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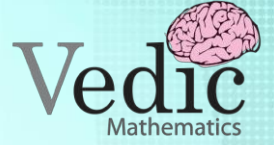
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Important Days

Infantry Day: This day is observed annually by the Indian Army on October 27th to commemorate the first engagement of the Indian Army's Infantry with an invading force from Pakistan in Jammu and Kashmir in 1947, immediately following India's independence.

Birth Anniversaries – Indian Personalities

K. R. Narayanan (1920–2005): Kocheril Raman Narayanan (27 October 1920 – 9 November 2005) was an Indian statesman, diplomat, academic, and politician who served as the president of India from 1997 to 2002. He also served as the vice president of India from 1992 to 1997. Narayanan was born in Perumthanam, Uzhavoor village,



in the princely state of Travancore (present day Kottayam district, Kerala) into a Hindu family. After a brief stint with journalism and then studies at the London School of Economics with the assistance of a scholarship, Narayanan began his career in India as a member of the Indian Foreign Service in the Nehru administration. He served as ambassador to a number of countries, most principally to the United States and China, and was referred by Nehru as "the best diplomat of the country". He entered politics at Indira Gandhi's request and won three successive general elections to the Lok Sabha and served as a Minister of State in prime minister Rajiv Gandhi's cabinet. Elected as vice president in 1992, Narayanan went on to become president in 1997 and became the first Dalit to occupy either position.

Jatindranath Das (Jatin Das) (1904–1929): 27 October 1904 – 13 September 1929), better known as Jatin Das, was an Indian freedom fighter and revolutionary who worked to make India independent from the British Raj and was a member of the Hindustan Socialist



Republican Association. He died in the Lahore Central Jail after a 63-day hunger strike. Das was born in 1904 at Calcutta. He passed the matriculation and intermediate examinations in the First Division. He joined the Anushilan Samiti, a revolutionary group in Bengal, and also

participated in Mahatma Gandhi's non-cooperation movement in 1921, aged 17. In November 1925, while studying for a B.A. at Bangabasi College in Calcutta, Das was arrested for his political activities and was imprisoned at the jail in Mymensingh. While interned there, he went on a hunger strike to protest the ill-treatment meted out to the political prisoners.

Dr. Anuradha Paudwal (1952): Anuradha Paudwal (born 27 October 1954) is an Indian playback singer and politician who works predominantly in Hindi cinema and Odia cinema. She is considered as one of the greatest and most popular Bhajan singer of all time and also as one of the most successful playback singers



of Bollywood. The recipient of several accolades including a National Film Award, four Filmfare Awards (winning consecutively during 1990–92), six Maharashtra State Film Awards and two Odisha State Film Awards, she has been honoured by the Government of India with the Padma Shri, the country's fourth-highest civilian honour for her contribution in the field of arts. Her contribution in Indian devotional music and Bollywood Industry gained her the titles such as "Bhajan Queen", "Melody Queen".

Dibyendu Barua (1966): Dibyendu Barua (born 27 October 1966) is an Indian chess grandmaster. He is a three-time Indian Chess Champion. He was the second Indian chess player, after Viswanathan Anand, second





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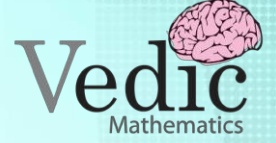
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Bengali after Niaz Murshed, and third South Asian after Niaz and Anand to achieve the title of chess grandmaster. Dibyendua Barua was born in Chittagong, Bangladesh

from where his family migrated to Kolkata in the Indian state of West Bengal. In 1978, Barua, as a 12-year-old, became the youngest participant in the Indian Chess Championship. In 1982, Barua defeated the then-world number two ranked Viktor Korchnoi in the Lloyd's Bank Tournament in London.

Death Anniversaries – Indian Personalities

Brahmabandhav

Upadhyay

(1861–1907):

Brahmabandhav Upadhyay (born Bhavani Charan Bandyopadhyay) (11 February 1861 – 27 October 1907)



was an Indian Bengali theologian, journalist and freedom fighter. He was closely attached with Keshub Chandra Sen, classmate of Swami Vivekananda and close acquaintance of Rabindranath Tagore. Brahmabandhav Upadhyay was born as

Bhavani Charan Bandyopadhyay in a Kulin Brahmin family. His father, Debi Charan Bandyopadhyay was a police officer of the British regime. Debicharan had three sons. The eldest was Hari Charan, who became a doctor in Calcutta, the second was Parbati Charan who practiced as a pleader, and the third was Bhavani Charan. He was born in village Khannyan in Hooghly district of undivided Bengal (presently in West Bengal). Bhavani Charan lost his mother Radha Kumari when he was only one year of age and was raised by one of his grand mothers.

Vijay Merchant (1911–1987): Vijay Singh Madhavji Merchant pronunciation, (born Vijay Madhavji



Thackersey; 12 October 1911 – 27 October 1987) was an Indian cricketer. A right-hand batsman and occasional right-arm medium pace bowler, Merchant played first-class cricket for Bombay cricket team as well as 10 Test

matches for India between 1929 and 1951. Behind his limited Test appearances, he dominated Indian domestic cricket – his batting average of 71.64 is the second highest first-class average in history, behind only that of Don Bradman. He is regarded as the founder of the Bombay School of Batmanship, that placed more importance on right technique, steely temperament, and conservative approach rather than free flow of the bat.

Historical event for India

1947: Indian Army Enters Jammu and Kashmir (Infantry Day)

The Event: On October 27, 1947, the first batch of the Indian Army, specifically troops of the 1st Battalion of the Sikh Regiment, was airlifted to Srinagar airfield. Their mission was to defend the princely state of Jammu and Kashmir against an invasion by tribal forces supported by Pakistan.

Context: The previous day, Maharaja Hari Singh, the ruler of Jammu and Kashmir, had signed the Instrument of Accession to the Dominion of India in the face of the invasion, which was accepted by the Governor-General of India, Lord Mountbatten, on October 27th. This legal and military move marked the formal integration of the state into the Indian Union.

Significance: This action is regarded as the first military operation of independent India and marks the beginning of the ongoing Kashmir conflict between





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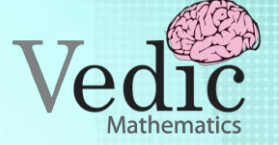
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India and Pakistan. The day is now commemorated annually by the Indian Army as Infantry Day to honor the bravery of the infantry soldiers.

1920: Birth of K. R. Narayanan

The Event: Kocheril Raman Narayanan, the tenth President of India (1997–2002), was born on October 27, 1920, in Uzhavoor, Kerala.

Significance: He was the first person from the Dalit community and the first Malayali to hold the highest office in India. Before his presidency, he served as the ninth Vice-President of India and had a distinguished career as a diplomat and academic.

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International Observances

World Day for Audiovisual Heritage: Observed annually, this day highlights the importance of preserving and safeguarding audiovisual documents, such as films, radio and television programs, and sound recordings.

World Occupational Therapy Day: This day promotes the mission of occupational therapy—helping people around the world live life to its fullest by promoting health and well-being.

Birth Anniversaries – International Personalities

Theodore Roosevelt 1858: us, the 26th President of the United States, known for his "Square Deal" domestic policies and his role in conservationism and trust-busting. He was a recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize.

Sylvia Plath 1932: us, influential American poet, novelist, and short story writer, known for works like *The Bell Jar*.

International Historical Events

Cold War Diplomacy

1978: Nobel Peace Prize Awarded

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin were jointly awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for their roles in negotiating a peace treaty between their two countries, leading to the Camp David Accords.

1962: Cuban Missile Crisis Peaks

During the height of the Cuban Missile Crisis, a U-2 reconnaissance plane was shot down over Cuba, killing Major Rudolf Anderson, the only direct human casualty of the crisis. This event underscored the extreme





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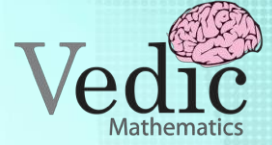
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danger of the standoff just before the Soviet Union agreed to remove its missiles, effectively resolving the crisis.

Independence and Geopolitics

1991: Turkmenistan Declares Independence

Turkmenistan declared its independence from the Soviet Union. The day is now celebrated as the country's Independence Day.

1979: Saint Vincent and the Grenadines Achieves Independence

The island country in the Caribbean achieved full independence from the United Kingdom.

2017: Catalonia Declares Independence

The Parliament of **Catalonia** voted to declare the region independent from Spain. The Spanish central government responded by dismissing the Catalan government and calling for new elections.

Other Notable Events

1979: Assassination of Park Chung Hee

South Korean President Park Chung Hee was assassinated by Kim Jae Kyu, the head of the Korean Central Intelligence Agency (KCIA).

1999: Armenian Parliament Shooting

Gunmen opened fire in the Armenian Parliament, killing eight people, including Prime Minister Vazgen Sargsyan and Speaker Karen Demirchyan, in a political attack.

1806: Napoleon Enters Berlin

The French Army under Napoleon Bonaparte entered Berlin following the Prussian defeat at the Battle of Jena–Auerstedt.

Sports-related Historical Events Internationally

1985: Kansas City Royals Win World Series The Kansas City Royals completed an impressive comeback against the St. Louis Cardinals, winning Game 7 of the World Series with a decisive 11-0 victory. This marked the Royals' first-ever World Series title.

2002: Anaheim Angels Win World Series The Anaheim Angels (now the Los Angeles Angels) won their first-ever World Series championship by defeating Barry Bonds and the San Francisco Giants in Game 7.

2002: Emmitt Smith Breaks All-Time Rushing Record NFL running back **Emmitt Smith** of the Dallas Cowboys surpassed Walter Payton to become the NFL's all-time leading rusher during a game against the Seattle Seahawks.

2004: Boston Red Sox Break "Curse of the Bambino" The Boston Red Sox completed a four-game sweep of the St. Louis Cardinals to win their first World Series in 86 years, officially breaking the legendary "Curse of the Bambino" and ending one of the longest championship droughts in sports history.

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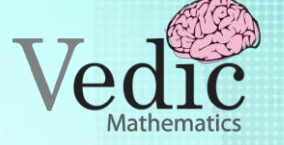
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