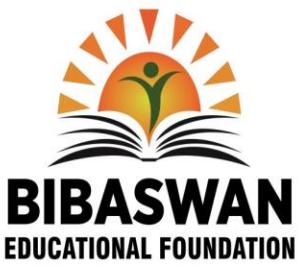


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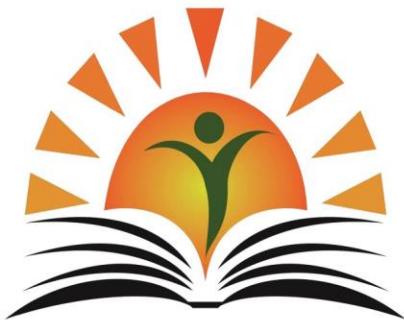
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Important Personalities

- In May 2024, who has been appointed as Acting Chief Justice of Madras High Court? **Justice R Mahadevan**
- Which former Pakistani cricket player has been appointed as the brand ambassador of the 9th ICC Men's T20 Cricket World Cup 2024? **Shahid Afridi**
- Who will head the ad-hoc administrative committee appointed by Delhi High Court to oversee the operations of Equestrian Federation of India? **Justice Najmi Waziri**
- Who has been appointed as new chairman of NAFED? **Jetha Ahir**

01 JUNE

Inception: 2001(FAO)
Edition: 24th

Importance
To recognize the importance of milk as a global food.

Why 1st June?
This date was chosen because a number of countries were already celebrating a national milk day on or around this time.

Organisation Involved
Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO).

Motto
To provide an opportunity to focus attention on milk and raise awareness of dairy's part in healthy diets.

Campaigns
Raise A Glass Of Milk.



- Sony recently appointed which Disney veteran as the new India CEO? **Gaurav Banerjee**
- In 2024, India will assume the chairmanship of the Colombo Process for the first time since the forum's inception. For which period will India hold this position? **2024-2026**
- Who has been appointed as the new Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of the National Asset Reconstruction Company (NARCL), India's state-owned bad bank? **P. Santhosh**
- Who recently took over as the CEO of WeWork? **Anant Yardi**
- Who became the first woman brigadier in Pakistan from a minority community? **Helen Mary**
- Who recently became Mexico's first female President? **Claudia Sheinbaum**
- Who has been appointed as the Chairperson of Deendayal Port Authority? **Sushil Kumar**
- Who has been appointed as the Brand Ambassador for Tobacco Control? **PV Sindhu**
- Who has been elected as Iceland's seventh President? **Halla Tomasdottir**
- BJP's Mukesh Dalal, who has been elected unopposed, was from which constituency? **Surat**
- Who has been appointed as the Vice-Chancellor of the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT)? **Rakesh Mohan Joshi**
- Which of the following countries was recently elected as a non-permanent member of the United Nations Security Council by the United Nations General Assembly? **Greece**
- Who has been given the additional charge of Director General of Employees State Insurance Corporation? **Kamal Kishore Son**
- Who has been appointed as the new managing director and chief executive of PNB MetLife India Insurance? **Sameer Bansal**
- Who has been recently appointed as the chief minister of Sikkim? **Prem Singh Tamang**
- Who has been appointed as the director in NITI Aayog? **Ashis Kumar Dash**
- Who has been sworn in as the 18th chief minister of Andhra Pradesh? **Nara Chandrababu Naidu**
- The newly appointed Odisha chief minister, Mohan Charan Majhi belongs to which tribe? **Santhal tribe**
- Who represented India in the BRICS foreign ministers meeting held in June 2024? **Dammu Ravi**

- Who was administered the oath of office as Pro-Tem Speaker of the State Legislative Assembly in Sikkim by Governor Lakshman Prasad Acharya? **Sanjeet Kharel**
- Who has been named Bangladesh's next Army chief for a three-year term? **General Waker-Uz-Zaman**
- The Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry has appointed whom as its director general? **Jyoti Vij**
- Who has become the first woman helicopter pilot of the Indian Navy? **Sub-Lieutenant Anamika B. Rajeev**
- Who has been appointed as the 30th Chief of Army Staff? **Lt General Upendra Dwivedi**
- Who has become the chief minister of Arunachal Pradesh after the 2024 legislative assembly election? **Pema Khandu**
- Who has been re-appointed as the Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister of India in June 2024? **Parmod Kumar Mishra**
- Who has been appointed as the National Security Advisor to the Prime Minister in June 2024? **Ajit Doval**
- Who has been selected as the next MD of 'Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India' Limited? **Praveen Kumar**
- The National Institute of Indian Medical Heritage (NIIMH), Hyderabad, has recently been designated as a WHO Collaborating Centre for Traditional Medicine Research. What does this designation signify? **Collaboration with WHO to advance research in traditional medicine**
- Cyril Ramaphosa, who has secured a second term as the President of South Africa belongs to which political party? **African National Congress (ANC)**
- Who has been elected unopposed as Arunachal Pradesh Assembly Speaker? **Tesam Pongte**
- Who has been elected as a member of International Academy of Television? **Annurag Batra**
- The Union home ministry has appointed whom as MCD commissioner? **Ashwani Kumar**
- President Droupadi Murmu has appointed whom as the pro tem Speaker of the 18th Lok Sabha? **Bhartruhari Mahtab**
- Who has been elected unopposed as Odisha Assembly Speaker? **Surama Padhy**
- Who became the first Indian-American to ever be elected to the Virginia General Assembly? **Suhas Subramanyam**
- Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) has appointed whom as the new Chairman and Managing Director of the company? **Manoj Jain**
- Karnataka government has appointed whom as the first director of University of Visvesvaraya College of Engineering? **S. Tripathy**
- Who has been appointed as Director (Enterprise) of BSNL? **P Sudhakara Rao**
- Recently, who has been appointed as the new Secretary of the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI)? **Atul Kumar Chaudhary**
- Who has been given the additional charge of Director General of National Testing Agency recently? **Pradeep Singh Kharola**
- Which United Nations organization has appointed British actor Theo James as Global Goodwill Ambassador? **UNHCR**
- A J T Johnsingh, who recently passed away in Bengaluru, Karnataka, was renowned for his work in which field? **Wildlife Conservation**
- Who recently won the Dilip Bose lifetime achievement award announced by the All India Tennis Association? **Nar Singh and Rohini Lokhande**
- Who has recently succeeded Samir Somaiya as the new President of the IMC Chamber of Commerce and Industry? **Sanjaya Mariwala**
- U Venugopan, who passed away recently, was a famous director of films in which language? **Malayalam**

03 JUNE

Inception: 2008

World
Bicycle Day

Importance

- In 2018, the United Nations General Assembly decided this day to acknowledge the uniqueness, longevity and versatility of the bicycle.
- The Day is the result of Leszek Sibilski's campaign and the support of Turkmenistan and 56 other countries for World Bicycle Day.

Organisation Involved

United Nations.

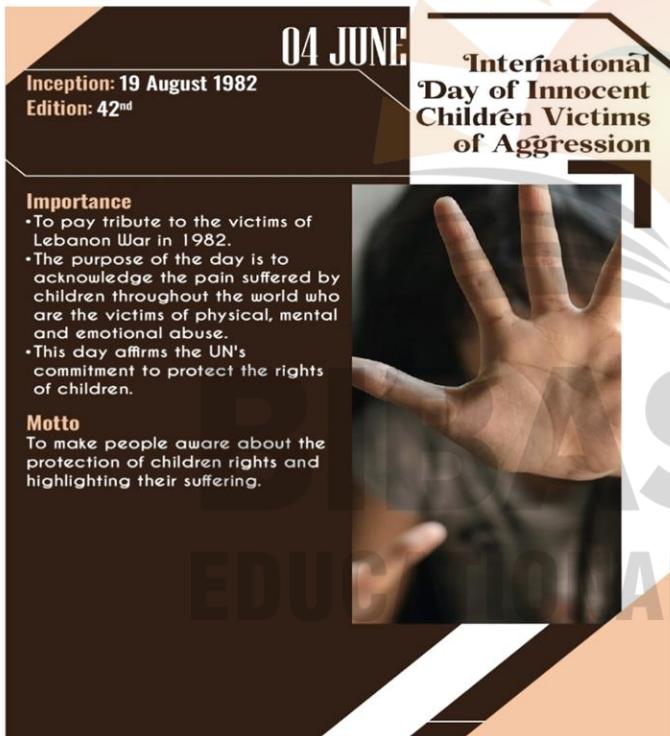
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- The current blue and white #WorldBicycleDay logo again was designed by Isaac Feld and the accompanying animation was done by Professor John E. Swanson.
- It symbolises various types of cyclists around the globe.



National & International News

- Which state government has mandated a 33% reservation for women in government jobs? **Karnataka**
- Which state government has recently banned gutkha and pan masala for one year? **Telangana**
- The Central Government has sanctioned Rs 21,253 crore to tackle economic crisis of which state? **Kerala**
- The 44th Deep-Dive Training Programme for Chief Information Security Officers was organized by which organization in New Delhi? **NeGD**
- Who has recently inaugurated the month-long "Summer Fiesta 2024" at the National Bal Bhavan, New Delhi? **Shri Sanjay Kumar**
- From which date the city of Hyderabad officially ceased to be the joint capital of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh? **2 June 2024**
- Which state has topped the list of farmers who have voluntarily given up the benefits of the PM-Kisan yojana during the June 2023 to May 2024 period? **Bihar**
- What recent achievement has The Institute of Advanced Virology in Kerala made? **Particles creation**
- Which city in India hosted the first Nakshatra Sabha, aimed at promoting astro tourism? **Mussoorie**
- Where has the 3rd Indian Analytical Congress held recently? **Dehradun**
- Which campaign was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the occasion of World Environment Day 2024? **Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam**
- Which is the 81st wetland of India to be declared as a wetland of international importance under the Ramsar Convention? **Nagi Bird Sanctuary**
- In which state was a plastic waste management and recycling plant inaugurated recently? **Sikkim**
- Where has the 2024 India-IORA (Indian Ocean Rim Association) Cruise Tourism conference held? **India**
- Which monarch's image has recently been introduced on England's new currency notes? **King Charles III**
- How many women have been included in the Narendra Modi's third term Council of Ministers? **Seven women**
- India and Qatar recently held their first Joint Task Force on Investments (JTFI) meeting to enhance which aspect of their relationship? **Economic Relations**
- Which wildlife sanctuary is set to become the fifth Tiger Reserve (TR) of Uttar Pradesh? **Suhelwa Wildlife Sanctuary**
- Which state government has launched Mukhya Mantri Nijut Moina scheme? **Assam**
- Which state government has launched the PM Shri Tourism Air Service? **Madhya Pradesh**
- Which city is set to host the Law Conference on New Criminal Justice Reforms? **Kolkata**
- Indian Railways completed the first trial run on the world's highest railway bridge, it is on which river? **Chenab**



- India's first urban ropeway, set to be completed by August 2024, is located in which city? Varanasi
- Government has recently raised retirement & death gratuity limits to how much? Rs 25 lakh
- Which ministry has recently launched the Mass Communication Internship Programme? **Ministry of Water Power**
- What was the GST collection by the Centre in May 2024, with respect to the previous month? **Rs 1.73 lakh crore, a 17% decrease**

- Recently, the Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh, which service was inaugurated by Dr. Mohan Yadav? **PM Shri Tourism Air Service**
- Which wildlife sanctuary in Madhya Pradesh is being developed as the second home for cheetahs in India after Kuno National Park? **Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary**
- Where has the 2nd meeting of the India-US initiative on Critical and Emerging Technology (iCET) held? **New Delhi**
- The National Highway Authority of India will use which method to plant trees for afforestation along the National Highways around Delhi NCR? **Miyawaki Method**
- Members of which group were participated at inauguration of the new Nalanda University campus? **ASEAN**
- What does F stand for in the recently launched central government scheme NFIES? **Forensic**
- Where is India's largest deep draft port to be constructed? **Vadhavan, Maharashtra**
- What percentage of women's representation in the aviation sector does the DGCA aim to achieve by 2025? **25%**
- What is the minimum jail provision for a person convicted of malpractice and irregularities in competitive exams under the Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Act, 2024? **Three years in jail**
- The 10th World Water Forum under the "Water for Shared Prosperity" theme officially opened in which country? **Indonesia**
- In the month of May 2024, in which country more than 670 people have died due to mudslides? **Papua New Guinea**
- WHO has organised which Yoga Session event in May 2024? **Walk The Talk**
- Reliance has launched a new telecom venture, Next-Gen InfraCo (NGIC), in which country? **Ghana**
- Which country has co-chaired the International Conference on Nuclear Security: Shaping the Future (ICONS 2024) in Vienna? **Kazakhstan**
- During their 6th meeting, what main issue did the Joint Working Group of India and Japan discuss? **Regional and cross-border terrorism threats**
- India has received highest FDI from which country in 2023-24, despite a decline of 31.55%? **Singapore**
- Where has the 21st Shangri-La Dialogue held? **Singapore**
- Which country has recently stopped the commercial production of golden rice due to safety and health concerns? **Philippines**
- Which country emerged as India's third-largest export destination after the US and UAE during 2023-24? **Netherlands**
- Where was the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) +20 Forum High-Level Event 2024 held? **Geneva, Switzerland**
- Which country's parliament recently voted to recognize an independent Palestinian state, joining Spain, Ireland, and Norway in this move? **Slovenia**
- Where was the Biopharmaceuticals Alliance launched, of which India is a member? **San Diego**
- Where was the first Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF) Clean Economy Investor Forum meeting held? **Singapore**
- Which country has the European Commission removed from the list of countries eligible for its 18 million Euro conservation grant under the NaturAfrica initiative? **Tanzania**
- Which country has recently been added by the UN to the global list of criminals committing crimes against children? **Israel**
- Where is the G7 summit being held? **Italy**
- The European Union Court recently imposed a fine of \$216 million on Hungary for - **Breaching asylum laws**
- Where has the Summit on Peace in Ukraine held in June 2024? **Switzerland**
- Which country has become third in Asia to allow homosexual marriage? **Thailand**
- Which country has topped the 2024 Global Energy Transition Index? **Sweden**
- Which countries' parliament has recently passed a bill banning the hijab and other Islamic garments? **Tajikistan**
- India surpassed which country to become the world's third-largest domestic airline market with a capacity of 1.55 crore? **Brazil**
- Which country overtook China to become India's fourth-largest export market in May 2024? **United Kingdom**
- India has announced e-medical visa initiative for the people of which country? **Bangladesh**

Banking & Economy

- Who has launched the PRAVAH (Platform for Regulatory Application, VAlidation and AutHorisation) portal? **RBI**
- Which bank has been fined Rs 36.38 lakhs by the RBI in May 2024 for violating the provision of the Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA)? **HSBC Bank**
- What is the updated global unemployment rate projection for 2024 by the International Labour Organisation (ILO)? **4.9%**
- According to the National Statistical Office (NSO), what was the growth rate of the Indian economy in 2023-24? **8.2 percent**
- Which company recently became the seventh Indian company to have a market capitalisation of more than Rs eight lakh crore? **State Bank of India**
- Recently, what percentage of its stake in Canara HSBC Life Insurance has Punjab National Bank (PNB) approved to dilute through an initial public offering (IPO)? **10%**
- What is the estimated budget of the project launched by the Haryana Government to combat air pollution? **Rs 10,000 crore**
- What is the current policy repo rate that the Reserve Bank of India's Monetary Policy Committee has kept unchanged for eight consecutive times? **6.5%**
- How much money has the Rajasthan government allocated for the development of the Maharana Pratap Tourist Circuit? **Rs 100 crore**
- According to the World Bank report released in June 2024, what is the likely growth rate of the Indian economy in 2024-25? **6.6 per cent**
- Who recently released the Container Port Performance Index? **World Bank**
- The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) projected India's GDP growth for 2024-25 at what percentage? **8%**
- Which international financial institution has invested \$105 million in the non-convertible debenture of Brookfield's Bikaner Solar Power project in Rajasthan? **International Finance Corporation**
- In June 2024, which bank's license was cancelled by the RBI due to insufficient capital and poor earnings prospects? **Purvanchal Co-operative Bank**
- Which bank collaborated with Mastercard to launch the NFC Soundbox? **Axis Bank**
- Which country's parliament has recently ratified framework agreement for ISA Membership? **Nepal**
- With whom has the Indira Gandhi National Center for the Arts signed an agreement to promote Indian art and culture? **Sansad TV**
- Recently, which country has signed a \$23 billion deal with the U.S. to purchase 40 new F-16 jets? **Turkey**
- What is the objective of the recent collaboration between CERT-In and Mastercard in India's financial sector? **To enhance cybersecurity resilience**
- Asian Development Bank approved a how much loan to improve India's health system to respond to future pandemics? **USD 170 million**
- Recently, Reserve Bank of India (RBI) cancelled the license of which bank due to inadequate capital and earning prospects? **City Co-operative Bank**
- According to the World Investment Report 2024 report of the UNCTAD, how much foreign direct investment was received by India in 2023? **\$28 billion**
- Which company has signed a deal with Kuwait's Burgan Bank to modernize its core banking technology? **TCS**
- What is the primary focus of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed between the Armed Forces Medical Services (AFMS) and IIT Hyderabad? **To develop medical devices and address specific health issues of soldiers**
- Which company has been awarded the contract to manage Dar es Salaam Port in Tanzania for 30 years? **Adani Ports**
- Which organization led the initiative for the signing of the Zero Debris Charter to address space debris? **ESA**
- With whom has the Defence Ministry joined hands to set up a dedicated Tele Manas Cell for the armed forces? **Ministry of Health and Family Welfare**
- Which government entity has signed agreements with four banks to establish SPARSH service centers? **Ministry of Defence**
- Which two institutions are collaborating to study multidrug-resistant pathogens on the International Space Station (ISS)? **IIT Madras and NASA**
- The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) partnered with which company to develop India's first underwater-launched UAVs (ULUAVs)? **Sagar Defence Engineering**

Awards & Recognitions

- Indian girl Arti, who has been conferred with the "Amal Clooney Women's Empowerment Award" by the King of the United Kingdom, hails from which state? **Uttar Pradesh**
- The novel Kairos, which has been awarded by the 2024 International Booker Prize, written by whom? **Jenny Erpenbeck**
- Who is the first Indian to win the Best Actress award at the Cannes Film Festival? **Anusya Sengupta**
- Which has received Hollywood Walk of Fame recently? **Chris Hemsworth**
- Who has become the first Indian to win the Grand Prix award at the Cannes Film Festival? **Payal Kapadia**
- Which company has been bestowed with the prestigious "The Economic Times HR World Future Ready Organization Award 2024-25"? **NHPC**
- Who is the first Indian to get the United Nations Military Gender Advocate of the Year Award? **Major Suman Gawani**
- Where was the first Outlook Planet Sustainability Summit & Awards 2024 for Central Public Sector Enterprises held? **Goa**
- Which organization received the CSR Champion Award in the Non-Fossil Fuel category at the Outlook Planet Sustainability Summit 2024 in Goa? **Power Finance Corporation**
- Which Indian institution has been awarded the World Health Organization's 2024 Nelson Mandela Award for Health Promotion? **National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS), Bengaluru**
- Which actress won the Best Actress award at the New York Indian Film Festival 2024? **Sanya Malhotra**
- The famous Annual Hindi Sahitya Bharati Award has been given to whom? **Krishna Prakash**
- Who has been chosen for the Gudleppa Hallikeri Award 2024? **Siddalinga Pattanashetty**
- Who has been conferred the EY World Entrepreneur of the Year Award 2024? **Vellayan Subbiah**
- What is the primary purpose of the EarthCARE satellite launched by the European Space Agency? **To boost climate insights**
- Who is the director of the documentary film Golden Thread, which won the Best Documentary Film award at the 18th Mumbai International Film Festival 2024? **Nistha Jain**
- Which organization awarded SEBI the 'Best Conduct of Business Regulator' award in Asia Pacific? **The Asian Banker**
- Who recently became the first Indian to secure a golden ticket for the World League of Fighters? **Surya Sagar**
- Which organization has been honoured with the Kalinga Excellence Awards for Energy, Corporate Social Responsibility, and Sustainability? **Mahanadi Coalfields Limited**
- After whom has the International Astronomical Union named a crater on Mars? **Professor Devendra Lal**
- This year 2024 Kayli Prize for astrophysics has been awarded to whom? **David Charbonneau**
- Which institution received the "Risk Manager of the Year Award 2024" from Central Banking, recognizing its exemplary strides in enhancing risk culture and awareness? **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)**
- Which Indian has been conferred with the 'Nelson Mandela Lifetime Achievement Award' for his contribution to films? **Vinod Ganatra**
- Who has been conferred the 18th V. Shantaram Lifetime Achievement Award? **Subbiah Nallamuthu**

05 JUNE

1st celebrated: 1974
Edition: 51st
2024 Theme: Land Restoration, Desertification and Drought Resilience

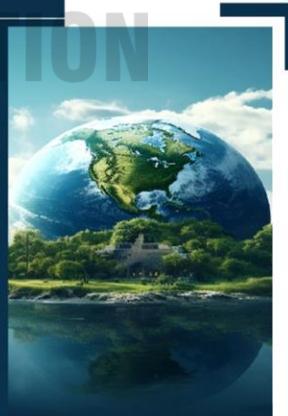
Importance
To mark the proclamation of this day by the UN General Assembly in 1972.

Slogan
Our land. Our future. We are #GenerationRestoration.

Organisation Involved
United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

Motto
To encourage the awareness and action for the protection of our environment.

Host Country
UN Environment Programme (UNEP) announced that Colombia will be hosting World Environment Day 2020 in partnership with Germany.



Sports

- Which football club has won the 2023-24 UEFA Europa League? **Atlanta BC**
- In the men's T63 high jump, who has won Gold at World Para Athletics Championships? **Mariyappan Thangavelu**
- Which team has won TATA Indian Premier League (IPL) 2024? **Kolkata Knight Riders**
- PV Sindhu lost the women's singles final of the BWF Malaysia Masters 2024 to whom? **Wang Zhi Yi**
- Who became the first Indian gymnast to secure a gold medal at the Asian Gymnastics Championships? **Dipa Karmakar**
- Who has become the first England player to make 3,000 T20I runs? **Jos Buttler**
- Who has clinched the gold in the women's 200m T12 event at World Para Athletics Championship? **Simran Sharma**
- Who won the only gold medal for India at the Asian Arms Wrestling Championship 2024? **Shrimant Jha**
- Charles Leclerc achieved a historic victory at the Monaco Grand Prix, becoming the first Monegasque driver to win his home race since which driver in 1931? **Louis Chiron**
- In the Norway Chess tournament, which Indian chess player defeated Koneru Humpy to claim the sole lead in the women's section? **R Vaishali**
- What is the name of 12 year old Indo-American, who has recently won the Scripps National Spelling Bee? **Bruhat Soma**
- Who won the Gold Medal in Women's Long Jump at Taiwan? **Nayana James**
- Which football club has won the 2023-24 UEFA Champions League? **Real Madrid F.C.**
- Who is the first cricketer in the world to hit 600 sixes in international matches? **Rohit Sharma**
- Who has the first gold medal for India in the 2024 ISSF World Cup held in Munich Germany? **Sarabjot Singh**
- Who won the only gold medal for India at the 2024 Archery Asia Cup Stage 3 event? **Kumud Saini**
- Cherukuri Ramoji Rao, who recently passed away in Hyderabad, Telangana, was the head of which notable establishments? **ETV Network and Ramoji Film City**
- Who is the first Indian ever to win a three star Grand Prix title in equestrian? **Shruti Vora**
- Which edition of the Copa America football tournament has recently been hosted by USA? **48th**
- Who has won the men's singles title of the Heilbronn Neckarcup 2024 ATP Challenger Tennis tournament? **Summit Nagpal**
- Who has won the men's single title of the 2024 French Open tennis tournament? **Carlos Alcaraz**
- Who has won two gold medals in the World Para Athlete Grand Prix in Nottwil city of Switzerland? **Saurabh Sharma**
- Who has become the first Indian to won Ultimate Fighting Championship? **Puja Tomar**
- Who has won the Canadian Grand Prix for the third consecutive year? **Max Verstappen**
- Who won the silver medal in the Men's 5000-meter race for India? **Gulveer Singh**
- Which country has been named by the International Hockey Federation as the host for the first-ever Junior World Cup to be held in December 2024? **India**
- Which Indian player has won the 2024 FIDE World Chess Junior U-20 Girl's Chess Championship? **Divya Deshmukh**
- Recently released book "I Have the Streets: A Kutti Cricket Story" is an autobiography of which cricketer? **R. Ashwin**
- At the 2024 U.S. Olympic Swimming Trials, American swimmer Gretchen Walsh set a world record in the women's 100-meter butterfly. What was her record-breaking time? **55.18 seconds**
- Which archer secured India's first women's individual recurve archery quota for the 2024 Paris Olympics by winning gold at the final world qualifying tournament in Antalya? **Bhajan Kaur**
- Which Indian chess player secured victory in the Stepan Avagyan Memorial 2024 held in Jermuk, Armenia? **Arjun Erigaisi**
- Who has recently set a record by bowling four maiden overs in a T20 World Cup match? **Lockie Ferguson**
- Trent Boult, who recently announced his retirement from international cricket, belongs to which country? **New Zealand**
- Neeraj Chopra has won his first gold medal at which event with a throw of 85.97m? **Paavo Nurmi Games**

Science & Technology

- Which channel has launched AI anchor Krish and Bhoomi in May 2024? **DD Kisan**
- Which state government's power utility company was ranked second in terms of adding power transmission lines in 2023-24? **Gujarat Energy Transmission Corporation Ltd**
- Which country has been given the name Remal Cyclone? **Oman**
- The recently discovered gooseberry species in Kerala's Edamalayar forest range has been named after whom? **Tapas Chakrabarty**
- Where has the public sector company GAIL (India) Limited set up its first green hydrogen plant? **Madhya Pradesh**
- NASA recently launched a small climate satellite to study which part of Earth? **The Poles**
- Which is the first company in the world to launch a single-piece three-dimensional (3D) printed rocket engine? **Agnikul Cosmos**
- What is the name of the anti-radiation missile developed by the Defence and Research Development Organisation (DRDO)? **RudraM-1 and RudraM-2**
- What is the primary aim of the DRDO-Industry-Academia Centre of Excellence at IIT Kanpur? **Defense research**
- What measure has recently been taken in Djibouti to halt the spread of malaria? **Releasing genetically modified mosquitoes**
- Which country's probe, named Chang'e-6, has begun its journey back towards Earth from the moon? **China**
- What is the primary reason NASA and ESA are developing a standardized time system for the moon under the Artemis program? **To synchronize operations and coordinate international lunar missions**
- Recently, Pakistan in collaboration with which country, has launched the PAKSAT MM1 satellite to enhance internet connectivity and communication services? **China**
- China's Chang'e-6 Probe will bring Moon samples home from which side of the Moon? **Far Side**
- Where was a distinct, blue-colored ant species discovered, identified as a "biodiversity hotspot"? **Siang Valley**
- What is the name of the newly established National Space Agency in South Korea? **KASA**
- What is the purpose of the PraVaHa software developed by ISRO? **Aerodynamic design and analysis**
- Which company won the contract to build a research vessel for DRDO, valued at over ₹500 crore? **Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers**
- Which regulatory authority launched the Saathi 2.0 personal finance app for investors? **SEBI**
- Which Russian cosmonaut recently became the first person to spend 1,000 days in space? **Oleg Kononenko**
- What is the proposed capacity of the Ethane Cracker Project that GAIL plans to set up at Ashta in the Sehore district of Madhya Pradesh? **1,500-KTA**
- Which country is the world's second largest source of nitrous oxide (N₂O), a greenhouse gas? **India**
- Who deployed MI17 helicopter to control forest fire in Binsar Wildlife Sanctuary? **Indian Air Force**
- What is the name of the indigenously designed and manufactured submachine gun which has been recently inducted into the Indian Army? **ASMI**
- What is the key innovation behind Wärtsilä's large-scale 100% hydrogen-ready engine power plant? **Conversion to run on 100% hydrogen**
- Researchers discovered a new diatom genus in the clean water rivers of the Eastern Ghats. What is the name of this genus? **Indiconema**
- In June 2024, Scientists from University of Houston have discovered a massive energy imbalance on which planet? **Saturn**

3rd Sunday of June

Inception: 19 June 1910
Edition: 115th

Importance

- In 1910, a US woman, Sonora Smart Dodd was inspired by the American Mother's Day celebrations to plan a day to honor fathers.
- Since then in USA, the Father's Day has been celebrated in June since 1910.

Motto

To recognize the contribution that fathers and father figures make to the lives of their children.

Note

- President Lyndon Johnson issued the first presidential proclamation honouring fathers in 1966, making the third Sunday in June Father's Day.
- Six years later President Richard Nixon signed it into law, establishing the day as a national holiday – though in the UK it does not enjoy this status.

Father's Day



Miscellaneous

- Which country among the world's top five crude steel-producing countries has recorded positive growth in steel production in April 2024? **India**
- World Football Day 2024 has been observed on which day of May 2024? **25 May**
- How many Great Indian Bustards were counted in the 2024 annual census at National Desert Park in Jaisalmer? **64**
- Which is the highest-ranked Indian city at 350th in Oxford Economics' Global Cities Index? **Delhi**
- What is the theme of "World Hunger Day 2024"? **"Thriving Mothers, Thriving World"**
- What is the theme of the 2024 International Day of the UN Peacekeepers? **Fit for the future, building better together**
- Who is the first person to climb Mount Everest and Mount Lhotse in a single season? **Satyadeep Gupta**
- Which state's statehood day has been observed on 30th May? **Goa Statehood Day**
- What is the primary purpose of the Red Flag exercise in which India has recently participated? **To practice and enhance aerial combat skills**
- When has the world observed World No Tobacco day? **31 May**
- Which of the following Indian companies were included in the annual Time Magazine Global 100 Most Influential Companies of 2024? **Reliance Industries Limited, Tata Group, and Serum Institute of India**
- At which event did Pranavi Urs recently secure 3rd place? **Dormy Open**
- Which company was named to the 2024 TIME100 Most Influential Companies list? **Envision Energy**
- What is the theme of World Environment Day 2024? **Land restoration, desertification, and drought resilience**
- Which institution has got first position in QS World Rankings 2025? **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**
- When has World Food Safety Day celebrated recently? **7 June**
- What is the theme of "World Brain Tumour Day 2024" observed on 8th June? **Brain Health and Prevention**
- When has World Day Against Child Labour 2024 has been observed recently? **12 June**
- World Music Day has recently been observed on which day of June 2024? **21 June**
- The United Nations has declared 2024 as the International Year of? **International Year of Camelids**
- Where was the 8th edition of the Japan-India Maritime Exercise (JIMEX)-24 held? **Yokosuka**
- What is India's rank in the Global Gender Gap Index 2024? **129**
- What is the purpose of the Indian Army's "D5" Motorcycle Expedition launched recently? **To commemorate the 25th anniversary of the Kargil War victory**
- Which day of June 2024 has been observed as World Blood Donor Day? **14 June**
- Global Wind Day has recently been observed on which day of June 2024? **15th June**
- Where was the 2nd edition of Exercise 'Red Flag 2024' held in the US? **Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska**
- Which edition of JIMEX exercise is being held in the year 2024? **Eighth**
- What is the rank of India in Environment Performance Index 2024? **176**
- What was the total value of seafood exported from India in 2023-24? **US\$7.38 billion**
- World Sickle Cell Day has been observed on which date? **19 June 2024**
- What is the minimum support price announced by the government of India for the paddy common grade for the 2024-25 agricultural marketing season? **Rs 2300 per quintal**

07 JUNE

Inception: 2019
Edition: 6th
2024 Theme: Food Safety: Prepare for The Unexpected

Importance
In 2017 FAO together with WHO adopted a resolution to promote and facilitate actions for global food safety and designate 7 June as World Food Safety Day.

Organisation Involved
WHO & FAO.

Motto
To ensure the safe food to every consumer.

What is Food Safety?
Food safety is the absence -- or safe, acceptable levels -- of hazards in food that may harm the health of consumers.



Important Days

Day	Observed/Celebrated As	Motto/Importance
July 1	Doctor's Day	To mark the Birth Anniversary of Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy, the legendary physician and the second Chief Minister of West Bengal.
July 2	World UFO Day	It commemorates the date on which the famous Roswell incident was exposed to the public.
July 6	World Zoonoses Day	To commemorate the discovery of 1st vaccination against a zoonotic disease that can be spread between humans and animals.
July 11	World Population Day	To focus attention on the urgency and importance of population issues.
July 12	National Simplicity Day	To mark the birth anniversary of Henry David Thoreau in 1817.
July 17	World Day for International Justice	To mark the adoption of the Rome Statute in 1998. With the help of this treaty, International Criminal Court (ICC) was established.
July 18	Nelson Mandela Day	To recognise the former South African President, Nelson Mandela's contribution to the culture of peace and freedom.
July 26	Kargil Vijay Diwas	To commemorate India's victory over Pakistan in the conflict that took place in the mountains above Kargil
July 28	World Hepatitis Day	Take Action. Test. Treat. Vaccinate.
July 29	International Tiger Day	This day was established in 2010 at Saint Petersburg Tiger Summit in Russia to raise awareness about the decline of wild tiger numbers.

Let's Recap

- Which country will supply Tushil and Tamal naval frigates to India? **Russia**
- Which country has appointed its first defence advisor to India in April 2024? **Papua New Guinea**
- Name the "football club" which has won the 2023-24 Serie A football league? **AC Milan**
- Who is India's top female player in the ITTF Table Tennis World Rankings? **Shreeja Akula**
- When has the "National Panchayati Raj Day" celebrated? **24th April**
- Who won the first gold medal for India in the 21st u-20 Asian Athletics Championship? **Deepanshu Sharma in Javelin**
- Who has been appointed the brand ambassador by the ICC for the 9th ICC Men's T20 cricket World Cup? **Usain Bolt**
- With whom has C-DOT signed an agreement to increase the efficiency of 5G networks? **IIT Jodhpur**
- Prabowo Subianto has recently been appointed as the new President of which country? **Indonesia**
- Who was elected Chairman of the Athletes Commission of Wrestling Federation of India (WFI) in April 2024? **Nars Singh Pancham Yadav**
- Amitabh Chaudhry has been reappointed as the MD and CEO of which bank? **Axis Bank**
- India's first multipurpose (heat and power) green hydrogen pilot project was launched in which state? **Himachal Pradesh**
- World Intellectual Property Day 2024 has been observed on which date? **26 April**
- Which country will host the FIFA Men's World Cup 2034? **Saudi Arabia**
- Which neighbouring countries of India have been included in the top 10 countries of the world facing acute hunger? **Pakistan**
- Who has been chosen by ICC as the ambassador of ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024 in April 2024? **Yuvraj Singh**
- Who has been named the regional winner for the Middle East and North Africa at the 2024 Cambridge Dedicated Teacher Awards? **Gina Justus**
- Which city will host the 2024 World U20 Athletics Championships? **Lima**
- Who launched India's first green hydrogen pilot project in April 2024? **SJVN Limited**
- International Dance Day has been observed on which day of April 2024? **29th April**
- Which state has started a survey of Nilgiri Tahr? **Tamil Nadu**
- Which Indian has been selected for the 2024 Goldman Environmental Prize? **Alok Shukla**
- Who has been chosen for the 2018 Lacchu Maharaj Award? **Hema Malini**
- What will India's e-commerce position be according to Invest India by 2030? **World's third largest**
- Which Financial services company has recently got "Navratna" status in April 2024? **IREDIA**
- Who has replaced by Krishna M Ella as the President of Indian Vaccine Manufacturers Association (IVMA) in April 2024? **Adar C Poonawala**
- Which club has won the 2023-24 Ligue-1 season title of France? **Paris Saint-Germain**

08 JUNE

Inception: 1992

Edition: 33rd

2024 Theme: Catalyzing Action for Our
Ocean & Climate

Importance

- The Brundtland Commission emphasised that the ocean sector need strong addressal and marked this day as World Ocean Day.
- Government of Canada had proposed the concept of World Ocean Day, at the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro in 1992.
- Officially World Ocean Day was established by the United Nations General Assembly in 2008.

Organisation Involved

UNESCO.

Motto

To raise global awareness regarding the challenges faced by international community.

World Ocean Day



- Who has taken charge as the Presiding Officer of the Securities Appellate Tribunal? **Justice (retired) Dinesh Kumar**
- Who will lead Indian men's cricket team in the ICC 2024 T20 World Cup? **Rohit Sharma**
- The recently launched book "The Winner's Mindset" has been authored by whom? **Shane Watson**
- Who has recently assumed the charge of Director General of Akashvani News? **Maushumi Chakravarty**
- Reserve Bank of India has estimated how much growth in jobs in FY23 in post-covid recovery? **5%**
- DRDO successfully test SMART missile system for Indian Navy. What does "S" stands for in the abbreviation of "SMART"? **Supersonic**
- What is the new name of the Fursatganj Railway Station in Amethi, Uttar Pradesh? **Tapeshwarnath Dham**
- What is the theme of the 2024 International Labour Day? **Ensure workplace safety and health amidst climate change**
- Who has been appointed as Director of the Department of Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT)? **Pratima Singh**
- Which country has received USD 84 Million humanitarian aid from World Bank? **Afghanistan**
- NPCI International has partnered with which bank to develop a UPI-like instant payment system in Namibia? **Bank of Namibia**
- World Press Freedom Day has been observed on which day of May 2024? **03 May**
- Who has recently awarded the title of Grandmaster by the International Chess Federation? **Vaishali Ramesh Babu**
- The Comptroller and Auditor General of India have signed a MoU with which countries' Auditor General to increase cooperation in the field of audit? **Nepal**
- Who is popular as Hockey Wali Sarpanch in Rajasthan, who has been elected to represent India at the United Nations's "Localising the SDGs: Women in Local Governance in India Lead the Way" event? **Neeru Yadav**
- The National Women's Hockey League 2024 has commenced in which city? **Ranchi**
- American Express has opened its largest campus worldwide in which city of India? **Gurugram**
- Which country has topped with 296 medals at The Gulf Youth Games Emirates 2024? **UAE**
- Which country in May 2024 launched the Chang'e 6 probe to bring back soil from the dark side of the Moon? **China**
- Who has been elected as the Prime Minister of Solomon Islands? **Jeremiah Manele**
- Who has appointed as the chairperson of Grappling Committee for J&K? **Saniya Kadree**
- Who will receive special Palme d'Or at Cannes Film Festival's opening ceremony on May 14? **Meryl Streep**
- Who has been appointed as Deputy Secretary in Ministry of Tourism? **Lalithambigai K**
- Which team has won the 2023-24 Indian Super League title? **Mumbai City FC**
- Which team has won the 2023-24 season La Liga title? **Real Madrid**
- Who has been appointed as the first President of the GST Appellate Tribunal? **Sanjaya Kumar Mishra**
- India has invited election management bodies of how many countries under the International Election Visitors Programme? **23**
- Sunita Williams is ready to fly into space, how many times has she travelled to space before? **Twice**
- On which day is the Border Road Organisation has observed its raising day? **7 May**
- Who has won India's 1st gold medal in 48kg category at the Asian U-22 & Youth Boxing Championship? **Brijesh**
- Who has been appointed as MD and CEO of Ujjivan Small Finance Bank? **Sanjeev Nautiyal**
- India has recently allowed the export of 14,000 tonnes of non-basmati rice to which country? **Mauritius**

08 JUNE

Inception: 2000
Edition: 24th

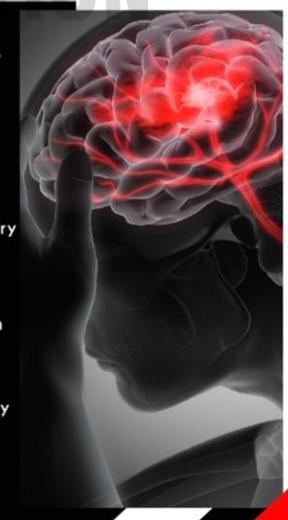
World Brain Tumour Day

Importance
To mark the commemoration of this day by German Brain Tumour Association in 2000.

Motto
Raising awareness about brain tumor and educating people from all sections of the society about this kind of cancer which is not very common.

What is Brain Tumour?

- Unnecessary growth of cells when body don't require them is known as cancer.
- A brain tumour occurs when abnormal cells produce within any part of brain.



- What is the theme of World Asthma Day 2024? **Asthma Education Empowers**
- In May 2024, West Nile Virus cases were reported from which state? **Kerala**
- What is India's rank in the 2024 World Press Freedom Index? **159**
- Who has been appointed by global digital payments platform Visa as the new Country Manager in India? **Sujai Raina**
- Who has become the first Indian player to reach 350-wicket mark in T20 format? **Yuzvendra Chahal**
- Kyren Wilson, who has won maiden snooker world title, belongs to which country? **England**
- How much will a person be paid for one kg of pirul (Pine tree leaves) under the Pirul Lao-Paise Pao campaign in Uttarakhand? **Rs 50 per kg**

12 JUNE

Inception: 2002
Edition: 23rd

Importance
In 2002, the International Labour Organization (ILO) launched this day to bring attention and join efforts to fight against child labour.

And also marks the 20 years since the adoption of the ILO's Worst Forms of child Labour Convention, 1999.

This day mainly focus on the children development and it protects the right of education and dignified life for the children.

Organisation Involved
ILO & UNICEF.

Motto
To raise awareness and activism to prevent child labour.

Note
• In India the definition of a child changed from one below 18 to one below 14 years of age.
• The child below 14 will not be allowed to work in any industry except a 'Family Enterprise'.

Anti-Child Labor Day



- Varugeese Koshy, who has passed away recently, was famous for which game? **Chess**
- NTPC Green Energy Limited has signed pact with which state for renewable energy boost? **Maharashtra**
- Maharana Pratap Jayanti has recently observed on which day of May 2024? **09 June**
- Which military unit of Indian Army has

successfully conducted a three-day joint exercise with the Indian Air Force in Punjab? **Kharga Corps**

- In 2023-24, in how many countries did India's merchandise exports register a positive growth rate? **115 countries**
- The 46th Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting will be held in which city? **Kochi**
- India has recently withdrawn its military personnel from which country? **Maldives**
- Who has become the first Indian golfer to play 100 tournaments on the Ladies European Tour? **Diksha Dagar**
- What will be the name of the new research station formally develop by India in Antarctica? **Maitri – 2**
- Where is the 22 Asian Team Squash Championship being organized? **China**
- Colin Munro, who announced his retirement from international cricket, belongs to which country? **New Zealand**
- Who has been reappointed as Russia's PM by President Putin in May 2024? **Mikhail Mishustin**
- Which company has been certified with ISO 42001:2023 for its Artificial Intelligence Management System (AIMS)? **Infosys**
- The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has signed a MoU with which company for Drone Didi Yojana? **Mahindra & Mahindra Limited**
- Chhattisgarh's first 15-Mw floating solar plant will be set up in which city? **Bhilai**
- What is the name of the CMD of Hindustan Shipyard Limited who recently received the PSU Dedication Award? **Hemant Khatri**
- Recently, Idashisha Nongrang has been appointed as the first woman police DGP of which state? **Meghalaya**
- Who is the first person in the world to climb Mount Everest 29 times? **Kami Rita**
- Wipro has appointed whom as its Chief Executive Officer of APMEA Strategic Market Unit? **Vinay Firake**
- Who has become the first Indian male wrestler to secure quota for Paris Olympics 2024? **Aman Sehrawat**
- The World Hydrogen Summit and Exhibition 2024 has been held in which country? **Netherlands**
- Who is the 85th Chess Grandmaster of India? **P Shyamnikhil**
- India has signed an agreement on visa exemption for diplomatic and official passports with which country? **Moldova**

- Which former President of India's birthday was recently celebrated on 13 May? **Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed**
- Who has appointed Davide Salvagnini as its first Chief AI Officer? **NASA**
- When has the International Day of Family observed in the world? **15 May**
- Where will the WorldSkills Competition 2024 be held? **Lyon, France**
- Who has become India's 85th GrandMaster? **Shyam Nikhil**
- Which tunnel has been recognised as India's highest tunnel? **Sela Tunnel**
- When is the International Day of Living Together in Peace observed in the world? **16 May**
- Indian Pavilion inaugurated at Cannes Film Festival 2024, where is it being held? **France**
- In which country has PhonePe recently launched UPI services? **Sri Lanka**
- Who has been awarded Sahitya Akademi Fellowship? **Ruskin Bond**
- According to Moody's, the Indian economy is expected to grow at what percent in the current financial year 2024-25? **6.6%**
- Who has become the first Indian women's table tennis player to be included in the top 25 ranked women singles players in the world? **Manika Batra**
- On which date is World Hypertension Day has been celebrated? **17 May**
- Who has inaugurated IndiaSkills 2024 in New Delhi? **Atul Kumar Tiwari**
- Who have been appointed as additional directors in the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)? **A Y V Krishna and N Venu Gopal**
- What is the revised India's economic growth forecast for 2024 according to United Nations? **6.9%**
- Which Indian has been ranked 12th in the Bloomberg Billionaire Index? **Mukesh Ambani**
- How much loan has the IFC provided to HDFC Bank in May 2024 to provide loans to women microfinance borrowers? **\$500 million**
- Which ministry has launched Swachhata Pakhwada in May 2024? **Ministry of DoNER**
- Andrej Plenkovic has been appointed as the Prime Minister of which country? **Croatia**
- In May 2024, India, Australia, and Indonesia have concluded their second Trilateral Maritime Security Workshop in which city? **Kochi**
- Who has been elected as the President of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) for 2024-25? **Sanjiv Puri**
- Who has won the men's doubles title of the 2024 Thailand Open Badminton championship? **Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty**
- Which day of May 2024 has been observed as World Refugee Day? **20 May**
- Which country recently unveiled the world's first 6G device? **Japan**
- Which company has launched "Surety Bond Bima" for infrastructure projects? **SBI General Insurance**
- The 11th World Para Athletics Championship is being held in which country? **Japan**
- Who has been appointed as the acting president of Iran? **Mohammad Mokhber**
- Who has been appointed as the Vice-Chairman of the International Aluminium Institute (IAI)? **John Slaven**
- India Ratings and Research expected the country's GDP growth rate for the March quarter at what percent? **6.2%**
- Which company in India has been awarded by the "Great Place to Work" certification? **Fuji Electric India**
- Which Indian public sector company has been awarded third in the world at the ATD BEST Awards 2024? **NTPC**
- What is the rank of India on the 2024 Travel and Tourism Development Index? **39**
- Sirbaz Khan, who has conquered Mount Everest without Oxygen, hails from which country? **Pakistani**
- Who has won the gold medal in the women's F51 club throw event at the World Para Athletic Championships? **Ekta Bhayan**
- With the reaching of India's stock market to \$5 trillion, India has now become _____ country in the world. **5th Largest**
- Which country has become the 99th member of the International Solar Alliance? **Spain**
- According to the Wildlife Institute of India, which state has the maximum population of Gangetic river dolphins in India? **Uttar Pradesh**
- The President of the United Arab Emirates presented the First Class Independence Medal to the Ambassador of which country? **Paraguay**
- Who has been taken oath as a Member of the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC) in May 2024? **Ramesh Babu V**
- Which record related to Mount Everest has been set recently by mountaineer Kamirita Sherpa? **She is the first person to reach the peak 30 times**

Quick Bytes

- NHAI partnered with IIIT Delhi to Boost Road Safety Using AI Tech
- DAHD and NDDB signed agreement for Biocontainment Facility Upgrade
- International Day of Yoga: 21st June. This year marks the 10th International Day of Yoga with the theme "Yoga for Self and Society."
- Ukraine Launches World's First Unmanned Systems Forces
- Cabinet Approves National Forensic Infrastructure Enhancement Scheme (NFIES)..
- Cabinet approves Viability Gap Funding (VGF) Scheme for Implementation of Offshore Wind Energy Projects..
- Indian Army Inducts Indigenous ASMI Submachine Gun.
- Axis Bank Acquires Additional Stake in Max Life Insurance Subsidiary for ₹336 Crore.
- Trent Boult Announces Retirement from International Cricket..
- Dutchman Mark Rutte, longtime Putin critic, set to lead NATO alliance
- Cabinet approves Rs 2,869 crore for development of Varanasi airport.
- David Johnson, former India pacer, dies at 52 in Bengaluru.
- Global nuclear weapons spending surges to \$91.4 billion
- Mumbai tops India's Most Expensive Cities for Expats in 2024
- Thailand became 1st country in S-E Asia to recognise same-sex marriage
- Anouk Aimée, Iconic Star of 'A Man and a Woman,' Dies at 92.
- Ashwani Kumar appointed as Delhi MCD commissioner.
- Former Odisha governor Murlidhar Chandrakant Bhandare passed away
- Gudakesh Motie wins ICC Men's Player of the Month award for May 2024
- Vellayan Subbiah named EY World Entrepreneur of the year 2024.
- RBI raises GDP growth projection to 7.2% for FY'25.
- Eminent wildlife biologist AJT Johnsingh passes away.
- Kamal Kishore Soan takes over the charge of Director General, ESIC.
- Aman Sehrawat clinches Silver Medal at Budapest Ranking Series 2024.
- Portugal to use golden visa scheme to help migrants.
- Sift Kaur Samra wins bronze in Munich World Cup 2024.
- CSC signs MoU to convert 10,000 FPOs into CSCs
- Adani to invest over \$1 Billion in Sri Lankan Wind Projects.
- Peru And Slovakia Sign The Artemis Accords For Peaceful Moon Exploration.
- India Exim Bank Opens Nairobi Office To Boost East Africa Trade.
- Raj Priy Singh Appointed Director In Department Of Rural Development.
- RBI Raises Bulk Fixed Deposit Limit To Rs 3 Crore From Rs 2 Crore.
- Moody's Maintains Stable Outlook On Three Indian PSU Banks' Ratings.
- IIT Kanpur, Centre Of Excellence For UAVs, And DFI Launch UDAAN.
- SEBI Honoured With 'Best Conduct Of Business Regulator' Award By The Asian Banker.
- Magnus Carlsen, Ju Wenjun Win Norway Chess Titles.
- Bill Gates Unveils "Source Code": A Memoir Revealing His Remarkable Journey.

14 JUNE

Inception: 1868
Edition: 57th
2024 Theme: Give blood, give plasma, share life, share often

Importance
To mark the birth anniversary of Karl Landsteiner (a scientist who won the Nobel Prize for his discovery of the A,B,O blood group system) on June 14, 1868.

Motto
To raise awareness of the need for safe blood and blood products, and to thank blood donors for their voluntary, life-saving gifts of blood.

Organisation Involved
WHO, IFBDO, ISBT.

Importance of Blood donation
Good health and reduced risk of cancer and hemochromatosis. Reducing the risk of damage to liver and pancreas. Improving cardiovascular health and reducing obesity.



- William Anders, Apollo 8 Astronaut Who Took 'Earthrise' Photo From Space, Killed In Plane Crash.
- India and Qatar hold first JTFI meeting to boost Economic Relations.
- UN adds Israel to global list of offenders that harm children.
- Nar Singh and Rohini won Dilip Bose lifetime achievement award.
- Tanzania now ineligible for European Union conservation grant.
- Chen Yufei and Shi Yu Qi triumphed at 2024 Indonesia Open
- UP govt agrees for 2025 edition of MotoGP Bharat in Noida.
- Puja Tomar Becomes First Indian to Win in UFC
- India ranked 129th in Global Gender Gap Index
- India's Sumit Nagal Wins Heilbronn Neckercup Challenger
- Priyanka Jarkiholi Youngest Tribal Woman To Win In Lok Sabha.
- India Expands Overseas Port Operations: Targeting Mongla Port In Bangladesh.

15 JUNE

Inception: 2007 (In Europe) & 2009 (Globally)

Importance
It is a day for discovering wind energy, its power and the possibilities it holds to reshape our energy systems, decarbonise our economies and boost jobs and growth.

Motto
To make people aware about the wind energy, its uses, power and the possibilities to change the world.

Organisation Involved
WindEurope (WindEurope) and GWEC (Global Wind Energy Council).

What is Wind?
• Wind is the movement of air, caused by the uneven heating of the Earth by the sun and the Earth's own rotation.
• Two factors are necessary to specify wind: speed and direction.

- Portugal To Use Golden Visa Scheme To Help Migrants.
- French President Dissolves Parliament After EU Election Defeat.
- Rajasthan Govt to invest Rs 100 Cr in Maharana Pratap Tourist Circuit.
- Prem Singh Tamang Sworn In As Sikkim Chief Minister
- InderPal Singh Bindra Appointed As CCI Secretary
- Bank Of India Acquires 6.1% Stake In CCIL IFSC
- Army Launches Integrated Generator Monitoring, Control System 'Vidyut Rakshak'
- Aquaculture Overtakes Wild Fisheries For First Time: UN Report
- Sumit Nagpal Wins his 6th ATP Challenger Tennis Title
- Max Verstappen Dominates Canadian Grand Prix for Third Consecutive Year
- Ashis Kumar Dash appointed as Director in NITI Aayog.
- Ms. Shilpi Agarwal tops International Digital Teachers' Olympiad 2024.
- IIT Madras and NASA Study Multidrug-Resistant Pathogens on ISS.
- Surya Sagar won golden ticket to World League of Fighters
- MCL wins Kalinga Excellence Awards for Energy, and CSR.
- Nepal Parliament ratifies framework agreement for ISA Membership
- Sub-Lieutenant Anamika B. Rajeev First Woman Helicopter Pilot in Indian Navy
- Harsh Malhotra Takes Charge as Minister of State for Corporate Affairs in New Delhi
- Former Football Coach T.K. Chathunni Passes Away at 80 in Kerala
- India Welcomes Egypt, Iran, UAE, Saudi Arabia And Ethiopia Joining BRICS.
- Chandrababu Naidu Reaffirms Amaravati as Sole Capital of Andhra Pradesh.
- Chandrababu Naidu Sworn In as Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister for 4th Term.
- Lt General Upendra Dwivedi Named New Army Chief.
- Abhijit Kishore And Rahul Vatts Appointed As New Leadership Of COAI.
- GAIL To Set Up India's Largest Ethane Cracker Project With Rs 60,000 Crore Investment In MP.
- Japan-India Maritime Exercise JIMEX-24 Kicks Off In Yokosuka.
- SBI Revolutionizes SME Lending With 'SME Digital Business Loans'.
- World Bank Retains India's FY25 Growth Forecast At 6.6%.
- India Named Hosts For 2025 FIH Hockey Men's Junior World Cup.
- Lt Gen Waker-Uz-Zaman appointed as Bangladesh new Army chief.

- India to host 2025 FIH Hockey Men's Junior World Cup.
- Oxford University to return stolen 500-year-old bronze idol to India.
- Mohan Charan Majhi to be new Odisha Chief Minister.
- Sanjeet Kharel sworn in as Pro-Tem Speaker of Sikkim Assembly.
- Mumbai Cricket Association President Amol Kale passes away.
- FICCI appoints Jyoti Vij as new director general
- UN declares 2025 'International Year of Quantum' and Technology.
- Canada passes motion supporting Tibetan Self-Determination.
- Gulveer Singh clinches Silver Medal in Men's 5000 metre race.
- India Receives Indigenous Man Portable Counter Drone System
- Pema Khandu Sworn in for Third Term as Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh
- Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav launched PM Shri Tourism Air Service
- Universities Will Be Allowed To Offer Admission Twice A Year..
- India & UAE Forge New Path With Local Currency Settlement System.
- Russia And Belarus Conduct Tactical Nuclear Weapons Drills Amid Tensions With West..
- Prem Prabhakar Appointed MD And CEO Of SBICAP Ventures Limited.
- Infosys Ranks Among Top 100 Most Valuable Global Brands
- India Slips to 129th Rank on Global Gender Gap Index 2024
- Visakhapatnam Port Achieves Top 20 Ranking In World Bank's CPPI
- India's Retail Inflation Eases To 12-Month Low Of 4.75% In May
- Egypt, Bahrain join China to build hyperspectral camera for Chang'e-7.
- NDA govt proposes 50% assured pension for central govt staff under NPS
- US and Ukraine Forge Long-Term Security Pact Amid G7 Summit in Italy
- Likith SP and Dhinidhi Desinghu Secure Bronze at 2024 Singapore Nationals
- Shruti Vora becomes first Indian rider to win a 3-Star Grand Prix event in Equestrian
- Divya Deshmukh Wins World Junior Girls' Chess Championship
- National Crime Record Bureau(NCRB) Launches Mobile App 'NCRB Sankalan Of Criminal Laws'.
- Jammu & Kashmir Elevates Agricultural Partnership With New Zealand.
- Assam Launches 'Mukhya Mantri Nijut Moina' Scheme to Promote Girl Education..
- Ajit Doval Reappointed National Security Adviser (NSA)
- Wipro Launches Lab45 AI Platform To Boost Efficiency Across Business Functions
- Tata Communications Secures Five-Year Broadcasting Deal With World Athletics...
- Gudakes Motie and Chamari Athapaththu Named ICC Players of the Month for May..
- Three Craters On Mars Named For Physicist Devendra Lal, Towns In UP, Bihar
- Legendary Sarod Maestro Pandit Rajeev Taranath Passes Away at 91
- Arunachal CM approves Rs 100 cr under CM's Social Security Scheme.
- Armenia to leave Russian-led collective Security Treaty Organization.
- G7 agrees to use frozen Russian assets of \$50 billion loan for Ukraine
- Rajib Kumar Mishra ceased to be chairman of PTC Financial Service.
- India Surpasses Hong Kong To Reclaim Fourth Spot In Global Equity Market
- G7 Agrees \$50bn Loan For Ukraine Using Russian Assets
- Madhya Pradesh CM Inaugurates PM Shri Tourism Air Service From Bhopal
- Woman Entrepreneur Successfully Develops AI Tool 'Divya Drishti'

20 JUNE

Inception: 2001
Edition: 25th

World Refugee Day

Importance

- To mark the 50th anniversary of 1951 Convention Refugees status by the United Nations General Assembly on 4 December 2000.
- Later Organization of African Unity (OAU) had agreed to have International Refugee Day coincide with Africa Refugee Day on 20 June.

Motto

To increase awareness among the people by sharing the experiences of refugees and their stories.

Reason Behind

- This day is celebrated every year to support millions of families who have left their homes and dear ones because of war or any other reason.
- This day also provide an opportunity to help the refugees worldwide to provide quality life through various activities.



- India's Wholesale Prices Accelerate To 15-Month High Of 2.61% In May
- Divya Deshmukh and Kazybek Nogerbek Triumph at FIDE U-20 World Chess Championship 2024
- A Book titled "A Fly on the RBI Wall" Authored by Alpana Killawala
- R. Ashwin's 'I Have the Streets: A Kutti Cricket Story' – A Glimpse into the Life of a Cricketing Legend
- ACC Reappoints Ajit Doval as NSA and PK Mishra as Principal Secretary to PM Modi
- SEBI Honored as 'Best Conduct of Business Regulator' in Asia Pacific by The Asian Banker
- Tesam Pongte Unanimously Elected as Speaker of Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly
- Cyril Ramaphosa Re-Elected South African President
- RBI imposes Rs 1.45 crore penalty on Central Bank of India.
- WHO Designates NIIMH Hyderabad as Collaborating Centre for Medicine.
- Smritivan Memorial Museum Shortlisted for UNESCO's Prix Award.
- Assam CM Inaugurates Janata Bhawan Solar Project
- India Set to be the 6th Country to have its own Deep Sea Mission.
- Peter Pellegrini Sworn In As Slovakia's President Amid Political Tensions.
- India Advances In Drone Warfare With Nagastra-1 Deployment.
- Oracle Partners With Tamil Nadu To Empower Youth With IT Skills
- MEA And SBI Sign MoU To Enhance Digital Payments For Migrant Workers Via eMigrate Portal
- RBI bags 'Risk Manager of the Year Award 2024' by London's Central Banking publication
- Siddhesh Sakore, Farmer From Maharashtra, Named Land Hero By UN Agency
- Subbiah Nallamuthu honored with lifetime achievement award at MIFF
- UNHCR Appoints Theo James as Global Goodwill Ambassador
- HAL Receives Rs 45,000 Crore RFP from MoD for 156 Indigenous Light Combat Helicopters
- Grandmaster Arjun Erigaisi Claims Stepan Avagyan Memorial 2024 Crown
- India To Host Its First Multinational Air Exercise Tarang Shakti In August.
- Ed Finds A Home: Alia Bhatt's Heartwarming Children's Book
- Lee Zii Jia Triumphs at BWF Australian Open 2024
- Former Odisha Governor Murli Dhar Chandrakant Bhandare Passes Away
- MEA and SBI ink MoU to boost Digital Payments for eMigrate portal user
- MRU installs Delhi NCR's 1st GNSS Receiver in collaboration with ISRO
- Annurag Batra elected a member of International Academy of Television
- Veteran sports journalist Harpal Singh Bedi passed away at 72
- Dhanlaxmi Bank Appoints Ajith Kumar KK as MD & CEO.
- Virat Kohli Reclaims Top Spot as India's Most Valued Celebrity Brand.
- Filmmaker Vinod Ganatra Honoured with Nelson Mandela Lifetime Achievement Award..
- Wildlife Filmmaker Subbiah Nallamuthu Honored with V. Shantaram Lifetime Achievement Award.
- Indian National Ultimate Frisbee Team Wins Silver at 2024 Asia Oceania Championship in Japan.
- Cabinet approved Viability Gap Funding (VGF) scheme
- Virendra Kumar to be Pro-tem Speaker of Lok Sabha
- Patna High Court cancels Bihar's 65% Reservation Law
- CERT-In & Mastercard partnered to boost Financial Sector Cybersecurity
- RBI cancels licence of the City Co-operative Bank, Maharashtra.
- New freshwater "Diatom Genus" Indiconema discovered in India

21 JUNE

Inception: 2014
Edition: 10th

Importance
To mark the proclamation by UNGA on 11 December 2014.

The Indian PM Narendra Modi suggested the date of 21 June, as it is the longest day of the year in the Northern Hemisphere and shares a special significance in many parts of the world.

Motto
To spread awareness about the importance and effects of yoga on the health of the people.

Organized By
AYUSH Ministry

Note

- The word 'yoga' derives from Sanskrit and means to join or to unite, symbolizing the union of body and consciousness.
- On summer solstice India's first yogi (Adi Yogi), is said to have begun imparting the knowledge of yoga to the rest of mankind on this day.



- Appointment of Sandeep Batra as Chairman of ICICI Prudential Life
- CCRAS Launches PRAGATI-2024 to Revolutionize Ayurveda Research and Innovation
- Kerala Introduces Artificial Intelligence Learning in School Textbooks
- Badminton Star PV Sindhu Appointed Brand Ambassador for Tobacco Control
- RBI Penalizes SBM Bank (India) With Rs 88.70 Lakh Fine
- India's FY24 Fiscal Deficit Improves To 5.63% Of GDP
- Adani Ports Expands Global Reach: Secures 30-Year Deal For Tanzania Port Terminal
- Indian-American Bruhat Soma Triumphs at Scripps National Spelling Bee
- NIMHANS Honoured with Prestigious Nelson Mandela Award for Health Promotion
- ISRO And Wipro 3D Collaborate On 3D-Printed Rocket Engine
- England Cricketer Brydon Carse Slapped with Three-Month Ban
- India Joins Newly Formed World Boxing Body
- Nishant Dev becomes 1st Indian Male Boxer to qualify for 2024 Olympics
- Malaysia appointed High Commissioner to India Muzaffar Shah Mustafa.
- Krishn Kanhai's grand 'Golden Krishna' exhibition debuts in Dubai
- Boxing Federation of India becomes a member of World Boxing.
- Sikkim HC Becomes India's 1st To Introduce Menstrual Leave for females
- IAS Pradip Kumar Tripathi was appointed as Secretary to Lokpal.
- China's 'One Person, One File': Blueprint for Digital Totalitarianism.
- India's DP Manu wins gold in javelin throw at Taiwan Athletics Open 2024
- Indian Economy Grew By 8.2% In FY 24: NSO
- Real Madrid's Historic 15th Champions League Title
- Government terminates CRPF DIG Khajan Singh.
- Manu Clinches Gold In Javelin Throw At Taiwan Athletics Open.
- Sushil Kumar appointed as Chairperson of Deendayal Port Authority.
- Tanvi Sharma won Women's Singles at Bonn Badminton Tournament.
- Nayana James clinches Gold Medal in Women's Long Jump at Taiwan.
- Zupee partnered with Gurugram Police for Cyber Security Program
- Hyderabad belongs to Telangana, no longer Andhra Pradesh Capital
- Claudia Sheinbaum :First elected Woman President of Mexico
- PV Sindhu Invests in and Becomes Brand Ambassador for Greenday's 'Better Nutrition'.
- India's first female UN Ambassador, Ruchira Kamboj, retires.
- UNDP and GEF Launch \$135M Blue and Green Islands Integrated Programme
- Dinesh Karthik announces retirement from all forms of cricket
- India joins U.S.'s Red Flag air and RIMPAC naval exercises
- Helen Mary, 1st woman brigadier in Pakistan from minority community.
- Seoul to Suspend Military Deal Amid North Korea's Balloon Provocations
- Mission Karmayogi Aims to Transform India's Civil Services by 2047
- All-rounder Kedar Jadhav Retires from all forms of Cricket
- Agnikul launches world's first Rocket with 3D-printed rocket engine
- RBI fines HSBC Bank for violation of FEMA regulation
- Businesswoman Halla Tomasdottir elected Iceland's President
- Pakistan Launches PAKSAT MM1 Satellite With China's Assistance
- The Centre has appointed Sushil Kumar Singh as the Chairman of Deendayal Port Trust in Kandla, Gujarat.
- PNB Board Approves 10% Stake Dilution In Canara HSBC Life Insurance Via IPO
- Mumbai's Super Cop Krishna Prakash Honored With Hindi Sahitya Bharati Award

21 JUNE

1st Observed: 1982
Edition: 42nd

World Music Day

Importance
The idea was conceived in the 1970s by American musician Joel Cohen—then working for a French radio station—as he wanted bands to play on the evening of June 21 to welcome the first day of summer. It was finally adopted by France's Ministry of Culture in 1982.

Motto
To promote peace and spread goodwill through music.

Origin
In France (as "Fête de la Musique" meaning "festival of music").

Note
The word music derived from the Greek word "Mousike" which means "art of the Muses".



- Siddhalinga Pattanashetti Wins Gudleppa Hallikeri Award 2024
- ISRO Develops PraVaHa Software For Aerodynamic Design And Analysis
- South Korea establishes National Space Agency, "KASA"
- School Education Department signs MoU with National Book Trust.
- Envision Energy named to 2024 TIME100 Most Influential Companies.
- Kerala's lab develops non-infectious Nipah virus-like particles.
- PM Launches 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' Campaign.
- NOTA Creates Record In MP's Indore Lok Sabha Seat..
- Om Birla Becomes First Lok Sabha Speaker In 20 Years To Be Re-Elected As MP
- Rakesh Mohan Joshi Appointed As Vice-Chancellor Of IIFT
- MoD Signs MoUs To Expand SPARSH Service Centers
- Axis Bank And Bajaj Allianz Forge Bancassurance Alliance
- NPCI International And Reserve Bank Of Peru Forge Landmark Partnership For UPI Payments
- Arka Fincap Expands Financial Solutions With IRDAI License
- SEBI Forms Committee To Review Clearing Corporations
- Nokia, Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya ink pact to collaborate on 5G/6G.
- Haryana to launch project to combat air pollution with World Bank.
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26 JUNE

International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking

1st Observed: 1989
Edition: 35th

Importance

- To mark the proclamation by General Assembly on 7 December 1987 for this day to strengthen action and cooperation to achieve the goal of an international society free of drug abuse.
- This date was chosen to commemorate Lin Zexu's dismantling of the opium trade in Humen, Guangdong, ending in June 25 1839, just before the First Opium War in China.

Motto

To raise awareness to fight against substance abuse as well as the unlawful trade of drugs.

Organisation Involved

UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC).

Note

- The term "illicit trafficking" can be defined as illegal "trading, selling or dealing" in specified goods.
- This day also known as "World Drug Day".



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- Saudi Arabia Names Faisal Bin Saud Al-Mejfel As Ambassador To Syria
- Lithuania's President Gitanas Nausėda Secures Landslide Reelection Victory
- Ghana Partners With Reliance Jio Arm And Others For Telecom Infrastructure
- Jetha Ahir Elected as NAFED Chairman
- Charles Leclerc Makes History with Monaco Grand Prix Triumph
- WHO organises 'Walk The Talk' Yoga Session event.
- DRDO chief Samir V Kamat gets one-year extension.
- Savannah Gankiewicz of Hawaii crowned Miss USA Title.
- RBI Launches PRAVAAH, Retail Direct Mobile App, and FinTech Repository
- Poonawalla Fincorp And IndusInd Bank Launch Co-Branded RuPay Credit Card
- Reliance Industries Strikes Deal with Rosneft for Rouble Payments
- Hayley Matthews, the West Indies captain, has been named the ICC Women's Player of the Month April.
- Legendary Disney Songwriter Richard M. Sherman Passes Away at 95
- Indian Mountaineer Satyadeep Gupta Achieves Historic Double Dual Ascent
- Sony appoints Gaurav Banerjee as new India CEO.
- India gives \$1 mn aid to landslide-hit Papua New Guinea.
- Spain To Give Ukraine 1 Billion Euros Worth Of Military Aid
- NASA launches Small Climate Satellite to study Earth's Poles.
- Major Radhika Sen to receive Advocate of the Year Award.
- Goldman Sachs raises India's GDP Growth forecast to 6.7% for 2024.
- P Santhosh Takes the Helm as MD & CEO of NARCL
- RBI Imposes Business Restrictions On Edelweiss Group
- India Successfully Tests Anti-Radiation Missile 'Rudram-II'
- Sanjay Kumar inaugurates "Summer Fiesta 2024" in New Delhi.
- Satyadeep Gupta sets World Record to scale Mt Everest and Mt Lhotse.
- PFC wins "CSR Champion Award" for sustainability efforts.
- India's R Vaishali beat compatriot Koneru Humpy at Norway tournament.
- The Hindu's 'Made of Chennai' Campaign wins Global Recognition.
- TCS & IIT-Bombay to build India's 1st Quantum Diamond Microchip Imager
- RBI estimates Economic Growth Rate to be 7% in 2024-25.
- UN's celebrates 1st-Ever International Day of Potato on 30 May 2024.
- IISc, Bangalore, ranked 32nd in THE Asia University Rankings 2024
- Agnikul Cosmos launches Agnibaan SOrTeD with world's first 3D printed engine
- Government Raises Retirement & Death Gratuity Limits To Rs 25 Lakh.
- Russia To Remove Taliban From Terrorist List
- Shah Rukh Khan Appointed as New Brand Ambassador of Muthoot Pappachan Group
- IRDAI Approves Sandeep Batra as ICICI Prudential Board Chairman
- Appointment Of Rakesh Ranjan As Chairman, Staff Selection Commission (SSC)

Julian Assange: A Timeline of Events



2010	<p>Apr. WikiLeaks publishes classified material about American military activity in Iraq and Afghanistan</p> <p>Aug. Swedish police question Assange about two separate charges of rape and molestation, which he denies</p> <p>Nov. Sweden issues international arrest/extradition warrant for Assange</p> <p>Dec. Assange presents himself to police in London and is granted conditional bail</p>
2012	<p>May UK Supreme Court rules that Assange should be extradited to Sweden</p> <p>Jun. Assange enters Ecuadorian embassy in London, requesting political asylum</p> <p>Aug. Assange granted political asylum by Ecuador</p>
2016	<p>Feb. UN panel rules that Assange is being "arbitrarily detained"</p> <p>Jul. WikiLeaks releases confidential emails from the DNC and the Clinton campaign</p>
2017	<p>May Swedish authorities drop all investigations into Assange; UK warrant for failing to appear in court still out</p> <p>Dec. Ecuador grants Assange citizenship; U.S. indicted Assange under seal for military leaks</p>
2018	<p>Feb. Westminster magistrates court upholds Assange's arrest warrant for skipping bail</p>
2019	<p>Apr. Assange is arrested at the Ecuadorian embassy for failing to appear in court, and on behalf of U.S. authorities</p> <p>Feb. 117 doctors publish open letter entitled: 'End torture and medical neglect of Julian Assange' in <i>The Lancet</i> - a renewed call for him to be transferred out of the UK's Belmarsh prison</p>
2020	<p>Extradition hearing begins at Woolwich crown court, London</p> <p>Sep. Assange appears in court facing new indictment with 18 counts; hearings conclude Oct 1</p>
2021	<p>Jan. Extradition to the U.S. denied due to mental health concerns</p> <p>Jul. Ecuador revokes Assange's citizenship</p> <p>Dec. The UK High Court rules Assange can be extradited to the U.S.</p>
2022	<p>Mar. Assange marries his longtime partner and lawyer Stella Moris in the maximum security prison HMP Belmarsh</p> <p>Jun. 300 doctors from 35 countries write an open letter to Home Secretary Priti Patel criticizing Assange's "cruel and inhumane treatment"; Patel signs extradition order to the U.S.</p>
2023	<p>Jun. Initial appeal against order is dismissed</p> <p>May Permission granted to appeal extradition order</p>
2024	<p>Jun. Julian Assange is unexpectedly released after agreeing to plea deal with the U.S. and returns to his home country Australia</p>

T20 World Cup 2024



Indian bowlers, especially Jasprit Bumrah, Hardik Pandya and Arshdeep Singh kept calm in the end as India snatched victory from the jaws of defeat as they finally ended their 11-year ICC trophy drought and won the T20 World Cup for the second time in their history by beating South Africa by 7 runs. Also India became the first team to win the men's T20 World Cup without losing a game all tournament. India won all eight matches they played in the tournament, and had one washout: the first-round game against Canada. India's eight consecutive wins in completed games is the joint-longest winning streak for any team in the men's T20 World Cup. Australia won eight successive games across the 2022 and 2024 editions. India is now the third team to win the men's T20 World Cup for the second time, having won the inaugural 2007 edition. West Indies were the first team with two titles, having won in 2012 and 2016, while England won in 2010 and 2022. The 2024 ICC Men's T20 World Cup was the ninth edition of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup. It was co-hosted by the West Indies and the United States from 1 to 29 June 2024; the tournament being hosted by the West Indies for the second time, while this was also the first major ICC tournament to feature matches played in the United States.

Prize money

The ICC allocated a pool of \$11.25 million USD in prize money for the tournament. The winners will earn at least \$2.45 million, the highest prize money in the history of the tournament. In addition, each team will receive an additional \$31,154 for each match they win excluding the semi-finals and final.

Marketing

Former cricketers Yuvraj Singh, Chris Gayle, and Shahid Afridi as well as Olympian athlete Usain Bolt were named as the ambassadors of the tournament.

Most runs (Top 3)

281	Rahmanullah Gurbaz (Afghanistan)
257	Rohit Sharma (India)
255	Travis Head (Australia)

Most wickets (Top 3)

17	Fazalhaq Farooqi (Afghanistan) & Arshdeep Singh (India)
15	Jasprit Bumrah (India) & Anrich Nortje (South Africa)
14	Rashid Khan (Afghanistan)

Broadcasting

In India, Disney Star is handling host broadcasting for the tournament. In an effort to help promote the sport to U.S. audiences, the ICC partnered with American sports podcaster Jomboy—as a contributor, including making guest appearances as an analyst on selected matches to help explain the rules and strategy of the sport to new viewers.

- ❑ Dates: 1 – 29 June 2024
- ❑ Administrator(s): International Cricket Council
- ❑ Cricket format: Twenty20 International
- ❑ Host(s): West Indies & United States
- ❑ Champions: India (2nd title)
- ❑ Runners-up: South Africa
- ❑ Participants: 20
- ❑ Player of the series: Jasprit Bumrah (India)
- ❑ Most runs: Rahmanullah Gurbaz (281) (Afghanistan)
- ❑ Most wickets: Fazalhaq Farooqi (17) (Afghanistan) & Arshdeep Singh (17) (India)

Modi 3.0: Cabinet Ministers and their respective portfolios

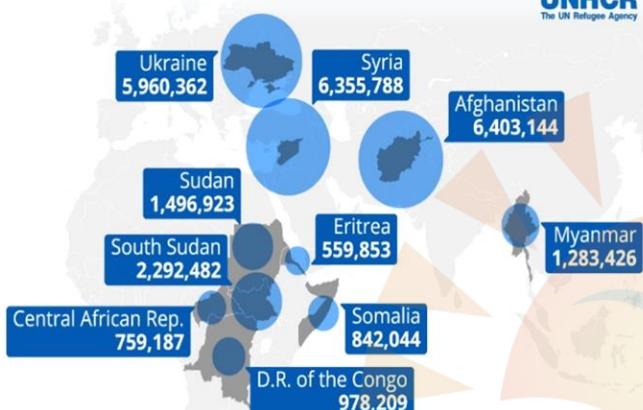


- ❑ Prime Minister Narendra Modi - Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Department of Atomic Energy; Department of Space
- ❑ Rajnath Singh - Ministry of Defence
- ❑ Amit Shah - Ministry of Home Affairs; Ministry of Cooperation
- ❑ Nitin Gadkari - Ministry of Road Transport and Highways; Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers
- ❑ JP Nadda - Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- ❑ Shivraj Singh Chouhan - Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare; Ministry of Rural Development
- ❑ Nirmala Sitharaman - Ministry of Finance; Ministry of Corporate Affairs
- ❑ Subrahmanyam Jaishankar - Ministry of External Affairs
- ❑ Manohar Lal Khattar - Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs; Ministry of Power
- ❑ JD(S) leader HD Kumaraswamy - Ministry of Heavy Industries; Ministry of Steel
- ❑ Piyush Goyal - Ministry of Commerce and Industry
- ❑ Dharmendra Pradhan - Ministry of Education
- ❑ HAM leader Jitan Ram Manjhi - Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises
- ❑ JD(U) leader Lalan Singh - Ministry of Panchayati Raj; Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
- ❑ Sarbananda Sonowal - Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways
- ❑ Virendra Kumar - Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
- ❑ TDP leader Kinjarapu Ram Mohan Naidu - Ministry of Civil Aviation
- ❑ Prahlad Joshi - Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
- ❑ Jual Oram - Ministry of Tribal Affairs
- ❑ Giriraj Singh - Ministry of Textiles
- ❑ Ashwini Vaishnaw - Ministry of Railways; Ministry of Information and Broadcasting; Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- ❑ Jyotiraditya Scindia - Ministry of Communications; Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region
- ❑ Bhupendra Yadav - Ministry of Environment and Forests
- ❑ Gajendra Singh Shekhawat - Ministry of Tourism; Ministry of Culture
- ❑ Annpurna Devi - Ministry of Women & Child Development
- ❑ Kiren Rijiju - Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs; Ministry of Minority Affairs
- ❑ Hardeep Singh Puri - Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas
- ❑ Mansukh Mandaviya - Ministry of Labour & Employment; Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
- ❑ G Kishan Reddy - Ministry of Coal; Ministry of Mines
- ❑ LJP(RV) Chirag Paswan - Ministry of Food Processing Industries
- ❑ C R Patil - Ministry of Jal Shakti

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Mapping The World's Refugee Population

Top 10 origin countries of refugees under UNHCR's mandate as of 2023



Excludes asylum-seekers abroad

Source: UNHCR

The World's Highest-Paid Athletes

Estimated earnings of the highest-paid athletes in the world between May 1, 2023 and May 1, 2024*



* Before deduction of taxes and agents' fees

Source: Forbes

The World's Most Competitive Economies

Overall scores in the IMD World Competitiveness Ranking 2024



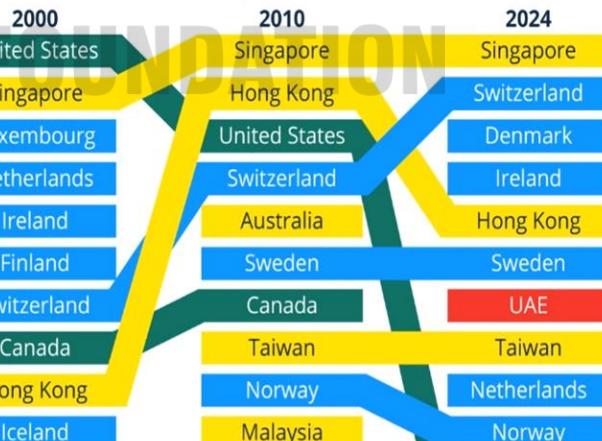
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Source: IMD

The U.S. Drops Out of Global Competitiveness Top 10

Highest-ranked countries/territories in the IMD World Competitiveness Ranking in 2000, 2010 and 2024

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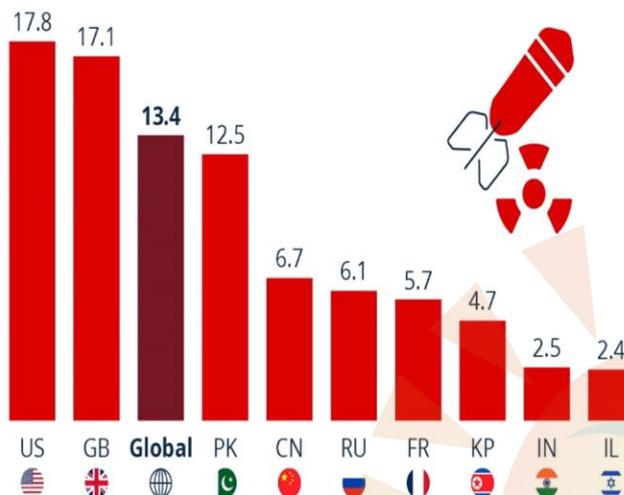


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Source: IMD

Nuclear Weapon Spending on the Rise

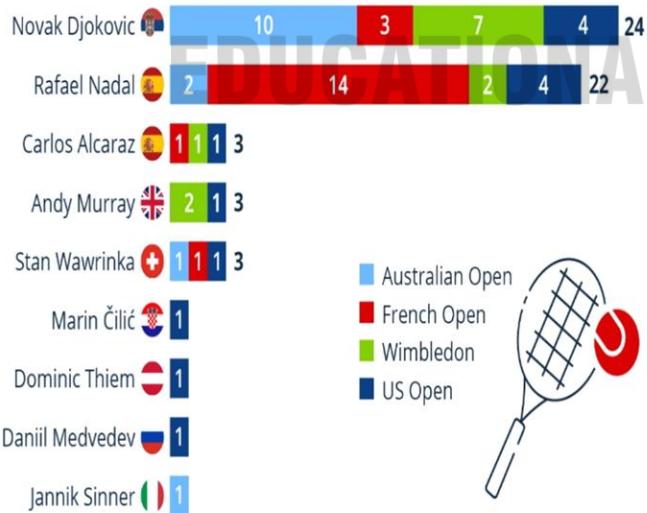
Annual change in spending on nuclear weapons in 2023 (in %)



Source: International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons

Alcaraz Wins Third Grand Slam, Leads Next Generation

Number of Grand Slam singles titles won by active male tennis players



As of June 10, 2024

Source: ATP

The World's Largest Brewing Conglomerates

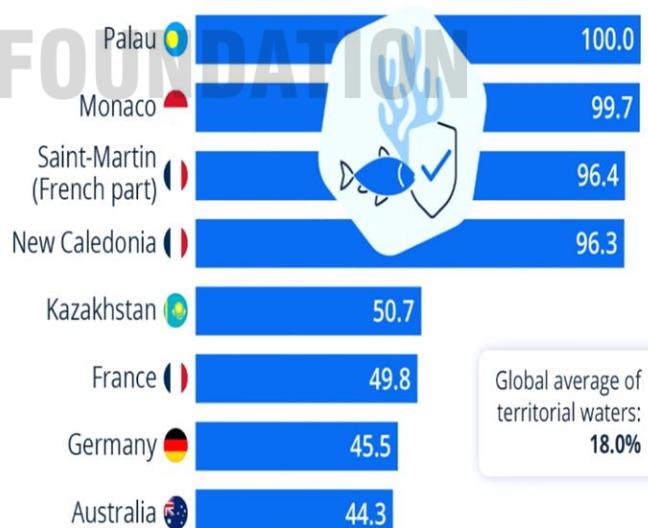
Beer output and notable brands owned by the world's largest brewing groups in 2023



Source: BarthHaas

The Places With the Most Marine Protected Areas

Countries/territories with the highest share of protected marine territorial waters in 2022 (in %)



Global average of territorial waters: 18.0%

Source: World Bank

The World's Best Restaurants in 2024

Highest ranked restaurants featured on William Reed's Best 50 annual list



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|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Disfrutar , Barcelona | 6. Atomix , New York |
| 2. Asador Etxebarri , Atxondo | 7. Quintonil , Mexico City |
| 3. Table , Paris | 8. Alchemist , Copenhagen |
| 4. Diverxo , Madrid | 9. Gaggan , Bangkok |
| 5. Maito , Lima | 10. Don Julio , Buenos Aires |

Source: William Reed The World's 50 Best Restaurants 2024

Where Are the Largest Oil Reserves?

Largest proven crude oil reserves in 2022, by region (in billions of barrels)



* Canada, Chile, Mexico, United States

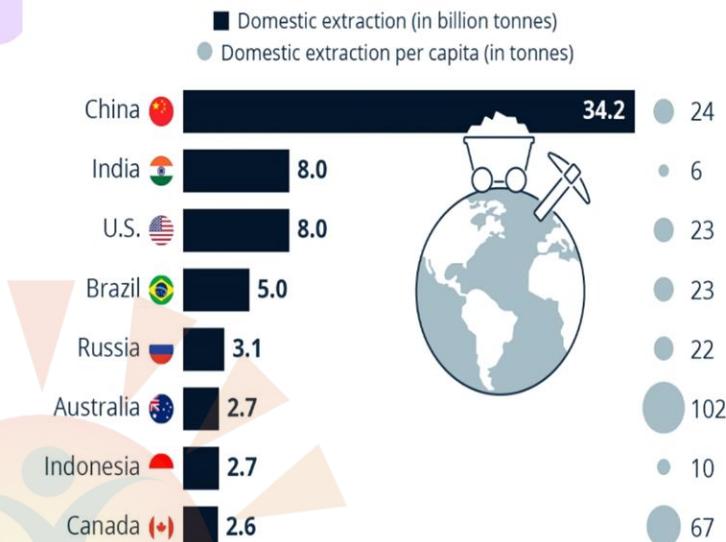
** Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan

Source: OPEC



The World's Biggest Miners

Largest extractors of domestic materials* in 2023



* Biomass, fossil fuels, metal ores, non-metallic minerals

Source: UNEP IRP Global Material Flows Database

The World's Largest Tobacco Producers

Unmanufactured tobacco production in 2022 (in metric tons)



Source: FAO

THE 10 MOST POPULAR COUNTRY DESTINATIONS FOR A HOLIDAY

Number of inbound leisure trips in 2023

- 1 France 72.4 m
- 2 Spain 70.8 m
- 3 Turkey 45.5 m
- 4 US 41.8 m
- 5 Greece 27.5 m
- 6 Thailand 27.3 m
- 7 Italy 25.9 m
- 8 Japan 20.7 m
- 9 Germany 19.8 m
- 10 Austria 16.5 m



Sources: Tourism Economics, World Travel Market

Best and Worst Countries for Gender Equality

Global Gender Gap Index 2024 rankings
(1=full gender parity)

		Rank change from 2023
1	Iceland 🇮🇸	0.935 → -
2	Finland +	0.875 ↗ +1
3	Norway 🇳🇴	0.875 ↘ -1
43	United States 🇺🇸	0.747 → -
129	India 🇮🇳	0.641 ↘ -2
144	Chad 🇨🇩	0.576 ↗ +1
145	Pakistan 🇵🇰	0.570 ↘ -3
146	Sudan+ 🇸🇩	0.568 n/a

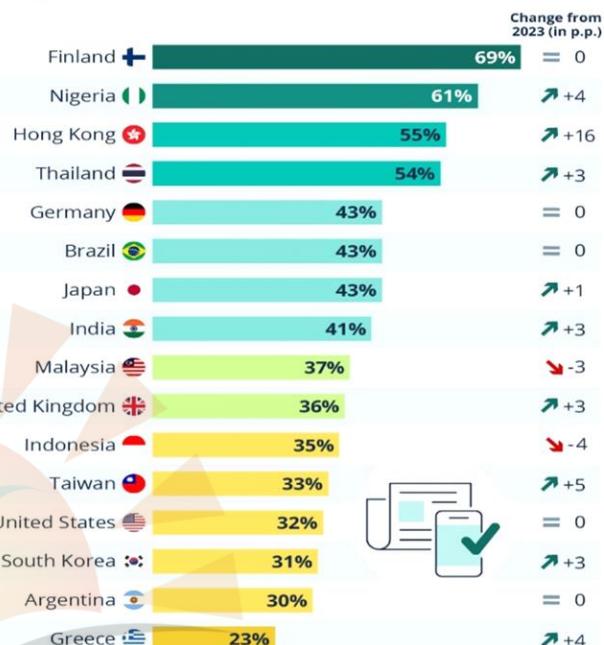
* New to index in 2024

Based on the following indicators: Economic participation and opportunity, educational attainment, health and survival, political empowerment

Source: World Economic Forum

Where Trust in the News Is Highest & Lowest

Share of respondents in selected countries who agree that "you can trust news most of the time" (2024)

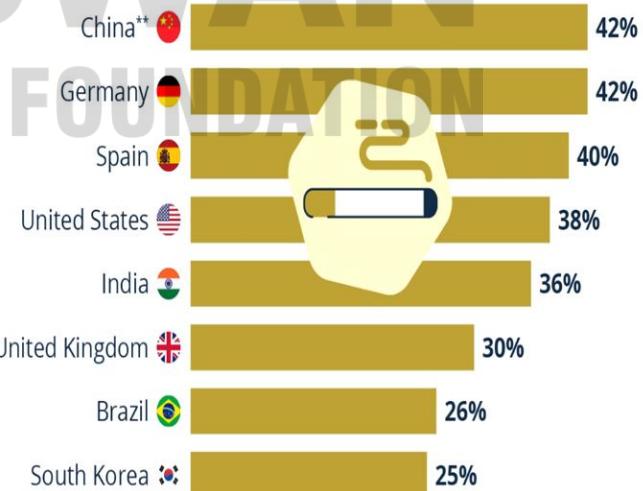


~2,000 respondents per country surveyed online Jan.-Feb. 2024

Source: Reuters Institute Digital News Report 2024

Where Smoking Is Still Popular

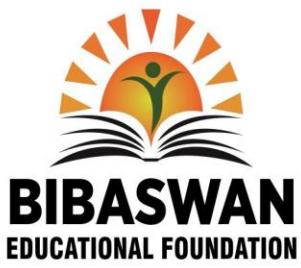
Share of respondents in selected countries who smoke cigarettes* at least occasionally



* Including roll-your-own tobacco ** Mainland

2,000-9,500 respondents of legal age to purchase tobacco (18-64 y/o) per country, surveyed Jan.-Dec. 2023

Source: Statista Consumer Insights



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