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Birth Anniversaries – Indian Personalities

Mother Teresa: Mary Teresa Bojaxhiu (26 August 1910 - 5 September 1997), better known as Mother Teresa



or Saint Mother Teresa, was an Albanian-Indian Catholic nun, founder of the Missionaries Charity and is a Catholic saint. Born in Skopje, then part of the Ottoman Empire, she was raised in a devoutly Catholic family. At the age of 18, she moved to Ireland to join the Sisters

of Loreto and later to India, where she lived most of her life and carried out her missionary work. On 4 September 2016, she was canonised by the Catholic Church as Saint Teresa of Calcutta. The anniversary of her death, 5 September, is now observed as her feast day.

Acharya Chatursen Shastri: Acharya Chatursen Shastri (26 August 1891 – 2 February 1960) was an Indian writer of Hindi literature. He wrote many historical fictions, including Vaishali ki Nagarvadhu adapted into a feature film (1948), Vayam Rakshamah (1951), Somnath (1954), and Dharamputra which was adapted into the 1961 feature film of the same name.

Acharya Chatursen Shastri was born in a small village Aurangabad Chandok (near Anupshahr) in the Bulandshahr district of Uttar Pradesh state in India on 26 August 1891. His father was Punditt Kewal Ram Thakur and mother was Nanhee Devi. His birth name was Chaturbhuj.

Chaturbhuj finished his primary education in a school in Sikandrabad. Then he got admitted to Sanskrit College, Jaipur, Rajasthan. From here he received the degrees of Ayurvedacharya in Ayurveda and Shastri in Sanskrit in the year 1915. He also received the degree of Ayurvedacharya from Ayurveda Vidyapeetha.

Historical events in India

14th Century

1303: The Delhi Sultanate ruler Alauddin Khilji captured the formidable Chittorgarh Fort. This event marked a significant military victory for Khilji, expanding the reach of the Delhi Sultanate and cementing his power. The siege and subsequent fall of the fort are a well-known part of Indian history.

20th Century

1915: On this date, members of the Bengali revolutionary organization Anushilan Samiti carried out the Rodda Company Arms Heist. They successfully intercepted and stole a shipment of Mauser pistols and ammunition. These weapons were later used in numerous nationalist struggles and revolutionary activities in Bengal.

1920: Although India's Independence Day is on August 15, the **Purna Swaraj** (Declaration of the Independence of India) was promulgated on August 26, 1920, by the Indian National Congress. This declaration called for complete independence from British rule.

1955: Renowned Indian filmmaker Satyajit Ray's debut film, *Pather Panchali*, was released on August 26. The film is a masterpiece of world cinema and is a pivotal work in the history of Indian film.

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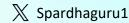
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Birth Anniversaries - International **Personalities**

Mother Teresa (1910): The Nobel Peace Prize laureate and founder of the Missionaries of Charity was born in Skopje, North Macedonia (then part of the Ottomar Empire).

Antoine Lavoisier (1743): The French chemist and "father of modern chemistry" was born on this date. He played a key role in the development of the metric system and in naming oxygen and hydrogen.

Death Anniversaries – International Personalities

Charles Lindbergh (1974): The American aviator who made the first solo nonstop flight across the Atlanti Ocean died on this day.

Frans Hals (1666): The prominent Dutch Golden Ag painter passed away.

International Observances

Women's Equality Day (United States): This day commemorates the adoption of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution in 1920, which granted women the right to vote.

International Dog Day: A day dedicated to celebrating dogs of all breeds and sizes, raising awareness about their well-being and promoting adoption.

Heroes' Day (Namibia): This public holiday in Namibia commemorates the Namibian War of Independence, which began on this date in 1966.

Repentance Day (Papua New Guinea): This is a day for national repentance, prayer, and seeking forgiveness.

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International Historical Events

1789: The Declaration of the Rights of Man and of the **Citizen** was approved by the National Constituent Assembly of France. This foundational document of the French Revolution defined a set of individual and collective rights.

1883: The catastrophic eruption of the **Krakatoa** volcano in Indonesia reached its climax. The eruption, one of the most violent in modern history, had global effects and killed tens of thousands of people.

1920: The **19th Amendment** to the United States Constitution, granting women the right to vote, was formally certified.

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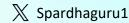
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1978: Pope John Paul I was elected to the papacy. His reign, however, was one of the shortest in papal history, lasting just 33 days.

1978: Sigmund Jähn became the first German in space, aboard the Soviet Soyuz 31 spacecraft.

Historical events across the Globe

Political and Social Milestones

1789: The Declaration of the Rights of Man and of the Citizen was approved by the National Constituent Assembly of France. This document, a core text of the French Revolution, defined a set of individual and collective rights and remains a fundamental document in the history of human rights.

1920: The 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution was officially certified, granting American women the right to vote. This event was the culmination of decades of tireless work by the women's suffrage movement.

1966: The Namibian War of Independence began with a battle at Omugulugwombashe. This date is now celebrated as Heroes' Day in Namibia, commemorating those who fought for the country's liberation from South African rule.

1970: The Women's Strike for Equality took place across the United States. Led by prominent feminists like Betty Friedan, it was a major protest advocating for equal opportunities and an end to gender-based discrimination.

Wars and Conflicts

1346: The Battle of Crécy was fought during the Hundred Years' War. The English army, led by King Edward III, used the longbow to devastating effect, decisively defeating a much larger French force. It considered one of the most significant battles of the war.

1944: Charles de Gaulle entered Paris following its liberation by Allied forces during World War II. His triumphant entry symbolized the end of the Germar occupation and the return of French sovereignty.

Science and Exploration

1768: Captain James Cook set sail from England on his first voyage aboard HMS Endeavour. His expedition was a landmark moment in the history of exploration, leading to the mapping of New Zealand and the eastern coast of Australia.

1883: The eruption of the Krakatoa volcano reached its climax in Indonesia. The explosion was one of the loudest sounds ever recorded and had a significant impact on global weather patterns for years afterward.

1978: Sigmund Jähn became the first German in space. He was a cosmonaut aboard the Soviet Soyuz 31 mission, which docked with the Salyut 6 space station.

Other Notable Events

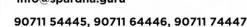
1498: Michelangelo was commissioned to carve the Pietà. This renowned sculpture, depicting the Virgin Mary holding the body of Jesus Christ, is a masterpiece of Renaissance art and is housed in St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City.

1939: The first televised Major League Baseball game was broadcast in the U.S. It was a doubleheader between the Cincinnati Reds and the Brooklyn Dodgers.

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Sports-related Historical Events in the World

1920: The Games of the XX Olympiad opened in Antwerp, Belgium. These games were the first to feature the Olympic flag and the Olympic oath.

1939: First Televised Major League Baseball Game. A groundbreaking event in sports broadcasting history took place on August 26, 1939. The first-ever Major League Baseball (MLB) game was televised, featuring a doubleheader between the Cincinnati Reds and the Brooklyn Dodgers. While the audience was small due to limited access to television sets, this moment marked the beginning of live sports broadcasting as we know it today.

1971: Bobby Orr Signs Landmark Contract. The legendary ice hockey player Bobby Orr signed a historic five-year, one-million-dollar contract with the Boston Bruins. At the time, this was an unprecedented amount for a professional sports contract, setting a new standard for player compensation in the National Hockey League (NHL).

2016: Colin Kaepernick's Protest. During a preseason NFL game, San Francisco 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick began his protest by sitting during the national anthem. His action, which was later changed to kneeling, was a protest against racial injustice and police brutality. It sparked a nationwide debate and became a major talking point in American sports and culture.

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