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Important Days

International Day of Friendship: International Day of Friendship is celebrated on July 30th to promote the



idea that friendship can bridge divides and foster peace. While some countries observe Friendship Day on the first Sunday of

August, the UN officially recognizes July 30th as the International Day of Friendship.

Historical events in India

2024 - Wayanad Landslides, Kerala: On July 30, 2024, a series of devastating landslides occurred in Wayanad district, Kerala, causing significant loss of life and property. This was a major natural disaster with a profound impact on the region.

2014 - Landslide in Maharashtra: A major landslide in Maharashtra, India, trapped and killed many people.

2012 - Train Fire in Andhra Pradesh: A train fire on the Tamil Nadu Express in Andhra Pradesh, India, resulted in the deaths of 32 passengers and injuries to 27 others.

2012 - Major Power Grid Failure in North India: A massive power grid failure in Delhi left over 300 million people without electricity in northern India, highlighting challenges in the country's infrastructure.

Important International Observances

World Day Against Trafficking in Persons: This UN observance highlights the global issue of human

trafficking and aims to raise awareness about the plight of victims and promote and protect their rights.

Birth Anniversaries of International Personalities

Henry Ford (1863): American industrialist and founder of the Ford Motor Company, who revolutionized factory production with his assembly-line methods.

Death Anniversaries of International Personalities

Otto von Bismarck (1898): German statesman who played a crucial role in unifying Germany and served as its first Chancellor.

William Penn (1718): English Quaker, philosopher, and founder of the Province of Pennsylvania, the English North American colony and the future Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

International historical events

Major Political and Social Events

762 AD - Foundation of Baghdad: The city of Baghdad, a historically important center of learning and culture in the Islamic Golden Age, was founded on this day.

1419 - First Defenestration of Prague: A radical Hussite crowd in Prague killed seven members of the city council, a pivotal event that triggered the Hussite Wars in Bohemia.

1619 - First Representative Legislative Assembly in the Americas: In Jamestown, Virginia, the House of Burgesses, the first elected legislative assembly in the New World, convened for the first time. This marked





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an early step towards democratic governance in what would become the United States.

1898 - Death of Otto von Bismarck: The influential German statesman who unified Germany and became its first Chancellor passed away.

1945 - Sinking of the USS Indianapolis: During World War II, the Japanese submarine I-58 sank the USS Indianapolis, which had just delivered components for the atomic bombs. This disaster resulted in the deaths of 883 seamen, many of whom succumbed to exposure, dehydration, and shark attacks while awaiting rescue.

1956 - "In God We Trust" Becomes U.S. National Motto: A joint resolution of the U.S. Congress was signed by President Dwight D. Eisenhower, officially authorizing "In God We Trust" as the U.S. national motto.

1965 - Medicare and Medicaid Established in the U.S.: President Lyndon B. Johnson signed amendments to the Social Security Act of 1935, establishing Medicare and Medicaid, which provide health care support to millions of elderly and low-income citizens in the United States.

1980 - Vanuatu Gains Independence: The Republic of Vanuatu gained independence from France and the United Kingdom.

1980 - Jerusalem Law in Israel: The Israeli Knesset passed the Jerusalem Law, declaring Jerusalem the unified capital of Israel.

2002 - Pretoria Accord Signed: The Pretoria Accord was signed between the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and Rwanda, aiming to end the Second Congo War.

Sports and Culture

1930 - First FIFA World Cup Final: Uruguay defeated Argentina to win the inaugural FIFA World Cup in Montevideo.

1932 - Summer Olympics Open in Los Angeles: The X Summer Olympics officially opened in Los Angeles, marking the second time the city hosted the multi-event international sports meet.

1966 - England Wins FIFA World Cup: England defeated West Germany 4-2 after extra time to win their first and only FIFA World Cup at Wembley Stadium.

Science and Technology

1971 - Lunar Roving Vehicle First Used on the Moon: Apollo 15 astronauts James B. Irwin and David Scott first used the four-wheeled Lunar Roving Vehicle to extensively explore the Moon's surface.

2003 - Last "Old Style" Volkswagen Beetle Rolls Off Assembly Line: The production of the iconic "old style" Volkswagen Beetle ended in Mexico.

Sports-related Historical Events - India

2024 - Paris Olympics Breakthrough (July 30, 2024): This date was a historic one for India at the Paris Olympics.

- **Manu Bhaker** became the **first Indian woman to win two medals in a single edition of the Olympics**, securing a bronze in the 10m air pistol mixed team event with Sarabjot Singh. This also marked India's first-ever shooting team event medal at the Summer Games.
- The **Indian men's hockey team** confirmed a quarter-final berth by defeating Ireland 2-0.





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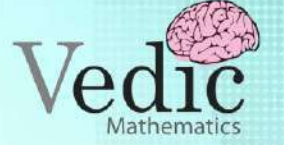
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- Indian archer **Bhajan Kaur** advanced to the round of 16 in the women's individual event, becoming the first Indian archer to do so at the Paris 2024 Olympics.

2025 - Asian Roller Skating Championships (July 19-30, 2025)

- The **Indian Women's Roller Derby Team** made history by winning a **silver medal** at the 20th Asian Roller Skating Championships in Jecheon, South Korea. This was their first-ever medal at this level in the sport.
- Pune's **Shreyasi Joshi** clinched **two gold medals** in the Classic Slalom and Battle Slalom events, becoming the first Indian to win gold in these categories at the championships.

Sports-related Historical Events - World

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1976 - Caitlyn Jenner (then Bruce Jenner) Wins Olympic Decathlon Gold: American athlete Caitlyn Jenner (competing as Bruce Jenner at the time) won the gold medal in the men's decathlon at the Montreal Olympics, setting a new world record.

