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# **Important Days**

World AIDS Day: Observed globally to raise awareness about the \*\*HIV/AIDS pandemic\*\*, mourn those who have died, and celebrate successes like increased access to treatment and prevention services. It's an opportunity to advocate for greater commitment to combating HIV/AIDS worldwide.

Border Security Force (BSF) Raising Day (India): This day marks the formation of the Border Security Force in 1965, following the Indo-Pak War. The BSF is one of India's Central Armed Police Forces, responsible for guarding India's international borders, with the motto: "Duty Unto Death" (Jīvana Paryanta Kartavya).

## Birth Anniversaries – Indian Personalities

Raja Mahendra Pratap (1886): (1 December 1886 – 29



was an Indian April 1979) independence activist, politician, social reformer, and educationist. He was the president of the provisional government of India, established in Kabul in 1915, with the support of Indian nationalists and revolutionaries during World

War I. He was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize in 1932. Born into the ruling family of Mursan in the Hathras district of the North-Western Provinces (now Uttar Pradesh), Singh was educated at Muhammadan Anglo-Oriental College, which later became Aligarh Muslim University. Singh participated in various nationalist and reform movements and spent several years in self-imposed exile engaged in political activities abroad.

Dattatreya Balkrishna Kalelkar (1885): (1 December 1885 - 21 August 1981), popularly known as Kaka Kalelkar, was an Indian independence activist, social reformer, journalist and an eminent follower of the



philosophy and methods of Mahatma Gandhi.Kalelkar was born in Satara on 1 December 1885. His family's ancestral village of Kaleli, near Sawantwadi in Maharashtra, gave him his surname Kalelkar.

He matriculated in 1903 and completed B.A. in Philosophy from Fergusson College, Pune in 1907. He appeared in the first year examination of LL.B. and joined Ganesh Vidyalaya in Belgaum in 1908. He worked for a while on the editorial staff of a nationalistic Marathi daily named Rashtramat, and then as a teacher at a school named Ganganath Vidyalaya in Baroda in 1910. In 1912, the British government forcibly closed down the school because of its nationalistic spirit. He travelled to the Himalayas by foot and later joined Acharya Kripalani on a visit to Burma (Myanmar) in 1913. He first met Mahatma Gandhi in 1915.

Bhim Sen Sachar (1894): (1 December 1894 – 18



January 1978) was an Indian politician who served three times as the Chief Minister of Punjab.Sachar was born on 1 December 1894. He did BA and LLB in Lahore and practiced law in Gujranwala, which is now in Pakistan. He was attracted

to the freedom movement and joined the Indian National Congress party at a young age. In 1921, he was elected as the Secretary of Punjab Pradesh Congres Committee. By the time India gained independence in 1947, he was an important member of the party.

# **Death Anniversaries – Indian Personalities**

Sucheta Kriplani (1974): (25 June 1908 – 1 December 1974) was an Indian politician and independence e | 1

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activist. She was India's first female Chief Minister, serving as the head of the Uttar Pradesh government 1963 to 1967. She was born in Ambala, Punjab (modern day Haryana) in a Bengali Brahman

family. Her father Surendranath Majumdar, worked as a medical officer, a job that entailed many transfers. As a result, she attended a number of schools, her final degree is a Master's in History from St. Stephen's College, Delhi. This was a time when the country's atmosphere was charged with nationalist sentiments and the freedom struggle was gaining momentum.

Vijayalaxmi Pandit (1990): (18 August 1900 – 1 was an Indian freedom fighter, December 1990)



diplomat and politician. She served as the 8th President of the United Nations General Assembly from 1953 to 1954, the first woman and the only Indian to have been appointed to this post. She was the 3rd Governor Maharashtra from 1962 to 1964.

Noted for her participation in the Indian independence movement, she was jailed several times during the movement.In 1944, she visited the United States to raise awareness about the Indian affairs among the American people in order to counter the anti-Indian propaganda there. Following the independence of India, she was sent to London as India's most important diplomat after serving as India's envoy to the Soviet Union, the United States and the United Nations. Hailing from the prominent Nehru-Gandhi political family, her brother Jawaharlal Nehru was the first prime minister of independent India.

### **Historical event for India**

1963: Formation of Nagaland State On December 1 1963, Nagaland was formally inaugurated as the 16th state of the Indian Union. This followed protracted negotiations with Naga leaders and marked a significant step in the political history of India's Northeast.

1965: Border Security Force (BSF) Establishment The Border Security Force (BSF) was officially constituted on this day. The BSF is India's primary border guarding force, responsible for guarding the international borders, particularly with Pakistan and Bangladesh.

### Freedom Struggle and Political Events

1921: Arrest of Subhas Chandra Bose Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, the great nationalist leader, was arrested by the British police on this day and sentenced to jail for a period of six months for his involvement in the freedom movement.

1931: Conclusion of Second Round Table Conference The Second Round Table Conference in London, which began in September, formally concluded on December 1st. This conference was notable as it was the only one attended by Mahatma Gandhi as the sole representative of the Indian National Congress. It ultimately failed to reach a consensus on India's constitutional future, particularly regarding communal representation and the federal structure.

1989: V.P. Singh Named Prime Minister In a significant political development following the general elections, V. P. Singh was named the new Prime Minister of India on December 1, 1989, leading a government formed by the National Front coalition with external support from the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and the Left Parties.

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Nikolai Lobachevsky (1792): Russian mathematician, known for his work in non-Euclidean geometry.

# **Death Anniversaries – International Personalities**

George Everest (1866): British surveyor and geographer who served as the Surveyor General of India; Mount Everest is named after him.

David Ben-Gurion (1973): The primary national founder of the State of Israel and the first Prime Minister of Israel.

### **International Historical Events**

1955: Rosa Parks' Arrest Sparks the Civil Rights Movement (USA) On this day, African-American civi rights activist Rosa Parks was arrested in Montgomery, Alabama, for refusing to give up her bus seat to a white passenger, a violation of segregation laws. Her courageous act triggered the Montgomery Bus Boycott, a 381-day protest that became one of the most significant and successful mass movements against racial segregation in US history.

1988: World AIDS Day Commenced The first World AIDS Day was held, proclaimed worldwide by the United Nations to raise awareness of the global AIDS pandemic caused by the spread of HIV infection. It is a day for mourning those who have died and advocating for sustained global efforts to combat the disease.

1919: Nancy Astor Becomes First Female MP in British Parliament (UK)Nancy Astor was sworn in, becoming the first woman to take her seat as a Member of Parliament in the British House of Commons.

#### **International Observances**

Antarctica Day This day celebrates the anniversary of the signing of the Antarctic Treaty in 1959. The treaty set aside Antarctica as a scientific preserve, established freedom of scientific investigation, and banned military activity on the continent.

# Birth Anniversaries – International **Personalities**

Marie Tussaud (1761): French artist known for her wax sculptures who founded Madame Tussauds Wax Museum in London.

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#### **Political & Geopolitical Milestones**

1640: Portugal Restores Independence from Spain A nationalist revolution in Portugal ended the 59-year Iberian Union with Spain, restoring Portugal's independence under King João IV.

1822: Dom Pedro I Crowned Emperor of BrazilDom Pedro was formally crowned as the first Emperor of Brazil, having declared the country's independence from Portugal a few months earlier.

1918: Kingdom of Iceland Established Iceland was granted sovereignty by the Danish parliament through the Act of Union, recognizing it as a sovereign state under a common monarch with Denmark.

1959: The Antarctic Treaty Signed Twelve nations signed the Antarctic Treaty in Washington, D.C. This landmark agreement designated Antarctica as a peaceful, demilitarized zone reserved exclusively for scientific research.

1988: Benazir Bhutto Named Prime Minister (Pakistan)Benazir Bhutto was named the Prime Minister of Pakistan, becoming the first woman to lead a modern Muslim-majority nation.

2009: Treaty of Lisbon Enters into Force (EU) The Treaty of Lisbon, which reformed the structural and legal framework of the European Union, officially came into force, enhancing its democratic legitimacy and efficiency.

#### Science, Technology, and Infrastructure

1913: Ford's Moving Assembly Line Debuts (USA) Henry Ford's company debuted the world's first moving assembly line for the mass production of the Model T, an innovation that dramatically reduced manufacturing time and cost, revolutionizing industrial production globally.

1990: Channel Tunnel Breakthrough (UK/France) Engineers digging the railway tunnel beneath the English Channel from both the UK and France side met

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40 meters below the seabed, marking the final breakthrough of the 'Chunnel'.

## Sports-related Historical Events In India

**1946: Don Bradman's Big Score** In the First Test of the 1946-47 series between India and Australia at the Gabba, Australia compiled a massive score of 645. On December 1st, the legendary Don Bradman scored majestic 187 runs against India.

**1947: India's Lowest Test Total** The very next year, in the First Test of the 1947-48 series, India was all out for a meager 58 runs against Australia at the Gabba, which remained one of India's lowest Test totals for decades.

1982: Asian Games Hockey Final Pakistan defeated India to win the Gold Medal in the Men's Field Hockey final at the 1982 Asian Games held in New Delhi. This was a significant moment of rivalry in Asian hockey.

1993: First Asian Track and Field Gold Tata Steel's Amit Bhaduria won India's first gold medal in the Discus Throw at the 10th Asian Track and Field meet in Manila

# **Sports-related Historical Events** Internationally

1924: Boston Bruins Debut (Ice Hockey) The Boston Bruins played their first game in the National Hockey League (NHL), becoming the first United States-based franchise in the league.

**1954: Largest MLB Trade Ever** The New York Yankees and the Baltimore Orioles officially completed the largest trade in Major League Baseball (MLB) history at the time, involving a total of 17 players. The Yankees acquired future stars like Don Larsen and Bob Turley in the deal.

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1956: Unanimous Rookie of the Year Cincinnati Reds slugger Frank Robinson was unanimously voted the National League (NL) Rookie of the Year. He went on to become one of the game's greatest players.

1981: Kareem Abdul-Jabbar Climbs the NBA Scoring List NBA legend Kareem Abdul-Jabbar passed Oscar Robertson to become the second all-time leading scorer in NBA history (behind Wilt Chamberlain at the time).

1991: Isiah Thomas Sets Pistons Record Isiah Thomas passed Bob Lanier to become the Detroit Pistons' alltime leading scorer in franchise history.

2019: FA Women's Super League Record Arsenal Women defeated Bristol City Women 11-1, setting the record for the most goals scored in a single FA Women's Super League (WSL) match.

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