portal & Mobile App? **Ministry of Agriculture**
- Recently, ISRO has launched which country's satellite TeLEOS-2 in April 2023? **Singapore**
- Tata Steel will set up a pilot plant in Odisha of which chemical compound? **Methanol**

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### INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR MONUMENTS AND SITES

**Importance:** To mark the declaration by UNESCO to established 18 April as the International Day for Monuments and Sites in 1983.

This day is also commonly known as World Heritage Day.

**Motto:** To raise the awareness about the preserving human heritage, diversity and vulnerability of the world's built monuments and heritage sites. Also, the efforts required to protect and conserve it and to draw attention towards it.

**Organisation Involved:** UNESCO

**2023 Theme: HERITAGE CHANGES**

This years theme is important as an expression of our global unity in the face of the ongoing worldwide health crisis.

- Recently, India has established a new design lab in which city to facilitate space sector start-ups? **Ahmedabad**
- Which country has successfully launched the world's first ferry that runs on liquid hydrogen? **Norway**
- Which country has recently launched Ofek-13 spy satellite into orbit? **Israel**
- Union Minister Sonowal has launched which mobile app of National Logistics Portal Marine? **SAGAR**

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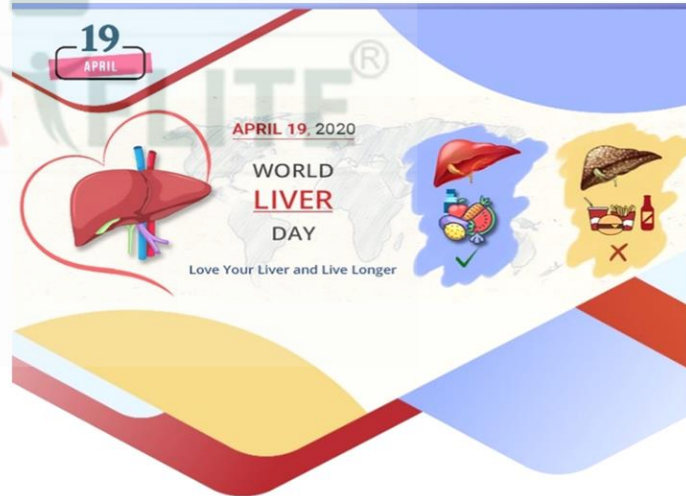


## Miscellaneous

- Which state government has been fined Rs 10 crore by the Principal Bench of the National Green Tribunal in March 2023? **Kerala**
- Recently released book "A Matter of the Heart: Education in India" has been authored by whom? **Anurag Behar**
- What is the theme of this year's World Theatre Day? **Theatre and a Culture of Peace**
- What is the name of Multi-Domain Exercise, which has conducted by Indian Army and Air Force? **Vayu Prahar**
- What is the title of Ghulam Nabi Azad's autobiography former Chief Minister of Jammu and Kashmir? **Azad**
- Purple Day of Epilepsy has been observed on which day of March 2023? **26th March**
- International Day of Zero Waste 2023 has been observed on which day of March? **30 March**
- Who has penned the recently launched book "Phoolange"? **Lekhnath Chhetri**
- What is the rank of India in Passport Index points? **144th**
- During the International Zero Waste Day 2023 in New Delhi, how many cities are targeted to achieve a 3-Star Garbage Free rating by October 2024? **1000**
- International Transgender Day of Visibility 2023 has been observed on which day of March? **31st March**
- Recently, 88th foundation day of Odisha or Utkal Divas has been celebrated on which day? **1st April**
- According to Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy, India's unemployment rate has risen to what percent in March 2023? **7.8%**
- The recently launched book, "Courting India: England, Mughal India and the Origins of Empire" has been authored by whom? **Nandini Das**
- International Day for Mine Awareness 2023 has recently been observed on which day of April? **4th April**
- Indian Air Force will participate in "Cope India" fighter training exercise with which country? **USA**
- What is the theme of National Maritime week 2023? **Amrit Kaal in Shipping**
- Which Government agency has recently celebrated its Diamond Jubilee on 1st April 2023? **Central Bureau of Investigation**
- Which state has topped in India Justice Report 2022 among large states? **Karnataka**
- International Day of Sport for Development and Peace 2023 has recently been observed on which day of

April? **06 April**

- According to data shared by the GI Registry, which state has topped in GI tag list in FY 2022-23? **Kerala**
- What is the theme of "World Health Day 2023"? **Health For All**
- Which institution released the "World Energy Transitions: Outlook 2023" report? **International Renewable Energy Agency**
- National Safe Motherhood Day 2023 has recently observed on which day of April? **11th April**
- Recently, 196th birth anniversary of Jyotirao Govindrao Phule has been observed on which day of April? **11 April**
- According to a survey conducted by Time Out, Which city has got first position in the best public transport in the world? **Berlin**
- According to Chief Minister of Maharashtra May 28 will be celebrated as "Swatanrya Veer Gaurav Din" on the birth anniversary of whom? **Vinayak Damodar Savarkar**
- Recently the foundation day of Securities and Exchange Board of India has been observed on which day of April? **12 April**



World liver day is observed on every 19 April, to spread awareness about liver related disease.

The liver is the second largest and the most complex organ in the body, with the exception of the brain.

It is a key player in your body's digestive system.

Hepatitis is a term used to describe inflammation (swelling) of the liver.

It can be caused due to viral infection or when liver is exposed to harmful substances such as alcohol.

**Note:** On 28<sup>th</sup> July 2018 Govt. of India launched National Viral Hepatitis Control Program.

**Moto:** This program aims at prevention and control of viral hepatitis in India in order to achieve Sustainable Developmental Goal 3.3 by 2030.

**Love your Liver and Live Longer**

- According to the Freedom in the World Index for 2023, which country has the least freedom in the world? **Tibet**
- What is the rank of India in World's 'most criminal countries' ranking? **77th**
- World Chagas Disease Day 2023 has recently been observed on which day of April? **14th April**
- World Art Day 2023 has been observed on which day April? **15th April**
- Save the Elephant Day 2023 has been celebrated on which day of April? **16 April**
- Which country has recently retained top status in International Flight Safety Standards? **India**
- World Hemophilia Day 2023 has been observed on which day of April? **17th April**
- Which IIT has collaborated with NASA to develop low cost camera "setu"? **IIT Indore**
- The recently launched book titled "Sachin@50- Celebrating A Maestro" has been authored by whom? **Boria Majumdar**
- Recently, The "Thawe" festival has been organized in which state? **Bihar**
- Which country has recently launched its first operational earth observation Satellite "Taifa-1"? **Kenya**
- According to the Global Unicorn Index 2023, what is the rank of India? **Third**
- National Civil Services Day 2023 is celebrated every year on which day of April? **21st April**
- What is the theme of Earth Day 2023? Invest in our **Planet**
- What is the name of the biography of the Tennis legend Jaidip Mukerjea, launched recently? **Crosscourt**
- World Book and Copyright Day 2023 has been observed recently on which day of April? **23 April**
- What is the rank of India at the World Bank's Logistic Performance Index 2023? **38**
- Khongjom Day is commemorated in which state to honour the soldiers who fought in the 1891 for their state? **Manipur**
- Which international organisation is observed World Immunization Week 2023 from 24th to 30th April? **WHO**



**Importance:** This date is chosen to commemorate the day when first Home Minister of Independent India, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel addressed the probationers of Administrative Services Officers in 1947. He referred to civil servants as the 'steel frame of India'.

**Motto:** To rededicate themselves to the cause of citizen and renew their commitments to public service and excellence in work.

**1st Celebrated:** 2006

**History:** Civil Service word date back to the British time when British East India Company civilian staffs involved in administrative jobs and were known as 'Public Servants'. Its foundation has been laid by Warren Hastings

**Father of Civil Services in India:** Charles Cornwallis

Civil Service in India consists of Indian Administrative Service (IAS), Indian Police Service (IPS), Indian Foreign Service (IFS) and comprehensive list of All India Services and Central Services Group A and Group B.

**Note:** On this day the Prime Minister's Awards for Excellence in Public Administration are also given.



**Importance:** To embark the formation of the state(Odisha) as a separate state out of Bihar and Odisha province on 1 April 1936

**Edition:** 86th

**Quick Facts:**

- After losing its political identity completely in 1568 following the defeat and demise of the last king Mukunda Dev, efforts resulted in the formation of a politically separate state under British rule on a linguistic basis on 1 April 1936
- Odisha is the third state in India in terms of tribal population.
- Odisha Day is also called Orissa Foundation Day and Vishuva Milan.
- Cuttack was the capital of the state since 1135 till 1948, after which Bhubaneswar took the mantle.

## Important Days

Day	Observed/Celebrated As	Motto/Importance
1 May	International Labour Day	To honour the contributions of the labourers or working class people.
3 May	World Press Freedom Day	Shaping a Future of Rights: Freedom of Expression as a driver for all other human rights
4 May	Coal Miners Day	To highlight the toughest profession and the people working in coal mines.
5 May	World Asthma Day	It aims to educate people on how best to get control over this respiratory problem and other allergic diseases.
7 May	World Athletics Day	To popularize sports among the youth
8 May	World Red Cross Day	To mark the birth anniversary of Henry Dunant, founder of the Red Cross and International Committee
8 May	World Thalassemia Day	Be Aware
12 May	International Nurses Day	Our Nurses. Our Future
15 May	International Day of Families	Families and Urbanization
17 May	World Telecommunication and Information Society Day	Digital technologies for older persons and healthy ageing
18 May	World AIDS Vaccine Day	To alarm the world against the HIV infections
21 May	National Anti-Terrorism Day	To mark the death anniversary of former PM, Rajiv Gandhi
22 May	International Day for Biological Diversity	Building a shared future for all life
31 May	World No Tobacco Day	We need food, not tobacco

## Let's Recap

- According to HedgewithCrypto research, what is the rank of India in context to ready to adopt crypto in 2023? **7th biggest**
- Which Indian movie has bagged the "Best International Film" award at the Hollywood Critics Association Film Awards? **RRR**
- Which IT company has collaborates with Microsoft to accelerate industry adoption of cloud? **Infosys**
- Recently in February 2023, which country has suspended from financial crime watchdog FATF? **Russia**
- Which country will host first I2U2 Vice-Ministerial meeting to discuss investment opportunities? **United Arab Emirates**
- Which women cricket team has clinched 6th Women's T20 World Cup title? **Australia**
- Which state government has signed a pact with UN Women to empower women in tourism? **Kerala**
- Recently, Daniil Medvedev has won the Qatar Open title by defeating whom? **Andy Murray**
- Which state will build the country's first Marina or a boat basin offering dockage? **Karnataka**
- Which armed force will participate in the multilateral air exercise "Exercise Cobra Warrior" in the United Kingdom from March 6 to 24, 2023? **Indian Air Force**
- National Science Day 2023 has recently celebrated on which day of February with the theme of "Global Science for Global Wellness"? **28 February**
- Recently, India has joined Agricultural Innovation Mission for Climate. It was started by which country along with United Arab Emirates? **USA**
- Which company has recently roped in Ranveer Singh as its brand ambassador? **Pepsi**
- Recently, the Archaeological Survey of India has discovered a 1300-year-old stupa in which state? **Odisha**
- Which team has won the Carabao Cup title 2023? **Manchester United**
- Who has been appointed as Chief Executive Officer of Godrej industries? **Vishal Sharma**
- Who has been named as principal director general of Press Information Bureau? **Rajesh Malhotra**
- According to Moody's, what is the expected GDP growth rate of India in 2023? **5.5%**
- Who has recently assumed the control of flag officer chief in Western Naval Command? **Dinesh K Tripathi**
- Recently, the Union Minister of Ports, Shipping & Waterways and Ayush has attended the Siang Uying Festival in which state? **Arunachal Pradesh**
- Recently, Bola Tinubu has been elected as the new President of which country? **Nigeria**
- Which edition of the annual flagship conference on geopolitics and geo-strategy "Raisina Dialogue" has begun in New Delhi? **47th**
- Recently, Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari has inaugurated 7 National Highway projects in which state? **Madhya Pradesh**
- Which Indian telecom company has become the second-strongest telecom brand in world? **Reliance Jio**
- National Safety Day 2023 has been observed on which day of March with "Our Aim – Zero Harm" theme? **04th March**
- Name the Indian writer who has won 2023 PEN/Nabokov Lifetime Achievement Award? **Vinod Kumar Shukla**



**Importance:** To mark the anniversary of the birth of the modern environmental movement in 1970.

As on April 22, 1970, 20 million Americans — 10% of the U.S. population at the time — took to the streets, college campuses and hundreds of cities to protest environmental ignorance and demand a new way forward for our planet.

**1st observed:** 1970

This year marks the 53rd year of Earth Day.

**Motto:** To raise awareness on the negative impact our actions as mankind have on our environment and earth as a whole, and is a day for political action and civic participation

**2023 Theme: Invest In Our Planet**

**Note:** United Nations chose Earth Day as the day to sign the Paris Climate Agreement into force.



- Who has won season-opening Bahrain Grand Prix 2023? **Max Verstappen**
- What is the rank of India in Electoral Democracy Index 2023? **108th**
- Who has won the BBC Indian Sportswoman of The Year for 2022? **Mirabai Chanu**
- Recently, Manik Saha has taken oath as \_\_\_\_\_ chief minister of Tripura. **13th**
- Recently, Indonesia has moved its capital from Jakarta to which city over environmental issues? **Borneo**

- Name the first women colonel who has taken over command of an independent field workshop in the Eastern Ladakh region? **Geeta Rana**
- Ram Chandra Paudel has been elected as a new president of which country? **Nepal**
- Who has been named as new managing director and chief executive officer of Axis Mutual Fund? **B Gopkumar**
- World Kidney Day 2023 has recently been observed on which day of March? **9th March**
- Recently, the defence ministry has signed a contract for procurement of which type of 6 aircraft from Hindustan Aeronautics Limited? **Dornier-228**
- Which state has recently to introduce 4th women policy to give more opportunities to women? **Maharashtra**
- Indian Army has recently erected the tallest "Iconic National Banner" in which area of Jammu & Kashmir? **Doda**
- Which Indian song has named the 95th Academy Awards' Best Original Song? **Naatu Naatu**
- Which documentary has won the 95th Academy Awards' Best Documentary Short award? **The Elephant Whisperers**
- Where is the Indo-France joint military exercise Fringex-23 being held? **Thiruvananthapuram**
- World Consumer rights Day 2023 has been observed on which day of March globally? **15th March**
- Recently with whom India has signed a MoC to strengthen cooperation & promote research networking between research institutions from both countries? **Sweden**
- Which country runs the third edition of the multilateral exercise La Perouse among India, US, Japan, France, UK and Australia? **France**
- Name Asia's first female locomotive pilot, who has now become the first female to operate the semi-high speed Vande Bharat Express train? **Surekha Yadav**
- Recently the European Union (EU) will develop renewable energy projects with which nation in order to full fill its oil & gas needs amid the Ukraine-Russia war? **Algeria**
- India and which country inaugurated an exhibition titled Geoffrey Bawa in New Delhi? **Sri Lanka**
- Which country has inaugurated a project to store carbon dioxide 1800 metres beneath the North Sea? **Denmark**



**Importance:** To mark the adoption of resolution of the United Nations General Assembly on November 28, 2012.

**Motto:** To raise awareness of the importance of forests to people and their vital role in poverty eradication, environmental sustainability and food security.

**Edition:** 11<sup>th</sup>

**2023 Theme: Forests and health**

It has been celebrated around the world for 30 years to remind people of the importance of forests and the many benefits we gain from them.

**Note:** World Forestry Day established by the States Member of Conference of the Agriculture and Food organization with the help of the voting for creating it.

- President Amir Tamim has appointed Sheikh Mohammed as new prime minister of which Gulf country? **Qatar**
- Who has been selected as the 2023 Laureate of The Pritzker Architecture Prize, the architecture's highest honour? **David Chipperfield**
- Who has won the Lifetime Achievement Award at 8th National Photography Awards? **Sipra Das**
- The International Day of Women Judges is celebrated every year on which day of March? **10 March**
- Which state has become India's first state to start insurance scheme for sericulturists? **Uttarakhand**

- World Consumer rights Day 2023 has been observed on which day of March globally? **15th March**
- A new initiative called "beggar-free city" has been started in which city? **Nagpur**
- IDFC Mutual Fund (MF) has recently rebranded itself as - **Bandhan Mutual Fund**
- International Day of Mathematics or Pi Day has recently observed globally on which day of March? **14 March**
- What is the name of the comprehensive self-monitoring framework which has been launched by Atal Innovation Mission to strengthen the ever-growing ecosystem of Atal Tinkering Labs? **ATL Sarthi**
- India's retail inflation has dropped to what percent in February 2023? **6.44%**
- According to SIPRI report 2023, which country has emerged as world's largest arms importer? **India**
- Honeywell International HON has recently appointed whom as its chief executive officer? **Vimal Kapur**
- Which edition of Exercise Sea Dragon 23 has recently begun in Guam, USA between India and USA? **Third**
- Who has been appointed as US Ambassador to India? **Eric Garcetti**
- Which country has recently graduated from the group of UN least development countries? **Bhutan**
- Recently US Senate has named whom as Assistant Secretary of US Air Force? **Ravi Chaudhary**
- Who has taken over as the new chairman and managing director of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL)? **G Krishnakumar**
- Who will be the new CEO of India-based consumer electronics brand 'boAt'? **Sameer Mehta**
- How much penalty has been imposed by RBI on IGH Holdings Private Limited, Mumbai for non-compliance with certain provisions? **₹11.25 lakh**
- Who has been appointed as the new Head of Flipkart Labs? **Ravi Krishnan**
- As part of the initiative to become a net zero carbon emitter by 2030, recently which state will now be able to run electric trains for the first time? **Meghalaya**
- Recently, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the Global Millets (Shree Anna) conference in which city in 18th March, 2023? **New Delhi**
- Which state has hosted B20 meeting under India's G20 presidency? **Sikkim**
- Recently, Ashwani Kumar has been named as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of which bank? **UCO Bank**
- What is the name of Indian Navy's gunnery school which has been presented with the President's Colour? **INS Dronacharya**

- Which state government has announced 19 new districts and three new divisions in March 2023? **Rajasthan**
- Who has been appointed as the CEO of Silicon Valley Bank by the FDIC? **Tim Mayopoulos**
- Recently, Central Government has selected how many states to set up new textile parks under the PM MITRA scheme? **Seven**
- International Ayurved conclave on "Veterinary and Ayurveda" has recently inaugurated in which city? **Haridwar**
- National Youth Conclave 2023 (NYC 2023) will be organized under Presidency of which country of G20? **India**
- The J&K government has received its first FDI to construct the mega shopping mall at Srinagar. This shopping mall is constructed by which company? **Emaar Properties**
- Which Indian industrialist has been appointed in "Order of Australia" for distinguished service? **Ratan Tata**
- What is the name of the Mobile App launched by Income Tax Department for taxpayers? **Annual Information Statement (AIS)**



**Importance:** To pay a world-wide tribute to several prominent authors like William Shakespeare, Miguel Cervantes and Inca Garcilaso de la Vega, who all died on this day.

**Motto:** It is an occasion to pay a worldwide tribute to books and authors and to encourage people to discover the pleasure of reading.

**Organisation Involved:** UNESCO

**1st Celebrated:** 1995

**Note:** On this day UNESCO and the international organizations select the "World Book Capital" for a year to recognize the scope of books in the world.

This year's **World Book Capital is Kuala Lumpur**, the capital city of Malaysia.

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveiled India's 6G mission & appointed an apex council to oversee it. This apex council is chaired by whom? **K Rajaraman**
- Name the Indian-origin person, who will become the next CEO of "Grammarly", an American cloud-based typing assistant? **Rahul Roy Chowdhury**
- Name the Indian-American actress who has received the prestigious 2021 National Humanities Medal from US President, Joe Biden? **Mindy Kaling**
- Who has been given the additional role of COO of the Citi Bankin order to lead risk management overhaul? **Anand Selva**
- Indian Space Research Organization ISRO will launch \_\_\_ mission on March 26 from the Satish Dhawan Space Center in Sriharikota. **OneWeb India-2**
- What is the name of the Africa-India field training exercise that began at the Foreign Training Node? **AFINDEX 2023**
- Asia's largest four meter international liquid mirror telescope located at Devasthal Observatory in

- Uttarakhand at an altitude of \_\_\_. **2450 metres**
- Name the recently declared 18th wildlife sanctuary in Tamil Nadu? **Thanthai Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary**
- When is World Water Day celebrated every year? **22 March**
- Name the mobile application launched by Income Tax Department to view taxpayer's tax-related information in the Annual Information Statement? **AIS for Taxpayer**
- World Tuberculosis Day 2023 is observed every year on which day of March? **24 March**
- Which company has signed agreement with France-based McPhy for electrolyzer manufacturing? **Larsen & Toubro**
- Which Indian Institute of Technology has been ranked among the top 50 engineering institutions in the QS World University Rankings 2023? **IIT Delhi**
- Global mass movement "Mission Lifestyle for Environment" has been inaugurated in which state in March 2023? **Assam**

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## NATIONAL PANCHAYATI DAY

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## WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS DAY

**Importance:** On this day the 73rd Constitution Amendment Act, 1992 came into force with effect from 24 April 1993.

**Significance:**

- Diversification of the political power in the hands of common men.
- In order to supervise Panchayati Raj System in India a separate Ministry of Panchayati Raj was constituted on 27th May 2004.
- The National Panchayati Raj day is observed in the country since 24 April 2010.

**Structure of Panchayati Raj system in India**

- A) Gram Panchayat at village level
- B) Panchayat Samiti at Block level
- C) Zila Parishad at District level

**Committee Recommended:** Balwantrai Mehta

**Note:** Rajasthan was the first state in the country where Panchayati Raj system was implemented.

**Importance:** On this day United Nations General Assembly unanimously declared 2 April as World Autism Awareness Day (A/RES/62/139) in 2008 to highlight the need to help improve the quality of life of those with autism so they can lead full and meaningful lives as an integral part of society.

**Motto:** To put a spotlight on the hurdles that people with autism and others living with autism face every day.

**Edition:** 16<sup>th</sup>

**1st Celebrated:** 2008

**Note:** Autism Awareness Day recognizes people on the autism spectrum, as well as the researching and fundraising initiatives which promote inclusivity.

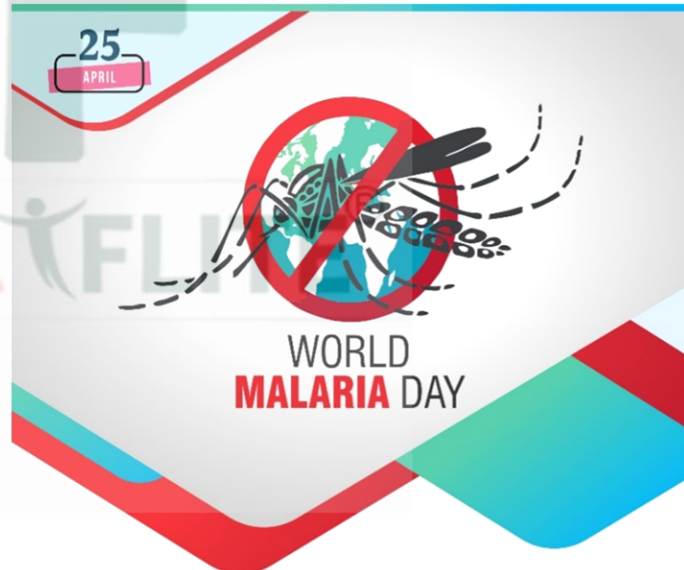
**What is Autism?**

Autism is a neurological developmental disability that hampers normal brain development, affecting communication, social interaction, cognition, and behavior.



## Quick Bytes

- PFC sanctions Rs 663 crore loan to Gensol Engineering for purchase of Electric Vehicles
- Shaili Singh won the women's long jump event at the Indian Grand Prix-4 held in Bengaluru on 19 April.
- CSIR and Oil India Ltd. (OIL) signed an MoU to collaborate on research in advanced technologies for energy security.
- Rowan Wilson Appointed As New York's First Black Chief Justice
- AIIB to open its first overseas office in Abu Dhabi
- NMC approves Nagaland to set up its first medical college
- Miguel Diaz-Canel re-elected as the President of the Republic of Cuba
- Every year, on 21st April, National Civil Services Day is celebrated in India as a mark of appreciation to all the officers engaged in various public departments of the country
- Innovator Sonam Wangchuk conferred with prestigious Santokba Humanitarian Award
- Tamil Nadu Assembly adopted a resolution urging the Centre to extend quota for Dalit Christians.
- Cabinet approves National Quantum Mission to scale up scientific and Industrial Research & Development in Quantum Technology.
- Hurun report: India retains third spot as a unicorn hub.
- Ukraine has received the U.S.-made Patriot surface-to-air guided missile systems.
- EU-India Aviation Summit begins in New Delhi
- Chennai ranks among top 5 in digital payment transactions
- ISRO to launch Singapore's TeLEOS-2 satellite on April 22
- Culture Working Group organises Global Thematic Webinar
- City Union Bank launches India's first Voice Biometric Authentication banking app
- Kerala becomes the first state to adopt "Water Budget"
- World Liver Day is observed every year on 19 April to raise awareness about liver health and related diseases.
- Suryakumar Yadav named Wisden's leading T20I cricketer; Harmanpreet Kaur bags top honour
- FedEx CEO Raj Subramaniam Receives Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Award
- Union Home Minister Amit Shah presided over a 'Chintan Shivir' of senior officers of Ministry of Home Affairs in New Delhi.
- Malcolm Adiseshiah Award 2023 won by Utsa Patnaik
- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh approved a proposal for bringing in industry-friendly reform related to Authority Holding Sealed Particulars (AHSP)
- Manipur Chief Minister inaugurates Hun-Thadou cultural festival at Kangpokpi.
- Apple CEO Tim Cook opens Apple's first India store in Mumbai.
- G20 Digital Economy Working Group meeting held in Hyderabad.
- Namami Gange: 8 Projects Worth Rs 638 Crores Approved
- Karnataka Bank appoints Sekhar Rao as interim CEO
- India won total 14 medals in Asian Wrestling Championship 2023
- External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar and Russian Deputy Prime Minister Denis Manturov on 17th April attended the inaugural session of "India-Russia Business Dialogue" 2023 in New Delhi.



**Importance:** World Malaria Day gives people the chance to promote or learn about the efforts made to prevent and reduce Malaria around the world.

**Motto:** To highlight the need for continued investment and sustained political commitment for malaria prevention and control.

**2023 Theme: Ready to Beat Malaria**

**Organisation Involved:** WHO

**How Malaria spread?**

Malaria is caused by Plasmodium parasites.

The parasites are spread to people through the bites of infected female Anopheles mosquitoes, called "malaria vectors."

**Note:** Every year there are more than 200 million new cases of malaria, a preventable and treatable disease.

- 18 April is observed as World Heritage Day, also known as the International Day for Monuments and Sites, to raise awareness of the importance of protecting cultural heritage around the world.
- The GI tag was granted to Tamil Nadu's famous Cumbum Paneer Thirachai, also known as Cumbum Grapes.
- Tribal Affairs Minister Arjun Munda to launch Marketing, Logistics Development for PTP-NER scheme in Manipur.
- Department of Posts releases special cover on Mahila Samman Savings Scheme in Telangana.

- MRF emerges as 'second strongest tyre brand in the world'
- Union Minister of Steel Jyotiraditya Scindia to inaugurate India Steel 2023 in Mumbai
- World Hemophilia Day is observed every year on 17 April to mark the birth anniversary of Frank Schnabel, who founded the World Federation of Hemophilia.'
- CII and Union Ministry of Health & Family Welfare organises Digital Health Summit 2023
- Sixth meeting of the Steering Committee on the Indus Waters Treaty of 1960
- G20 Second Digital Economy Working Group meeting begins in Hyderabad
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) in Changsari near Guwahati on 14th April. It is the first AIIMS in the Northeast.
- Union Textiles Ministry has decided to launch an e-commerce platform that would help weavers and artisans sell their products.
- U.S. emerges as India's biggest trading partner in FY23 at USD 128.55 billion.
- French President Emmanuel Macron signed his controversial pension reform into law despite protests.
- India and Peru hold second Joint Commission Meeting in New Delhi.
- Indian team to take part in IIHF Ice Hockey Women's Asia and Oceania Championship.
- NHAI signs MoU with Nagarjunasagar-Srisaillam Tiger Reserve
- According to the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas a two-day Global Conference on Compressed Biogas will be held in New Delhi from 17 April.
- Save the Elephant Day is observed every year on 16 April and the day aims to promote awareness of the issues faced by elephants and inspire efforts to protect these majestic animals.
- Union Minister of Commerce and Industry Piyush Goyal addressed the India-France Business Summit and CEO Roundtable in Paris, France
- Telangana Chief Minister K Chandrasekhar Rao recently unveiled a 125-foot tall bronze statue of BR Ambedkar in Hyderabad.
- SBI unveils its coffee table book "The Banker to Every Indian"
- Bihu performance in Guwahati creates Guinness World Record
- Himachal Pradesh celebrates its 75th formation day on April 15. Himachal Pradesh came into existence in 1948 as a Chief Commissioner's State.
- Bharat Gaurav Tourist train was flagged off to mark birth anniversary of Dr B R Ambedkar.

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## WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY DAY



**Importance:** To mark the inception of WIPO Convention, that came into force in 1970.

**Inception:** 2000

**Motto:** To learn about the role that intellectual property (IP) rights play in encouraging innovation and creativity.

**2023 Theme: Women and IP: Accelerating innovation and creativity**

**Organisation responsible:** World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO)

- Union Ayush Ministry organized a national conference on female infertility in New Delhi.
- India and Russia crossed bilateral trade target of 30 billion dollars before target 2025.
- Wholesale Price-based Inflation (WPI) for March 2023 declined to a 29-month low of 1.34 percent.
- Indian Railways has registered a record revenue of two lakh 40 thousand crore rupees for the financial year 2022-23.
- NISAR satellite, jointly developed the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), is set to map Himalayas' seismic zones.

- Rs 3,200 crore will be spent on sports facilities in next 5 years in India under Khelo India campaign.
- SCO Millets Food Festival 2023 organized in Mumbai
- New York City Appoints Its First "Rat Czar"
- World Chagas Disease Day is observed every year on 14 April to raise awareness about the deadly disease caused by the Trypanosoma cruzi parasite.
- India signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the World Food Programme (WFP) for sending 10,000 tonnes of wheat to Afghanistan.
- Andhra Pradesh begins Online process for issuance of new accreditation cards to journalists.
- Net Direct tax collection increases by 172.83 percent in the last nine years.
- Indian Women wrestlers bag seven medals to finish third at Asian Wrestling Championship.
- Ratnakar Patnaik appointed as new Chief Investment Officer of LIC
- India ranked 77th in the world's 'Most Criminal Countries' ranking
- The book titled "Courting India: England, Mughal India and the Origin of Empire" is authored by Nandini Das, Professor of English Literature at the University of Liverpool.
- Gond paintings from Madhya Pradesh have bagged the Geographical Indication (GI) tag
- Foreign Minister S. Jaishankar launches "Tulsi Ghat Restoration Project" in Kampala
- W-20 International meeting begins in Rajasthan's Jaipur
- Maharashtra government announces Vinayak Damodar Savarkar's birth anniversary as 'Swatantraveer Gaurav Din'
- India's International Aviation Safety Assessment rating to continue to remain in Category One.
- India ranked fifth in terms of investments received by startups offering artificial intelligence (AI)-based products and services last year.
- FAHD Minister Parshottam Rupala to launch "Animal Pandemic Preparedness Initiative (APPI)" under National One Health Mission.
- Consumer inflation eases to 5.66% in March; This is higher than the 6.5% average price rise projected by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- IIP Data: Industrial output of the country rises 5.6 percent in February 2023, on a year-on-year basis.
- Telangana Governor approves three bills passed by the state government
- Household Income and Expenditure Survey (HIES) 2022 shows that the poverty rate in Bangladesh declined from 24.3 percent in 2016 to 18.7 percent in 2022.
- Japan announces plans to develop advanced long-range missiles amid increasing tensions with China.
- A team of nuclear physicists of Japan has discovered a previously unknown uranium isotope with atomic number 92 and mass 241.
- Solar Energy Corporation of India gets 'Miniratna Category-I' status
- Defense Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurated the three-day International Conference on Defense Finance and Economics in New Delhi on April 12, 2023.
- UP's Suhelwa sanctuary records first photographic proof of tigers
- Cipla signs agreement with Novartis Pharma AG
- IndusInd Bank signs co-financing loan agreement with Citibank and Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)



**Importance:** To mark the proclamation by the World Veterinary Association in 2000.

**Motto:** To promote the veterinary profession and work on improvement of the animal and human welfare.

**Inception:** 2000

**Organisation Involved:** World Veterinary Association

**2023 Theme: Promoting Diversity, Equity, and Inclusiveness in the Veterinary Profession**

**Note:** The WVA and Health for Animals will confer the World Veterinary Day Award and \$2,500 for the best contribution on the annual theme

- Sanjeevani Project launched by the Government of Himachal Pradesh
- Keshab Mahindra passed away at the age of 99
- The International Day of Human Space Flight is observed every year on 12 April.
- SNEHA, suicide prevention centre, has launched an online chat service for those in distress.
- Rajasthan: 2nd Women 20 International Meeting to be held in Jaipur.
- Ministry of Education to organise a Young Authors' Conference during the SCO Summit 2022-23.
- Union Minister Nitin Gadkari inaugurates Peerah-Kunfer Tunnel at Ramban in Jammu and Kashmir.

- 3000 villages were identified under 'Vibrant Village Programme' for comprehensive development along International borders.
- Trinamool Congress, CPI and NCP lose national party status; Aam Aadmi Party has been granted a National party status.
- Nationwide mock drill to review the preparedness of COVID management across all government and private hospitals were done.
- Electric two-wheeler sales in India rose over twofold to 8,46,976 units in 2022-23 compared with the previous fiscal.
- The government retains the interest rate payable on savings in General Provident Fund (GPF) at 7.1% for the April to June 2023 quarter.
- Reserve Bank of India came out with detailed norms for outsourcing of IT services by banks, NBFCs and regulated financial sector entities.
- Union External Affairs Minister Jaishankar launches 'Tulsi Ghat Restoration Project' in Uganda
- Vikas secured bronze medal for India in Greco Roman 72kg category at the Asian wrestling championships in Astana.
- The Central Bureau of Narcotics launched the Unified Portal on 11th April and the portal was inaugurated by Shri Sanjay Malhotra, Revenue Secretary.
- The two-day 'Food Conclave-2023' will be organized on April 28 and 29 in Hyderabad, Telangana.
- Ministry of Electronics & IT organized 35th CISO Deep Dive Training Program
- Nilesh Sambre conferred with 'Maratha Udyog Ratna 2023' by Maharashtra State
- Law Minister Kiren Rijju released the first edition of the Dogri version of the Constitution of India
- Iniochos-2023 international exercise to be held in Greece from April 18
- Government organises National Apprenticeship Mela in Udhampur under Skill India Mission
- National Safe Motherhood Day is observed every year on 11 April. Its main objective is to raise awareness about maternal health, the need for proper medical care during pregnancy and postpartum.
- World Homeopathy Day is observed every year on 10th April to mark the birth anniversary of Dr. Christian Friedrich Samuel Hahnemann, the founder of Homeopathy

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## WORLD DAY FOR SAFETY AND HEALTH AT WORK

**Importance:** On this day, the International Labour Organization (ILO), began to observe World Day in order to stress the prevention of accidents and diseases at work.

**Motto:** To honour the memory of victims of occupational accidents and diseases

It is an annual international campaign to promote safe, healthy and decent work.

**Inception:** 2003

**Organisation Involved:** International Labour Organization (ILO)

**Note:** 28 April is also the International Commemoration Day for Dead and Injured Workers organized worldwide by the trade union movement since 1996.

- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) announces framework for acceptance of Green Deposits.
- International Monetary Fund (IMF) has projected that India's economy will grow by 5.9% for the current fiscal year 2023-24.
- Three-day International Conference on Defence Finance and Economics to begin in New Delhi.
- Chennai to host Asian Hockey Men's Championship after 15 years.
- World's first Asian King Vulture Conservation and Breeding Center to be inaugurated in Uttar Pradesh



- Last surviving Nazi trial lawyer Ben Ferencz passes away
- Walkthrough for C-20 Working Group on Integrated Holistic Health organized by AIIA
- Amit Shah launches Vibrant Village program at Kibithu border village in Arunachal Pradesh
- Joint Military Exercise 'Ex KAVACH' concludes at Andaman and Nicobar Command
- Third edition of the Jammu Film Festival begins
- Prime Minister inaugurated infrastructure projects worth more than Rs 5,200 crore in Tamil Nadu; launches State's second Vande Bharat Express.
- Droupadi Murmu becomes third President to fly a sortie on a Sukhoi fighter jet.
- CSIR scientists find rare-earth elements (REEs) in Anantapur district in Andhra Pradesh.
- State-owned non-banking finance firm REC raises USD 750 million through green bonds.
- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman will attend the Spring Meetings of the World Bank Group and the International Monetary Fund along with G20.
- Chennai to host the second edition of the 'Street Child Cricket World Cup'.
- Anshuman Singhania new chairman of tyre makers body ATMA
- Food & Drugs Administration of UT, in collaboration with FSSAI, to organise Eat Right Millet Mela in Jammu.
- India is elected as member of UN Statistical Commission Narcotic Drugs and Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint UN Programme on HIV/AIDS.
- I&B Ministry and Amazon India sign collaboration agreement to boost India's creative economy.
- Ministry of Cooperation approved grant-in-aid of 30 crore to establish Vaikunth Mehta National Institute of Cooperative Management.
- Government unveils plans to add 250GW renewable energy capacity in next 5 years.
- U.S. and South Korea hold air drills involving B-52H strategic bomber.
- M S Dhoni among five Indian cricketers to get MCC life membership.
- The International Day of Sport for Development and Peace (IDS DP) is observed on 6 April and the day recognizes the importance of sport and physical activity in our individual lives and communities around the world.
- Information Technology Amendment Rules, 2023 were notified; Online platforms must take down PIB-flagged 'fake news'.
- President Droupadi Murmu inaugurates Gaj Utsav at the Kaziranga national park in Assam.

- Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar inaugurates 200th birth anniversary celebrations of Swami Dayanand Saraswati
- Cultural asset mapping data on villages covered under 'Mera Gaon Meri Dharohar' programme will be made available on a web portal from May.
- Cabinet approves revised domestic gas pricing guidelines to ensure stable price regime for domestic consumers.
- Inflation in India will ease to 5.2 % in current fiscal, says World Bank.
- World Health Day being celebrated on April 7 with the theme of 'Health for All'.
- Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport enters the busiest airports club, ranks 9 in world
- IFC to stop funding new coal-powered electricity projects
- Union govt approves Indian Space Policy 2023 to enhance role of Department of Space
- Honda Motor Appoints Tsutsumu Otani As Its New President, CEO And MD
- Ukraine's President awarded Order of the White Eagle, Poland's highest honour



**Importance:** To mark the birth anniversary of Jean-Georges Noverre (1727–1810), the creator of modern ballet.

**Motto:** To honour those who can see the value and importance of the art form "dance", and acts as a wake-up-call for governments, politicians and institutions which have not yet recognised its value to the people and have not yet realised its potential for economic growth.

**Inception:** 1982

**Organisation Involved:** International Theatre Institute (ITI) & UNESCO

**Note:** Every year a message from an outstanding choreographer or dancer is circulated throughout the world.



- Amit Shah unveils 54 feet tall statue of Lord Hanuman at Gujarat's Sarangpur temple
- Over Rs 23.2 lakh crore loans sanctioned in eight years under Mudra Yojana
- Exquisite Ladakh wood carvings, also known as 'Ladakh Shingskos', have been granted the Geographical Indication (GI) tag by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT).
- Prevention of Blindness Week is organized from 1st to 7th April 2023.
- 'Subby' Subramaniam appointed Warrant Officer of UK's Royal Air Force (RAF)

- Total enrolments under various schemes of NPS, APY crossed 1.35 crore margin during FY 2022-23.
- Reserve Bank of India has decided to start a portal to help in tracing unclaimed deposits.
- Reserve Bank of India expands the scope of UPI by allowing pre-approved credit lines using UPI.
- UAE and Vietnam sign declaration to begin talks on Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement.
- France and China sign several economic agreements in sectors such as transport, energy, agriculture, culture and science.
- Sports Authority of India integrates Khelo India Games Certificates with Digilocker.
- Union Cabinet grants approval to LIGO-India to build gravitational-wave Detector in Maharashtra
- Kerala's first solar-powered tourist vessel 'Sooryamshu' launched in Kochi.
- The Union Cabinet approved a project to build an advanced gravitational-wave detector in Maharashtra at an estimated cost of Rs 2,600 crore. The facility's construction is expected to be completed by 2030.
- Bharat Biotech has won the 'Best Production /Process Development' award as part of the Vaccine Industry Excellence (ViE) awards at the World Vaccine Congress 2023
- Chhattisgarh's Nagri Dubraj rice variety gets geographical indication tag
- Govt sanctions loans of more than 40,600 crore to over 1.8 lakh women entrepreneurs
- India Justice Report 2022 : Karnataka tops states, UTs in providing access to justice
- UP govt to set up UP Education Service Selection Commission for appointment of teachers
- San Francisco drag performer Heklina passes away
- National Maritime Day is a part of the National Maritime Week, which begins on 30 March and ends on 5 April and this year marks the 60th anniversary of National Maritime Day in India.
- International Day of Conscience is observed each year on 5 April to promote peace, justice and sustainable development, and the day was established by the United Nations General Assembly in 2019.
- IIT Kanpur to host Y20 consultation under India's G20 chairmanship
- Government to invite bids for 50 GW of renewable energy capacity annually for the next five years.
- Honorary Consulate of Malta in Chennai celebrated the Freedom Day of the Republic of Malta
- Housing and Urban Affairs Ministry sets up a committee headed by Amitabh Kant to examine stalled real estate projects.

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## Ayushman Bharat

Keep with your Health, Save your Wealth

**Importance:** To mark the roll-out of India's most affordable medical Scheme, i.e. Ayushman Bharat Programme.

**Motto:** To provide free health coverage at the secondary and tertiary level to its bottom 40% poor and vulnerable population.

**About the scheme:**

- Launched: September 2018
- Ministry responsible: Health and Family Welfare
- Covers of 5 lakh per family per year for medical treatment
- No restriction on family size, age or gender
- Covers 3 days of hospitalisation and 15 days of post hospitalisation
- Provides cashless and paperless service

- Shah Rukh Khan Tops 2023 TIME100 Reader Poll
- Jharkhand Education Minister Jagarnath Mahato passed away
- The government approved the Indian Space Policy 2023 that seeks to institutionalise the private sector participation in space sector.
- Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology released an amendment to the IT Rules, 2021, to regulate 'online real money games.
- Ministry of Education released a "pre-draft" version of the National Curriculum Framework for School Education.
- Finance Ministry notified the formation of a committee to review the pension system for government employees.



- PhonePe launches shopping app Pincode, on Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC) platform.
- Forbes Billionaire 2023 list: Ambani regains Asia's richest person spot while Adani tumbles to 24.
- Supreme Court: Service tax will not be levied on corporate guarantees by a parent company to its subsidiaries.
- Union Sports Ministry approves financial assistance for 12 para shuttlers.
- Indigenous Anti Tank Guided Missile, Amogha-III tested successfully
- New butterfly species discovered in Kerala
- India, Netherlands hold first Ministerial-level meeting of Joint Working Group
- 5th International Conference on Disaster Resilient Infrastructure
- Bahrain Launches Golden License To Make Large-Scale Investments
- 2nd G20 Empower meeting of Ministry of Women and Child Development begins in Thiruvananthapuram
- Sheenu Jhwar becomes first woman president of TiE Rajasthan
- Norwegian company Norld launched the world's first ferry to run on MF Hydra liquid hydrogen.
- International Mine Awareness Day is observed every year on 4 April to raise awareness about the danger of landmines and explosive remnants of war.
- Union Minister G. Kishan Reddy virtually hosts the first India-Central Asia Culture Ministers' Meet.
- India and Netherlands hold first Ministerial-level meeting of Joint Working Group in New Delhi.
- Parliament cleared Competition (Amendment) Bill, 2023 which allows swifter clearances for mergers and acquisitions (M&As).
- Gross Direct Tax collections for Financial Year 2022-23 register over 20 per cent growth.
- New orders and output rose to a three-month high in March: S&P Global India Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI).
- US Department of Defense announces four new military sites in the Philippines.
- G20 Science Summit on Clean Energy for Greener Future to begin at Agartala in Tripura
- Prime Minister Modi to inaugurate Diamond Jubilee Celebrations of Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) in New Delhi.
- Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) achieves best annual production during financial year 2022-23.
- NASSCOM: Indian tech SME revenue to reach USD 40 billion by FY30
- Russia to place nuclear weapons near borders of Belarus with NATO
- Anjali Sharma conquer Mount Kilimanjaro in Africa, wearing Luanchari
- India and Romania sign agreement for 'Practical Cooperation between Armed Forces'
- Sumil Vikamsey appointed as MD of Hitachi Payment Services
- Two-day Science-20 conference begins at Hapania International Fair Ground, Agartala
- Dr RG Patel appointed as expert member of National Board for Assisted Reproductive Technology and Surrogacy
- Malayalam novelist Sarah Thomas passes away
- Former cricketer Salim Durani passes away at the age of 88
- World Autism Awareness Day is observed every year on 2 April to raise awareness about autism disorder.
- The Foundation Day of the Reserve Bank of India is celebrated on 1st April every year.
- US Senate confirms Indian-American Richard Verma to top State Department post
- Kerala and Tamil Nadu Chief Ministers inaugurated the centenary celebrations of anti-caste struggle Vaikom Satyagraha.
- India's defence exports reach all-time high of Rs 16,000 crore to over 85 countries.
- Capulopsyche keralensis: New bagworm moth species found in Kerala.
- Government e Marketplace (GeM) crossed Gross Merchandise Value of two lakh crore rupees in the financial year 2022-2023.
- GST collections increase by 13% to Rs 1.6 lakh crores in March; this is the second highest ever collection.
- Georgia becomes first American state to pass resolution condemning Hinduphobia.

- France invites Prime Minister Narendra Modi to visit Paris as a guest at the annual Bastille Day parade in July.
- Pakistan posts highest-ever annual inflation at a record 35.37% in March from a year earlier.
- The Government of India plans to deliver a GSAT 7B Satellite to the Indian Army by the year 2026.
- Leena Rafeeq from Kerala built an AI (Artificial Intelligence) App named 'Ogler EyeScan' that can detect eye diseases.
- After so many successful results of several AI communication chatbots, Baidu planned to introduce a creative ChatGPT named CatGPT.
- The Government of India has launched the National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF) as a separate and independent scheme to promote chemical-free and climate-smart agriculture.
- Utkal Divas or Odisha Day is celebrated on 1 April, to recognize the separation of Odisha from the Bihar and Orissa province on 1 April 1936.
- India exported military hardware worth ₹15,920 crore in 2022-23: Defence Ministry
- More than 40 thousand Amrit Sarovars constructed under Mission Amrit Sarovar.
- Government hikes interest rates of small savings schemes by up to 70 basis points for April-June quarter.
- Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) registers the highest-ever revenue from operations of around 26 thousand 500 crore rupees for FY 2022-23.
- India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) announced the launch of WhatsApp Banking Services for their customers.
- International Monetary Fund (IMF) approves 15.6-billion-dollar support package for Ukraine.
- Gujarat Titans beats Chennai Super Kings by five wickets in the Indian Premier League opener.
- Fiscal deficit till February hits 83 per cent of FY23 target at Rs 14.5 lakh crore
- Rajib K Mishra takes over as CMD of PTC India
- Aditya Birla Health Insurance partners with UCO Bank
- Book titled "War and Women" written by Dr. MA Hasan released
- Sprinter Lashinda Demus was awarded the Olympic gold medal after a decade
- PM Modi addresses joint commanders' conference in Bhopal
- India's Defence exports touch all-time high of 15 thousand 920 crore rupees
- Unity Cup Cricket Tournament 2023 organized jointly by HUDCO and NBCC on 1st April, 2023 at Siri Fort Sports Complex, New Delhi.
- NGT slaps ₹10 crore penalty on Kerala government for failure to protect Ramsar sites
- India's first quantum computing based telecom network link activated
- Haryana becomes first state in India to have 100% electrified railway network
- Education Ministry selects 9000 schools for flagship Pradhan Mantri Schools for Rising India scheme.
- India's overall exports cross all time high of 750 billion US dollars.
- Government estimates that over 341 lakh MT wheat will be procured during Rabi Marketing Season 2023-24.
- International conference on cooperation on trade finance among G20 member countries held in Mumbai.
- India outplays Kyrgyzstan 2-0 and lifts the Tri-nation International Football competition title.
- Centre reduces disturbed areas under AFSPA from three North-eastern states of Nagaland, Assam and Manipur.
- Four astronauts selected for India's first Human Space Flight Programme, Gaganyaan completed the first semester of crew training.
- Second Environment and Climate Sustainability Working Group meeting to begin at Gandhinagar.
- Union government caps the maximum rate of GST compensation cess on pan masala, cigarettes and other forms of tobacco.
- Israel's PM Benjamin Netanyahu fires Defence Minister Yoav Gallant, after speech to stop proposed judicial overhaul.
- Mumbai Indians lift inaugural Women's Premier League trophy beating Delhi Capitals.



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