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Important Personalities

- Hewlett-Packard (HP) has appointed whom as the Senior Vice President & Managing Director for its India market? **Ipsita Dasgupta**
- Who has taken over as the Director General Hospital Services (Armed Forces)? **Sadhna Saxena Nair**
- In October 2023, who has named as Indian women cricket team head coach? **Amol Muzumdar**
- Who has been elected as the new speaker of US House of Representatives? **Mike Johnson**

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World Vegan Day



IMPORTANCE

To commemorate the establishment of UK Vegan Society in 1944 and also highlight the terms "vegan" and "veganism".

MOTTO

To highlight the importance of animal rights.

WHO ARE VEGANS?

- Nowadays, Veganism is becoming popular.
- The Vegan term is coined in 1944.
- Vegan people choose not to consume dairy products including eggs and other products of animal origin.
- Also like vegetarians they don't eat meat.

CAMPAIGN

Live Vegan for Less

Inception: 1994

By: Louise Wallis

- Who has been elected as Malaysia's new king in the rotating monarchy system? **Sultan Ibrahim Iskandar**
- Recently, Javier Milei has been elected as the president of which country? **Argentina**
- Who has been appointed as the interim chief executive officer of OpenAI? **Mira Murati**

- Who has presented the maiden "NIB" (Navy's Intellectual Beacon) to Cdr M Arun Chakravarthy? **Adm R Hari Kumar CNS**
- State Bank of India has signed whom as its brand ambassador? **MS Dhoni**
- Who has been elected as Chairperson of the 76th session of the regional committee of South-East Asia? **Dr Mansukh Mandaviya**
- Who has been named as the convener of GST rate rationalisation panel? **SK Khanna**
- Who has been nominated to lead the World Health Organisation South-East Asia Region? **Saima Wazed**
- Who has been appointed as CEO & MD of Tata Power Renewable Energy? **Deepesh Nanda**
- Who has been appointed as Chairman of Armed Forces Tribunal? **Rajendra Menon**
- Who has been re-elected at UN Advisory Committee in November 2023? **Surendra K Adhana**
- Supreme Court has appointed whom as Permanent Judge of Calcutta High Court? **Justice SR Chowdhury**
- Reserve Bank of India has appointed whom as its new Executive Director? **Manoranjan Mishra**
- Who has been appointed as the 'Chief Information Commissioner' of India? **Hiralal Samaria**
- Who has recently appointed as CBI joint director? **Pravin Madhukar Pawar**
- What is the name of the Indian-origin New Jersey Senator, who has re-elected for 3rd term? **Vin Gopal**
- What is the name of the world's first robot CEO? **Mika**
- Who has been taken over as the command of Eastern fleet of Indian Navy? **Rajesh Dhankhar**
- Who has joined as an advisor to the Board at the US-India Strategic and Partnership Forum? **Ajay Kumar**
- Who has been appointed as the Indian envoy to the Caribbean Community? **Amit S Telang**
- Pedro Sanchez has recently re-elected as Prime Minister of which country? **Spain**
- US President Joe Biden has appointed whom as a member of the Administrative Conference of the United States Council? **Shakuntla L Bhaya**
- Kotak Bank board has appointed whom as their MD and CEO? **Ashok Vaswani**
- Who has been named as the new director of the Special Protection Group? **Alok Sharma**

- Lakshmi Ramakrishna Srinivas has been appointed as Additional Director of which bank? **South Indian Bank**
- Sourav Ganguly has been named as the Brand Ambassador of which state? **West Bengal**
- Name the Comptroller and Auditor General of India, who has recently elected as the vice-chair of UN external auditors' panel? **G C Murmu**
- Who has become the first woman to command Armed Forces Transfusion center? **Col Sunita BS**
- Who was the first woman judge of the Supreme Court who passed away recently? **Fatima Biwi**
- Politician 'Li Keqiang' has passed away, he was the former Prime Minister of which country? **China**
- Sarat Borkotoky, who has passed away recently, was a famous - **Politician**
- Climate change expert Professor Salimul Haq, who has passed away recently, hailed from which country? **Bangladesh**
- Who was the founder of Sahara Group who passed away recently? **Subrata Roy**
- BN Goswamy, who has passed away recently, was a famous - **Historian**
- Name the former governor of the Reserve Bank of India who has passed away in November 2023? **S Venkitaramanan**
- Malayalam novelist, P Valsala, who has passed away recently, was the former president of which academy? **Kerala Sahitya Academy**

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World
Tsunami Day



IMPORTANCE

To mark the adoption of the Sendai Framework by UN in 2015 after the Hyogo Framework, which emphasises the reduction of risk a key factor if the world is to achieve substantial reductions in disaster mortality.

MOTTO

To raise tsunami awareness and share innovative approaches to risk reduction.

WHAT IS TSUNAMI?

- The term 'Tsunami' is a Japanese term which means "harbour wave".
- A tsunami is a series of giant waves caused by earthquakes or undersea volcanic eruptions and underwater landslides.

NOTE

World Tsunami Awareness Day was the brain child of Japan. The date for the annual celebration was chosen in honour of the Japanese story of "Inamura-no-hi", meaning the "burning of the rice sheaves".

Inception: 2015

Edition: 9th

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Infant
Protection Day



IMPORTANCE

Infant Protection Day tended to the medical fraternity and the pediatric society, the significance of newborn child care.

MOTTO

To spread awareness about the safety of infants and protect their lives by taking proper care of infants.

Govt. Schemes related to Infants

- Maintenance of Orphan and Destitute Girls
- Foster Care Services Scheme
- Special Nutrition Programme
- Family and Child Welfare Project
- Integrated Development Services Scheme

NOTE

In India, the infant mortality rate is higher as compared to other countries due to the lack of health care.

National & International News

- Which district of Uttar Pradesh has organised the country's biggest Kanya Puja "Shakti Vadan"? **Gonda**
- Which state government has set up the Urban Road Infrastructure Development Agency (URIDA)? **Uttar Pradesh**
- Who was the chief guest on the occasion of 67th Dhamma Chakra Pravartan Day? **K Sri Dhammaratana Thero**
- Which operation has recently carried out by the Central Bureau of Investigation against cyber criminals involved in financial crimes? **Operation Chakra-2**
- India's first all-woman police station, which has celebrated its 50 years of foundation located in which state? **Kerala**
- Recently, PM Modi chaired meeting of 43rd edition of PRAGATI. What does "G" stands for in the abbreviation of "PRAGATI"? **Governance**
- The Prime Minister dedicated to the nation the left bank (85km) canal network of the Nilwande Dam in which state? **Maharashtra**
- National level Saras Aajeevika Mela 2023 has begun in which city? **Gurugram**
- Which country is hosting the UN Forum on 'Forest Fire and Certification'? **India**
- Who has inaugurated the 7th Edition of Indian Mobile Congress in New Delhi? **Narendra Modi**
- The 6th Indian Coast Guard (ICG) Subordinate Officers' Conclave has been organised in which city? **New Delhi**
- The Union Cabinet has approved the Jamrani Dam Project, it belongs to which state? **Uttarakhand**
- In which state did Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan launch 124 PM-Shri schools? **Haryana**
- The 15th Tribal Youth Exchange Program has been inaugurated in which city? **Mumbai**
- The annual festival "Mera Houchongba" has been celebrated in which state? **Manipur**
- Who has inaugurated the 4th Annual Conference of Indian Economics? **Manoj Sinha**
- The recently launched "Dark Patterns Buster Hackathon 2023" is associated with which field - **E-Commerce**
- Vice President Dhankar inaugurates Higashi Autism School in which city? **New Delhi**
- PM Narendra Modi has launched which platform for youth on National Unity Day? **Mera Yuva Bharat**
- The 6th session of the International Solar Alliance Assembly got underway in which city? **New Delhi**
- Who flagged off Gujarat's first heritage train? **Narendra Modi**
- Recently, Goa High Court has ordered to create a tiger reserve in which wildlife sanctuary? **Mhadei**
- Which state has banned marine fishing in Olive Ridley turtle habitation corridors? **Odisha**
- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh has inaugurated "India Manufacturing Show" in which city? **Bengaluru**
- The Iconic "Throne Room" at Raj Bhavan in Kolkata has named after whom? **Sardar Patel**
- Who has inaugurated a joint workshop with the National Science Foundation, USA? **S Krishnan**
- Which company has launched National Efficient Cooking Programme? **EESL**

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National Cancer Awareness Day



IMPORTANCE

To mark the birth anniversary of Nobel Laureate Marie Curie (In 1867), who conducted pioneering research on radioactivity.

MOTTO

To generate awareness about early detection and avoid leading cancer causing lifestyles.

Awards

- Nobel Prize in Physics (1903) •
- Davy Medal (1903) •
- Matteucci Medal (1904) •
- Actonian Prize (1907) •
- Elliott Cresson Medal (1909) •
- Nobel Prize in Chemistry (1911) •
- Franklin Medal of the American Philosophical Society (1921)



MARIE CURIE
(7 Nov 1867 - 4 Jul 1934)

Country: Poland
Discovered: Radium, Polonium

Inception: 2014
Edition: 10th



- Who has inaugurated the domestic sailing of the first international cruise liner 'Costa Serena' in India? **Sarbananda Sonowal**
- Which state has launched "Dr Puneeth Rajkumar Hrudaya Jyoti Yojana"? **Karnataka**
- Which edition of Ganga Utsav has been organized by National Mission for Clean Ganga in New Delhi? **Seventh**
- The First Australia India Education and Skill Council meeting has been held in which IIT? **IIT Gandhinagar**
- Who inaugurated the 'Children's Science Festival'? **Dr Jitendra Singh**
- The Indian Institute of Technology Madras has set up an international campus in which country? **Tanzania**

- Which Indian city has recently declared as the "City of Music" by UNESCO? **Gwalior**
- Airgun Surrender Abhiyan initiative is associated with which state that has selected as India's best success story on wildlife conservation? **Arunachal Pradesh**
- Where will 'India International Science Festival' 2023 be organized? **Faridabad**
- The International Conference on Plant Health Management 2023 is being organized in which city? **Hyderabad**
- London-based magazine Condé Nast has listed which city of India as one of the best places to visit in Asia in 2024? **Kochi**
- Which state government has launched the "Every Right for Every Child" campaign? **Uttar Pradesh**
- Global Fisheries Conference India 2023 has recently begun in which city? **Ahmedabad**
- The UP Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Ltd and the NTPC will jointly set up 1600mw Anpara-E thermal power plant in which district? **Sonbhadra**
- ASEAN-India Millet Festival 2023 has been started in which city? **Kota**
- In which state has President Draupadi Murmu launched the National Education Campaign named "New Education for New India"? **Odisha**
- Saffron of which district of Jammu and Kashmir has been given the tag of Geographical Indication? **Kishtwar**
- Recently, Ghol fish has declared state fish of which state? **Gujarat**
- In which city did the Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh inaugurate the 'Vidya Samiksha Kendra'? **Shimla**
- Which country has named the cyclonic storm 'Hamoon' that arose in the Bay of Bengal? **Iran**
- Which country has announced to grant free visas to visitors from India till 31 March, 2024? **Sri Lanka**
- Where has the EU and India have conducted Joint Maritime Exercise? **Gulf of Guinea**
- International Travel Exhibitions Asia has been held in which country from 25 - 27 October 2023? **Singapore**
- ICG Chief Rakesh Pal participates in 3rd Coast Guard Global Summit, took place in which country? **Japan**
- Agartala-Akhaura Rail Project is related to India and which country? **Bangladesh**
- In which country is the world's first AI Safety Summit being organized? **Britain**
- Which country has become the new member of the International Solar Alliance? **Chile**
- Where is the second 'World Local Production Forum' being organised? **Hague**
- The 10th ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting will be held in which country? **Indonesia**
- 6th meeting of the India-OPEC energy dialogue held in which country? **Austria**
- Which country will host the second edition of "Voice of Global South Summit"? **India**
- Name the deputy PM of Australia, who has recently co-chaired the 2nd India-Australia 2+2 Ministerial Dialogue? **Richard Marles**
- The ASEAN-India Millet Festival 2023 has recently started in which country? **Indonesia**

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Uttarakhand Foundation Day



IMPORTANCE

To mark the establishment of Uttarakhand state which is formed by the Uttar Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2000.

NOTE

It was formed on 9 November, 2000 by joining several districts from the Northwestern part of Uttar Pradesh and a portion of the Himalayan Mountain range. In 2007, the name of the state was formally altered from Uttaranchal to Uttarakhand.

FACTS ASSOCIATED

- Tungnath is the highest Lord Shiva temple in the World.
 - Nanda Devi (Altitude 7816 mtr.) is the highest peak of Uttarakhand which is 2nd highest in India.
 - Jim Corbett National park is oldest national park of India (Estb. 1936 for protection of tigers).
 - Tehri Dam is the tallest dam in India and one of the tallest in the world.
- Only state to have Sanskrit as its official language

Inception: 2000

Edition: 24th

State Animal: Himalayan musk Deer | State Bird: Himalayan Monal
State Flower: Brahma Kamal | State Tree: Burash

- In November 2023, Nirmala Sitaraman has inaugurated 12 GST Seva Kendra of which state? **Gujarat**
- Which state government has recently issued an order to implement 'Project Dolphin'? **Tamil Nadu**
- With whom has the Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Department developed the Agriculture 24/7 platform? **Wadhvani Institute**



Banking & Economy

- According to S&P India will surpass which country to become 2nd largest economy in Asia by 2030? **Japan**
- Government of India has decided to impose a minimum export price of how much on per tonne on onion till Dec 31, 2023? **\$800**
- Government of India has approved how much investment to Global Solar Facility under ISA? **\$25 million**
- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has inaugurated the branch of State Bank of India in which country? **Sri Lanka**
- Name the first foreign bank in India gave The Electronic Bank Guarantee platform? **HSBC**
- Which company has recently get GIFT City IFSC Registration? **India First Life**
- The World Bank has approved how much to strengthen Sri Lanka's financial and institutional sectors? **USD 150 million**
- Which Indian Institute of Technology has developed India's first information platform on Incubators & Accelerators? **IIT Madras**
- The recently launched "AGNI" initiative by the Govt of India is associated with which field? **Ayurveda**
- What is the name of the high-yielding black pepper variety developed by IISR? **Chandra**
- Airbus has tied up with which IIT to boost talent development in the Indian aerospace sector? **IIT Kanpur**
- Hindustan Aeronautics Limited has signed a MoU with which company to manufacture LEAP engine parts? **Safran Aircraft Engines**
- India has recently signed Mobility and Migration Partnership Agreement with which country? **Italy**
- With whom has the Election Commission signed an agreement to promote electoral literacy? **NCERT**
- With whom has APEDA signed an agreement to promote the export of Indian agricultural products? **Lulu Hypermarket**
- In collaboration with whom is Indian Railways going to launch 'Bharat Gaurav Tourist Train'? **IRCTC**
- Inland Waterways Authority of India has signed a MoU with which company to start movement of e-Commerce cargo in Ganga River? **Amazon**

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National Legal Services Day



IMPORTANCE

To commemorate the enactment of the Indian Legal Services Authorities Act 1987, which came into force on 9th November 1995.

MOTTO

To spread awareness for ensuring reasonable fair and justice procedure for all citizens.

NALSA

Constituted under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987. To provide free Legal Services to the weaker sections of the society. Chief Justice of India serves as the Patron-in-Chief NALSA

NOTE

On this day, Lok Adalats are organized across the country to make safe the legal system operations and encourages righteousness of people on the equality basis.

Inception: 1955

By: Supreme Court of India

Awards & Recognitions

- Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh has conferred the "Anubhav" award 2023 to whom? **Yogender Chaudhry**
- Who has been conferred with the prestigious "Durga Bharat Samman"? **Ajoy Chakrabarty**
- Which actress will receive "Chevalier dans l'ordre des Arts et des Lettres" award from Consul General of France? **Richa Chadha**



IMPORTANCE

It marks the day when World War-I ended, at 11am on the 11th day of the 11th month, in 1918.

MOTTO

The day was used as an occasion to honor unknown fallen soldiers.

NOTE

- In 1931, Alan Neill, Member of Parliament for Comox-Alberni, introduced a bill to observe Armistice Day only on November 11.
- Passed by the House of Commons, the bill also changed the name to "Remembrance Day".
- The first Remembrance Day was observed on November 11, 1931.

1st Observed: 1919

- Which ministry has recently awarded the "Special Operation Medal" for 4 Special Operations? **Ministry of Home Affairs**

- Who has been awarded the prestigious Ballon d'Or Award for the year 2023? **Lionel Messi**
- Who has been awarded by the second Rohini Nayyar prize? **Deenanath Rajput**
- Who has won the "Wildlife Photographer of the Year" award? **Vihaan Talya Vikas**
- Name the Indo-American author, who has won British Academy Book Prize for Cultural Understanding? **Nandini Das**
- In which stadium of India was the statue of great cricket player Sachin Tendulkar unveiled? **Wankhede Stadium**
- Name the eminent writer, who has been awarded the prestigious Kerala Jyothi Award 2023? **T Padmanabhan**
- Writer Leela Omchery, who has passed away in recently, was awarded by Padma Shri in which year? **2008**
- Uttar Pradesh has decided to celebrate "Kisan Samman Diwas" on the birth anniversary of whom? **Chaudhary Charan Singh**
- Who has been honored with the first "Lifetime Disturbing the Peace Award"? **Salman Rushdie**
- Who has named for Maharashtra's "Lata Mangeshkar Award 2023"? **Suresh Wadkar**
- Which company has won the prestigious Golden Peacock Award for Excellence in Corporate Governance for the year 2023? **HDFC Life**
- Which company has bagged award to develop Greenfield Port in Karnataka? **JSW Steel**
- Recently, who has received "Order of British Columbia"? **Ryan Reynolds**
- Sheynnis Palcios, who has crowned as 72nd Miss Universe 2023, hails from which country? **Nicaragua**
- Which state has won the "best state" award for inland fisheries? **Uttar Pradesh**
- Which institute will receive President's Colour Award? **Armed Forces Medical College Pune**
- Author Perumal Murugan has won the JCB Prize for Literature for which of his book? **Fire Bird**
- Who has been honoured with "Special Recognition for Contribution to Bharatiya Cinema" Award at 54th IFFI? **Madhuri Dixit**

Sports

- Who has clinched the title of women's singles at the Abu Dhabi Masters 2023? **Unnati Hooda**
- Which state bagged the first gold medal of the 37th National Games? **Assam**
- Which Indian athlete has bagged the first silver medal for India at the 4th Para Asian Games 2022? **Prachi Yadav**
- Who has won Silver in High Jump at Asian Para Games 2023? **Mariyappan Thangavelu**
- Which Indian won the gold medal in men's discus throw at the Asian Para Games 2023? **Neeraj Yadav**
- Who has won Gold in archery at Asian Para Games 2023? **Rakesh Kumar**
- Who has won Silver in women's 200m - T12 at Asian Para Games 2023? **Simran Vats**
- How many medals has India won in Para Asian Games 2023? **111**
- Recently, PM Modi has inaugurated 37th edition of National Games in which state? **Goa**
- Which Indian shooter has recently secured the 11th Paris Olympic quota for India in the Asian Shooting Championship? **Manu Bhakar**
- Who created a new national record in women's 20 km race walk at the 37th National Games in Goa? **Priyanka Goswami**
- Who has clinched Gold in 100m hurdles in record time at the 37th National Games? **Jyothi Yarraji**
- David Willey, who has announced his retirement from all formats of cricket, hail from which country? **England**
- In which dictionary has the word 'Bazball' related to cricket been added recently? **Collins**
- Who won the gold medal in the men's 50m rifle 3P event at the Asian Shooting Championships 2023? **Aishwarya Pratap Singh Tomar**
- Which country will host the FIFA Men's World Cup 2034? **Saudi Arabia**
- Indian Navy Sailing Championship 2023 will take place in which city? **Mumbai**
- Who has clinched the women's category title in the FIDE Grand Swiss? **R Vaishali**
- Which country will host the 24th Asian Archery Championships in 2025? **Bangladesh**
- Name the Indian steeplechase runner, who has recently set a new record of 3000 meter run in 8 minutes 37.15 seconds? **Sunil Joliya**
- Which West Indies player has recently announced his retirement from international cricket? **Sunil Narine**
- Which team won the title of Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy? **Punjab**
- 3rd Hockey India Senior Women Inter Department National Championship is being hosted by which company? **Indian Oil Corporation**
- Who has become the first cricketer in the world cricket history to be timed out? **Angelo Mathews**
- Who has won the Brazilian Grand Prix 2023? **Max Verstappen**
- Who has clinched 10m air rifle gold in National Games 2023 held in Goa? **Mehuli Ghosh**
- Which state has become first in National Games to cross 200 medal tally? **Maharashtra**
- Who has become the batsman to score the fastest double century in ODI World Cup history? **Glenn Maxwell**
- Which player won the 'Paris Masters' title in lawn tennis? **Novak Djokovic**
- Who has won the Super Bantamweight WBC India Boxing Title? **F Zoramchhana**
- Who has become the first Indian woman cricketer to be inducted into ICC's 'Hall of Fame'? **Diana Edulji**
- Which cricketer has become the first batsman to score 50 ODI century and surpassed Tendulkar's haul? **Virat Kohli**
- Which player has made the record of scoring most runs in a single World Cup edition? **Virat Kohli**
- In November 2023, Australia has won which edition of Cricket World Cup? **Thirteenth**
- Which player won the Player of the Tournament title in the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2023? **Virat Kohli**
- Novak Djokovic has won a record seventh title at the ATP Finals by defeating whom? **Jannik Sinner**
- In which country will the ICC Men's U19 Cricket World Cup 2024 be organized? **South Africa**

Science & Technology

- Which country has become first nation to launch an electromagnetic railgun from an offshore vessel?
Japan
- Name the stealth guided missile destroyer which has recently delivered to Indian Navy in October 2023?
INS Imphal



IMPORTANCE

To recognize an act of kindness and or ask that an act of kindness be done.

MOTTO

To highlight and encourage people, society, and the community to do good things and be kind to everyone.

HISTORY BEHIND

- The 1st Small Kindness Movement conducted in mid 1990s.
- The above conference was successful and another was held in 1997.
- These conferences boosted the World Kindness Movement.
- And finally, in 1998 World Kindness Day was established by the World Kindness Movement.

WHAT IS KINDNESS?

It is a quality that is defined as being friendly, generous and considerate.

Inception: 1998

Edition: 26th

- In which city did the Union Minister Amit Shah has inaugurated Country's first Nano DAP plant?
Gandhinagar
- Which company has unveiled "Vikram-1" rocket which will launch satellites in early 2024?
Skyroot Aerospace
- Which Indian Institute of Technology has incubated start-up builds robot to clean petrol tanks?
IIT Guwahati
- Indian Navy has recently decommissioned which long range Maritime Patrol Aircraft in October 2023?
Ilyushin Il-38
- Which project has been launched by DRDO to revolutionize air defense capabilities?
Project Kusha
- What is the name of guided missile destroyer of Indian Navy, which has recently unveiled by Shri Bhupendra Patel in November 2023?
Surat
- In which area has a new species of gecko been discovered recently?
Western Ghats
- Who launched the 'Bharat Organics' brand of National Cooperative Organics Limited?
Amit Shah
- India is procuring Igla-S anti-aircraft missiles from which country?
Russia
- For real-time prompt and effective Parliament business, which portal has been launched by Ministry of Science & Technology?
Dashboard
- What is the name of 4th Anti-Submarine Warfare Craft which has launched recently by Indian Navy?
Amini
- Which four Indian Naval Sailing Vessels will participate in the Inter-Command Ocean Sailing Race from Kochi to Goa, conducted by the Indian Navy?
Bulbul, Neelkanth, Kadalpura, and Hariyal
- Which company has launched the country's first Made in India AI SuperCloud?
NeevCloud
- Which country has inaugurated world's largest single-site solar power plant?
UAE
- As a part of the ongoing Extended Operational Deployment to Africa, which Indian Naval Ship has deployed at Maputo, Mozambique?
INS Sumedha



Miscellaneous

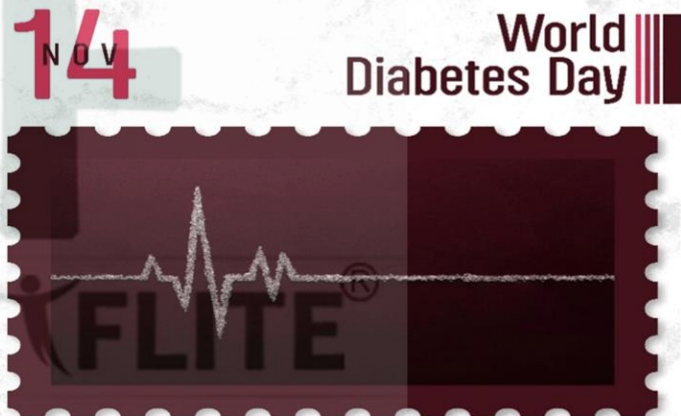
- Which country has topped top in the OECD's International Migration Outlook: 2023 report? **India**
- When has The United Nations World Development Information Day celebrated in October 2023? **24 October**
- Indian Army has celebrated Shaurya Diwas recently on which day of October? **27 October**
- What is the theme of "Vigilance Awareness Week 2023"? **Say no to corruption; Commit to the Nation**
- World Stroke Day 2023 has been observed on which day of October? **29th October**
- Festival Mera Houchongba 2023 has been celebrated in which state? **Manipur**
- The Army Aviation Corps has celebrated its 38th Raising Day on which day? **01 November**
- Which Indian city has ranked fourth globally in terms of price rise of luxury homes? **Mumbai**
- Which government entity has celebrated its 71st Foundation Day recently on 01 November? **EPFO**
- According to the EdelGive Hurun India's Philanthropy List for 2023, who has topped in the list with Rs 2042-crore donations? **Shiv Nadar**
- World Biosphere Reserve Day has been observed on which day? **03 November**
- In November 2023, how many illegal betting platforms have banned by the Government of India? **22**
- What is the theme of World Radiography Day 2023? **Celebrating Patient Safety**
- The recently erupted volcano "Klyuchevskaya Sopka" is located in which country? **Russia**
- Snakes, Drugs and Rock 'n' Roll is the name of whose memoir, which will be released in January 2024? **Romulus Whitaker**
- What is the theme of "National Education Day 2023"? **Embracing Innovation**
- Gujarati Formation Day has been observed on which day of November 2023? **14 November**
- Which state's foundation day has been celebrated on 15th November? **Jharkhand**
- Who has become the first woman to skydive from 21,500 feet near Mount Everest? **Sheetal Mahajan**
- When is 'World Philosophy Day' 2023 being celebrated this year? **16 November**
- The joint military exercise 'Exercise Mitra Shakti-2023' is being organized with India and which country? **Sri Lanka**
- National Press Day has been celebrated on which day in November 2023? **16 November**
- Southern Naval Command has decided to commemorate birth centenary of whom in November 2023? **Admiral Ronald Lynsdale**
- The death anniversary of which Indian revolutionary has been observed on 17th November 2023? **Lala Lajpat Rai**
- National Epilepsy Day 2023 has been observed on which day of November? **17th November**
- Recently, on which day of November, Indian Army has celebrated the 243th Corps of Engineers Day? **18th November**
- What is the theme of World Day of Healing from Child Abuse 2023? **Prevention, protection and healing**
- The "Braj Raj Utsav" in Mathura will be celebrated on November 23 on the birth anniversary of whom? **Meera Bai**
- What is the theme of "World Children's Day 2023"? **For Every Child, Every Right!**
- In which state is the 54th 'International Film Festival of India' being organised? **Goa**
- What is the theme of World AMR Awareness Week 2023 (18 – 24 November 2023)? **Preventing antimicrobial resistance together**
- The recently launched book "Thread By Thread" is based on the life of whom? **Shambhu Kumar Kasliwal**
- Which Bollywood actor has topped in IMDb's list of most popular Indian stars of 2023? **Shah Rukh Khan**
- 2nd edition of Joint Military Exercise AUSTRALIND-23 will be conducted in which city? **Perth**

Important Days

Day	Observed/Celebrated As	Motto/Importance
1 December	World AIDS Day	LET COMMUNITIES LEAD
2 December	National Pollution Control Day	To control the Industrial disaster and to reduce the level of pollution.
3 December	World Day of the Handicapped	Transformative solutions for inclusive development
4 December	Indian Navy Day	To recognize the achievements and role of the Indian Navy to the country
5 December	World Soil Day	Soil and Water: A source of Life
7 December	Armed Forces Flag Day	To honor the martyrs and the men in uniform who valiantly fought on our borders to safeguard the country's honor.
9 December	International Anti-Corruption Day	UNCAC at 20: Uniting the World Against Corruption.
10 December	Human Rights Day	Dignity, Freedom, and Justice for All
11 December	International Mountain Day	Restoring mountain ecosystems
14 December	World/National Energy Conservation Day	To drive mass awareness about importance of energy efficiency and conservation
16 December	Vijay Diwas	To commemorate India's victory over Pakistan in Indo-Pakistani War of 1971 for the liberation of Bangladesh from Pakistan
18 December	International Migrants Day	HARNESSING THE POTENTIAL OF HUMAN MOBILITY
19 December	Goa's Liberation Day	It commemorates the freeing of Goa from Portuguese rule by the Indian Armed Forces on 19 December 1961
20 December	International Human Solidarity Day	To commemorate the day on which UNGA identifies solidarity as one of the fundamental and universal values in 20 Dec 2005
22 December	National Mathematics Day	To mark the birth anniversary of legendary mathematician, Srinivasa Ramanujan
23 December	Kisan Diwas	To mark the birth anniversary of Chaudharicharan singh on 23 Dec 1902, Who was the 5th PM of India.
25 December	Good Governance Day (India)	To Mark the birth anniversary of former-Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

Let's Recap

- India's first lighthouse festival has begun in which state in September 2023? **Goa**
- BankID BankAxept AS has selected which Indian company to boost Norway's national payments, e-ID systems? **TCS**
- Who has become the first Odia to receive the Norman Borlaug Award? **Dr Swati Nayak**
- What is the rank of India in the Economic Freedom Index among 165 countries? **87th**
- Researchers from the Cochin University of Science and Technology has named a new species of marine tardigrade after whom? **Dr APJ Abdul Kalam**
- Recently, India has won gold medal in which category of men's shooting at the Asian Games 2023? **10m Air Rifle**
- United Nations has launched a joint capacity-building initiative with which country for Global South? **India**
- Antyodaya Diwas has celebrated in India on September 25 to honour whom? **Pt Deendayal Upadhyaya**
- Indian Council for Cultural Relations has organised which edition of the Indo-Latin America Cultural Festival? **4th**
- Recently, India has got its 54th Tiger Reserve as "Veerangana Durgavati Tiger Reserve", located in which state? **Madhya Pradesh**
- For how many years has the Central Government extended the tenure of RBI Deputy Governor M Rajeshwar Rao? **01 year**
- In which city will the IBSA Blind Football Intercontinental Cup 2023 be organized? **Kochi**
- Who has inaugurated the 'India Energy Summit 2023'? **RK Singh**
- World Tourism Day 2023 has been observed on which day of September? **27 September**
- Recently, India has clinched the gold medal in women cricket by defeating which team in the 2023 Asian Games? **Sri Lanka**
- Union govt has organised which national event focused on the role of women in technological advances? **SHAKTI-2023**
- Who has won gold in women's 50m rifle 3P with a world record score of 469.6 at the Asian Games 2023? **Sift Kaur Samra**
- What is the theme of the World Tourism Day 2023? **Tourism and green investment**
- Name the father of India's Green Revolution who has passed away recently? **Dr M S Swaminathan**
- Kotak Mutual Fund has launched investor education program in partnership with which board of education? **CBSE Board**
- Which currency has emerged as the best-performing currency of the September quarter in 2023? **Afghani**
- Ministry of Tourism has organised the Global Launch of which initiative in September 2023? **Travel for LiFE**
- Who has been elected as chairman of Media Research Users Council India? **Shailesh Gupta**
- The Dornier Do-228 aircraft which has recently inducted into the Indian Air Force is manufactured by which company? **HAL**
- Which city has got the top spot for green office spaces in India? **Bengaluru**



IMPORTANCE

To mark the birth anniversary of Sir Frederick Banting, who co-discovered insulin along with Charles Best in 1922.

MOTTO

To raise awareness around the crucial role that nurses play in supporting people living with diabetes.

2023 THEME

Access to Diabetes Care

CREATED BY

IDF and WHO

NOTE

The campaign is represented by a blue circle logo that was adopted in 2007 after the passage of the UN Resolution on diabetes. The blue circle is the global symbol for diabetes awareness.

Inception: 1991 | Official Status: 2006 | Edition: 18th

- Name the father of India's Green Revolution who has passed away recently? **Dr M S Swaminathan**
- Recently launched "Sankalp Saptah" will be observed at block level in how many districts across the country? **329 districts**
- Which tech giant has unveiled its Earthquake Alerts System for smartphones in India? **Google**
- SBI Life Insurance has appointed whom as its new Chief Executive Officer? **Amit Jhingran**
- Reserve Bank of India has given approval to International Finance Corporation to acquire stake in which bank? **Federal Bank**
- On World Tourism Day, The Tourism Minister of Uttarakhand has unveiled the country's first Cartography Museum in which city? **Mussoorie**

- Which state/UT has achieved 100% "Open Defecation Free Plus Model" status? **Jammu and Kashmir**
- Tajinderpal Singh Toor has clinched the gold medal in which sport at the Asian Games 2023? **Shot Put**
- Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of the Advertising Standards Council of India? **Saugata Gupta**
- Outside India, in which country will the largest statue of Dr BR Ambedkar be unveiled? **USA**
- India's first solar roof cycling track was inaugurated in which city? **Hyderabad**
- Who has become the first woman to receive Global Indian Award? **Sudha Murty**
- Who has become the third Indian track and field athlete to win gold at the 2023 Asian Games, winning the women's 5000m? **Parul Chaudhary**
- Which country has launched Southeast Asia's First High-Speed Railway "Whoosh"? **Indonesia**
- Who has won the gold in women's javelin throw at Asian Games 2023? **Annu Rani**
- Who has been promoted to the role of global CEO of PayU succeeding Laurent Le Moal? **Anirban Mukherjee**
- Mounji G Bawendi, Louis E Brus and Alexei I Ekimov have been awarded by The Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2023 for the discovery and synthesis of - **Quantum dots**
- India and Bangladesh have commenced the 11th edition of joint military exercise SAMPRITI in which state? **Meghalaya**
- What is the theme of World Teachers' Day 2023? **The teachers we need for the education we want: The global imperative to reverse the teacher shortage**
- Who has been awarded the prestigious Tata Literature Live Lifetime Achievement Award? **C S Lakshmi**
- Which board will be established by the Union government of India to focus on the development and growth of turmeric? **National Turmeric Board**
- Name the former MD and CEO of HDFC Bank, who has joined Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu India LLP as senior adviser? **Aditya Puri**
- Who has been appointed as the new Executive Director by the Reserve Bank of India? **Munish Kapoor**
- Which Union Ministry launched 'CRIIO 4 GOOD modules'? **Ministry of Education**
- Who has won the 2023 Nobel Peace Prize? **Narges Mohammadi**
- Sonam Malik has bagged which medal in women's freestyle 62kg category? **Bronze**
- Reserve Bank of India has maintained the repo rate at what percentage? **6.50 Percent**

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Children's Day



IMPORTANCE

To mark the birth anniversary of India's first prime minister Jawaharlal Nehru who was born on November 14, 1889.

MOTTO

To increase awareness of the rights, care and education of children.

HISTORY BEHIND

Before 1964, India celebrates this day on November 20 (the United Nations observes it on this day.)

However, after the death of Pandit Nehru in 1964, it was decided that his birthday be celebrated as Children's Day.

NOTE

Children's Day began in 1857 by Reverend Dr Charles Leonard in US.
Even though this Day is celebrated globally in the world on June 1.
While Universal Children's Day takes place annually on November 20.

Inception: 1959

Edition: 65th

- What is the theme of BioAsia 2024, annual event dedicated to the life sciences sector? **Data and AI: Redefining Possibilities**
- Which state government has launched Mukhymantri Nirmaan Shramik Pension Yojana? **Chhattisgarh**
- Which country has elected as President of Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development for a third successive term? **India**




- The recently inaugurated country's first high-tech sports training centre for Divyangjan has been named after whom? **Atal Bihari Vajpayee**
- Which state has recently created three district Malpura, Sujargarh, and Kuchaman City? **Rajasthan**
- Who has become the First Asian Games Gold Medalist from Nagpur? **Ojas Deotale**
- Who has won gold medal in the women's individual archery at the 19th Asian Games? **Jyothi Surekha Vennam**
- India has began ferry service to the Sri Lanka from which district? **Nagapattinam**
- Which country is the host of Pacific Asia Travel Association (PATA) Travel Mart 2023? **India**
- How many gold medals did India win in the Asian Games 2023, concluded recently? **28 Gold**
- When the World Post Day has been celebrated recently? **09 October**
- Kelvin Kiptum, who has sets Marathon World record at Chicago Marathon, hails from which country? **Kenya**
- Which bank has introduced a new card called NAV-eCash? **State Bank of India**
- Which country has taken over as chair of Indian Ocean Rim Association? **Sri Lanka**
- Who has inaugurated the "Bharat NCX 2023" ceremony? **Ajay Kumar Sood**
- Name the player who has won the U-19 Girls' National Chess Championship 2023? **Shubhi Gupta**
- Which country is chairing the 2023 International Conference on Climate Change and Nuclear Energy from 9th to 13th October? **UAE**
- Sarat Chandra Mishra, who has passed away recently, was the former DGP of which state? **Odisha**
- Who has been appointed as Director (Industrial Systems & Products) of BHEL? **Bani Verma**
- Which Indian company has unveiled the space economy vision for 2023-33? **IN-SPACE**
- According to the 14th report on States/UTs performance on CPGRAMS, which two states disposed of the maximum number of grievances in September 2023? **Uttar Pradesh and Gujarat**
- Dabhyabhai Shastri, who has passed away recently, was the founder of which college? **Brahmarshi Sanskrit Mahavidyalaya**
- In which state will the 37th National Games be organized? **Goa**
- Which cricket team has made the record of the biggest run chase in the history of ODI World Cup? **Pakistan**
- What is the rank of India in Global Hunger Index 2023? **111th**
- VJ Kurian has been appointed as the new chairman of which bank? **South Indian Bank**

- Who has been honoured by US First Lady Jill Biden for "Girls Leading Change" celebration? **Gitanjali Rao**
- The 23rd Council of Ministers of IORA met in Colombo as Sri Lanka assumed the chairmanship. Which country has assumed the position of Vice Chair in IORA? **India**
- Which operation has been launched by India to facilitate the return from Israel of its citizens? **Operation Ajay**
- In which state, 7 bridge projects worth Rs 118.50 crore have been approved under the Setu Bandhan Scheme? **Arunachal Pradesh**
- Which company has secured the "Best Innovation in Refinery" award for the year 2022-23 from the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas? **Oil and Natural Gas Corporation**
- World Athletics has nominated which Indian athlete for the Men's Athlete of the Year award 2023? **Neeraj Chopra**
- Recently, Government of India has granted "Navratna" status to which company? **RITES Ltd**
- Which Hollywood actor will be honoured with the Satyajit Ray Excellence in Film Lifetime Award at the 54th International Film Festival of India? **Michael Douglas**

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Jharkhand
Foundation Day



IMPORTANCE
To mark the establishment of the State Jharkhand which was founded by the Bihar Reorganisation Act on 15 November 2000 as the 28th State of India.

FACTS BEHIND
Official Language: Hindi
Largest City: Jamshedpur
Districts: 24
State Animal: Indian Elephant
State Bird: Koel
Flower: Palash
Tree: Sal
Dance Form: Chhau
Major Food Crop: Rice

NOTE
 Jharkhand is the only state that produces coking coal, uranium, and pyrite.
 Also known as "The land of forest" or 'Bushland'.

Inception: 2000

Edition: 24th

- Om Birla has recently handed over P20 Presidency to which country? **Brazil**
- Recently, who has conferred National Intellectual Property Awards 2023? **Piyush Goyal**
- Which edition of Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) Annual Tourism Summit has been inaugurated recently? **17th**
- Which Indian city has secured 19th spot in Global Prime Residential Index? **Mumbai**
- First ever mobile tower has been installed at Siachen Glacier by Indian Army in partnership with which company? **BSNL**
- In which state has Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya recently inaugurated the state's first medical college? **Nagaland**
- Who has been elected as the newly elected Prime Minister of New Zealand? **Christopher Luxon**
- Name the former Chief Election Commissioner who has passed away recently in October 2023? **Manohar Singh Gill**
- The Union Ministry of Tourism awarded the title of "Best Tourism Village of India 2023" to which village of Punjab? **Nawanpind Sardaran**
- Which state has unveiled its first 3D-printed building, named Amaze-28? **Kerala**
- The recently discovered toad species in Dampa tiger reserve of Mizoram has been named after whom? **Subramanian Bhupathy**
- Who has won the Best Actor Award in National Film Awards conferred recently? **Allu Arjun**
- International Day for the Eradication of Poverty has been observed on which day of October? **17 October**
- In which country will the 4th Asian Para Games be organized? **China**
- Who has been appointed as the chief justice of Manipur High Court? **Justice Siddharth Mridul**
- What percentage increase in dearness allowance for central government employees has been approved by the Union Cabinet? **4 Percent**
- On what theme will 'Ayurveda Day' be organized this year? **'Ayurveda for One Health'**
- The fourth agriculture road map (2023-2028) has been launched in which state by President Draupadi Murmu? **Bihar**
- In October 2023, which Indian airport has been recognized as the "world's most punctual airport" for the past three consecutive months? **Kempegowda International Airport**
- Which tech company has inked 3 pacts with IT Ministry on semiconductor, AI, Q-computing? **IBM**
- In October 2023, which cricket team has smashed the highest ever T20 total in Indian cricket history? **Punjab**
- Who has chaired the Regional Conference of India's ASEAN and East Asia Ambassadors in Singapore? **Dr S Jaishankar**
- National Handicrafts Exhibition- Gandhi Bunkar Mela has recently begun in which city? **Kolkata**
- Which state has approved the formation of "Special Tiger Protection Force" for tiger reserves? **Arunachal Pradesh**
- Who has been appointed as the new Governor of Odisha? **Raghuvar Das**
- Which Indian Chess Grandmaster has beaten World number One Magnus Carlsen in Qatar Masters? **Karthikeyan Murali**
- Who has inaugurated project "Heartland Tripura", aimed at boosting employment & employability in Tripura? **Rajeev Chandrasekhar**
- Which Indian city has been chosen as host city of ABB FIA Formula E World Championship in 2024? **Hyderabad**
- Which education board has developed Vidya Samiksha Software- "Saagar se Saraansh"? **CBSE**
- What is the theme of world statistics day 2023? **"Connecting the world with data we can trust"**
- National Police Commemoration Day 2023 has been observed on which day of October 2023? **21 October**
- Which village of Gujarat has received global recognition as one of the best tourist villages awarded by the United Nations World Tourism Organisation? **Dhordo Village**
- Who will be the next Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer of Kotak Mahindra Bank? **Ashok Vaswani**
- Bishan Singh Bedi has passed away, he was associated with which sport? **Cricket**
- Which bank has unveiled "XpressWay" digital platform for Swift Loans? **HDFC Bank**

Quick Bytes

- Prime Minister launches 'Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat)' platform on the National Unity Day
- Deepesh Nanda Appointed As CEO & MD Of Tata Power Renewable Energy
- Saima Wazed Elected as WHO Regional Director for South-East Asia
- India-Born Author Nandini Das Wins 2023 British Academy Book Prize
- Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar Wins Gold Medal In The 50m Rifle 3P event

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his Bangladeshi counterpart Sheikh Hasina jointly inaugurated key rail link between Tripura's Nischintapur and Gangasagar, 65-km Khulna-Mongla Port Rail Line, and Unit 2 of the Maitree Super Thermal Power Plant in Bangladesh's Rampal.
- Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's daughter, Saima Wazed, was elected Regional Director of the World Health Organization's South-East Asia region.
- National Games: A.B. Arun wins triple jump gold and breaks record.
- The Army's Light Combat Helicopter (LCH) Prachand successfully carried out inaugural firing of 70 mm rockets and 20 mm turret guns.
- Canada bans WeChat app and Kaspersky on government phones.
- Lionel Messi won the eighth Ballon d'Or of his career, while Spain's World Cup-winning star Aitana Bonmati took the women's prize.
- India To Host 2024 World Telecommunication Standardisation Assembly
- Rajnath Singh Inaugurated 'India Manufacturing Show' In Bengaluru
- Thailand is taking steps to revitalize its tourism industry by allowing visa free entries for the citizens of India and Taiwan.
- The US Military Has Set Its Latest Minuteman III Missile Launch To "Showcase" Its Nuclear Capability.
- BoA Appoints 'Kadgatoor Sheetal Venkatesmurt' As Head Of Digital Channels
- Zurich Insurance Group To Take 51% Stake In Kotak General Insurance
- Eminent Writer T. Padmanabhan Receives Prestigious Kerala Jyothi Award
- Union Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Sarbananda Sonowal launches the domestic sailing of the first International Cruise Liner 'COSTA SERENA' in India at Mumbai.
- Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals organises 5th Edition of ICC Sustainability Conclave 2023.
- ECI signs MoU with the Ministry of Education to bring Electoral Literacy to Classrooms across the country.
- SBI Card Partners With Reliance Retail To Introduce 'Reliance SBI Card'
- World Vegan Day has been celebrated annually on November 1 since its inception in 1994 when 'The Vegan Society' was established in England.

17th National Epilepsy Day



IMPORTANCE
To make people aware not to panic from the disease and take proper medication.

MOTTO
To generate awareness among people about epilepsy, its symptoms, diagnosis, and treatment options.

ORGANISATION INVOLVED
Epilepsy Foundation of India

WHAT IS EPILEPSY DISEASE?
Epilepsy is a chronic brain disorder resulted in recurrent 'seizures' or 'fits'.
Seizures occur due to the sudden, excessive electrical discharges in the neurons or brain cells.

NOTE
According to WHO, around 50 million people in the world are suffering from epilepsy disease and out of which 80% are living in developing countries.

- Cricketer Sachin Tendulkar's statue unveiled at Wankhede Stadium
- David Willey Announces Retirement from International Cricket at Age 33
- Zojila Day commemorated at Zojila War Memorial on 1st November
- Iconic 'Throne Room' at Raj Bhavan in Kolkata named after Sardar Patel
- Kozhikode And Gwalior have been declared Creative Cities of Literature and Music By UNESCO.
- Defence Minister Shri Rajnath Singh inaugurates 'India Manufacturing Show' in Bengaluru.

- Information Commissioner Heeralal Samariya was sworn-in as the Chief Information Commissioner.
- The entertainment channel COLORS has collaborated with the Ministry of Women and Child Development to support the Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao initiative.
- Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) launches “Women for Water, Water for Women Campaign” under its flagship scheme AMRUT.
- Virat Kohli equals record of Indian cricket legend Sachin Tendulkar at 49 ODI centuries; also becomes the second batter, after Sachin Tendulkar (6976), to score 6000 runs in ODIs in India.
- Ravindra Jadeja joins Yuvraj as India spinner with a World Cup five wicket haul.
- The Indian Navy’s Ilyushin-38 Sea Dragon Long Range Maritime Patrol aircraft bid farewell after 46 years of glorious service to the nation.
- First Australia India Education and Skill Council (AIESC) meeting to be held at IIT Gandhinagar.
- Defence ministry approves Extension of rules for Maternity, Child Care and Child Adoption Leaves for women soldiers, sailors and air warriors in the Armed Forces at par with their officer counterparts.
- India junior hockey team edged Pakistan 6-5 to bag the bronze medal at the Sultan of Johor Cup.
- NTPC Renewable Energy Ltd’s First 50 MW Dayapar Wind Project In Kutch, Gujarat
- The Jaipur Literature Festival, often referred to as the “greatest literary show on Earth,” is an annual gathering of some of the most brilliant minds in the world.
- Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel will unveil the crest of the Indian Navy’s latest warship ‘Surat’ in the very city that the warship is named after, a historic first for the Indian Navy.
- The Chanakya Defence Dialogue 2023, a two-day event hosted by the Indian Army in collaboration with the Centre for Land Warfare Studies (CLAWS), took place on November 3rd and 4th.
- 54th International Film Festival of India to be held from 20th to 28th November in Goa.
- Ministry of Information and Broadcasting approves Comprehensive “Digital Advertisement Policy, 2023”
- Bihar House passes Bill raising ceiling on caste quota to 65%.
- Ashok Leyland Ltd. (ALL) commenced delivery of India’s first batch of 12 LNG-powered haulage trucks – AVTR 1922.
- APEDA inks MoU with Lulu Hypermarket for export promotion of Indian agricultural-products.
- Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (DA&FW) in collaboration with Wadhvani AI developed Krishi 24/7, first-ever AI-powered solution

- for automated agricultural news analysis.
- World No. 1 Novak Djokovic clinches record-extending seventh Paris Masters title.
- Chess: Vaishali and Vidit Gujrathi win FIDE Grand Swiss women’s and open titles.
- Bharat Botanics To Open India’s Largest Cold Oil Production Facility In Gujarat
- India And Bhutan Enhance Bilateral Ties With New Initiatives. The two nations have agreed to conduct a “final location survey” for a proposed rail link between Kokrajhar in Assam, India, and Gelephu in Bhutan, which is set to be built with Indian support.
- IIT Madras Sets Its First International Campus On Zanzibar Island In Tanzania
- AIFF Wins AFC President’s Recognition Bronze Award For Grassroots Football
- NHAI accepts First Insurance Surety Bond as Bid Security for NHAI TOT Bid for Monetization.
- Trent Boult became the first New Zealand bowler to claim 50 wickets in ODI World Cup.
- Maharashtra, with 228 medals including 80 golds, topped the medals table and took the Raja Bhalindra Singh Trophy for the overall championship in the 37th National Games.

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International
Men's Day



IMPORTANCE

To highlight positive role models and raise awareness of men's well-being.

MOTTO

To raise awareness about mental health issues in men, as well as other health and societal issues, by encouraging men to open up and communicate with others.

NOTE

- Uma Challa, who led IMD in India in 2007 exposed the shocking abuse that men suffer in the anti male legal system.
- He is the founder of “Save the Indian Family Foundation” nonprofit based in Bangalore.
- It was Uma Challa who inspired Warwick Marsh the founder of Dads4Kids to take International Mens Day to the world stage.

Inception: 1999 | By: Dr Jerome Teelucksingh | Edition: 25th



- India and Netherlands sign a Memorandum of Intent to cooperate on medical product regulation, and enhancing the quality of medical products.
- NPS: PFRDA to allow users to withdraw up to 60 per cent pension fund.
- The U.S. International Development Finance Corporation (DFC) to invest USD 553 million in Adani's Sri Lanka port terminal project.
- G-7 Foreign Ministers called for humanitarian pauses in the Israel-Hamas war to let aid in and help the release of hostages.
- Kerala startup launches first e-health kiosk for better healthcare access.

- Ministry of Information and Broadcasting released the draft Broadcasting Services (Regulation) Bill, 2023.
- 'Nayi Chetna - 2.0' will be launched on the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women-25 November.
- International Cricket Council suspended its full-member Sri Lanka after observing government interference in the national board.
- India finishes Asian Archery Championships in Bangkok with seven medals comprising three gold, a silver & three bronze.
- New Zealand's Rachin Ravindra and West Indies' Hayley Matthews Win ICC Player of the Month Awards.
- Bilateral Exercise BONGOSAGAR-23 and Coordinated Patrol CORPAT-23
- Grammy Awards 2024: Falguni Shah's 'Abundance in Millets' Nominated for Best Global Music Performance
- Former governor of Nagaland, P B Acharya passes away at 92
- India will host 33rd Conference of WOA Regional Commission for Asia and Pacific at New Delhi.
- Joint summit of the Arab League and the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) was held in the Saudi capital Riyadh.
- Racing: Alex Marquez wins Malaysian MotoGP sprint race.
- Archery: Dhiraj Bommadevara won the country's first archery quota for the 2024 Olympics in Paris.
- The 'AAINA Dashboard for Cities' portal was launched by Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA).
- GoI and ADB sign \$400 million loan to support urban services by creating high quality urban infrastructure, improving service delivery, and promoting efficient governance systems.
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World Toilet Day

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IMPORTANCE
It is a day that seeks to engage and educate people and their communities worldwide to encourage support for sanitation-related issues and to break the stigma around sanitation.

MOTTO
To inspire action to tackle the global sanitation crisis.

KEY FACTS

- 4.5 billion people have no toilet at home
- 869 million people worldwide practise open defecation
- 1.8 billion people use an unimproved source of drinking water
- 2.9 billion people use a safely-managed sanitation service
- Safe water, good hygiene with improved sanitation could prevent around 842,000 deaths each year.

Inception: 2001 | Official Status: 2013 | Edition: 11th

- The Indian compound women's and mixed team won gold medals at the Asian archery championships in Bangkok.
- Maharashtra CM Eknath Shinde Unveils Shivaji Maharaj Statue In J&K's Kupwara
- KVIC Chairman Inaugurates Five-Days 'Diwali Utsav' On The Theme Of 'Vocal For Local'
- IREDA Launches CSR Portal To Improve Transparency In CSR Initiatives
- Santosh Kumar Jha Set To Be Next CMD Of Konkan Railway
- IBM And AWS Launched An Innovation Lab In Bengaluru

- Rear Admiral Rajesh Dhankhar Assumes Command Of The Eastern Fleet
- Olympic and World champion javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra was shortlisted for men's 'World Athlete of the Year' award.
- Rajnath Singh to Participate in 10th ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting-Plus in Jakarta
- Sahara Group Founder Subrata Roy Passes Away at 75 After Prolonged Illness
- Virat Kohli Breaks Sachin Tendulkar's Record for Most Centuries In An ODI
- Airgun Surrender Abhiyan initiative of Arunachal Pradesh selected as India's best success story on wildlife conservation to present in UNESCO's International Conference.
- U.S. and South Korean defence chiefs updated a key military agreement against nuclear-armed North Korea.
- China and Pakistan are conducting the third edition of the Sea Guardian-3 bilateral naval exercise in the northern Arabian Sea.
- Former captain Diana Edulji became the first Indian woman cricketer to be inducted into the ICC Hall of Fame.
- Virender Sehwag and Sri Lankan World Cup winner Aravinda de Silva were made members of ICC Hall of Fame.
- K.L. Rahul recorded the fastest century (62 balls) by an Indian batter in the ODI World Cup.
- Tennis: Canada wins its maiden Billie Jean King Cup.
- PM Modi To Launch PM-PVTG Mission And Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra On Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas
- The Department of Telecom (DoT) has granted Internet Service Provider (ISP) licenses to Jio Satellite Communications and OneWeb.
- 6th India-OPEC Energy Dialogue High-Level Meeting Held In Vienna, Austria
- Communist veteran and freedom fighter N Sankaraiah passed away at the age of 101. He was one of the founding members of the Communist Party of India (Marxist).
- Prime Minister launches Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra, PM Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha Abhiyan, PM JanMan from Jharkhand.
- Indian Green Building Council (IGBC) of CII launched a rating and certification initiative 'Nest'.
- RBI Directs Bajaj Finance To Halt Loans For 'ECOM' And 'Insta EMI' Products
- Suresh Wadkar Named For Maharashtra's 'Lata Mangeshkar Award 2023'
- Rohit Sharma Now First Batsman To Hit 50 Sixes In World Cup

- IndusInd Bank Pioneers As First Live Financial Information Provider Under RBI's Account Aggregator Framework
- 9th India International Science Festival To Be Held In Faridabad In January 2024
- Pakistan-Based Startup She-Guard Wins Top Climate Innovation Competition
- Salman Rushdie Honored With First 'Lifetime Disturbing The Peace Award'
- The three-day long Indo-Pacific Regional Dialogue 2023 concluded in New Delhi. This is the annual apex-level regional strategic dialogue of the Indian Navy.
- The ninth edition of the Joint Military exercise "Exercise MITRA SHAKTI-2023" between India and Sri Lanka has begun in Aundh (Pune).
- RBI raises risk weights on consumer credit exposure of banks and NBFCs to 125%.
- Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF) Supply Chain Agreement was signed by the 14 IPEF Partners.
- Quinton de Kock becomes the only wicket-keeper to score more than 500 runs and effect 20 dismissals in a single edition of a men's World Cup.

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NOV

Universal
Children's Day



IMPORTANCE

On this day UNGA adopted both the Declaration(1959) and the Convention(1989) on children's rights.

MOTTO

To promote international togetherness, awareness among children worldwide, and improving children's welfare.

UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD (UNCRC)

- It is a human rights treaty which sets out the civil, political, economic, social, health and cultural rights of children.
- Consists of 54 articles
- 194 countries have signed the treaty

LANGUAGES

Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, Spanish

Inception: 1954

Organisation Involved: UNICEF

Effective: 2 September 1990

Location: New York City

Signed: 20 November 1989



- Union Minister Kiren Rijiju To Represent India At Maldives President's Swearing-In.
- Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez has secured a second term, navigating the political landscape with a razor-thin majority.
- The Assam Cabinet has given its nod for the merger of the Secondary Education Board of Assam (SEBA) and the Assam Higher Secondary Education Council (AHSEC).
- Joint Military Exercise "Exercise MITRA SHAKTI-2023" Begins In Pune

Amartya Sen



An Indian economist best known for "Welfare Economics" and "Social Choice Theory" & his work on the causes of famine.

AWARDS

- Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences (1998)
- Bharat Ratna (1999)
- National Humanities Medal (2012)
- Johan Skytte Prize in Political Science (2017)

BOOKS

- Poverty and Famines: An Essay on Entitlement and Deprivation (1981)
- Development as Freedom (1999)
- Rationality and Freedom (2002)
- The Argumentative Indian: Writings on Indian History, Culture, and Identity (2005)
- AIDS Sutra: Untold Stories from India (2008)
- The Idea of Justice (2009)

- Indian Navy Launches 4th Anti-Submarine Warfare Craft, Named 'Amini'
- IndusInd Bank Launches 'IndusInd Bank Platinum RuPay Credit Card' On UPI
- RBI Imposes ₹90.92 Lakh Monetary Penalty On Axis Bank
- Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) bagged the SKOCH National Award – 2023 for its ₹1 crore accident relief Sarige Suraksha Insurance Scheme.
- FSSAI launched the Food Safety Compliance System (FoSCoS) portal in multiple regional languages.
- Tamil writer Perumal Murugan has won the coveted JCB Prize for Literature for his novel, Fire Bird, an English translation of his Tamil novel Aalandapatchi.
- Uttar Pradesh government has banned labelling halal

- on eatables such as dairy products, sugar, bakery items, peppermint oil, savouries and edible oil.
- Former Governor of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) S. Venkitaramanan (92), passed away.
- Nicaragua's Sheynnis Palacios has been crowned Miss Universe for the year 2023.
- Punjab and Haryana High Court quashed the Haryana government's law guaranteeing 75% reservation for local people in private sector jobs in the State.
- Senior IPS officer Alok Sharma was appointed Director of the Special Protection Group (SPG).
- WHO and the Ministry of Ayush signed the Traditional and Complementary Medicine 'Project Collaboration Agreement'.
- India conducted the second edition of the Voice of Global South Summit (VOGSS) in a virtual format.
- 'Hallucinate' is the Cambridge Dictionary's Word of the Year for 2023.
- Solar-Powered 'Ramayana' Vessels To Navigate Saryu River In Ayodhya.
- India Ranks Third In Global Unicorn Rankings With 72 Unicorns
- Uttar Pradesh Cadre IPS Officer Alok Sharma Named New Chief Of SPG
- Virat Kohli's Wax Statue To Be Installed In Jaipur Wax Museum
- Renowned Art Historian BN Goswamy Passed Away At 90
- Renowned Novelist A.S. Byatt Passes Away At 87
- Cyclone 'Midhili' Makes Landfall On Bangladesh's Coast
- The Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development, 2022 was jointly awarded to the Indian Medical Association and the Trained Nurses Association of India.
- Animation film on Ahom warrior has been selected for the Indian Panorama section of the International Film Festival of India (IFFI) 2023.
- Researchers at the Indian Institute of Millet Research (ICAR-IIMR) have developed a process and relevant technologies to make rice 'millets'.
- World champion Max Verstappen claimed the 18th win of his record-breaking season, with victory in the Las Vegas Grand Prix.
- Badminton World No. 1 Viktor Axelsen won his first title since September as he captures the inaugural Kumamoto Masters title.
- Argentina Elects 'Shock Therapy' Libertarian Javier Milei As President
- Droupadi Murmu To Confer President's Colour Award To AFMC On Dec 1
- Bengaluru Tops In Women-Led Startups, Followed By Mumbai And Delhi

- Mira Murati Appointed As Interim Chief Executive Officer At OpenAI
- China's Strategic Move: Extending China-Myanmar Economic Corridor To Sri Lanka
- Indo-Australian Defense Talks: Fortifying Maritime Security With Hydrography And Joint Airborne Surveillance
- Bihar Governor Approves Bill Raising Reservation From 50% To 65%
- Karnataka Bank Partners With HDFC Life To Offer Insurance Products.
- Acko Partners With R Madhavan As Their 'Voice Of The Customer'..
- Uttar Pradesh Bags First Prize For Best State In Inland Fisheries.
- Deepti Babuta Becomes First Woman To Bag Dhahan Prize For Punjabi Literature
- Prasoon Joshi Launches Dr. Hema Joshi's Book 'Do Palkon Ki Chhavn Main'
- REC's subsidiary RECPDCL hands over Special Purpose Vehicle formed for the construction of 'Ramgarh II Transmission Limited' transmission project, to Power Grid Corporation of India.
- Slovakia's new populist Prime Minister Robert Fico announces halt of military aid to Ukraine.
- The Centre announced a ₹22,303-crore subsidy on phosphatic and potassic (P&K) fertilizers for the current rabi season.
- The Indian Army has installed its first vertical wind tunnel (VWT) at the Special Forces Training School (SFTS) at Bakloh in Himachal Pradesh.
- The Law Commission suggested a road map, which includes proposed changes to the Constitution for holding simultaneous elections.
- DCGI approves MSD's Keytruda (pembrolizumab) in the treatment of triple-negative breast cancer (TNBC) and renal cell carcinoma (RCC).
- Glenn Maxwell broke the record for the fastest ever World Cup hundred as he scored a ton from 40 balls.
- David Warner overtook Ricky Ponting to smash the highest number of centuries by an Australian batter in ICC Cricket World Cup.
- The 37th National Games were officially inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in a ceremony held in Panaji, Goa.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 7th Edition of the India Mobile Congress at Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi.

- Robert Fico To Become Slovakia's New Prime Minister.
- India will provide additional funding of LKR 23 million (around ₹58,75,900) for the training of Sri Lankan Armed Forces.
- Rajasthan Govt Launched 'IStart Talent Connect Portal'
- The 2023 World Day for Audiovisual Heritage, observed on October 27. Theme: "Your Window to the World."
- Reliance Jio Partners With Plume To Provide In-Home Services Enhanced By AI
- Karnataka, along with the Wildlife Trust of India, has launched the Hostile Activity Watch Kernel (HAWK) system.
- iPhone maker, Taiwan's Wistron approved the sale of its India unit, Wistron InfoComm to the Tata Group.
- Arjun Babuta and Tilottama Sen get Olympic quota for Paris, with silver medals in air rifle in the 15th Asian shooting championship.

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World
Television Day



IMPORTANCE

To mark the establishment of first World Television Forum by UN in 22 November, 1996.

MOTTO

It marks the commitment of governments, news organisations and individuals to deliver unbiased information in times when veracity of content on social media is questionable.

FACTS BEHIND

Tele is Greek for distant and the Latin word vision means to see.
In 1926, J.L. Baird unveiled the first television.
The first television advertisement ever was broadcasted on July 1, 1941 in New York.
High definition television actually started in 1936

Inception: 1996



- David Warner overtook Virat Kohli to become the fourth-highest run-scorer in ICC World Cup history.
- Punjab defeated Tamil Nadu to win the men's basketball title in the National Games while Kerala beat Karnataka and took the women's trophy.
- Mike Johnson, a relatively lesser-known Republican from Louisiana, has elected as the new speaker of the US House of Representatives.
- In a historic move, Malaysia's royal families have elected Sultan Ibrahim Iskandar of Johor state as the country's new king.
- The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has achieved a significant milestone by becoming a part of the prestigious 18-member steering committee of the International Competition Network (ICN).

Birsa Munda

15 Nov 1875 - 9 Jun 1900



Was an Indian tribal freedom fighter, religious leader, and folk hero who belonged to the Munda tribe.

FACTS

He was the founder of a new religion called Birsaism. The state of Jharkhand was created on Munda's birth anniversary to commemorate his contribution to the freedom struggle. He not only fought the British, but also championed the rights of tribal people and helped abolish the feudal system that plagued the Adivasi lands in Jharkhand and Bihar. The only tribal leader whose portrait hangs in the Central Hall of Indian Parliament as a mark of honour.

NOTE

Mahasweta Devi wrote a novel 'Aranyer Adhikar' on the life of Birsa Munda and his rebellion against British Raj. The novel won her the Sahitya Akademi Award for Bengali in 1979.

- Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) And Safran To Make Aircraft Engine Parts
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has granted in-principle authorization to Zaakpay, the secure payment gateway arm of MobiKwik to operate as a payment aggregator.
- Tata Motors Wins ₹766 Crore Arbitration Award In Singur Plant Dispute.

- The Vigilance Awareness Week, 2023 is being observed from 30th October till 5th November. This year the theme is – Say no to corruption, commit to the Nation.
- Union Finance Minister launches phase IV of 'Operation Sesha' to curb the illegal trade of Timber, including Red Sanders.
- PFRDA has made 'penny drop' verification mandatory for the withdrawal of funds by subscribers of the NPS.
- Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman inaugurates the first Global Conference on Cooperation in Enforcement Matters (GCCEM).
- Eminent climate change expert Professor Saleemul Huq, director of International Centre for Climate Change and Development, passed away in Dhaka.
- FATF Removes Cayman Islands From Its 'Grey List'.
- Indian Army And Air Force Contingent Set Off For 'Exercise KAZIND-2023'. This collaborative endeavor will take place in Otar, Kazakhstan, spanning from 30th October to 11th November 2023.
- Indian Navy Launches 25T Bollard Pull Tug 'MAHABALI' In Gujarat
- The Indian government is working on a comprehensive national vision plan, known as 'Vision India@2047', aimed at transforming the country into a developed nation by 2047.
- Prime Minister launches 'Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat)' platform on the National Unity Day.
- Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPwD) under Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment observed the World Occupational Therapy Day on October 30.
- The Board of Directors of Small Finance Banks AU and Fincare approved an all-stock merger of AU SFB and Fincare SFB.
- Chinese research vessel Shiyan 6, which arrived in Colombo amid concerns raised by India and the U.S., is set to begin its two-day research off the Sri Lankan coast.
- Max Verstappen made Formula One history as the first driver to take 16 victories in a season, as he won Mexico City Grand Prix.
- Kerala, the southern state of India, has achieved a remarkable milestone by inaugurating a hallmarking centre in Idukki.
- PM Narendra Modi Releases Three Books At Tulsi Peeth In Chitrakoot. The books unveiled were 'Ashtadhyayi Bhashya,' 'Ramanandacharya Charitam,' and 'Bhagwan Shri Krishna ki Rashtraleela.'

2023 Cricket World Cup

The 2023 ICC Men's Cricket World Cup was the 13th edition of the Cricket World Cup, contested by men's national teams and organised by the International Cricket Council (ICC). The tournament was hosted by India. It started on 5 October and concluded on 19 November 2023, with Australia winning the tournament. It was the first men's Cricket World Cup which India hosted solely. The tournament took place in ten different stadiums, in ten cities across the country. The top eight placed teams in the tournament's final points table qualified for the 2025 ICC Champions Trophy, the next ICC ODI tournament. Virat Kohli was the player of the tournament and also scored the most runs; Mohammed Shami was the leading wicket-taker. A total of 1,250,307 spectators attended matches, the highest number in any cricket World Cup to date.

Mascot



The ICC officially announced the mascots for the World Cup on August 19. The mascots are a male and female duo named "Tonk" and "Blaze" respectively from the fictional cricketing utopia called "Crictoverse". They embody the principle of gender equality.

Theme Song

The official theme song of the 2023 Cricket World Cup titled "Dil Jashn Bole" was released on 20 September. The song was composed by Pritam while lyrics were written by Shloke Lal and Saaveri Verma. The song was sung by Pritam, Nakash Aziz, Sreerama Chandra, Amit Mishra, Jonita Gandhi, Akasa Singh and S. P. Charan.

Broadcasting Rights

Star Sports were the host broadcaster, televising matches

domestically with Disney+ Hotstar in English and eight regional languages. All matches were streamed domestically without the need for a subscription on mobile devices.

Prize money

The ICC allocated a pool of US\$10 million in prize money for the tournament. Australia, the winning team, received US\$4,000,000, the runner-up (India) \$2,000,000 and the losing semi-finalists \$1,600,000. Teams that did not progress past the league stage received \$100,000 and the winner of each league stage match received \$40,000.



Stats at a glance

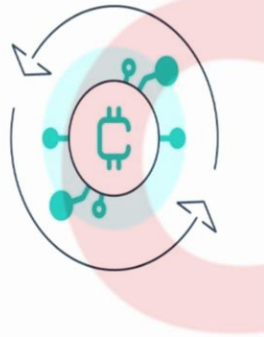
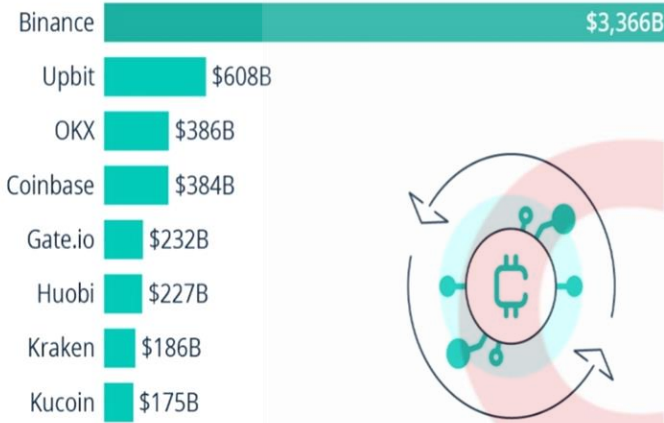
- ☐ Dates: 5 October – 19 November 2023
- ☐ Administrator: International Cricket Council
- ☐ Cricket format: One Day International (ODI)
- ☐ Host: India
- ☐ Champions: Australia (6th title)
- ☐ Runners-up: India
- ☐ Participants: 10
- ☐ Matches: 48
- ☐ Player of the series: Virat Kohli
- ☐ Most runs: Virat Kohli (765)
- ☐ Most wickets: Mohammed Shami (24)



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Binance Still Dominates Crypto Exchanges

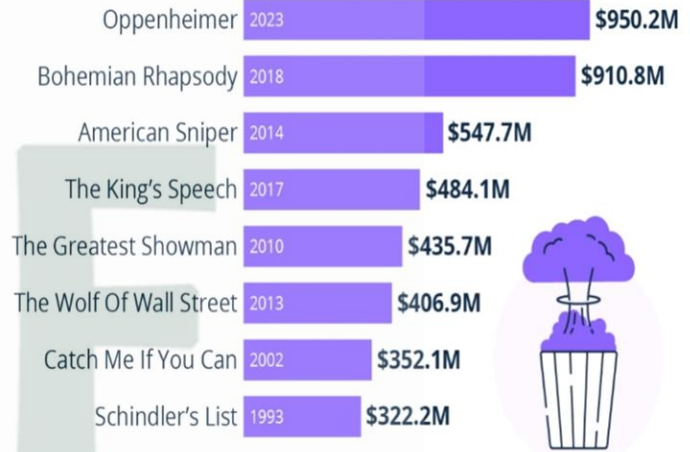
Cryptocurrency exchanges with the highest trading volume year-to-date*



* Spot market
As of Nov. 23, 11:30 AM CET
Source: The Block

The Highest-Grossing Biopics of All Time

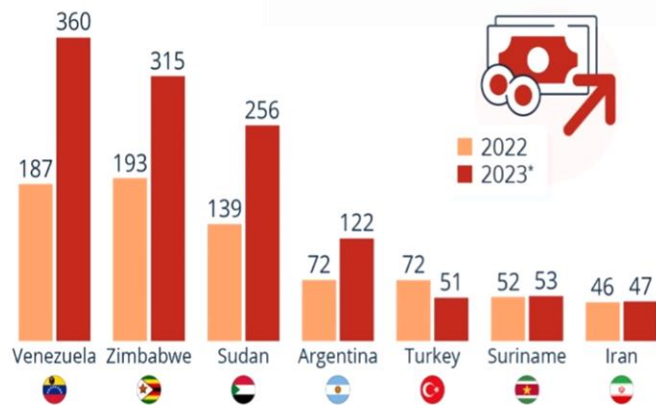
Worldwide box office revenue of the highest-grossing biographical movies*



* As of Nov. 22, 2023
Source: Box Office Mojo via Screen Rant

The Countries With the Highest Inflation Rates

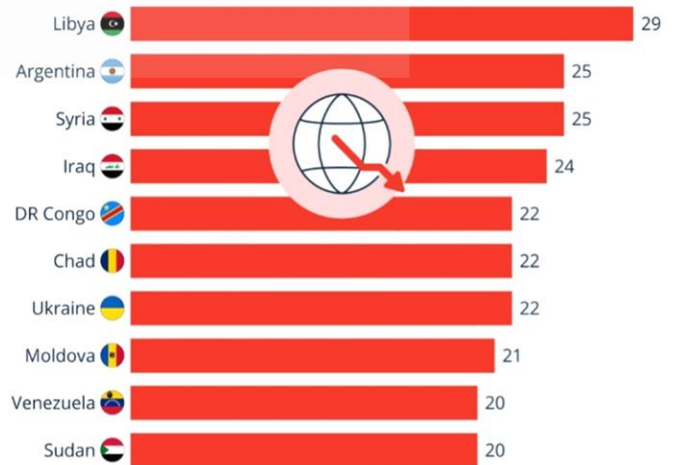
Countries with the highest annual increases in consumer prices in 2022 and 2023*



* Annual forecast as of October 2023
Source: IMF

The Countries Which Suffered Through Most Recession Years

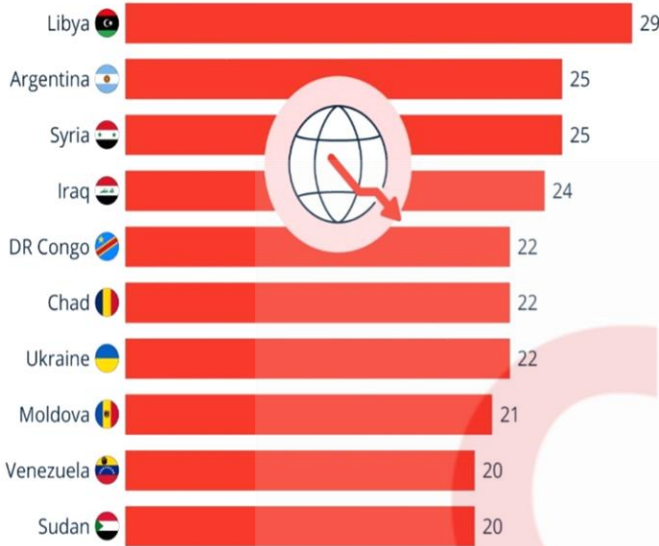
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* Where data is available. 2023: projection
Source: The Conference Board

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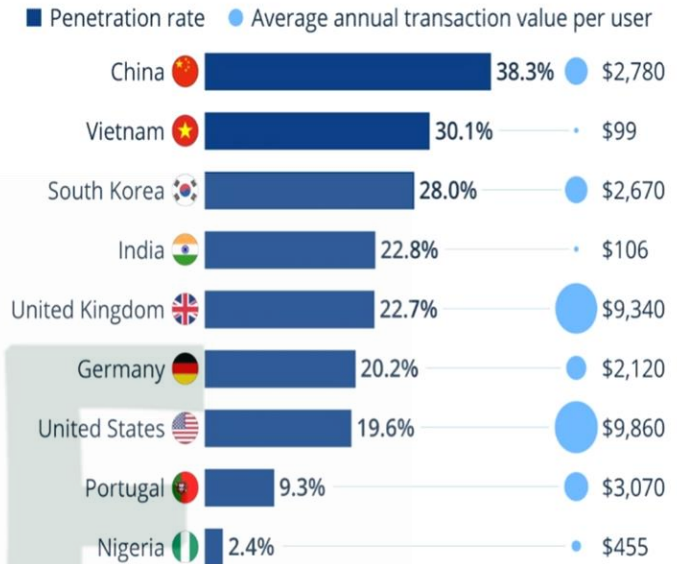
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China's Mobile Payment Adoption Beats All Others

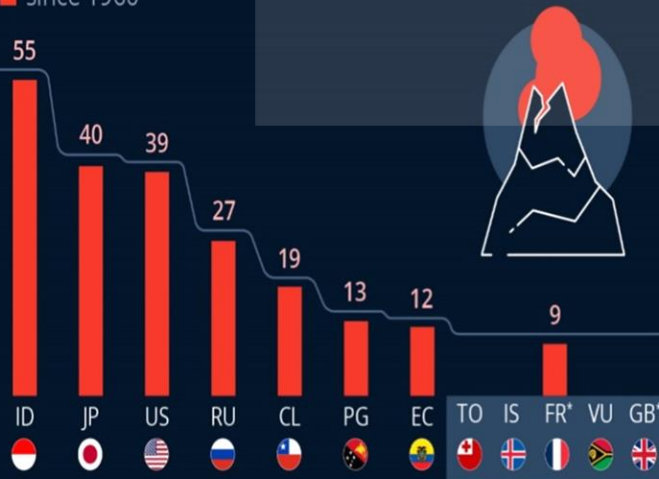
User penetration rates and transaction values in the mobile point-of-sale segment* in 2023 (selected countries)



* transactions at a point of sale processed via smartphone applications
Source: Statista Market Insights

The Countries With the Most Active Volcanos

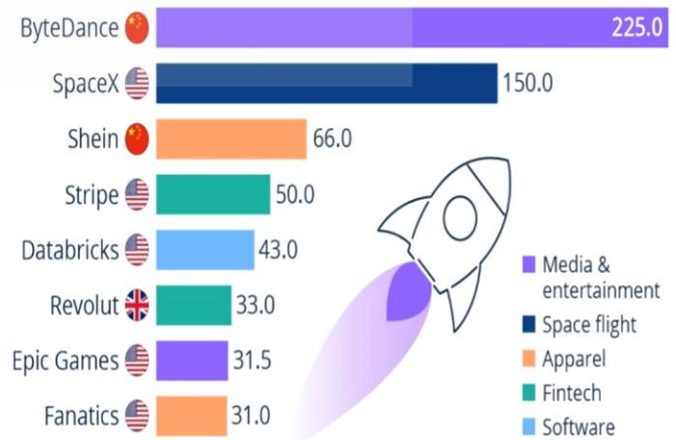
Countries with the most volcanos that have been active since 1960



As of Nov. 15, 2023
* Volcanos in overseas territories and departments
Source: Smithsonian Institution Global Volcanism Program

The Highest-Valued Startups in the World

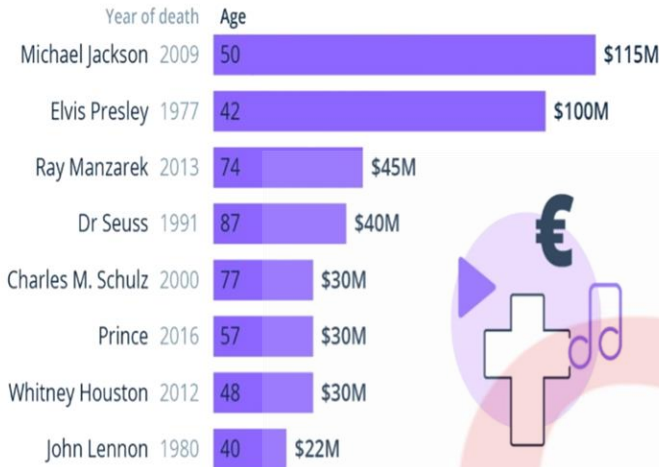
Biggest startup companies worldwide by valuation (in billion U.S. dollars)



As of November 2023
Currently private, up-and-coming companies (including whisper valuations)
Source: CB Insights

Many Dead Celebrities Still Earn Huge Sums of Money

The world's highest posthumous earners in 2023*



* Based on pretax earnings from sales, streams, licensing deals and other sources Oct. 1, 2022 - Sep. 30, 2023, as well as estate acquisitions made or announced during the same period. Fees for agents, managers and lawyers are not deducted. Source: Forbes

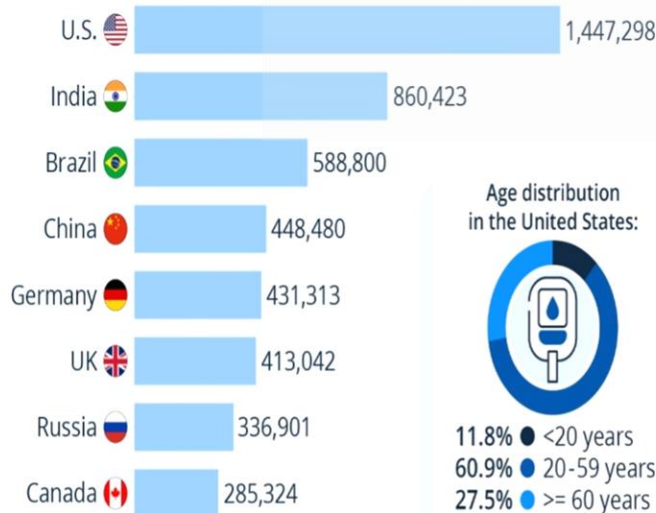
Sexiest Man Alive Through the Years

Fact and figures on the winners of People's Sexiest Man Alive



Who Has Type 1 Diabetes?

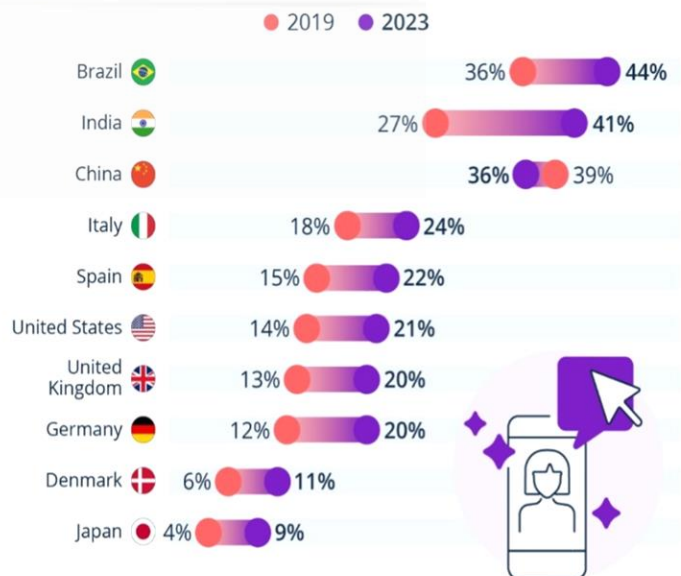
Estimated number of people with type 1 diabetes, by country



Source: International Diabetes Federation

The Influence of Influencers

Share of respondents in selected countries who have bought products because celebrities or influencers advertised them



2,000-10,000 respondents (18-64 y/o) per country, surveyed Nov. 2017-May 2019/Jul. 2022-Jun. 2023
Source: Statista Consumer Insights

The Top 10 Countries for Remote Working

Country rankings according to the Global Remote Work Index

1. Denmark
2. Netherlands
3. Germany
4. Spain
5. Sweden
6. Portugal
7. Estonia
8. Lithuania
9. Ireland
10. Slovakia

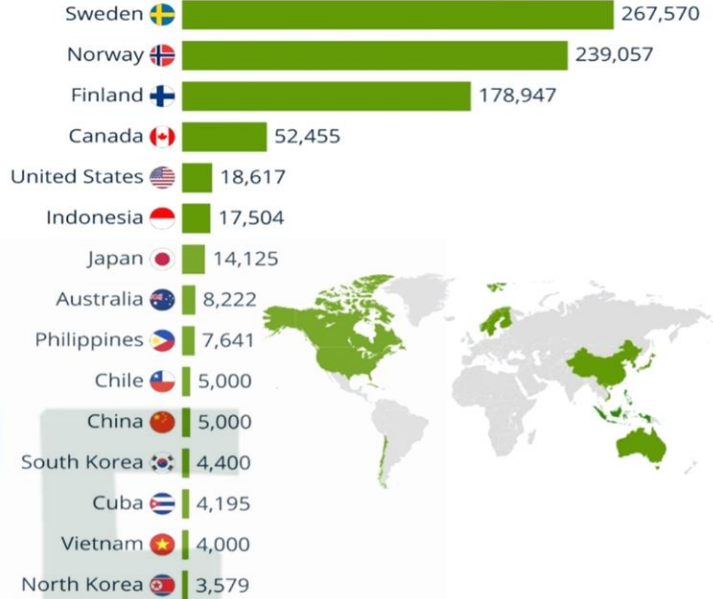


108 countries analyzed based on: level of cyber safety, economic safety, digital & physical infrastructure and social safety. Data for the first half of 2023.

Source: NordLayer

The Countries With the Most Islands

Countries with the biggest estimated number of islands*



* Landmasses permanently above water but not identified as a continent
Sources: World Atlas, Geospatial Information Authority of Japan

Who Has the Fastest Internet?

Places with the fastest mean download speeds in 2022/23* (in Mbps)

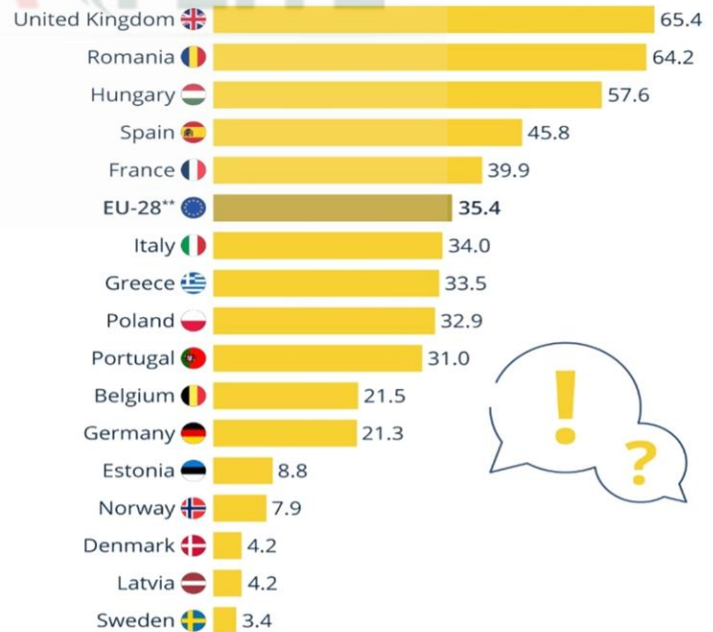


* Excluding places with a population under one million
Speed test data collected Jul. 1, 2022 to Jun. 30, 2023

Source: Cable.co.uk

Where Are People Relying on Their Mother Tongue Alone?

Share of respondents (25-64 y/o) who do not know a language other than their mother tongue (in percent)*



* 2016 data. Selected European countries ** Incl. United Kingdom
Source: Eurostat

2024

CALENDAR

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