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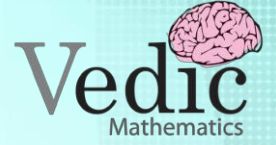
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Important Days

1951: First General Elections Began On October 25, 1951, the first general elections of independent India officially began. The voting process was held over several months, concluding in February 1952. This was a monumental step for the new republic, establishing a democratic government based on universal adult franchise.

Birth Anniversaries – Indian Personalities

Umesh Yadav (1987): Umeshkumar Tilak Yadav (born 25 October 1987) is an Indian cricketer who represented the Indian cricket team. He currently plays for Vidarbha in domestic cricket. He played 57 test matches for India and his fast-bowling contributed of India winning test matches particularly at home. Yadav was a member of the team that won the 2013 ICC Champions Trophy. He was the highest wicket-taker for India in the 2015 Cricket World Cup. A right-arm fast bowler, Yadav has played for Vidarbha at domestic level since 2008 and is the first player from the team to have played Test cricket. He made his One Day International (ODI) debut against Zimbabwe in May 2010. The following year, in November, Yadav made his Test debut against the West Indies. He holds the record of the highest strike rate in an innings in Test cricket after scoring 31 runs in 10 balls at a strike rate of 310 against South Africa in October 2019.

activist and translator. He is credited as being one of the pioneers of the Nai Kahani (New Story) literary



movement of Hindi literature, wherein his first collection of stories, Parinde (Birds) is considered its first signature. In his career spanning five decades and

various forms of literature, writing story, travelogues and essays, he penned five novels, eight short-story collections and nine books of non-fiction, including essays and

Historical event for India

Major Historical Events in India on October 25th

1951: Start of the First General Elections

On October 25, 1951, the first-ever general elections in independent India began. The voting process was conducted over several months, concluding in February 1952. This massive democratic exercise established the Lok Sabha (House of the People) and state legislative assemblies, marking a crucial milestone in India's journey as a sovereign, democratic republic.

1947: Jammu and Kashmir's Plea for Aid

Just two days before the signing of the Instrument of Accession, on October 25, 1947, Maharaja Hari Singh of Jammu and Kashmir appealed to the Government of India for military help against the invasion by Pakistani tribesmen and forces. This appeal was critical and led to the emergency airlift of Indian troops to Srinagar on October 27th after the Instrument of Accession was signed.

1964: Indigenous Tank Development

Death Anniversaries – Indian Personalities

Nirmal Verma (1929–2005): Nirmal Verma (3 April 1929 – 25 October 2005) was a Hindi writer, novelist,





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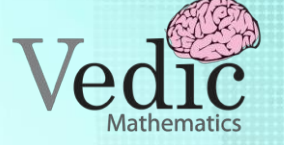
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India developed and rolled out its first entirely indigenous main battle tank (MBT), the "Vijayanta" (Victorious), on this day. It was a significant step toward self-reliance in defense manufacturing.

Other Notable Indian Anniversaries

1296: Sant Dnyaneshwar, the great Marathi saint, poet, and philosopher, is believed to have taken *Sanjeevan Samadhi* (a ritualistic, voluntary exit from the body) in Alandi, Maharashtra.

1990: Death anniversary of Williamson A. Sangma, the founder and first Chief Minister of Meghalaya.

1995: Prime Minister P. V. Narasimha Rao addressed the 50th-anniversary session of the United Nations.

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International Observances

International Artist Day : A day to celebrate the contributions of artists to society and recognize the role of creativity in human life.

World Pasta Day : An observance created by the World Pasta Congress to promote the consumption and awareness of pasta as a versatile and economical food.

World Opera Day : A day to celebrate the art form of opera and its rich cultural history.

World Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus Day : Dedicated to raising awareness about these neural tube defects and promoting the rights and inclusion of people living with them.

MDS World Awareness Day: Raises awareness about Myelodysplastic Syndromes (MDS), a group of rare bone marrow disorders.

Birth Anniversaries – International Personalities

Pablo Picasso (1881): A highly influential Spanish painter, sculptor, printmaker, ceramicist, and theatre designer who co-founded the Cubist movement.

Georges Bizet (1838): A French composer of the Romantic era, best known for his opera *Carmen*.

Johann Strauss II (1825): An Austrian composer known as "The Waltz King" for his vast output of waltzes, including *The Blue Danube*.

Death Anniversaries – International Personalities

Magnus the Good (1047): King of Norway and King of Denmark.

King Stephen (1154): The last Norman King of England.





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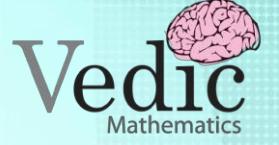
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George II of Great Britain (1760): King of Great Britain and Ireland, Duke of Brunswick-Lüneburg, and Archtreasurer and Prince-Elector of the Holy Roman Empire.

Terence MacSwiney (1920): An Irish playwright, author, and politician who served as the Lord Mayor of Cork and died on hunger strike during the Irish War of Independence.

International Historical Events

Wars and Conflicts

1415: Battle of Agincourt During the Hundred Years' War, the English army of King Henry V decisively defeated a much larger French force in France. The victory is famously attributed to the effectiveness of the English longbowmen and is one of the most celebrated English military victories.

1854: Battle of Balaklava Fought during the Crimean War (between the Russian Empire and an alliance of the Ottoman Empire, France, the UK, and Sardinia). This battle is most famous for the disastrous "Charge of the Light Brigade," a British cavalry charge based on misunderstood orders, which resulted in heavy casualties and was later immortalized in Alfred Lord Tennyson's poem.

20th and 21st Century Geopolitics

1917: October Revolution (Old Style Date)

Under the Julian calendar (Old Style), the Bolsheviks, led by Vladimir Lenin, began their armed insurrection in Petrograd, which led to the overthrow of the Russian Provisional Government. The date is October 25th (Old Style) or November 7th (New Style/Gregorian calendar).

1971: The UN Seats the People's Republic of China CN

The United Nations General Assembly adopted Resolution 2758, which recognized the People's

Republic of China (PRC) as the "only lawful representative of China to the United Nations," effectively expelling the representatives of the Republic of China (Taiwan) from the UN body.

1983: Invasion of Grenada (Operation Urgent Fury)

The United States and a coalition of Caribbean nations launched a military invasion of the island nation of Grenada. The stated reasons were to protect U.S. citizens (many of whom were students) and to restore democracy after a recent Marxist coup and the execution of the former Prime Minister.

Other Significant Dates

1760: George III Begins Reign GB

King George III succeeded his grandfather, George II, as the King of Great Britain and Ireland. His long reign included the American Revolutionary War, the Napoleonic Wars, and the abolition of the slave trade.

1962: Cuban Missile Crisis

Amidst the Cold War, the US Ambassador to the UN, Adlai Stevenson, dramatically presented photographic evidence to the UN Security Council confirming the presence of Soviet ballistic missiles in Cuba. This solidified international support for the US position during the crisis.

1945: Retrocession Day (Taiwan)

Following the surrender of Japan at the end of World War II, the administration of Taiwan was formally handed over to the Republic of China (ROC). This event is commemorated in Taiwan as Retrocession Day.

Sports-related Historical Events In India

2023: Start of the 37th National Games of India: The multi-sport event's opening day was held on October 25, 2023, in Goa.





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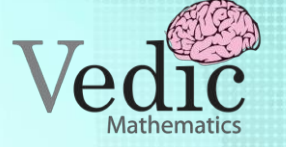
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1952: Nazar Mohammad scores Pakistan's 1st Test Century (vs. India): Though the match was not in India, on October 25, 1952, Nazar Mohammad scored Pakistan's first-ever Test cricket century, an unbeaten 124 against India at the Lucknow University Ground in Pakistan.

Sports-related Historical Events Internationally

2003: Florida Marlins win the World Series: Pitcher Josh Beckett threw a shutout on just three days' rest to lead the Marlins to a 2-0 victory over the New York Yankees in Game 6, winning the World Series.

1990: Evander Holyfield becomes Undisputed Heavyweight Champion: Evander Holyfield knocked out Buster Douglas in the third round in Las Vegas to become the undisputed heavyweight champion of the world.

1987: Minnesota Twins win their first World Series: The Minnesota Twins beat the St. Louis Cardinals 4-2 in Game 7 at the Metrodome to win their first-ever World Series championship.

1980: Mike Weaver retains WBA Heavyweight Title: Mike Weaver knocked out Gerrie Coetzee in the 13th round in Sun City, Bophuthatswana, to retain the WBA heavyweight title.

1970: Muhammad Ali returns to the ring: Following an absence of more than three years after refusing to be inducted into the U.S. Army, American boxer Muhammad Ali returned to the ring, defeating Jerry Quarry via TKO in Atlanta, Georgia.

1940: Birth Anniversary of Bob Knight: Bob Knight, one of the most successful and notable coaches in American college basketball history, was born.

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