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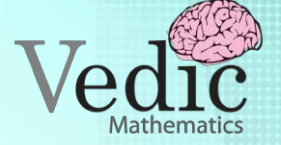
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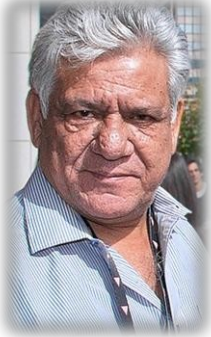


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Important Days

Om Puri (1950): (18 October 1950 – 6 January 2017) was an Indian actor who appeared in mainstream commercial Hindi films as well as Urdu, Malayalam, Bengali, Kannada, English, Punjabi, Gujarati, Telugu, and Marathi films, as well as independent and art films and also starred in several international cinema. He is widely regarded as one of the finest actors in world cinema. He won two National Film Awards for Best Actor, two Filmfare Awards and India's fourth highest civilian award Padma Shri in 1990. In 2004, he was made an honorary Officer of the Order of the British Empire.



Narayan Dutt Tiwari (1925): (18 October 1925 – 18 October 2018) was an Indian politician who served as the 9th Minister of Uttar Pradesh and 3rd Chief Minister of Uttarakhand from 2002 to 2007. He was the first Indian Chief Minister who served for two states. He was a member of the Bharatiya Janata Party, a former member of the Praja Socialist Party and the Indian National Congress. He joined the Bhartiya Janata Party in 2017. He was a three-time Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh (1976–77, 1984–85, 1988–89) and to date remains the last Congress CM of Uttar Pradesh. He also served once as Chief Minister of Uttarakhand (2002–2007). Between 1986 and 1988, he served in Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi's cabinet, first as Minister for External Affairs and then as Minister of Finance. He served as Governor of Andhra Pradesh from 2007 until



2009, when he resigned due to health and personal reasons.

Deepak Parekh (1944): (born 18 October 1944) is an Indian businessman and the former chairman of Housing Development Finance Corporation, India's leading housing private development finance institution. It is based in Mumbai. Parekh completed his schooling at St. Xavier's High School, Fort and later graduated with a B.Com from Sydenham College affiliated with the University of Mumbai. He went to England in 1965 to qualify as a chartered accountant with the ICAEW; he completed his articles with Whinney, Smith and Whinney (which later became Ernst & Young) in London. He also cleared the Certified Associate of Indian Institute of Bankers (CAIIB) of Indian Institute of Banking and Finance. He cleared his ACA exams in the first attempt and was afterwards posted at the firm's consulting arm Ernst & Ernst in New York.



Narendra Hirwani (1968): (born 18 October 1968) is a leg spin bowler who played for India. He is mainly remembered for his success on his Test debut. He was a part of the Indian squad which won the 1988 Asia Cup. Hirwani came from a well-off family in Gorakhpur. He belongs to the Sindhi Hindu community and his father owned a brick factory. Hirwani moved to Indore in his teenage where he stayed in a room near the ground under the guidance of the Madhya Pradesh cricketer Sanjay Jagdale. Hirwani made his first class debut for Madhya Pradesh





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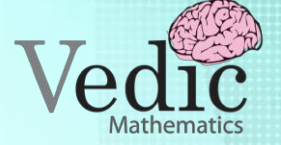
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at the age 16 and took five wickets on his debut. He did much better in the following seasons and took 23 wickets in an under-19 three Test series against Australia. His big break came for India U-25 against the touring West Indians in 1987–88. He failed in the first innings but took all the six wickets to fall in the second. This got him selected to the Test team.

Jyothika (1978): 18 October 1978 is an Indian actress and producer who primarily works in Tamil and Hindi films. She has received several accolades including a National Film Award, five Filmfare Awards South, four Tamil Nadu State Film Awards (a record four Best Actress award) and Kalaimamani Award. Jyothika is regarded among the most prolific actresses in Tamil cinema, and has been ranked among the best South Indian actresses. Jyothika debuted in films with the Hindi film Doli Saja Ke Rakhna (1997), directed by Priyadarshan. She starred in her first Tamil film Vaalee (1999) and her first Telugu film Tagore [10] (2003), opposite Chiranjeevi. She received her first Filmfare Award for Best Female Debut - South for the former film. [11] She was awarded the Filmfare Best Tamil Actress Award for Kushi (2000).



Death Anniversaries – Indian Personalities



Veerappan 2004: (18 January 1952 – 18 October 2004) was an

Indian poacher, smuggler, domestic terrorist and bandit who was active for 36 years, and

kidnapped major politicians for ransom. He was charged with sandalwood smuggling and poaching of elephants in the scrub lands and forests in the states of Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Kerala. He was wanted for killing around 184 people, about half of whom were police officers and forest officials. He was also responsible for poaching approximately 500 of the 2000 elephants killed in the peninsular region where he was active and for smuggling ivory worth US\$2.6 million (₹16 crore) and about 65 tons of sandalwood worth approximately US\$22 million (₹143 crore).

Ramakrishna Khatri 1996: Ram Krishna Khatri (born March 3, 1993, Maharashtra, death: October 18, 1996, 1996) was a major revolutionary in India. He expanded the Hindustan Democracy Association in central India and Maharashtra. He was given a 10-year rigorous imprisonment in the Kakori kand. Khatri, Hindi, Marathi, Gurumukhi and English well Khatri had written a book titled "Shadow of the Martyrs" which was published from Nagpur. In independent India, he also organized several schemes to assist the freedom fighters in collaboration with the Indian government. After completing the seminary of Kakori Kand, he also published a text under the name Kakori Shaheed Smriti. He also played an important role in the construction of Kakori Shaheed Memorial, located twenty miles away from Lucknow.



Viswanatha Satyanarayana 1976 : (10 September 1895 – 18 October 1976) was a 20th-century Telugu writer. His works included poetry, novels, dramatic play, short stories and speeches, covering a wide range of subjects such as analysis of history, philosophy, religion, sociology, political science, linguistics, psychology and consciousness studies, epistemology,





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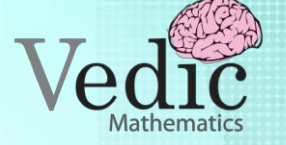
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aesthetics and spiritualism. He was a student of the illustrious Telugu writer Chellapilla Venkata Sastry, of the Tirupati Venkata Kavulu duo. Viswanatha's wrote in both a modern and classical style, in complex modes. His popular works include Ramayana

Kalpavrukshamu (Ramayana the wish-granting divine tree), Kinnersani Patalu (Mermaid songs) and the novel Veyipadagalu (The Thousand Hoods). Among many awards, he was awarded the Jnanpith Award in 1970, the first for a Telugu writer, and Padma Bhushan in 1971.

Historical event for India

2004: Notorious Bandit Veerappan Killed The infamous dacoit and sandalwood smuggler Veerappan was killed by the Tamil Nadu Special Task Force (STF) in an encounter near Dharmapuri, Tamil Nadu. His criminal career, spanning several decades, involved elephant poaching, sandalwood smuggling, and the kidnapping and killing of numerous people, including police officers and forest officials.

1980: First Himalayan Car Rally Flagged Off The First Himalayan Car Rally was officially flagged off from the Brabourne Stadium in Mumbai (then Bombay). This was a significant event in Indian motorsports history.

1972: First Test Flight of SA 315 Helicopter The SA 315 B Cheetah (a license-built version of the French Aérospatiale Lama helicopter) had its first test flight in Bangalore. This helicopter was manufactured by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) and went on to serve the Indian Armed Forces in high-altitude operations.

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International Observances

World Menopause Day: A day designated by the World Health Organization (WHO) to raise awareness of menopause and the support options available for improving health and well-being.

World Okapi Day: A global effort to raise awareness for the endangered okapi, a unique forest giraffe found only in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

International Repair Day (Often observed on the third Saturday in October, which it is in some years). The day promotes the right to repair and sustainable practices.





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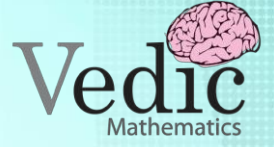
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Birth Anniversaries – International Personalities

1956: Martina Navratilova - Czech-American tennis legend, one of the greatest female tennis players of all time.

1919: Pierre Elliott Trudeau - Canadian lawyer, academic, and politician, the 15th Prime Minister of Canada.

Death Anniversaries – International Personalities

1931: Thomas Edison - American inventor and businessman who has been described as America's greatest inventor.

1911: Alfred Binet - French psychologist who invented the first practical IQ test.

International Historical Events

1685: King Louis XIV of France revoked the Edict of Nantes, which had granted substantial rights to Protestant Huguenots. This action led to severe persecution and a large-scale emigration of Protestants from France.

1860: The Second Opium War officially ended with the ratification of the Convention of Peking, which included the ratification of the earlier unequal Treaty of Tientsin, primarily involving China, the United Kingdom, and France.

1867: The United States formally took possession of Alaska after purchasing the territory from the Russian Empire for \$7.2 million. This day is celebrated as Alaska Day in the state.

1898: The United States took possession of Puerto Rico from Spain following the Spanish-American War.

1912: The First Balkan War began, involving the Balkan League (Bulgaria, Greece, Montenegro, and Serbia) against the Ottoman Empire.

1944: During World War II, the Soviet Union began the liberation of Czechoslovakia from Nazi Germany.

1967: The Soviet probe Venera 4 became the first space probe to enter the atmosphere of another planet (Venus) and transmit data back to Earth.

1968: American athletes Tommie Smith and John Carlos were suspended by the U.S. Olympic Committee for giving the "Black Power" salute during a medal ceremony at the Mexico City Olympics.

1991: The Supreme Council of Azerbaijan adopted a declaration of independence from the Soviet Union.

2007: Former Prime Minister of Pakistan, Benazir Bhutto, returned to Karachi after eight years of self-imposed exile, only to be targeted by a suicide bombing on her motorcade, which killed many people but she survived (she was assassinated two months later).

Sports-related Historical Events Internationally

1968: Bob Beamon's "Leap of the Century" (Athletics)

American long jumper Bob Beamon set a spectacular World Record at the Mexico City Olympics. His jump of 8.90 meters (29 ft in) surpassed the existing record by a massive 55 cm (21.65 in, a margin that was considered astonishingly large at the time.

The record stood for 23 years and remains the Olympic Record to this day.

1959: Martina Navratilova's Birthday (Tennis)





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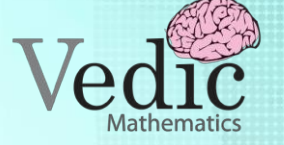
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Tennis legend Martina Navratilova was born in Prague. She went on to become one of the greatest tennis players of all time, dominating the sport in the late 20th century, winning 18 Grand Slam singles titles and a record 31 Grand Slam women's doubles titles.

1939: Mike Ditka's Birthday (American Football)

American football player and coach Mike Ditka was born. He is one of only two people to have won a Super Bowl as a player, assistant coach, and head coach.

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