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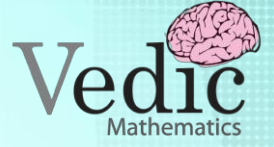
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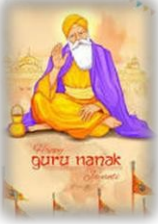


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### Important Days

**Guru Nanak Jayanti:** This festival commemorates the birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev Ji (1469–1539), the founder of Sikhism and the first of the ten Sikh Gurus. It is one of the most sacred festivals in Sikhism and a Gazetted Holiday in many parts of India. It typically falls on the full moon day (Purnima) of the Hindu lunar month of Kartik and is often celebrated simultaneously with Kartik Purnima and Dev Diwali. Celebrations include Akhand Path (continuous reading of the Guru Granth Sahib), Nagar Kirtans (religious processions), and Langar (free community meals) in Gurdwaras.



### Birth Anniversaries – Indian Personalities

**Chittaranjan Das (1870–1925):** Chittaranjan Das (5 November 1870 – 16 June 1925), popularly called Deshbandhu (friend of the country), was a Bengali freedom fighter, political activist and lawyer during the Indian Independence Movement and mentor of Subhas Chandra Bose. He was the founder-leader of the Swaraj Party in undivided Bengal during the period of British Colonial rule in India. His name is abbreviated as C. R. Das. He was closely associated with a number of literary societies and wrote poems, apart from numerous articles and essays. Chittaranjan Das was born on 5 November 1870 to a well-known Bengali Hindu Baidya family in Calcutta but his family originally from the village named Telirbagh, situated in present-day Tongibari Upazila of the Munshiganj (Bikrampur) district of Bangladesh.



**John Burdon Sanderson Haldane (J.B.S. Haldane) (1892–1964):** 5 November 1892 – 1 December 1964, nicknamed "Jack" or "JBS", was a British-born scientist



who later moved to India and acquired Indian citizenship. He worked in the fields of physiology, genetics, evolutionary biology, and mathematics. With innovative use of statistics in biology, he was one of the founders of neo-Darwinism. Despite his lack of an academic degree in the field,

he taught biology at the University of Cambridge, the Royal Institution, and University College London. Renouncing his British citizenship, he became an Indian citizen in 1961 and worked at the Indian Statistical Institute until his death in 1964. Haldane's article on abiogenesis in 1929 introduced the "primordial soup theory", which became the foundation for the concept of the chemical origin of life.

**Vandana Shiva (1952):** Vandana Shiva (born 5 November 1952) is an Indian scholar, environmental activist, food sovereignty



advocate, ecofeminist and anti-globalization author. Based in Delhi, Shiva has written more than 20 books. She is often referred to as "Gandhi of grain" for her activism associated with the anti-GMO movement. Shiva is one of the leaders and board members of the International Forum on Globalization (with Jerry Mander, Ralph Nader, and Helena Norberg-Hodge), and a figure of the anti-globalisation movement. She has argued in favour of many traditional practices, as in her interview in the book Vedic Ecology (by Ranchor Prime). She is a member of the scientific committee of the Fundación IDEAS, Spain's Socialist Party's think tank. She is also a





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member of the International Organization for a Participatory Society.

**Virat Kohli (1988):** Born 5 November 1988 is an Indian international cricketer and the former captain of the Indian national cricket team. He is a right-handed batsman and an occasional medium-pace bowler. He currently represents Royal Challengers Bengaluru in the IPL and Delhi in domestic cricket. Kohli is widely regarded as one of the greatest all-format batters of all time. He also holds the record for scoring the most centuries in ODI cricket and stands second in the list of most international centuries scored, and is highest run-scorer in the IPL. Kohli was a member of the Indian team that won the 2011 Cricket World Cup, 2013 ICC Champions Trophy, 2024 T20 World Cup and 2025 Champions Trophy. Under his captaincy India held the ICC World Test Championship Mace between 2016 and 2020, winning the end of season prize on three occasions.



### Death Anniversaries – Indian Personalities

**Dr. Bhupen Hazarika (1926–2011):** 8 September 1926 – 5 November 2011, widely known as Sudha Kontho, was an Indian singer, songwriter, writer, filmmaker and politician from Assam. He wrote songs mainly in the Assamese language, which are marked by humanity and universal brotherhood. His songs have been translated into many languages, most notably in Bengali and Hindi. His songs, based on the themes of communal amity, universal justice and empathy, are especially popular among the people of Assam, West Bengal and Bangladesh. He is also acknowledged to have introduced the culture and folk music of Assam and



Northeast India to Hindi cinema at the national level. He received the National Film Award for Best Music Direction in 1975, the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award (1987), Padma Shri (1977), and Padma Bhushan (2001), Dada Saheb Phalke Award (1992), the highest award for cinema in India and Sangeet Natak Akademi Fellowship (2008), the highest award of the Sangeet Natak Akademi.

**Sharda Sinha (1952–2024):** Sharda Sinha (1 October 1952 – 5 November 2024) was an Indian folk and classical singer. Hailing from Bihar, she predominantly sang in Maithili and Bhojpuri language and is called Bihar Kokila, the cuckoo of Bihar. Sinha has sung many folk songs including "Vivah Geet", "Chhath Geet". In 1991, she received the Padma Shri award for her contribution to music. In 2000, she received the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award for her contribution to the field of music. She was awarded Padma Bhushan, India's third highest civilian award, on the eve of Republic Day in 2018. Sinha was posthumously awarded Padma Vibhushan, India's second highest civilian award, on the eve of Republic Day in 2025.



### Historical event for India

#### Modern Historical Event

**2013: Mars Orbiter Mission (Mangalyaan) Launch**  
India launched its first interplanetary mission, the Mars Orbiter Mission (MOM), also known as Mangalyaan, on November 5, 2013, from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh. This mission successfully placed a spacecraft into Mars orbit in September 2014, making India the first Asian nation to







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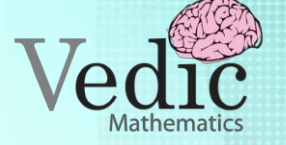
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reach Mars orbit and the first in the world to do so on its maiden attempt.

#### Major Ancient/Medieval Event

**1556: Second Battle of Panipat (Begins)** The Second Battle of Panipat is traditionally cited to have been fought on November 5, 1556. This pivotal battle took place between the forces of the Hindu king Hemu (Hem Chandra Vikramaditya), the general and Wazir of the Sur Empire, and the army of the Mughal Emperor Akbar. Akbar's forces, led by Bairam Khan, ultimately defeated Hemu, securing the Mughal Dynasty's position in India.

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#### International Observances

**Kartik Purnima (India):** A significant Hindu holy day that falls on the full moon of the Kartik month. It is celebrated by bathing in a holy river and lighting lamps (often called Dev Deepawali in some regions).

**Guy Fawkes Night / Bonfire Night (United Kingdom):** An annual commemoration marking the failure of the Gunpowder Plot of 1605, in which Guy Fawkes was arrested for attempting to blow up the Houses of Parliament in London. It is celebrated with fireworks and bonfires.

**World Tsunami Awareness Day (International):** A United Nations-designated day to raise awareness about the danger of tsunamis and the importance of early warning systems.

#### Birth Anniversaries – International Personalities

**Vivien Leigh 1913:** British actress (known for *Gone with the Wind* and *A Streetcar Named Desire*).

**Eugene V. Debs 1855:** American union leader and prominent socialist politician.

**Paul Sabatier 1854:** French chemist and academic, Nobel Prize laureate.

**Chittaranjan Das 1870:** Indian lawyer, political leader, and founder of the Swaraj Party.

#### Death Anniversaries – International Personalities

**James Clerk Maxwell 1879:** Scottish physicist and mathematician (formulated the classical theory of electromagnetic radiation).

**Guy Lombardo 1977:** Canadian-American big band leader and violinist.





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### International Historical Events

#### Political & Military History

##### **1605: Gunpowder Plot Foiled (England)**

Guy Fawkes was arrested in the cellars beneath the Houses of Parliament in London, thwarting a plot by Catholic conspirators to assassinate King James I and blow up the building. This event is still commemorated annually in Great Britain as Guy Fawkes Night (or Bonfire Night).

##### **1757: Battle of Rossbach**

During the Seven Years' War, Prussian forces under Frederick the Great decisively defeated the allied armies of France and the Holy Roman Empire at Rossbach (modern-day Germany).

##### **1914: WWI Declarations**

France and the British Empire declared war on the Ottoman Empire, widening the scope of World War I.

##### **1940: FDR Elected to Third Term (US)**

Franklin D. Roosevelt became the only U.S. President ever elected to a third term in office.

##### **1956: Suez Crisis**

British and French paratroopers landed in Egypt after a week-long bombing campaign, escalating the international crisis over the nationalization of the Suez Canal.

##### **1995: Yitzhak Rabin Assassinated (Israel)**

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin was assassinated by a Jewish extremist in Tel Aviv after attending a peace rally.

#### Science & Exploration

##### **2007: China's First Lunar Satellite**

Chang'e 1, China's first unmanned lunar-orbiting spacecraft, successfully entered lunar orbit.

##### **2013: India Launches Mars Orbiter Mission**

India successfully launched its first interplanetary probe, the Mars Orbiter Mission (Mangalyaan).

#### Culture & Social Movements

##### **1872: First Official International Football Match**

The world's first official international association football (soccer) match was played between Scotland and England in Glasgow. The match ended in a 0-0 draw.

##### **1872: Susan B. Anthony Votes (US)**

Women's suffrage activist Susan B. Anthony illegally cast a vote in the U.S. presidential election, defying the law to protest for women's voting rights. She was later arrested and fined.

##### **1930: First American Nobel Laureate in Literature**

Sinclair Lewis became the first American to win the Nobel Prize in Literature.

### Sports-related Historical Events Internationally

#### Football (Soccer) Milestones

##### **1875: Founding of Blackburn Rovers FC (England)**

One of the oldest and most historic football clubs in England, Blackburn Rovers, was officially founded on this day. They are one of the few clubs to have won the English top-flight championship title.

##### **1872: Birth of Edwin Flack (Australia)**

The birth of Edwin Flack in 1872, the Australian athlete who became the nation's first Olympic champion. He won the 800m and 1500m races at the 1896 Athens Games.

#### Major League Baseball (MLB) Highlights (USA)





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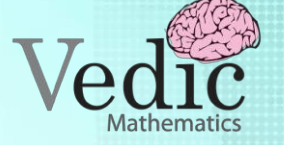
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The date often coincides with the post-season awards period in Major League Baseball, leading to historic announcements:

#### **1968: Denny McLain Wins AL MVP & Cy Young**

Detroit Tigers pitcher Denny McLain was unanimously named the American League MVP and Cy Young Award winner, becoming the first AL pitcher to win both awards in the same season. He remains the only unanimous MVP/Cy Young winner in AL history.

#### **2008: Greg Maddux's Record Gold Glove**

Hall of Fame pitcher Greg Maddux won his 18th and final Gold Glove Award, an MLB record for any player (not just pitchers) for fielding excellence.

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