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Important Personalities

- Who is the project director of Chandrayaan-3 mission launched by ISRO? **P Veeramuthuvel**
- Who has been elected as the President of Indian Pump Manufacturers Association? **K V Karthik**
- Emmerson Mnangagwa has been elected as the President of which country? **Zimbabwe**
- Lt Gen Dhillon has been appointed as chief of Board of Governors of which IIT? **IIT Mandi**



Importance: To commemorate the formation of Asian Pacific Coconut Community (APCC) under the aegis of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN-ESCAP).

Motto: To highlight the importance and uses of coconuts.

Edition: 25th

Note: This Day helps to create awareness for the importance of this fruit in poverty reduction.

APCC:

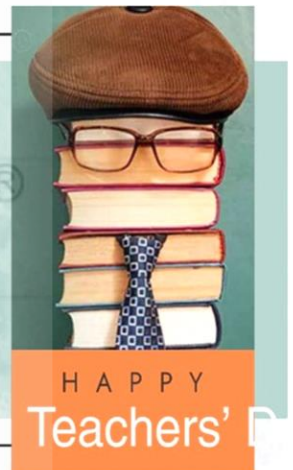
- Type: Inter-governmental organization
- Headquarters: Jakarta, Indonesia
- Membership: 18 countries

- Who has been appointed as member of the International Mediator Panel of Singapore International Mediation Centre (SIMC)? **N V Ramana**
- Who has become India's first woman to take charge d'Affaires in Pakistan? **Geetika Srivastava**
- Who has been appointed as the chairman and CEO Railway Board? **Jaya Varma Sinha**
- Who will chair the SEBI's reconstituted panel on alternative investment policy? **N R Narayana Murthy**
- Falabella has appointed whom as managing director for its India office? **Ashutosh Dabral**

- Grant Shapps has been appointed as new defence secretary of which country? **UK**
- Who is the chairman of the eight-member high-level committee constituted by the Government of India to probe the One Nation, One Election? **Ram Nath Kovind**
- Who has taken charge of the position of Principal Director General at Akashvani? **Dr Vasudha Gupta**
- In September 2023, Amit S Telang has been appointed as India's next High Commissioner to which country? **Guyana**
- Saatvik Solar has appointed whom as its National Brand Ambassador? **Ravindra Jadeja**
- Who has been appointed as Nasscom Chairperson recently? **Rajesh Nambiar**
- Who has been assumed the role of Principal Chief Operations Manager at Central Railway? **Shyam Sunder Gupta**
- The General Body of the International Esports Federation has elected whom for three year term? **Lokesh Suji**
- What is the name of president of UNGA who has led 78th session of UN General Assembly? **Dennis Francis**
- Who has been taken charge as secretary of Department of Telecommunications? **Neeraj Mittal**
- Who will be the representative of India to Russia for the 2023 Eastern Economic Forum? **Sarbananda Sonowal**
- Who has been appointed as the Director (Finance) of the state-owned Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI)? **Joshit Ranjan Sikidar**
- Madan Lal Raigar has been appointed next Indian envoy to which country? **Congo**
- Who has been appointed as India's next high commissioner to Australia? **Gopal Baglay**
- Who has been appointed by the Haryana Government as the Chairman of the Governing Council of Haryana Film and Entertainment Policy? **Mita Vashishtha**
- Recently appointed chairman of Mastercard India, Rajnish Kumar, was the former chief of which company? **State Bank of India**
- Who has been appointed as the interim director of Enforcement Directorate? **Rahul Navin**
- Who has been elected as the chairman of the Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC) for 2023-2024? **Srinivasan K Swamy**



- Who is the 29th Chief Justice of Pakistan? Justice **Qazi Faez Isa**
- Who has been appointed as the chairman for the Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) of the Equestrian Federation of India? **Justice Najmi Waziri**
- At which airport Civil Aviation Minister has unveiled "Udaan Bhawan"? **Safdarjung Airport**
- Which sacred ensemble of India has now become India's 42nd UNESCO's World Heritage site? **Hoysala Temples**
- Name the former kayaking and canoeing player who has been appointed as the chief judge at the Asian Games? **Bilquis Mir**
- Kiriteshwari village, which has been selected as the Best Tourism Village of India, is located in which state? **West Bengal**
- Name the UK scientist who created first mammal clone "Dolly" Sheep, passed away recently? **Ian Wilmut**
- Jayanta Mahapatra, who has passed away recently, was a famous - **Litterateur**
- Heath Streak, who passed away recently, was the former captain of which national cricket team? **Zimbabwe**
- Surjya Narayan Patro, who has passed away recently, was the former Speaker of which state Assembly? **Odisha**
- Who was the scientist that voiced the countdown of Chandrayaan-3, passed away? **N Valaramathi**
- Malini Rajurkar, who has passed away recently, was a famous - **Vocalist**
- G Marimuthu who has passed away was a famous actor of which film industry? **Tamil**
- Ustad Ali Zaki Haider, who passed away recently, was associated with which musical instrument? **Veena**
- Gita Mehta, who passed away recently, was a famous **Author**



Importance: To commemorate the death anniversary of Mother Teresa
Motto: To sensitise and mobilizing people, NGOs, and stakeholders all around the world, who help others through volunteer and philanthropic activities.

Mother Teresa

- (26 August 1910 - 5 September 1997)
- An Albanian-Indian Roman Catholic nun and missionary
 - Full name: Anjezë Gonxhe Bojaxhiu
 - Nationality: Indian, Ottoman, Yugoslavian
 - Awards: Bharat Ratna, Nobel Peace Prize, Order of the Smile, Ramon Magsaysay Award, Presidential Medal of freedom, Golden Honour of the Nation, etc.

Importance: To mark the birth anniversary of Bharat Ratna recipient Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan who was the first Vice President and second President of India post Independence.

Motto: To honour teachers for their contributions in shaping the lives of students.
 Inception: 1967

Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan

- (5 September 1888 - 17 April 1975)
- An Indian philosopher, academic, and statesman
 - Awards: Bharat Ratna, Templeton Prize, Friedenspreis des Deutschen Buchhandels, Order of Merit
 - Books: The philosophy of Rabindranath Tagore, Indian Philosophy, The Hindu View of Life, An Idealist View of Life, Recovery of Faith, The Brahma Sutra, etc.

National & International News

- Recently Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports inaugurated 33 Khelo India Centres in which state? **Rajasthan**
- Which city secured first position in Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan 2023? **Indore**
- The breakfast Scheme has been started by which state government in 31 thousand schools? **Tamil Nadu**
- In August 2023, which state government has completed survey exercise of caste enumeration? **Bihar**
- Which state government has recently banned the use of plastic water bottles below 1 litre? **Assam**
- Ministry of Education will launch which edition of the Smart India Hackathon in 2023? **Sixth**



international
literacy
day

Importance: To remind the international community of the importance of literacy for individuals, communities and societies, and the need for intensified efforts towards more literate societies.

Proclamation: 26 October 1966

1st Celebrated: 1967

Organisation Involved: UNESCO

2023 Theme: Promoting literacy for a world in transition: Building the foundation for sustainable and peaceful societies

Highlight: Role of educators and changing pedagogies

- Which group defines newly formed districts of Assam? **Hojai, Biswanath, Tamulpur, and Bajali**
- Chokuwa Rice, which has recently secured a Geographical Indication tag, is said to be rooted from which dynasty? **Ahom dynasty**
- Sagar Parikrama Phase-VIII commencing on 31st August 2023 will take place in which city? **Kanyakumari**

- Which state government has initiated efforts to install pink toilets for women in urban areas? **Tripura**
- President of India Draupadi Murmu has launched "Year of Positive Change" in which city? **Raipur**
- Which state from the North Eastern Region has become first in India to introduce Aadhaar Linked Birth Registration? **Nagaland**
- Corning Inc will establish India's first Gorilla Glass manufacturing facility in which state? **Telangana**
- Recently, the Jal Jeevan Mission has achieved a milestone of providing tap water connections to 13 cr rural households in how many years of launching? **04 years**
- Art Mumbai will take place in which month at the Mahalaxmi Racecourse Members' Enclosure? **November 2023**
- India's first solar city has been inaugurated in which state recently? **Madhya Pradesh**
- A statue of whom has recently been installed at Bharat Mandapam, the venue of the G20 summit in Delhi? **Nataraja**
- The handwoven Rayagada Shawls, which has received a Geographical Indication tag, crafted by which tribe? **Kondh**
- Union Home Ministry has approved how much percent reservation for government school students in medical education? **10%**
- Which city bagged top spot for cleanest air in Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan? **Indore**
- Sabudana of Salem district of which state has recently been given GI tag? **Tamil Nadu**
- Which state government has approved pension and OBC status for the transgender community? **Jharkhand**
- Recently, which state government has announced its own State Education Policy for 2023? **West Bengal**
- Operation Muskaan has been implemented in which city? **Mumbai**
- A 1.4 km long cable-stayed bridge under "NeVA" project has been inaugurated by President Murmu, is built over which river? **Narmada River**
- BRO will construct world's highest fighter airfield in which region of Ladakh? **Nyoma**
- Who has inaugurated the 2nd Edition of ICAR-CIBA's Shrimp Farmers Conclave at Navsari on 14th September 2023? **Parshottam Rupala**
- In September 2023, which state government has approved the new policy for the service sector? **Uttarakhand**



- The last meeting of the G20 Sustainable Finance Working Group has been started in which city? **Varanasi**
- The Indian Council for Cultural Relations will be holding a "Festival of Democracy" in which state? **Bihar**
- Which state government has launched "Gift Deed" scheme to reduce property related issues? **Uttar Pradesh**
- What is the length of recently inaugurated statue of Adi Shankaracharya in Madhya Pradesh? **108 foot**
- Which state government has launched "Mukhyamantri Sampurna Pushti Yojana"? **Odisha**
- Recently, ___ established as a meditation center by Maharishi Debendranath Tagore, father of poet and Nobel laureate Rabindranath Tagore, has been included in the UNESCO World Heritage List. **Santiniketan**
- Which state government has recently launched "Mukhya Mantri Shramik Kalyan Yojana"? **Arunachal Pradesh**
- Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency has signed an MoU with which bank to promote co-lending and loan syndication for Renewable Energy projects? **Bank of Maharashtra**
- Which day of September has been observed as International Red Panda Day 2023? **September 16**
- Where will the Indo-Pacific Armies Chiefs Conference be held? **New Delhi**
- Skills on Wheels' initiative has been launched by which ministry? **Ministry of Skill Development**
- As per the Women Reservation Bill, how much seats will be reserved in Lok Sabha and state assemblies for women? **33%**
- Jammu and Kashmir administration has renamed Udhampur railway station after whom? Captain **Tushar Mahajan**
- Which state government has launched "Griha Adhar Scheme" to empower state's homemakers? **Goa**
- India has agreed with which country to drop the arbitration clause in Chabahar port issue? **Iran**
- Recently, India has officially handed over B20 Presidency to which country to Host G20 Summit in 2024? **Brazil**
- India and Asian Development Bank will set up climate change and health hub in which city? **Delhi**
- Which country will host the inaugural Global AI Summit 2023 on Oct 14-15? **India**
- The 81st Plenary Meeting of the International Cotton Advisory Committee will be hosted by which country? **India**
- Recently, world's oldest wooden structure discovered in which country? **Zambia**

- Which month has been declared as 'Hindu Heritage' month by Georgia Governor Brian Kemp in an official proclamation? **October**
- How many countries have been invited as 'Guest Countries' in the G20 Summit to be chaired by India? **09**
- Which country has re-joined the European Union's Horizon science research program? **UK**
- Recently, India has handed over the G20 Presidency to which country? **Brazil**
- PM Narendra Modi inaugurated the first phase of the Rs 5,400 crore India International Convention and Expo Centre, called ___. **'Yashobhoomi'**
- The fourth and final meeting of the G20 Framework Working Group has commenced in which city? **Raipur**
- Which country has hosted the inaugural UNCITRAL South Asia Conference? **India**
- The 35th annual Gandhi Walk has been resumed in which city? **Johannesburg**



Importance: To provide worldwide commitment and action to prevent suicides, with various activities around the world since 2003.

Motto: To raise awareness around the globe that suicide can be prevented.

Organisation Involved: International Association for Suicide Prevention (IASP), World Health Organization (WHO) and the World Federation for Mental Health (WFMH).

Inception: 2003

2023 Theme: **CREATING HOPE THROUGH ACTION**

Note: In 2014, the first WHO World Suicide report was released "Preventing Suicide: A Global Imperative"

Banking & Economy

- RBI has recently increased the upper limit of an offline payment transaction from Rs 200 to how much? **₹500**
- Which payment bank has collaborated with Mastercard Center and Frontier Markets to launch "She Leads Bharat:Udyam" initiative? **Airtel Payments Bank**
- Which bank has become the first to get the sponsorship for BCCI in India for 3 years? **IDFC First Bank**
- Reserve Bank of India has authorized which bank as the official pension disbursement bank? **Bandhan Bank**
- The Asian Development Bank has approved how much loan to improve Bhutan's technical and vocational education and training system? **USD 30 million**
- Who has been ranked as the top central banker globally by US-based Global Finance magazine? **Shaktikanta Das**
- Bank lending to the commercial real estate sector increased by what percent in July 2022 to July 2023 as per RBI data? **38%**
- Which company has got RBI approval to initiate NBFC operations without accepting public deposits? **Bajaj Auto Consumer Finance**
- The Government of India has approved how much budget for Viability Gap funding Scheme? **Rs 3760 crores**
- India's first UPI ATM has been launched by which payment services? **Hitachi Payment Services**
- The Cabinet granted approval for allocation of Rs 1164 crore for the Industrial Development Scheme (IDS) 2017 in which states? **Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand**
- Under PM Vishwakarma Yojana, the government will provide loan up to what amount without any (bank) guarantee? **₹3 lakh**
- Government of India has offered how much subsidy for loans under the recently launched "Vishwakarma Yojana"? **8%**
- Who has been appointed as the chairman of Digital Infrastructure Providers Association? **Dhananjay Joshi**
- The RBI has approved the extension of Sashidhar Jagdishan's leadership as MD and CEO of which bank for 3 years? **HDFC Bank**
- How much financial aid will be granted under "Mukhyamantrir Atmanirbharshil Asom Abhiyan" launched by Assam government? **Rs 2 lakh**
- India has partnered with which country for the MeitY-National Science Foundation (NSF) research collaboration? **USA**
- The Defence Ministry has signed a contract with which company for acquisition of the 5 Fleet Support Ships? **Hindustan Shipyard Limited**
- The Government of Maharashtra has entered into an MoU with which country to support the development of young players in Football? **Germany**



Importance: To honor the memory of nearly 3,000 people who were killed in the September 11, 2001, terrorist attack in USA.

Inception: 2002

Note: 4 September 2002, US President Bush proclaimed September 11, 2002, as the first Patriot Day.

History:

On September 11, 2001, four planes were hijacked. The hijackers then deliberately flew three of the planes into two important buildings, the Pentagon in Washington DC and the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center in New York. The fourth crashed into a field near Shanksville, Pennsylvania.

Note: Patriot Day should not be confused with Patriot's Day, also known as Patriots Day, which commemorates the battles of Lexington and Concord in 1775, which were two of the earliest battles in the American Revolutionary War.

- Which state is leading in attracting FDI during first quarter of FY 2023-24? **Maharashtra**
- Who has been recognized as "Emerging Entrepreneur of the Year 2023"? **Manoj Bubna**
- India has achieved how much per cent GDP growth for April-June quarter in 2023? **7.8%**



- Recently, Ministry of Defence has inked pact with which company for jobs for ex-servicemen? **Genpact India Limited**
- The Numaligarh Refinery Ltd have signed a MoA with which IIT to develop technology for producing marketable green carbon from bamboo dust? **IIT-Guwahati**
- Which entity has signed MoUs with Union Bank of India and Bank of Baroda to accelerate growth of renewable energy? **Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency**
- Union Minister Dharmendra Pradhan has tied up with whom to empower "teachers and entrepreneurs"? **Meta**
- Who has signed USD 100 million loan agreement with EXIM Bank? **REC Limited**
- An alliance named "Global Biofuels Alliance" has been proposed by which country? **India**
- S&P Global Market Intelligence has upgraded India's FY24 growth forecast to what percent? **6.6%**
- BCCI has signed which company as "Official Partner" for a three-year period? **SBI Life**



महत्व: 14 सितंबर 1949 को संविधान सभा में हिंदी को राजभाषा का दर्जा दिया गया था।

प्रारम्भ: 1953

नोट:

- राष्ट्रभाषा प्रचार समिति के अनुरोध पर 1953 से प्रतिवर्ष 14 सितंबर को हिंदी दिवस के तौर पर मनाया जाता है।
- 1918 में हिन्दी साहित्य सम्मेलन में भारत के राष्ट्रपिता महात्मा गांधी ने हिन्दी भाषा को राष्ट्रभाषा बनाने के लिए पहल की थी।
- भारतीय संविधान के भाग 17 के अध्याय की धारा 343(1) में बताया गया है कि राष्ट्र की राज भाषा हिन्दी और लिपि देवनागरी होगी।
- 10 जनवरी को विश्व हिंदी दिवस भी मनाया जाता है।

- In September 2023, India has signed an MoU with which country in several areas including energy, digitalization, and investment? **Saudi Arabia**
- Recently, NABARD has partnered with which organisation to create data-driven innovations in agriculture and food systems? **UNDP**
- India has recently signed an MoU with which country on cooperation in field of sharing successful Digital Solutions? **Armenia**
- The Fourth G20 Global Partnership for Financial Inclusion Meeting has been held in which city? **Mumbai**
- Which state government has partnered with GSSE 2023 to become the 'Steel Destination'? **Odisha**
- Which company has signed MoU with UP Govt to set up integrated e-bus plant? **Ashok Leyland**
- Recently, India has become the largest export partner of which country by surpassing Japan and China? **Bangladesh**
- The NHAI has partnered with whom to strengthen design & construction of Bridges? **Delhi Metro**



**WORLD
FIRST
AID DAY**

Importance: To raise awareness of how first aid can prevent injuries and save lives everyday and in crisis situation.

Motto: To promote the importance of first aid training in preventing injuries and saving lives.

This day is marked worldwide on the initiative of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies - IFRC.

Inception: 2000

Organisation Involved: International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)

Note: The term 'First Aid' means the help that is provided to anyone who is suffering from disease or damage.

Awards & Recognitions

- Eminent Statistician CR Rao, who has passed away recently, was awarded by the "International Prize in Statistics" in which year? **2023**
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has recently conferred with the Grand Cross of the Order of Honour. It is the highest civilian honour of which country? **Greece**
- SVAMITVA Scheme, which has honored with the National Award for e-Governance 2023 associated with which ministry? **Ministry of Panchayati Raj**
- President Murmu has unveiled a commemorative coin honoring which former Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister? **N T Rama Rao**
- Which two cities of North-East India have bagged the Zonal Smart City Award under India Smart Cities Awards Contest (ISAC) for the year 2022? **Kohima and Namchi**
- Who has been honoured with Dr V G Patel Memorial Award-2023? **Satyajit Majumdar**
- Name the director of Assam's Cachar Cancer Hospital and Research Centre, who has won the 2023 Ramon Magsaysay Award? **Ravi Kannan**
- Who has been honoured with the 8th Dr M.S. Swaminathan award? **P.V. Satyanarayana**
- Who received the World Innovation Award at the first BRICS Innovation Forum hosted in Moscow? **Shanta Thoutam**
- Name the railway zone which has won the PMI South Asia Award for "Micro Project of the Year"? **Northeast Frontier Railway**
- In September 2023, President Droupadi Murmu has inaugurated a 12-foot statue of whom in Gujarat? **Mahatma Gandhi**
- The book "The Song of the Cell", which has been listed for Baillie Gifford Prize for Non-Fiction, has been authored by whom? **Dr Siddhartha Mukherjee**
- Which country has claimed the title of the world's best country, according to the US News & World Report? **Switzerland**
- Who has received a Lifetime Achievement Award in Academia from the Indian Council of Social Science Research? **Najma Akhtar**
- How many scientists have been selected for Shanti Swaroop Bhatnagar Awards? **12**
- In September 2023, which railway station has been awarded by the "Green Railway Station" certification by the Indian Green Building Council? **Vijayawada Railway Station**
- The iconic 97-year-old Wheeler Senate House of Patna University has been named after whom? **Jayaprakash Narayan**
- Which two Indian-origin authors have been shortlisted among the six candidates for the British Academy Book Prize? **Mahmood Mamdani and Sujit Sivasundaram**
- How many artists has been conferred with Sangeet Natak Akademi Anrit awards? **84**
- Which movie has won the Platform Award at Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF)? **Dear Jassi**
- Which company has won the "Best Digital CX Platform" award at the 5th Annual India CX Summit & Awards 2023? **NovelVox**
- Recently, Santiniketan, a town located in West Bengal, has been included in the UNESCO's World Heritage List. The town Santiniketan is associated with whom? **Rabindranath Tagore**
- Who has unveiled "People's G20", an eBook on India's G20 presidency? **Apurva Chandra**
- What is the name of the new set of National Awards launched by Government in the field of Science, Technology and Innovation? **Rashtriya Vigyan Puraskar**
- Recently, The National Medical Commission has been awarded the coveted World Federation for Medical Education Recognition Status for a tenure of how many years? **10 years**
- Novel "Western Lane" which has been shortlisted for the 2023 Booker Prize in London, authored by whom? **Chetna Maroo**
- Name the world's eighth-highest mountain peak which has recently scaled by an Indian Sunil Kumar? **Mt Manaslu**



Importance: As a mark of remembrance and tribute to the greatest Indian engineer Bharat Ratna Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya.

M. Visvesvaraya

(15 September 1860 – 14 April 1962)

19th Diwan of the Mysore Kingdom

- His birthday is celebrated as Engineer's Day in India, Sri Lanka and Tanzania.
- Was the Chief Engineer of Krishna Raja Sagara dam.
- Chief engineer of the flood protection system for Hyderabad
- He is also credited with inventing the Block System -- automated doors that close in the conditions of overflow.

Awards: Bharat Ratna (1955) & Knight Commander of the British Indian Empire (KCIE)



Sports

- Which Indian shooter has clinched gold in Men's 25 metre event at the ISSF World Championship 2023? **Amanpreet Singh**
- United World Wrestling has recently suspended the wrestling association of which country in August 2023? **India**
- Who has won the Chess World Cup 2023 Final? **Magnus Carlsen**
- Arunachal Pradesh League, which has launched in New Delhi recently, is associated with which sport? **Cricket**
- Who has won the Dutch Grand Prix 2023? **Max Verstappen**
- Who has won gold medal in the men's javelin throw event at the World Athletics Championships? **Neeraj Chopra**
- Who has won a bronze medal for India by beating World Number 2 Viktor Axelsen at BWF World Championship 2023? **HS Prannoy**
- Priyan Sain, who has clinched the title of Miss Earth India 2023, hails from which state? **Rajasthan**
- The 71st edition of the competition would be held in which state/UT in December 2023? **Jammu and Kashmir**
- Which country has won the first Women's Asian Hockey 5s World Cup Qualifiers? **India**
- What is the name of the first transgender cricketer to play in an international match? **Danielle McGahey**
- Name the India's Woman Grandmaster, who recently won Tata Steel Chess India Rapid (Women) title? **Diva Deshmukh**
- Which team won Durand Cup for 1st time after 23 years? **Mohun Bagan Super Giant**
- Who has become first-ever F1 driver to win 10 races in a row? **M. Verstappen**
- Who country was the runner the runner up in the inaugural Men's Hockey 5s Asia Cup 2023? **Pakistan**
- Street 20 child cricket world cup will be held in which city? **Chennai**
- Who has won Gold Medal in Left & Right Hand category at the 44th World Armwrestling Championship? **Abhas Rana**
- Who has become the fastest batsman to score 2,000 runs in One Day International cricket? **Babar Azam**
- Who has won the Indian Grand Prix 5 with throw of 82.53m? **Kishore Jena**
- Who has clinched Indonesia Badminton Masters title 2023? **Kiran George**
- Novak Djokovic has won the 24th Grand Slam title by beating whom? **Daniil Medvedev**
- Which edition of the Subroto Cup will be held from 19th September this year? **62nd**
- Which duo of Indian cricket team has registered highest partnership in Asia Cup history? **Virat Kohli - KL Rahul**
- Which state has won the 5th National Wheelchair Rugby Championship 2023? **Maharashtra**
- Which country has won their first-ever FIBA Basketball World Cup title? **Germany**
- Who has become the fastest Indian spinner to reach 150 ODI wickets? **Kuldeep Yadav**
- Which Indian shooter won the gold medal in the women's 10m air rifle event at the ISSF World Cup 2023 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil? **Elavenil Valarivan**
- Recently, Neeraj Chopra finished second in the Diamond League final in Eugene with a best throw of ____ . **83.80 meter**
- Who became the first Indian to take four wickets in an over in international cricket during the 2023 Asia Cup? **Mohammed Siraj**
- Which Indian shooter has won the gold medal in the women's 10-metre air rifle event at the ISSF World Cup 2023? **Elavenil Valarivan**
- Union Minister Anurag Thakur inaugurates Synthetic Athletic Tracks in which stadium? **Shilaroo Hockey Stadium**
- Who has won the Singapore Grand Prix 2023? **Carlos Sainz**
- Name the Indian-origin who has named CEO of Penguin Random House? **Nihar Malaviya**
- PM Narendra Modi has laid the foundation stone for Lord Shiva-themed international cricket stadium in which city? **Varanasi**
- Who has become the first woman to stand as an umpire in a men's first-class cricket match? **Sue Redfern**
- Indian wrestler Antim Panghal has won bronze in which category at the 2023 World Championship? **53kg**
- Who will be India's flag-bearers at the opening ceremony of the 19th Asian Games? **Harmanpreet Singh and Lovlina Borgohain**

Science & Technology

- In August 2023, Andhra Pradesh government has laid the foundation stone of 3 renewable energy projects worth how much capacity? **5314 MW**
- Which company has developed indigenous Selective Catalyst Reactors Catalysts to curb nitrous oxide emissions from thermal power plants? **BHEL**
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has declared which day of August as National Space Day? **August 23**
- What is the name of India's New Warship which has been launched in Mumbai in September 2023? **Mahendragiri**
- A user-friendly mobile app named "Indian Heritage" has been launched for citizens by which Government agency? **Archaeological Survey of India**
- Which AIIMS has decided to buy drones to supply essential drugs, vaccines, and anti-snake venom to far-flung? **Patna**
- What is the name given to India's first AI-powered anti-drone system? **Indrajal**
- Which company has hosted conference on 'Green Hydrogen Pilots in India'? **NTPC**
- India has recently initiated the process to purchase 31 MQ-9B drones from which country? **USA**
- The Drone Federation of India will host "Bharat Drone Shakti 2023" in collaboration with which agency? **Indian Air Force**
- In September 2023, "One Week One Lab" program will be organized by which research institute? **Council of Scientific and Industrial Research**
- Which country has launched "moon sniper", a lunar exploration spacecraft? **Japan**
- Which Indian Institute of Technology has conducted the country's first national-scale mapping of soil erodibility? **IIT Delhi**
- The recently launched app "Sarpanch Samvaad" in Assam is an initiative of whom? **Quality Council of India**
- Researchers of an IIT have developed pharmaceutical and food products from tea factory waste. The IIT is - **IIT Guwahati**
- Who has won the Diamond League 2023 final? **Neeraj Chopra**
- Which Union Minister launched the Farmer Loan Portal with Weather Information Network Data System Manual? **Nirmala Sitharaman**



International DAY OF DEMOCRACY



International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer

SEPTEMBER 16



Importance: To mark the adoption of Universal Declaration on Democracy by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) in 1997.

Inception: 2007

Note: In 2007 the UNGA resolved to observe this day—with the purpose of promoting and upholding the principles of democracy.

Organisation Involved: Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) & UNESCO

Note: UN Democracy Fund (UNDEF) funds projects that empower civil society, promote human rights, and encourage the participation of all groups in democratic processes.

Importance: To commemorate the date on which nations signed the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer in 1987.

Inception: 1994

2023 Theme: Montreal Protocol: fixing the ozone layer and reducing climate change.

Montreal Protocol

- The Montreal Protocol requires the control of nearly 100 chemicals, in several categories.
- In 2007, Parties to the Montreal Protocol decided to accelerate the HCFC phase-out schedule for both developed and developing countries.
- On 16th September 2009, the Vienna Convention and the Montreal Protocol became the first treaties in the history of the United Nations to achieve universal ratification.



Miscellaneous

- What is the theme of this year's Women's Equality Day 2023? **Embrace Equity**
- Which country hold the BRIGHT STAR-23 exercise from August 27 to September 16, 2023? **Egypt**
- International Day against Nuclear Tests 2023 has recently observed on which day of August? **29 August**
- National Small Industry Day 2023 has been observed on which day of August? **30 August**
- The National Sports Day 2023 in India is celebrated on which day of August? **29 August**
- Which country has recently conducted a simulated "tactical nuclear attack" drill in September 2023? **North Korea**
- International Day of Charity has recently observed on which day of September 2023? **5 September**
- What is the theme for National Teacher's Day 2023? **Teachers at the heart of education recovery**
- According to the University of Michigan, by which year India could lose groundwater by 3 times? **2080**
- International Literacy Day 2023 has been celebrated on which day of September? **September 08**
- World Physiotherapy Day has been observed on which day of September? **08 September**
- Which country is hosting the 'Exercise Bright Star - 23'? **Egypt**
- Which edition of Varuna naval exercise has been concluded between India and France in 2023? **21st**
- Himalaya Day or Himalaya Diwas has been celebrated on which day of September 2023? **09 September**
- The Viability Gap Funding for development of BESS aims to generate 4,000 MWh of BESS projects by which year? **2030-31**
- Which state has topped in the list of criminal cases against the MPs? **Kerala**
- What is the name of the NATO's largest military exercise since the cold war? **Steadfast Defender**
- The recently launched book "The Autobiography of God" has been authored by whom? **Lena Kumar**
- Who has inaugurated the 4th edition of the World Trade Expo, India's biggest business platform? **Ramesh Bais**
- World Patient Safety Day has recently been observed on which day of September? **17 September**
- Which country has ranked first among 154 nations in grassroots crypto adoption? **India**
- Which Indian company has secured a coveted spot on TIME magazine's "The World's Best Companies of 2023" list? **Infosys**
- Sridhar Kalyanasundaram, who recently announced his resignation, is one of the independent directors of which bank? **Dhanlaxmi Bank**
- What will be the new name of Old Parliament Building - **Constitution House**
- Which edition of the World Spice Congress has recently commenced in Vashi, Navi Mumbai? **14th**
- Which country is hosting ASEAN joint military drills? **Indonesia**
- World Alzheimer's Day has been observed on which day of September 2023? **September 21**
- Which ministry has topped in Group A category in the 16th report on Central Ministries performance released by DARPG? **Ministry of Water**
- India will host the International Congress on Chemistry of Cement in which year? **2027**
- Which day has been celebrated on 22 September 2023? **World Rhino Day**
- Where has the 19th edition of joint military exercise "Yudh Abhyas 2023" conducted? **Alaska**
- Which state has topped in the Agricultural Labourers Index? **Tamil Nadu**



Motto: To strengthen the ideals of peace, through observing 24 hours of non-violence and cease-fire.

Inception: 1981

Organisation Involved: UNGA

2023 Theme: Actions for Peace: Our Ambition for the #GlobalGoals

Note: In 2001, the General Assembly unanimously voted to designate the Day as a period of non-violence and cease-fire. Year 2023 marks the 76th anniversary of the UN, which has invited millions of people worldwide to join UN75 programme

Important Days

Day	Observed/Celebrated As	Motto/Importance
1 October	International Day of the Older Persons	Fulfilling the Promises of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights for Older Persons: Across Generations
2 October	International Day of Non-Violence	To mark the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, leader of the Indian independence movement
4 October	World Animal Welfare Day	This day was started in 1931 to highlight the plight of endangered species.
5 October	World Teacher's Day	The Transformation of Education Begins with Teachers
8 October	Indian Air Force Day	To mark the foundation of the Indian Air Force on 8 October 1932
9 October	World Post Day	To Mark the establishment of the Universal Postal Union in 1874 in the Swiss Capital, Bern.
10 October	World Mental Health Day	To raise awareness of mental health issues around the world
11 October	International Day of the Girl Child	To highlight and address the needs and challenges girls face
12 October	World Arthritis Day	To bring awareness to the growing prevalence of arthritis
13 October	International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction	To raise awareness of how people are taking action to reduce their risk to disasters.
14 October	World Standards Day	SHARED VISION FOR A BETTER WORLD
15 October	World Students' Day	To mark the birth anniversary of A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
16 October	World Food Day	Water is life, water is food. Leave no one behind.
17 October	International Poverty Eradication Day	To acknowledge the effort and struggle of people living in poverty
20 October	World Statistics day	Connecting the world with data we can trust
24 October	United Nations Day	To mark the establishment of United Nations which officially came into existence on 24 October 1945.
31 October	National Unity Day	To mark the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel also known as Iron Man of India.

Let's Recap

- Which company has become first member from India to join Asia Transition Finance Study Group? **Power Finance Corp**
- Which Bollywood actor will be honoured with the rising global superstar of Indian Cinema Award? **Kartik Aaryan**
- World Drowning Prevention Day 2023 has been observed on which day of July? **25 July**
- Who has become the first woman to lead US Navy? **Lisa Franchetti**
- Recently, Government has extended Atal Beemit Vyakti Kalyan Yojana for how many years? **Two years**



WORLD
ALZHEIMER'S
DAY

Motto: To raise awareness among the challenges of common stigma that surrounds Alzheimer related dementia.

Inception: 2012

What is Alzheimer's?

- Alzheimer's disease is the most common form of dementia.
- It is a progressive brain disease which results in loss of memory and thinking skills.
- It destroys the brain cells which cause memory loss, memory changes, erratic behaviour and loss of body functions.
- The exact cause of Alzheimer's disease is not yet known.
- There is no cure for Alzheimer's disease.

- Which state has the highest crime rate against Dalits? **Madhya Pradesh**
- Jayant Savarkar, who has passed away recently, was associated with which field? **Acting**
- Which state government has signed a MoU with BCEIP to expand employment opportunities for the youth? **Punjab**
- Who has clinched gold medal in Men's 50 metre pistol event? **Kamaljeet**
- Which Indian has won the gold medal in the World Youth Deaf Badminton Championship? **Gauranshi**

- The 4th edition of ECSWG & Environment & Climate Ministers' meeting begins in which city? **Chennai**
- Syazrul Ezat Idrus, who has become first to take seven wicket in T20 cricket format, is from which country? **Malaysia**
- Bihar government has appointed whom as the Chairperson of the State Women Commission? **Ashwamedh Devi**
- Recently launched "Mera Gaon Meri Dharohar" is an initiative of which ministry? **Ministry of Culture**
- What is the theme of World Hepatitis Day 2023? **One life, One liver**
- The recently passed Forest Conservation (Amendment) Bill 2023, exempts land within _____ km of the country's borders from conservation laws. **100 Km**
- Which state government has inked pact with IFSCA to support fintech startups? **Kerala**
- Which railway station from Maharashtra has got UNESCO's Cultural Heritage award? **Byculla railway station**
- Recently, Irshad Ahmad has been appointed as India's next Ambassador to which country? **Syria**
- Name the veteran Punjabi singer, who has passed away recently in July 2023? **Surinder Shinda**
- What will be the new name of Adani Transmission? **Adani Energy Solutions**
- Who has assumed the role of chair for the 62nd Session of Social Development? **Ruchira Kamboj**
- Which Union Ministry is associated with the recently passed Cinematograph (Amendment) Bill, 2023? **Ministry of Information and Broadcasting**
- Recently, Prime Minister has inaugurated 6 Eklavya Model Residential Schools in which state? **Rajasthan**
- Which female Indian cricketer has been suspended for Code of Conduct breach in July 2023? **Harmanpreet Kaur**
- Which state is on the top of the list of missing women in India of 2021 with 56,498 women? **Maharashtra**
- India has signed a \$200 mn loan deal with which international organisation to enhance urban services in Rajasthan? **Asian Development Bank**
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated Semicon India 2023 in which city? **Gandhinagar**
- Who has been elected as the new chair of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, in Nairobi, Kenya? **James Ferguson**



- In 2023, which bank has emerged as the leader in CRISIL's corporate banking ranking? **HDFC Bank**
- Who has been conferred with Lokmanya Tilak National Award? **Narendra Modi**
- Which Indian University has signed MOUs with 2 US Universities? **University of Mumbai**
- With which country India will set up sustainability working group? **Finland**
- Which country has agreed to sign MoU with India for cooperation in agriculture in July 2023? **Moldova**
- World Lung Cancer Day 2023 has been observed on which day recently? **01 August**
- According to the Association for Democratic Reforms, which state has the largest number of Billionaire MLAs? **Karnataka**
- Which state has signed a deal with Foxconn to establish mobile phone component manufacturing facility? **Tamil Nadu**
- World Wide Web Day 2023 has been observed on which day recently? **01 August**
- Who has clinched Gold medal in shooting at the FISU World University Games? **Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar**
- Recently, ISRO has launched seven satellites of which country with PSLV-C56 rocket? **Singapore**
- Who launches India's first Indigenously developed Next Generation Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)? **Dr Jitendra Singh**
- Which state government has approved Water Tourism and Adventure Sports Policy 2023? **Uttar Pradesh**
- Which city has been recommended by UNESCO to be in "heritage danger list"? **Venice**
- Which company has signed MoU with ALIMCO for providing assistive devices to Divyangjans? **NHPC Limited**
- Recently launched book "How Prime Ministers Decide" has been authored by whom? **Neerja Chowdhury**
- Recently, who has proposed Maharashtra Global Med Tech Zone? **Narayan Rane**
- The recently delivered first Radio Frequency Seeker of Akash to DRDO is developed by which company? **Bharat Dynamics**
- In which city is the 7th Hockey Men's Asian Champions Trophy being organized? **Chennai**
- Naya Savera Yojana has been launched by which union ministry? **Ministry of Minority Affairs**
- TRAI has tied up with whom to establish cooperation in the field of telecommunication? **C-DOT**
- Name the Cabinet Secretary who has recently got one-year extension? **Rajiv Gauba**
- Which country will host 27th edition of 10-day Malabar exercise? **Australia**

- The Indian Air Force has received Spike Non-Line of Sight (NLOS) anti-tank guided missiles from which country? **Israel**
- D Gukesh has recently overtaken whom as India's top-ranked chess player? **Viswanathan Anand**
- In August 2023, which state has passed bill to prevent cheating in competitive exams? **Jharkhand**
- The Assam government has planned to set up a National Centre of Excellence for which sport? **Badminton**
- Shubhayatra scheme has been introduced by which state? **Kerala**
- Which ministry has implemented "Naya Savera" or "Free Coaching and Allied" scheme? **Ministry of Home Affairs**
- As of August 2023, who is the world's richest woman? **Francoise Meyers**
- Which state will constitute "Rhino Task Force" for reintroduction of Rhino Conservation Scheme? **Bihar**
- What is the name of the CEO of HDFC Bank who has become the highest paid bank CEO in FY23? **Sashidhar Jagdishan**
- Which Indian became the youngest world champion in archery? **Aditi Swami**



Importance: To mark the establishment of the World Federation of the Deaf in 1951.

Motto: To raise awareness of the importance of sign language in the full realization of the human rights of people who are deaf.
1st Celebrated: 2018

Fact: The proposal for this day came from the World Federation of the Deaf (WFD), a federation of 135 national associations of deaf people, representing approximately 70 million deaf people's human rights worldwide.

Note: The International Week of the Deaf was first celebrated in September 1958.

- Name the Autonomous Underwater Vehicle for mine detection developed by India? **Neerakshi**
- Iraq has become 18th country recognised by WHO for eliminated which disease in August 2023? **Trachoma**
- Hun Manet has been appointed as Prime Minister of which country? **Cambodia**
- Who has been taken oath as 33rd CJ of Orissa High Court in August 2023? **Subhasis Talapatra**
- Which Indian Hockey player has recently completed 100 international matches? **Krishan Pathak**
- During the 7th BRICS meeting, which country has planned to launch the BRICS Startup Forum in 2023? **India**
- Which country has planned to launch lunar lander in the first week of August 2023? **Russia**



Motto: To focus on the importance of safety, maritime security, and marine environment and also to mark the significance of the aspect of the International Maritime Organisation's work.

2023 Theme: **MARPOL at 50 – Our commitment goes on”.**

Organisation Involved: IMO

1st celebrated: 1978

History:

- In 1948, an international conference in Geneva adopted a convention to establish the IMO.
- Earlier the name of IMO was the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organisation (IMCO) and in 1982 it was changed as International Maritime Organisation (IMO).

Note: The 1st World Maritime Day was celebrated On 17 March, 1978 to mark the date of the IMO Convention's entry into force in 1958.

- Indian wrestlers have won how many medals at World Cadet Wrestling Championships 2023? **11**
- The 3rd G20 Anti-Corruption Working Group Meeting will be held in which city? **Kolkata**
- Nirmala Sitharaman lays foundation stone for Adichanallur museum in which state? **Tamil Nadu**
- What is the name of recently developed manned scientific submersible? **MATSYA6000**
- Which company has collaborated with Tata Play to launch GSAT-24, a communication satellite? **NewSpace India**

- Which state government has launched Gruha Lakshmi Scheme 2023? **Telangana**
- Recently, Rajya Sabha has passed the Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order Amendment Bill 2023, this bill will modify the list of Scheduled Castes of which state? **Chhattisgarh**
- Who has won the Swedish rights prize? Svetlana **Tikhanovskaya**
- Which company has been honored with the Tech Startup of the Year (Artificial Intelligence) award? **Jio Haptik**
- Central Bank has raised the per transaction limit for UPI Lite to how much? **500 rupees**
- Maa Narmada Lok will be built in which state? **Madhya Pradesh**
- In August 2023, which state assembly has passed a resolution urging the Center to change the name of the state? **Kerala**
- Which railway station of Maharashtra has become the third "Pink Station" within the Central Railway? **New Amravati**
- World Elephant Day 2023 has been observed on which day of August 2023? **12 August**
- CM solar mission has recently launched in which state? **Meghalaya**
- The recently launched book titled "Monsoon: A Poem of Love and Longing" has been authored by whom? **Abhay Kumar**
- Based on the FY23 revised budget estimates, which state has topped the fiscal health report? **Maharashtra**
- Which company has partnered with the Ministry of Tourism to showcase 600-plus offbeat destinations? **MakeMyTrip**
- Which ministry will host first-ever summit on traditional medicine with WHO in Gujarat? **Ayush Ministry**
- What is the rank of India in the latest FIH Men's Hockey Rankings? **Third**
- Which country won the title of Asian Hockey Champions Trophy 2023? **India**
- Parsi New Year 2023, also referred to as Navroz or Nowruz, has been started from which day of August 2023? **16th August**
- According to SBI Research Study Finds, India's per capita income projected to soar 7.5 times by which year? **2047**
- What is the name of India's first long-range revolver which has been launched in August 2023? **Prabal**
- Which ministry has launched the "Graphene-Aurora Program"? **Ministry of Electronics**
- Who has received the President's Tatrakshak Medal (Distinguished Service)? Manoj **Vasant Baadkar**



- Which scheme has introduced by the centre to support traditional artisans' skill development? **Vishwakarma Yojana**
- Who has been named ICC Player of the Month for July 2023? **Chris Woakes**
- Bubonic Plague has recently hit which country in August 2023? **China**
- The Asian Development Bank has approves USD 40.5 Million loan to enhance childhood development and maternal mental health in which state? **Meghalaya**
- India has recently got its first-ever night street racing circuit in which city? **Chennai**
- Name the Indian-American economist who has been awarded by the George Ledlie Prize? **Raj Chetty**
- The Indian air pistol team has clinched bronze at ISSF World Championship under which category? **10m**
- Uttar Pradesh's first e-office system launched in which city? **Kannauj**
- Recently in August 2023, Tamil Nadu CM Stalin has unveiled a life-size bronze statue of whom in Madurai? **TM Soundararajan**
- Recently, President Droupadi Murmu has inaugurates which vessel as part of Project 17A? **INS Vindhyagiri**
- Which bank has recently partnered with RBI Innovation Hub to launch Kisan Credit cards? **Axis Bank**
- Who has been appointed as the CMD of Power Finance Corporation (PFC)? **Parminder Chopra**
- World Mosquito Day 2023 has been observed on which day of August? **August 20**
- The Maharashtra government has launched which scheme to Connect Tribal Villages with Main Roads? **Bhagwan Birsa Munda Jodaraste Scheme**
- 'One District One Product' launched its collaboration with which Union Ministry? **Ministry of Rural Development**
- Which country has won the World Cup 2023 (Women's World Cup champions)? **Spain**
- Which Tulip Garden has been recognized as Asia's largest tulip garden by the World Book of Records? **Indira Gandhi Memorial Tulip Garden**
- Who has been conferred with the first ever "Udyog Ratna" award instituted by the Maharashtra government? **Ratan Tata**
- Recently, Priya Malik has won gold medal in which category at the U20 World Wrestling Championships in Jordan? **76 kg**
- Which Indian submarine has recently set a record for the longest deployment with a travel distance of 7000 km? **INS Vagir**
- The documentary film "Bay of Blood", which has genocide in Bangladesh, directed by whom? **Krishnendu Bose**
- Who has become the second Indian to reach semi-finals in FIDE World Cup? **R Praggnanandhaa**
- The First Indian EV Company OneElectric will start its Production in which country? **Africa**
- ICC has tied up with which company for Men's Cricket World Cup 2023? **Mastercard**
- The foundation stone of the largest desalination project in South East Asia has been laid in which state? **Tamil Nadu**
- What is the theme of World Water Week 2023? **Seeds of Change: Innovative Solutions for a Water-Wise World**
- Recently, Om Birla has inaugurated the 9th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference in which state? **Rajasthan**
- Who has been awarded by CSR TIMES Lifetime Achievement Award? **Shallu Jindal**
- The election commission of India has designated whom as "national Icon"? **Sachin Tendulkar**
- Which bank has launched "IRIS" Mobile App, a comprehensive mobile banking solution app? **Yes Bank**
- Srettha Thavisin has recently elected as the Prime Minister of which country? **Thailand**
- The 15th summit of the BRICS group is being held under the chairmanship of which country? **South Africa**
- Which state has become the first in India to operationalize an Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission Microsite? **Mizoram**
- As per the new curriculum framework launched by the Education Ministry, Board examinations will be conducted - **Twice a year**
- The recently launched book "Drunk on Love: The Life, Vision and Songs of Kabir", has been authored by whom? **Vipul Rikhi**

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Importance: To commemorate the anniversary of the adoption of the UNWTO Statutes on 27 September 1970.

Motto: To foster awareness among the international community of the importance of tourism and its social, cultural, political and economic value.

Organisation Involved: UN World Tourism Organization (UNWTO)

Inception: 1980

Note: The official celebrations of this day will be held in Djibouti and Addis Ababa, as decided by the European Council on Tourism and Trade Executive Board.

Quick Bytes

- U.K. universities to collaborate with Tamil Nadu State institutions two-way student mobility, capacity building, research and transnational education.
- Windergy India 2023 Summit to commence in Chennai, as part of Indo-Danish Energy partnership.
- Indian Council for Medical Research (ICMR) nods to conduct Truenat test to detect Nipah.
- Mumbai-based budget airline Akasa Air has received the government's nod to fly global routes.

4th Sunday of September



Importance: To mark the inception of "Water for Life Decade" programme in 2005 by UN to help create a greater awareness of the need to better care for the water resources across the world.

Motto: To highlight the many values of our rivers, strives to increase public awareness, and encourages the improved stewardship of all rivers around the world.

Inception: 2005

Founder: Mark Angelo

Mark Angelo

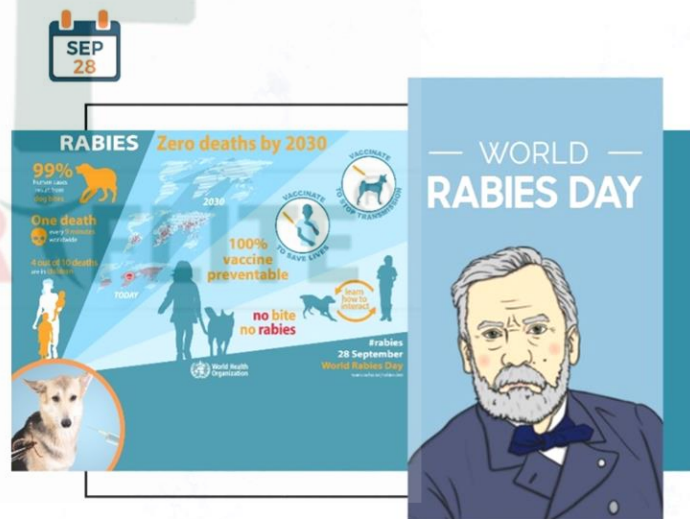
- Mark Angelo is a Canadian river conservationist, writer, speaker, teacher and paddler.
- He founded and is the chair of BC Rivers Day and World Rivers Day.

- Iran MPs passed dress code Bill mandating tougher penalties for women.
- Harmanpreet, Lovlina to be flag-bearers at Asian Games opening ceremony.
- New York, Dallas, and Florida to host T20 Cricket World Cup matches in 2024.
- ECI Ropes In Chacha Chaudhary & Sabu To Educate And Motivate Young Voters

- Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi extended an invitation to U.S. President Joe Biden to be the chief guest at India's Republic Day celebrations on January 26 next year
- Escalation In Nagorno-Karabakh Conflict: Azerbaijan Launches Military Operation
- INDIAN NAVAL SHIPS, SUBMARINE & LRMP AIRCRAFT REACH SINGAPORE TO PARTICIPATE IN SIMBEX 23
- ADB Lowers FY24 GDP Forecast To 6.3%, India Ratings Raises It To 6.2%
- G77+China Summit Concludes With Emphasis On Empowering Global South
- President of India inaugurated Annual General Meeting and Biennial Conference of the Asia Pacific Forum on Human Rights in New Delhi.
- National Medical Commission Achieves Prestigious World Federation for Medical Education (WFME) Recognition Status for 10 Years.
- Biotech firm Biocon appoints Peter Bains as Group CEO.
- World Health Organization (WHO) released its first-ever report on the global impact of high blood pressure.
- CM Pramod Sawant Launches Griha Adhar Scheme To Empower Goan Homemakers
- Udhampur Railway Station Renamed As Martyr Captain Tushar Mahajan Railway Station
- The Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) has revised its GDP growth projection for India in the fiscal year 2024, forecasting a growth rate of 6.3%.
- ACKO Launches "Health Insurance Ki Subah Ho Gayi Mamu" Campaign For Platinum Health Plan
- Union Education Minister Launches 'Skills On Wheels' Initiative To Empower Rural Youth
- Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), inked 3 MoUs, and laid foundation stone of 'Modern Khadi of New India'.
- Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare launched e Kisan Rin Portal (KRP), KCC Ghar Ghar Abhiyaan, and a manual on Weather Information Network Data Systems (WINDS).

- The Union Cabinet cleared the women's reservation Bill in its meeting.
- NHAI arm to develop logistics park in Bengaluru at Rs 1,770 crore..
- Union Minister Of Civil Aviation Inaugurates 'Udaan Bhawan' At Delhi's Safdarjung Airport
- Old Parliament Building To Be Called As 'Samvidhan Sadan'
- Coastal Security Drill 'Operation Sajag' Conducted By Indian Coast Guard Along The West Coast
- The Indian Navy is all set to host the second edition of the Naval Innovation and Indigenisation (NIIO) Seminar, known as 'Swavlamban 2023,' scheduled to take place on 4th and 5th October 2023.
- S&P Global Upgrades India's FY24 Growth Forecast To 6.6%
- International Red Panda Day 2023: A Call To Protect A Precious Species. Every year, on the third Saturday in September, the world comes together to celebrate International Red Panda Day.
- Dhananjay Joshi Appointed Chairman Of Telecom Industry Body DIPA
- Shri Apurva Chandra Unveils "People's G20", An EBook On India's G20 Presidency
- The Assam government mobilised public support to attempt nine world records during a drive to increase the State's green cover.
- Carlos Sainz led from start to finish to win a dramatic Singapore Grand Prix.
- Olympian Elavenil Valarivan clinches women's air rifle final in the World Cup in Rio.
- The Maharashtra government has issued an official notification regarding the renaming of Aurangabad and Osmanabad districts to Chhatrapati Sambhajnagar and Dharashiv, respectively.
- Indian Bank Launches 'IB SAATHI' To Enhance Financial Inclusion Services
- SIDBI Plans Rs 10,000 Crore Rights Issue For Fiscal Expansion
- World Bamboo Day 2023 Observed On 18th September
- The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) has established a standing committee dedicated to regularly assessing cyber threats associated with existing and emerging technologies.
- India Hosts Inaugural UNCITRAL South Asia Conference
- Fashion Designer Rahul Mishra Honored With France's "Chevalier De L'Ordre Des Arts Et Des Lettres" Award
- India reached a significant milestone with the arrival of the first C295 aircraft, marking a momentous achievement in the country's aviation history.

- Karnataka state government approves 91 investment projects worth ₹7,660 crores.
- The Hangzhou Asian Games Village was inaugurated at Hangzhou, China.
- Defence Acquisition Council (DAC) gives nod to buy 12 Su-30 jets, other military equipment.
- Telangana to launch free breakfast scheme in schools for students of Classes 1 to 10.
- IRS officer Rahul Navin was appointed in-charge Director of the Enforcement Directorate (ED).
- Riya Sachdeva won a double crown in the Asian under-16 tennis championship.
- Indian Oil was roped in as title sponsor for MotoGP Bharat.
- Telangana Governor Tamilisai Soundararajan gives her assent to the TSRTC (Absorption of Employees into Government Service) Bill-2023.
- Chief Justice of India D.Y. Chandrachud announced the onboarding of the Supreme Court on the National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG).
- NASA space agency released the findings after a yearlong study into unidentified flying object (UFOs).



Importance: To mark the death anniversary of Louis Pasteur, the French chemist and microbiologist, who developed the first rabies vaccine.

Motto: To raise awareness about rabies prevention and to highlight progress in defeating this horrifying disease.

Inception: 2007

Organisation Involved: WHO

Louis Pasteur

(27 Dec 1822 - 28 Sep 1895)

- A French biologist, microbiologist, and chemist renowned for his discoveries of the principles of vaccination, microbial fermentation and pasteurization.
- Nationality: French
- Invention: Pasteurization
- Awards: Legion of Honor Grand Cross, Rumford Medal, Copley Medal, Albert Medal, etc.

- The Union Ministry of Home Affairs has unveiled a noteworthy modification in the utilization of birth certificates for essential services, set to take effect on October 1, 2023.
- India Achieves Milestone As The 13th Nation To Issue Globally Recognized OIML Certificates
- BAE Systems, L&T Join Hands To Bring All-Terrain Vehicle To India
- Decline In Wholesale Prices Continues For Fifth Consecutive Month, Reaching -0.52% In August
- Fitch Retains India's Growth Forecast For FY24 At 6.3%, Flags Inflation Risks



Importance: To improve health globally by encouraging people to make lifestyle changes and promoting education internationally about ways to be good to your heart.

Motto: To spread awareness about heart disease and stroke prevention.

Founded by: World Heart Federation

Inception: 2000

Fact: It is to be found that heart disease and strokes are the world's leading cause of death, killing 17.1 million people every year – that's more than victims of cancer, HIV and AIDS and malaria.

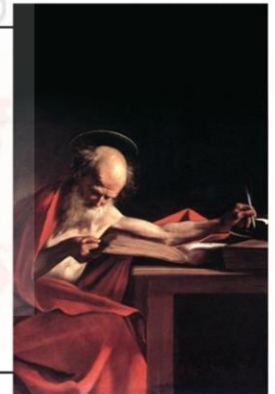
- Yes Bank And BriskPe Partner To Enable Seamless Cross-Border Payments For MSMEs
- National Engineers' Day is a special occasion celebrated across India on September 15th each year.
- The International Day of Democracy, celebrated on September 15th each year.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi, laid the foundation stone of Downstream Petrochemical Complex and Refinery Expansion Project, at BPCL's Bina Refinery in Madhya Pradesh.
- Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh launches the Swachhata Special Campaign 3.0 Portal.

- President Droupadi Murmu Virtually Launches Ayushman Bhav Campaign For Universal Health Coverage
- ATO's Largest Military Exercise Since The Cold War: "Steadfast Defender"
- Haryana Govt Appoints Actress Mita Vashisth As Chair Of Entertainment Policy Council
- CM Bhagwant Singh Mann Lays Foundation Stone Of Saragarhi Memorial In Ferozpur
- State Health Minister Balbir Singh Launches "Mission Intensified IndraDhanush" 5.0 In Mohali, Punjab
- Nabard And UNDP India Join Forces For Data-Driven Agricultural Innovation
- RITES Limited has been honoured with the 'Safety Innovation Award 2023', under the 'Construction' category, for implementing 'Innovative Safety Management Systems' in its operations.
- Najma Akhtar Honored With Lifetime Achievement Award In Academia
- Amazon's AWS Partners With ISRO To Enhance AI Capabilities With Cloud Technologies
- Scrub typhus, also known as bush typhus, is a bacterial disease caused by Orientia tsutsugamushi.
- Rajnath Singh lays foundation stone for Nyoma airfield near the LAC in eastern Ladakh.
- The Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) will hold a festival of democracy 'Vaishali' in Nalanda University, Bihar.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated several rail sector projects worth around Rs 6,350 crore in Raigarh, Chhattisgarh.
- India's retail inflation eased slightly to 6.83% in August, from the 15-month high of 7.44% in July.
- International Hockey Federation (FIH) withdraws hosting rights of the Olympic qualifiers from Pakistan.
- "Bharat: The Mother Of Democracy" Portal Unveiled At G20 Exhibition
- President Droupadi Murmu Inaugurates First Global Symposium On Farmers' Rights In New Delhi.
- MP Cabinet Approves Mob Lynching Victim Compensation Scheme 2023
- Raksha Mantri Inaugurates 90 BRO Infrastructure Projects Valued At More Than Rs 2,900 Crore



- Switzerland Ranked No. 1 In The World Best Countries Report 2023
- India's Sindhu Gangadharan Appointed As Nasscom Vice-Chairperson
- Maharashtra Beats Karnataka To Win 5th National Wheelchair Rugby Championship
- A start-up from Hyderabad, Arrobot, has developed an Unmanned Guided Vehicle (UGV) for the armed forces.
- Tata Power's Tamil Nadu solar cell unit gets \$425 million from US govt agency- Development Finance Corporation.
- China's Yin Ruoning became the World No. 1 in women's golf by finishing third at the LPGA Queen City Championship.
- PM Modi Launches Global Biofuels Alliance At G20 Summit
- United States City Louisville Declares September 3rd As Sanatana Dharma Day
- North Korea Launches New 'Tactical Nuclear Attack Submarine'
- Rishi Sunak declared that the United Kingdom would allocate \$2 billion to the Green Climate Fund (GCF).
- India and the United Kingdom have jointly announced the launch of the Infrastructure Financing Bridge during the 12th Economic and Financial Dialogue (EFD).
- The Indian Navy has taken a significant step towards enhancing the travel experience of its personnel and their families by collaborating with Uber, a leading global cab aggregator service.
- RBI, NPCI Introduce Credit Lines On UPI, Conversational Payments
- India And Saudi Arabia Sign Agreement On Cooperation In Energy Sector
- Thomas Cook India Partners With National Payments Corporation Of India
- Vijayawada Railway Station Gets IGBC's 'Green Railway Station' Certification
- Asia Cup 2023, Virat Kohli Becomes Fastest ODI Player To Reach 13,000 Runs
- Asia Cup 2023, Rohit Sharma Completes 10000 ODI Runs
- Political Cartoonist Ajit Ninan Passes Away At 68
- Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh launches One Week One Lab programme to showcase achievements of CSIR.

- West Bengal state government has come up with the State Education Policy, 2023.
- India-Saudi Arabia sign MoU in several areas including energy, digitalization, and investment.
- G20 New Delhi Leaders Declaration agrees to form new Working Group on Empowerment of Women.
- NTPC Green Energy Limited to collaborate with Nayara Energy for Green Hydrogen Production.
- Dhaka and Paris signed two bilateral instruments to enhance cooperation in different fields.
- Tamil Nadu's Vithya Ramraj wins the women's 400m in a personal best 52.40s at the Indian Grand Prix-5 athletics in Chandigarh.
- Viktor Axelsen clinched his first China Open title as An Se-young took the women's trophy.
- ICICI Bank Gets RBI Nod To Make I-Process Services As Wholly-Owned Subsidiary
- Every year, World Suicide Prevention Day is celebrated on September 10.
- National Forest Martyrs Day is observed on September 11 in India.
- IIM Indore And NSDC Partner To Transform Skill Development And Entrepreneurship In India



Importance: To mark the death anniversary of St. Jerome, the Bible translator who is considered the patron saint of translators.

Motto: To pay tribute to the work of language professionals, which plays an important role in bringing nations together, understanding and contributing to development and strengthening world peace and security.
Inception: 2017

St. Jerome

- He was a priest from North-eastern Italy.
- He is known mostly for his endeavour of translating most of the Bible into Latin from the Greek manuscripts of the New Testament.
- He also translated parts of the Hebrew Gospel into Greek.
- Jerome died near Bethlehem on 30 September 420.

Note: The UNGA has passed on 24 May 2017, a resolution to mark this day as International Translation Day, an act to recognise the role of professional translation in connecting nations.



- India proposed to launch a G-20 Satellite Mission for Environment and Climate Observation.
- The Manipur Cabinet approved a permanent housing scheme for displaced people and extended the 'disturbed area' status of the State.
- Bharat 6G Alliance and Next G Alliance sign MoU to explore collaboration opportunities
- India and the U.K. agree to continue to work at pace towards a free trade pact.
- India and Saudi Arabia join European Union and U.S. for an economic corridor project.
- Chess: Russian former World Champion Alexander Grischuk lifts the Blitz chess title.
- Government set up Crafts Bazaar on sidelines of G20 Summit in New Delhi.
- Phase II of the 21st edition of Varuna (Varuna-23) bilateral exercise between Indian and French Navy was conducted in the Arabian Sea.
- RBI approves Dipak Gupta as interim MD & CEO of Kotak Mahindra Bank (KMB).
- India's Mayank Chakraborty and Kazakhstan's Nazerke Nurgali emerged winners in the Tata Steel Asian junior rapid chess.
- Country's First Underground Power Transformer In Bengaluru Installed
- Jharkhand Cabinet Approves Pension And OBC Status For The Transgender Community
- 21st EDITION OF INDIA FRANCE BILATERAL NAVAL EXERCISE 'VARUNA' – 2023
- SBI Unveils Nation First Transit Card For Digital Fare Payments
- The International Day to Protect Education from Attack is an international observance established by the United Nations General Assembly on September 9 every year.
- Women's fashion brand W roped Anushka Sharma as Brand Ambassador
- The recently launched graphic novel, 'Ajay to Yogi Adityanath,' has made history by achieving the highest number of book launches, earning it a place in the Asia Book of Records.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi presented a 12-point proposal to expand cooperation between India and ASEAN.
- Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya (GSV)- Railway institute signs MoU with Airbus to create jobs.
- President Droupadi Murmu will inaugurate the biennial conference of the National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) of Asia Pacific in New Delhi.
- Southeast Asian leaders decided that Myanmar won't be allowed to lead ASEAN in 2026.
- Divya Deshmukh clinched the women's rapid title at the Tata Steel Chess India tournament
- State Bank of India (SBI) introduced 'Nation First Transit Card' to facilitate easy digital ticketing- fare payments.
- Finance Ministry notified rules to impose a 28% Goods and Services Tax (GST) for casinos, e-games.
- The African Union (AU) is set to join the G-20 as negotiators agreed on clearing its membership.
- Kerala To Host Inaugural Zayed Charity Marathon In 2024
- West Bengal Assembly Resolution On 'Poila Baisakh' As State Foundation Day
- INS Sumedha Has Arrived In Egypt To Participate In 'Exercise BRIGHT STAR-23'
- India Launches 'Hello UPI' and 'Bharat BillPay Connect' for Conversational Payments
- 'Moon Man Of India' Mylswamy Annadurai Joins The Board Of SS Innovations
- International Literacy Day is celebrated on September 8 every year to promote the importance of literacy for dignity and human rights, and a literate and sustainable society.
- World Physical Therapy Day or World Physiotherapy Day 2023 is celebrated on September 8 every year.
- Government approves scheme for Viability Gap Funding for development of Battery Energy Storage Systems.
- Indian Air Force (IAF) and Drone Federation of India will co-host Bharat Drone Shakti – 2023 at Ghaziabad.
- Minister for Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Giriraj Singh chairs National Conclave on Enabling 2 Crore 'LAKHPATI DIDI'S'.
- Cabinet approves additional fund requirement under Industrial Development Scheme, 2017 for Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand.
- Mexico's Supreme Court decriminalizes abortion across country.
- The 8th of September has been designated as World Physiotherapy Day (World PT Day).
- Indian men's team clinches bronze medal at Asian Table Tennis Championships 2023.
- Football: Mohun Bagan beat East Bengal 1-0 to lift Durand Cup 2023 in Kolkata.
- Centre approves 10% reservation for govt school students in medical education
- India Post and Shiprocket partner to strengthen e-commerce export ecosystem.
- Dharmendra Pradhan launches the Malaviya Mission – Teachers Training Programme by University Grants Commission.
- India enters MoUs with 8 countries to offer them Digital Stack, DPI at no cost.
- Union Education Ministry signed an agreement with Adobe to help children develop creative expression.



- India has unveiled the world's first portable disaster hospital, a groundbreaking facility that can be airlifted and consists of 72 cubes.
- The annual training exercise, Trishul, of the Western Air Command (WAC) of the Indian Air Force (IAF) has commenced.
- Union Shipping minister Sonawal inaugurates Vizag International Cruise Terminal.
- President of India, Droupadi Murmu unveiled the 12 feet high statue of Mahatma Gandhi and inaugurated 'Gandhi Vatika' at Gandhi Darshan, New Delhi.
- ASI's "Adopt a Heritage 2.0 programme" Indian Heritage app and e-Permission portal has been launched.
- Chinese Premier and second-ranked leader Li Qiang has been deputed to attend the G-20 meet in New Delhi.
- UAE creates federal authority to monitor 'commercial gaming'.
- Bad Bank's Chairman Karnam Sekar Resigns After Proposal To Merge With IDRCL
- Govt partners with Meta for 'Education to Entrepreneurship' to skill 500,000 entrepreneurs
- BEL Inks MoU With Israel Aerospace Industries
- Second edition of Naval Commanders' Conference, 2023 to begin in New Delhi.
- Assam government forms panel to draft anti-polygamy law.
- MeitY is set to integrate Personalised Adaptive Learning (PAL) into its existing Digital Infrastructure for Knowledge Sharing (DIKSHA) platform.
- State Bank of India announces introduction of UPI interoperability on CBDC.
- 43rd Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) summit in Jakarta to be held from 5th to 7th September.
- President to inaugurate 12-foot Mahatma Gandhi statue, 'Gandhi Vatika' near Rajghat
- Bajaj Auto's Subsidiary Receives RBI Approval for NBFC Operations
- Dr. Vasudha Gupta Assumes Charge As Principal DG Of Akashvani
- Indian Men's Hockey team beat Pakistan in thrilling final to win inaugural Men's Hockey 5s Asia Cup
- Aditya-L1, India's first solar observatory mission to be launched onboard the Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV).
- NCERT has been granted the deemed-to-be university status, Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan.
- The seventh and last stealth frigate of Project 17A, Mahendragiri, was launched at Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Ltd. (MDL) in Mumbai.
- Moody's raises India's CY23 growth forecast to 6.7%, from 5.5%.
- The Competition Commission of India (CCI) approved the merger of Vistara with Air India (AI).
- Russian President Vladimir Putin will host Turkish leader Recep Tayyip Erdogan for talks, amid bid to revive grain deal.
- Bhubaneswar and Guwahati to host India's first two FIFA World Cup 2026 Qualifiers.
- ASI Launches "Adopt a Heritage 2.0 programme" Indian Heritage app and e-permission portal
- Indo-US Task Force Aims to Boost Electronics Trade to \$100 Billion by 2033
- The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has recently given the green light to the merger of Tata SIA Airlines, which operates under the Vistara brand, with Air India, a subsidiary of Tata Sons Pvt. Ltd.
- Manish Desai Takes Charge of Press Information Bureau (PIB)
- Shanta Thoutam honoured with World Innovation Award at BRICS Innovation Forum
- Over 5,000 minors rescued by Mumbai Police so far this year under "Operation Muskaan", a Ministry of Home Affairs project.
- Union Minister Amit Shah to chair 26th meeting of Western Zonal Council at Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
- Madhya Pradesh raised the financial aid given to women in the Ladli Behna Scheme from ₹1,000 to ₹1,250 per month, 35 percent reservation for women in government jobs.
- India's space economy to grow to \$45 bn in next 10 years: IN-SPACE Chairman.
- The Union government halted the export of Basmati rice valued at less than \$1,200 a tonne.
- Archaeologists unearth 3,000-year-old priestly tomb in northern Peru.
- Red Bull's Max Verstappen clinches Dutch Grand Prix for the third year in a row, achieves ninth successive Formula One victory.
- Simone Biles wins record 8th US gymnastics title, a decade after her first title.
- An Se Young and Kunlavut Vitidsarn become the first women's and men's singles winners from South Korea and Thailand at the badminton world championships in Copenhagen.
- India is all set to open a climate change and health hub in New Delhi in partnership with the Asian Development Bank (ADB).
- Indian Oil Corporation, L&T and ReNew have set up a joint venture for pursuing green hydrogen projects.

- Zimbabwe's President Emmerson Mnangagwa was re-elected for a second and final term.
- Neeraj Chopra makes history by winning India's first-ever gold medal at World Athletics Championships.
- World Athletics: Parul Chaudhary broke National Record in women's 3000m steeplechase final and India finished fifth in men's 4x400m relay final.
- Prime Minister Modi becomes first Foreign Head of Government to be awarded 'The Grand Cross of the Order of Honour' by Greece.
- Defence Ministry signed a contract with Hindustan Shipyard Ltd, for acquisition of five fleet support ships (FSS) for Indian Navy at ₹19,000 crore.
- IIT Bombay partners with HSBC to support innovation-led green hydrogen initiatives.
- G-20 Ministers agreed to map global value chains, integrate small businesses with them and ease trade documentation.
- Germany develops device for visually impaired at sports of shooting.
- India and Greece pledge to upgrade ties to become strategic partners.
- RRR bagged six awards and Gangubai Kathiawadi won five awards at the 69th National Film Awards for the year 2021.
- Infosys ropes in Rafael Nadal as ambassador for brand Infosys and its Digital Innovation.
- Meta Platforms said it would release an artificial intelligence (AI) model designed to assist in writing computer code.
- Norway to become third country to give F-16 fighter jets to Ukraine.
- Australia's Nina Kennedy and American Katie Moon decided to share the women's pole vault gold medal in World Athletics Championship.
- An Astra indigenous air-to-air missile was successfully test-fired from the light combat aircraft (LCA), Tejas, off the coast of Goa.
- The sector skill council at Nasscom unveiled a 'Nasscom Talent Connect' portal.
- Tata signs MoU with Skoda Group for a joint venture to produce components for Indian railway and public mobility market.
- Canada, Brazil, Argentina, Germany, Honduras and Sweden are six new members to join World Boxing.
- Assam-based oncologist Ravi Kannan wins 2023 Ramon Magsaysay award.
- Army officers of African nation Gabon named Gen Brice Oligui Nguema as the new leader.
- Jais, the World's Most Advanced Arabic Large Language Model, has been released.
- Gukesh replaced Viswanathan Anand as the country's top-ranked player in Chess.

- Russia Launches Islamic Banking Pilot Program: Exploring Shariah-based Finance
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced that the 700 MW nuclear power plant located in Kakrapar, Gujarat, has commenced its operations at maximum capacity.
- Nagaland Becomes First State In North Eastern Region To Initiate Aadhaar Linked Birth Registration
- Viacom 18 Secures BCCI TV and Digital Media Rights in a 5-Year Deal Worth Rs 5,963 Crore
- Anand Mahindra welcomes MS Dhoni as Brand ambassador of Swaraj Tractors

G20 Timeline

1973

G6

G6 is formed to tackle the OPEC oil crisis and the collapse of the Bretton Woods system.

1976



Canada joins, making it G7.

1999



G20 is formed at the G7 Finance Ministers' meeting in response to the Asian financial crisis.

2008



G20 holds its first official summit in response to the global financial crisis.

2009



At their second summit, the G20 is officially designated as 'the premier forum for international economic co-operation'

2023



The African Union (AU) becomes a permanent member of the G20 at the New Delhi summit.

Aditya L1: India's mission to study the Sun



ISRO's spacecraft successfully launched from Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota on 02 Sept 2023. With this, India inched one step closer for the completion of its maiden Solar expedition. ISRO's trusted PSLV carried the Aditya L1 mission on a 125-day voyage to the Sun. The Aditya L1 spacecraft will stay in Earth's orbit for sixteen days. After four months of journey, the satellite will be placed on the L1 point in the halo orbit around the Sun. Aditya L1 is designed to provide remote observations of the Solar corona and conduct in-situ observations of the Solar wind at L1 (Sun-Earth Lagrangian point), which is about 1.5 million kilometres from the Earth.

Mission Details

Aditya-L1 is a satellite dedicated to the comprehensive study of the Sun. It has 7 distinct payloads developed, all developed indigenously. Five by ISRO and two by Indian academic institutes in collaboration with ISRO. Aditya in Sanskrit means the Sun. L1 here refers to Lagrange Point 1 of the Sun-Earth system. For common understanding, L1 is a location in space where the gravitational forces of two celestial bodies, such as the Sun and Earth, are in equilibrium. This allows an object placed there to remain relatively stable with respect to both celestial bodies.

Following its launch on September 2, 2023, Aditya-L1 stays Earth-bound orbits for 16 days, during which it undergoes 5 manoeuvres to gain the necessary velocity for its journey. Subsequently, Aditya-L1 undergoes a Trans-Lagrangian1 insertion manoeuvre, marking the beginning of its 110-day trajectory to the destination around the L1 Lagrange point. Upon arrival at the L1 point, another manoeuvre binds Aditya-L1 to an orbit around L1, a balanced gravitational location between the Earth and the Sun. The satellite spends its whole mission life orbiting around L1 in an irregularly shaped orbit in a plane roughly perpendicular to the line joining the Earth and the Sun.

The strategic placement at the L1 Lagrange point ensures

that Aditya-L1 can maintain a constant, uninterrupted view of the Sun. This location also allows the satellite to access solar radiation and magnetic storms before they are influenced by Earth's magnetic field and atmosphere. Additionally, the L1 point's gravitational stability minimizes the need for frequent orbital maintenance efforts, optimizing the satellite's operational efficiency.

Quick Facts: Aditya-L1 will stay approximately 1.5 million km away from Earth, directed towards the Sun, which is about 1% of the Earth-Sun distance. The Sun is a giant sphere of gas and Aditya-L1 would study the outer atmosphere of the Sun. Aditya-L1 will neither land on the Sun nor approach the Sun any closer.

Mission Objective:

The suits of Aditya L1 payloads are expected to provide most crucial information to understand the problem of coronal heating, coronal mass ejection, pre-flare and flare activities and their characteristics, dynamics of space weather, propagation of particle and fields etc.

Payloads:

The instruments of Aditya-L1 are tuned to observe the solar atmosphere mainly the chromosphere and corona. In-situ instruments will observe the local environment at L1. There are total seven payloads on-board with four of them carrying out remote sensing of the Sun and three of them carrying in-situ observation.

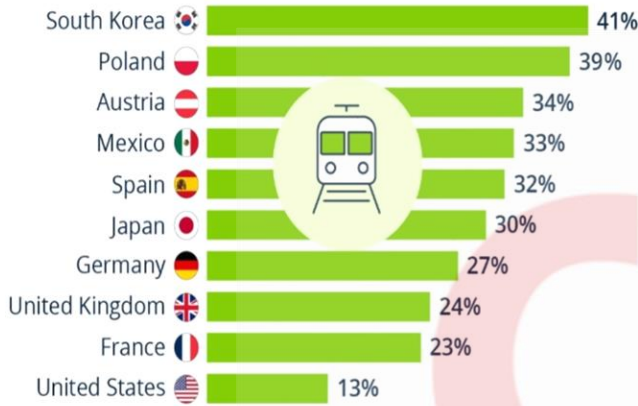
Nigar Shaji: Scientist behind ADITYA L1 Mission

Hailing from the greens of Sengottai, Tamil Nadu, Nigar Shaji is a graduate of the Madurai Kamaraj University. She joined ISRO in 1987 and currently resides in Bengaluru. Before joining the maiden solar mission, Shaji was transferred to UR Rao Satellite Centre in Bengaluru where she worked in different verticals building her expertise. She was also involved in the design of India's remote sensing, communication and interplanetary satellites in different capacities.

Info-graphics

Fare Play: Who's Riding Public Transit?

Share of people who take public transport on their commute to work/school/university



764-7,708 respondents (18-64 y/o) who commute surveyed per country Jul. 2022-Jun. 2023

Source: Statista Consumer Insights

The Cities With the Best Public Transit in 2023

Cities with the best public transport according to the 2023 Global Transport Index (10.00=best)*

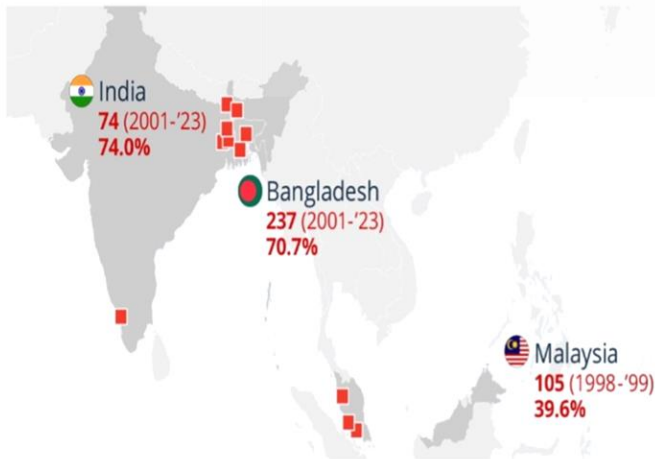


* Index based on: cost of public transport, number of metro routes, stops, shared bikes & e-scooter schemes, fleet size, number of electric vehicles. 19 cities surveyed.

Source: William Russell

The World's Small but Deadly Nipah Belt

Total number of confirmed Nipah virus deaths worldwide and average mortality rate per country



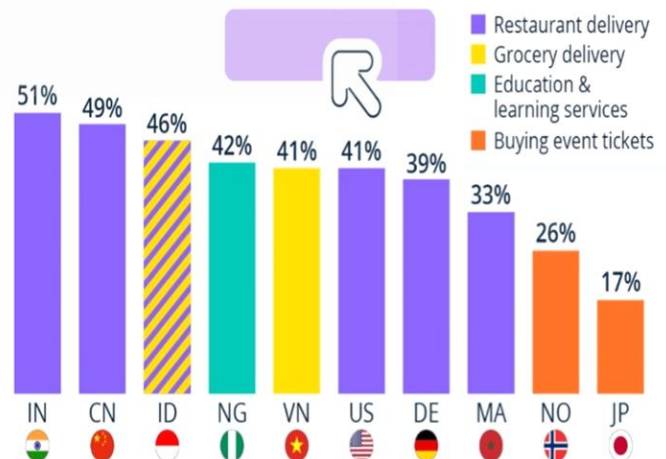
Zoonotic virus Nipah emerged in 1998.

One death in Singapore (part of Malaysia outbreak)

Sources: WHO, Malaysian Journal of Pathology, media reports

What's the Most Popular Service to Book Online?

Most booked online services in selected countries by share of respondents who said they had booked them*



1,000-5,000 respondents (18-64 y/o) per country surveyed Jul. 2022-Jun. 2023

* In the past 12 months

Source: Statista Consumer Insights

The Cities With the Slowest Traffic

Highest average travel time per 10 km in 2022, by city*

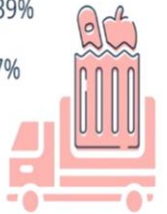
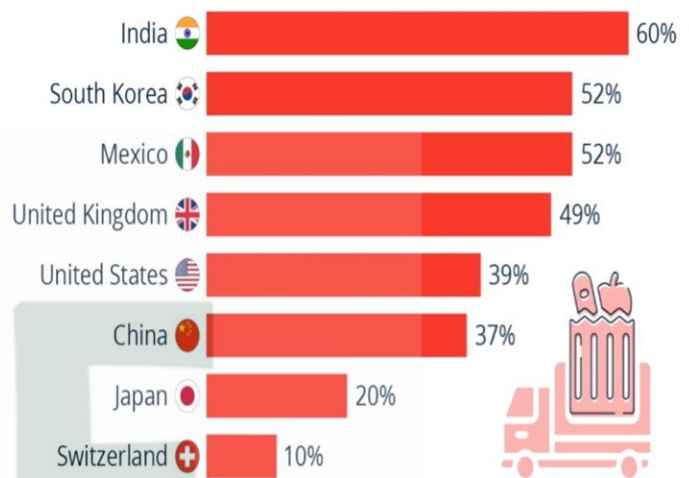


* Based on trip data from drivers within the larger metropolitan area or a 5 km radius from the city center throughout the complete road network in 390 cities across 56 countries

Source: TomTom Traffic Index

Grocery Delivery Makes It to the Mainstream

Share of respondents in selected countries who are grocery delivery users (2023)

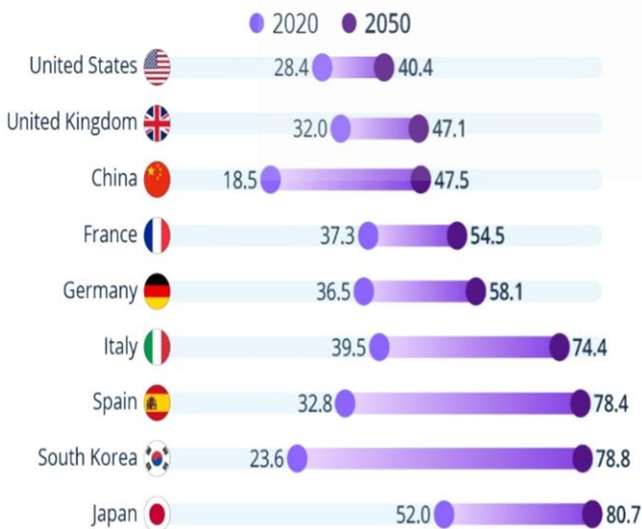


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Source: Statista Consumer Insights

The Looming Retirement Crisis

Projected evolution of the number of retirees per 100 working people in selected countries*



* Number of people older than 65 years per 100 people of working age (20-64). Projections based on 2019 demographic data.

Source: OECD - Pensions at a Glance 2021

The Countries That Attract the Most Migrants

Top destination countries for international migrants in 2000 and 2020* (in millions)



* Mid-year

Source: UN DESA, Population Division: International Migrant Stock



Where Most Money Is Sent Back Home

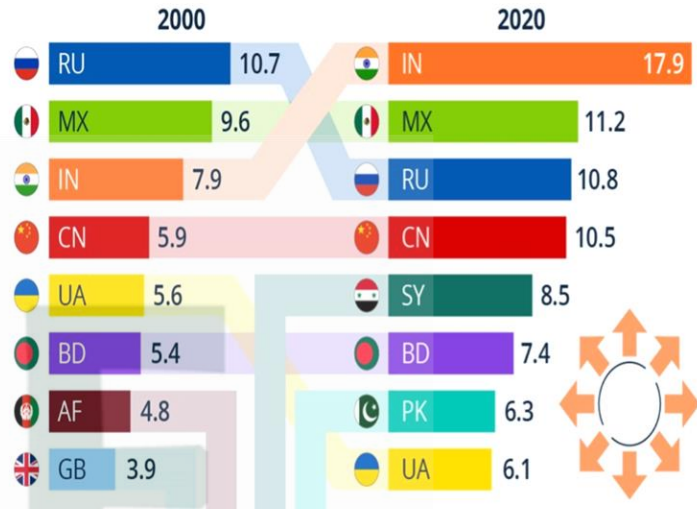
Top countries receiving international remittances (in USD billion)



Source: World Bank via World Migration Report 2022

India Has the World's Biggest Diaspora

Top countries of origin for international migrants in 2000 and 2020* (in millions)

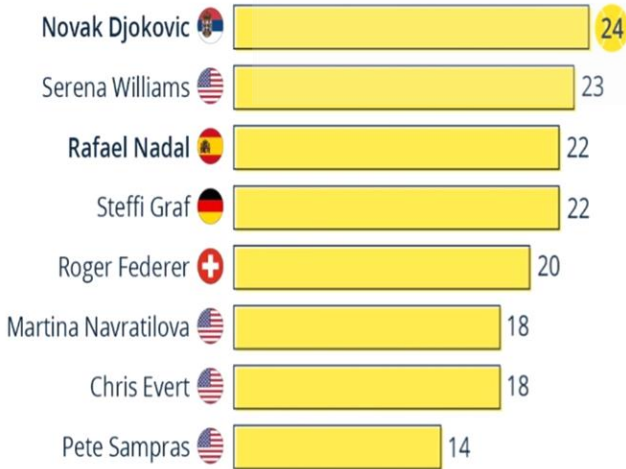


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Source: UN DESA, Population Division: International Migrant Stock

24 and Counting: Djokovic Plays for the Record Books

Number of Grand Slam singles titles won by professional tennis players in the Open Era (since 1968)

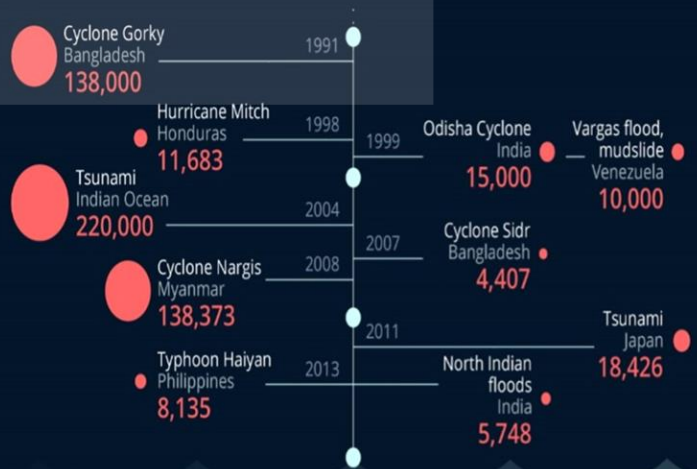


Players in bold still active. As of September 11, 2023.

Sources: ATP, WTA, ESPN

The Deadliest Floods & Storms of the Past Three Decades

Floods, tsunamis and storm surges with the biggest numbers of estimated fatalities since 1990



Singular events only

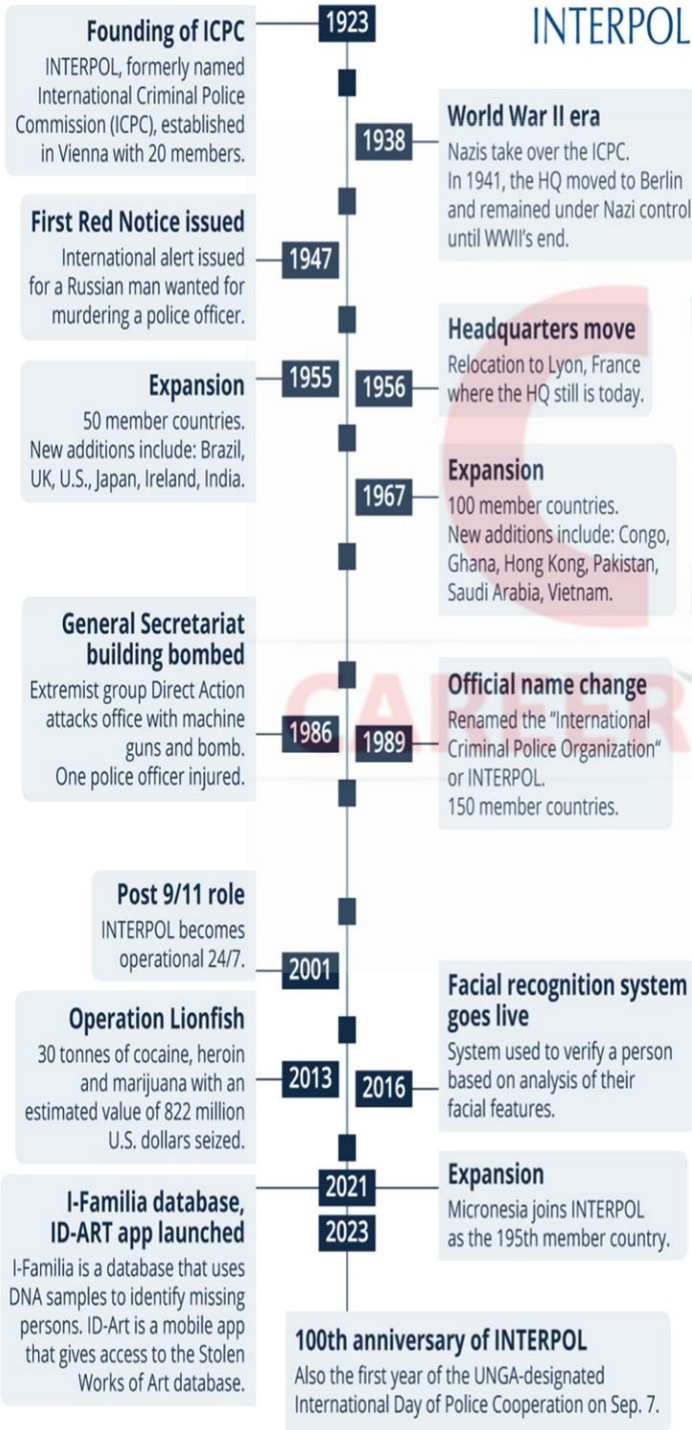
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100 Years of INTERPOL

Timeline of INTERPOL's major milestones and historical events since its founding in 1923

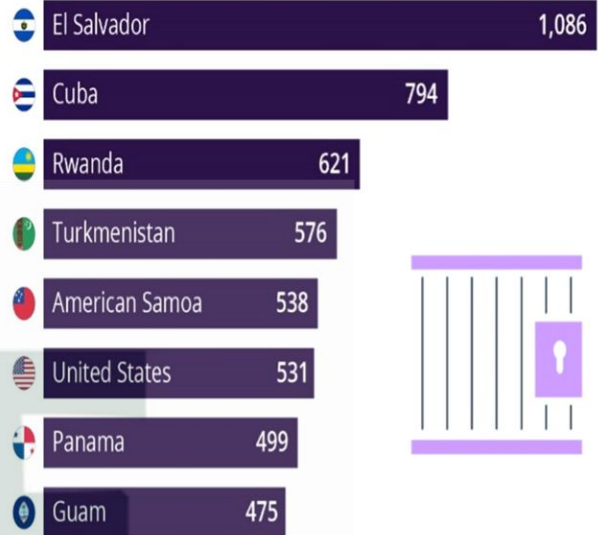


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The World Behind Bars

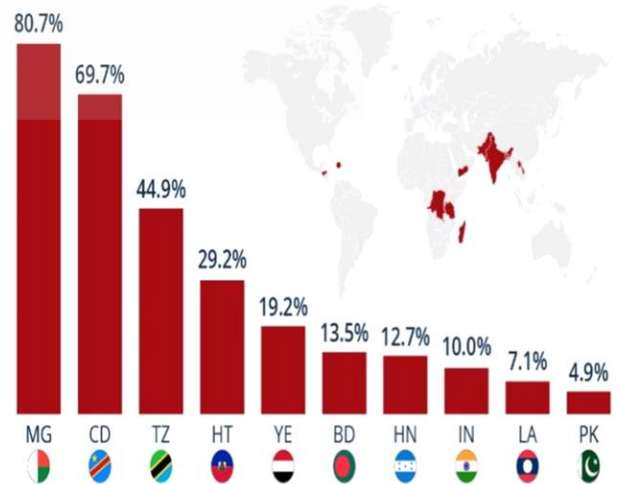
Countries with the highest prison population per 100,000 inhabitants*



* Data retrieved on Sep. 9, 2023
Source: ICPR

Where People Live in Extreme Poverty

Share of people in selected countries living below the international poverty line*



* Currently at \$2.15 a day. Latest available year: 2018-2019.
Bangladesh: 2016, Yemen: 2014, Haiti, Madagascar, DRC: 2012
Source: World Bank





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