

Important Days

Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) Raising Day: July 27th is observed as the Raising Day of the Central Reserve Police Force in India.

Birth Anniversaries in India

Rajendra Chola I (Birth Anniversary): July 27, 2025, is being celebrated as the birth anniversary of the great Chola emperor Rajendra Chola I. The Aadi Thiruvathirai festival, honoring his birth star, also takes place around this time.

Kalpana Dutt: Kalpana Datta (27 July 1913 – 8 February 1995), also Kalpana Joshi, was an Indian independence movement activist and a member of the armed independence movement led by Surya Sen, which carried out the Chittagong armoury raid in 1930. Later she joined the Communist Party of India and married Puran Chand Joshi, the general secretary of the party in 1943.



Sardar Davar Tehmuras Kavasji: (Born July 27, 1887) A social worker and lawyer.

Krishna Baldev Vaid: (Born July 27, 1927) was an Indian Hindi fiction writer and playwright, noted for his experimental and iconoclastic narrative style.

Rameshwar Sahai Saxena: (Born July 27, 1928) A famous writer, lawyer, and journalist.

Death Anniversaries in India

APJ Abdul Kalam: Avul Pakir Jainulabdeen Abdul Kalam (15 October 1931 – 27 July 2015) was an Indian aerospace scientist and statesman who served as the president of India from 2002 to 2007.

Born and raised in a Muslim family in Rameswaram, Tamil Nadu, Kalam studied physics and aerospace engineering. He spent the next four decades as a



scientist and science administrator, mainly at the Defence Research and Development Organisation

(DRDO) and Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) and was intimately involved in India's civilian space programme and military missile development efforts. He was known as the "Missile Man of India" for his work on the development of ballistic missile and launch vehicle technology. He also played a pivotal organisational, technical, and political role in Pokhran-II nuclear tests in 1998, India's second such test after the first test in 1974.

Kalam was elected as the president of India in 2002 with the support of both the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party and the then-opposition Indian National Congress. He was widely referred to as the "People's President". He engaged in teaching, writing and public service after his presidency. He was a recipient of several awards, including the Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian honour.

While delivering a lecture at IIM Shillong, Kalam collapsed and died from an apparent cardiac arrest on 27 July 2015, aged 83. Thousands attended the funeral ceremony held in his hometown of Rameswaram, where he was buried with full state honours. A



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memorial was inaugurated near his home town in 2017.

Vasudev Sharan Agrawala: (Died July 27, 1966) Vasudeva Sharan Agrawala, also Vasudeva Saran Agrawala, (1904–1966), was an Indian scholar of cultural history, Sanskrit and Hindi literature, numismatics, museology, and art history. He received the Sahitya Akademi Award in the Hindi language in 1956 for his prose commentary Padmavat Sanjivani Vyakhya. He was a professor in the Department of Art and Architecture at the Benares Hindu University.

Pitambar Dutt Barthwal: Pitambar Dutt Barthwal (born on December 2, 1901, in Garhwal, Uttarakhand; died on July 27, 1944) was a renowned Hindi literary figure. He was a collaborator of the scholar Acharya Ramchandra Shukla. Uttarakhand, but he also holds a special place in the honor and recognition received nationally and internationally.

I. K. Kumaran: Irayi Kunnathidathil Kumaran Master (17 September 1903 – 27 July 1999), was a freedom fighter from Mahe or Mayyazhi, Union territory of India, who fought for liberation from France, in 1954. He also unsuccessfully fought for the unification of Mayyazhi with Kerala. He is known as "Mahe Gandhi". Kumaran was the first Administrator of Mahe after Indian independence.

Key Historical Events in India

1897: Bal Gangadhar Tilak's First Arrest: The prominent Indian nationalist leader, Bal Gangadhar Tilak, was arrested for the first time by the British on July 27, 1897, on charges of sedition for his writings in his newspaper, "Kesari." This event marked a significant moment in the freedom struggle.

1939: Establishment of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF): The Central Reserve Police Force, one of India's largest paramilitary forces, was established on July 27, 1939, as the Crown Representative's Police. It was later renamed the Central Reserve Police Force after India's independence.

1982: Indira Gandhi's Visit to the US: Then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi made her first official visit to the United States in nearly 11 years on July 27, 1982. This visit aimed to strengthen Indo-US relations.

1994: Jaspal Rana Wins Gold in World Shooting Championship: Indian shooter Jaspal Rana achieved a significant milestone by winning a gold medal in the junior category of the 46th World Shooting Championship in Milan, Italy, on July 27, 1994, setting a new record.

2015: Demise of Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam: Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, former President of India and a visionary scientist, passed away on July 27, 2015, while delivering a lecture at IIM Shillong. His death was a great loss to the nation.

2025: PM Modi Honors Chola Legacy: On July 27, 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi participated in the 1000th birth anniversary celebration of the great Chola emperor Rajendra Chola I at Gangaikonda Cholapuram in Tamil Nadu, paying tribute to his military and administrative achievements.

Important International Observances

National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day (USA): This day commemorates the signing of the armistice agreement that ended hostilities in the Korean War on July 27, 1953.





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International Safe Places to Work Day: This day advocates for inclusivity, respect, and dignity in all workspaces globally.

International Birth Anniversaries

Alexandre Dumas, fils (Born 1824): French novelist and playwright, known for "The Lady of the Camellias."

Alex Rodriguez (Born 1975): American former professional baseball shortstop and third baseman.

Geoffrey de Havilland (Born 1882): English aviation pioneer and founder of the de Havilland Aircraft Company.

Charlotte Corday (Born 1768): A key figure in the French Revolution, known for assassinating Jean-Paul Marat.

Triple H (Born 1969): American professional wrestler and business executive.

Jordan Spieth (Born 1993): American professional golfer.

Gary Gygax (Born 1938): American game designer, co-creator of "Dungeons & Dragons."

International Death Anniversaries

John Dalton (Died 1844): English chemist, physicist, and meteorologist, best known for his pioneering work in the development of modern atomic theory.

Maximilien Robespierre (Died 1794): French lawyer and politician, one of the most influential figures of the French Revolution and the Reign of Terror.

Gertrude Stein (Died 1946): American avant-garde writer who spent most of her adult life in France.

International Historical Events

1794: The Fall of Robespierre (French Revolution): Maximilien Robespierre, a key figure in the French Revolution and a leading force behind the "Reign of Terror," was overthrown and arrested by the National Convention on this day. His execution the following day marked a turning point in the revolution.

1866: Transatlantic Telegraph Cable Completed: The first successful permanent transatlantic telegraph cable was completed, stretching from Valentia Island, Ireland, to Heart's Content, Newfoundland. This was a monumental achievement in communication, drastically reducing the time for messages to cross the Atlantic.

1890: Vincent van Gogh Shoots Himself: The renowned Dutch painter Vincent van Gogh shot himself in the chest on July 27, 1890. He died two days later from his wounds.

1929: Geneva Convention of 1929 Signed: The Geneva Convention of 1929, dealing with the treatment of prisoners of war, was signed by 53 nations. This was a crucial step in establishing international humanitarian law.

1940: Bugs Bunny's Official Debut: The iconic cartoon character Bugs Bunny made his official debut in the animated short "A Wild Hare."

1949: First Jet-Powered Airliner Takes Flight: The de Havilland Comet, the world's first jet-propelled airliner, made its maiden test flight in England. This revolutionized air travel, making faster and higher flights possible.





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1953: Korean War Armistice Signed: Hostilities in the Korean War ceased with the signing of an armistice agreement by the United States, China, and North Korea at Panmunjom. While South Korea's president did not sign, he pledged to observe the armistice.

1955: Austrian State Treaty in Force: The Austrian State Treaty came into force, restoring Austria's sovereignty and ending the Allied occupation after World War II.

1996: Centennial Olympic Park Bombing: A pipe bomb exploded in Centennial Olympic Park in Atlanta, Georgia, during the 1996 Summer Olympics, killing one person and injuring many others.

2012: London Hosts the Summer Olympics: Queen Elizabeth II officially opened the 2012 Summer Olympics in London, marking the third time the city had hosted the international multi-sport event.

Sports-Related Historical Events in India

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Sports-Related Historical Events Globally

1913: Philippe Thys Wins Tour de France: Philippe Thys won the Tour de France for the first time. He would go on to be the first rider to win the Tour de France three times (in 1920).

1913: U.S. Wins International Lawn Tennis Challenge: The United States defeated the British Isles 3-2 to win the International Lawn Tennis Challenge.

1946: Margaret Osborne Wins Women's French Championship: Margaret Osborne claimed the Women's French Championship in tennis.

1947: Yogi Berra's Errorless Streak: Lawrence Peter "Yogi" Berra began an MLB streak of 148 games without making an error.

1952: John Mikaelsson Wins Olympic Gold: John Mikaelsson won the gold medal in the men's 10-kilometer walk event at the Summer Olympics.

1954: Chick Herbert Wins PGA Championship: Chick Herbert won the PGA Championship.

1969: Betsy Rawls Wins LPGA Championship: Betsy Rawls won her second LPGA Championship.

1973: Walter Blum Reaches 4,000 Wins: Jockey Walter Blum became the sixth jockey to win 4,000 horse races.

1985: Ingrid Kristiansen Breaks 10,000m World Record: Ingrid Kristiansen became the first woman to run under 31 minutes in the 10,000-meter race, setting a world record time of 30:59.42.

1991: Miguel Indurain Wins First Tour de France: Spanish cyclist Miguel Indurain won his first of five consecutive Tour de France titles.

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2021: Simone Biles Withdraws from Olympic Team

Final: At the Tokyo Olympics, Simone Biles withdrew from the women's gymnastics team final to focus on her mental health, a widely reported and impactful event highlighting athlete well-being.

2024: Ariarne Titmus Defends 400m Freestyle Title:

At the Tokyo Olympics (held in 2021 but often associated with the year of the event), Ariarne Titmus defended her swimming title in the 400-meter freestyle.

2025: World Aquatics Championships (Swimming):

Summer McIntosh beat Katie Ledecky to clinch 400m freestyle gold, and Australia won double relay gold in men's and women's 4x100m freestyle.

2025: IMMAF Youth World Championships Concludes:

The sixth edition of the IMMAF Youth World Championships (Mixed Martial Arts) concluded in Al Ain, UAE, with Ukraine crowned overall champions.

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