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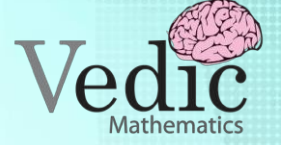
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Important Days

World Thrift Day (India): This day is observed in India on October 30th (internationally it is observed on October 31st) to promote the importance of saving money and securing financial stability among the public.

Thevar Jayanthi (also observed as **Guru Pooja**): This is the birth anniversary of Pasumpon Muthuramalingam Thevar, a prominent freedom fighter and political leader from Tamil Nadu. Though not an official public holiday, it is widely celebrated in the southern districts of Tamil Nadu. The day is often associated with both his birth and death anniversary, which are celebrated concurrently on October 30th. *

Birth Anniversaries – Indian Personalities

Dr. Homi Jehangir Bhabha (1909–1966): (30 October 1909 – 24 January 1966) was an Indian nuclear physicist who is widely credited as the "father of the Indian nuclear programme". He was the founding director and professor of physics at the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), as well as the founding director of the Atomic Energy Establishment, Trombay (AEET) which was renamed the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre in his honour. TIFR and AEET served as the cornerstone to the Indian nuclear energy and weapons programme. He was the first chairman of the Indian Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) and secretary of the Department of Atomic Energy (DAE). By supporting space science projects which initially derived their funding from the AEC, he played an important role in the birth of the Indian space programme.



Sukumar Ray (1887–1923): 30 October 1887 – 10 September 1923) was a Bengali writer and poet from



British India. He is remembered mainly for his writings for children. He was the son of children's story writer Upendrakishore Ray Chowdhury and the father of Indian filmmaker Satyajit Ray. According to the history of the Ray family,

one of their ancestors, Ramsunder Deo (Deb), was a native of Chakdah village in Nadia district of present-day West Bengal, India. In search of fortune he migrated to Town Sherpur, Sherpur district in East Bengal. There he met Raja Gunichandra, the zamindar of Jashodal, at the zamindar house of Sherpur.

Pramod Mahajan (1949–2006): (30 October 1949 – 3 May 2006) was an Indian politician from Maharashtra.



A second-generation leader of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), he belonged to a group of relatively young "technocratic"

leaders. At the time of his death, he was in a power struggle against Nitin Gadkari for the leadership of the BJP, given the imminent retirement of its aging top brass. He was a member of the Rajya Sabha and a General Secretary of his party. He contested only two Lok Sabha elections from Mumbai – North East constituency. He won in 1996 but lost in 1998. As Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee's telecommunications minister between 2001 and 2003, he played a major role in India's cellular revolution. He was widely seen as a successful Parliamentary Affairs minister due to his good relations with members of political parties across the ideological spectrum.





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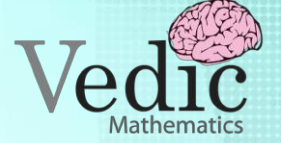
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Death Anniversaries – Indian Personalities

V. Shantaram (1901–1990): Shantaram Rajaram Vankudre (18 November 1901 – 30 October 1990), also known as V. Shantaram or Shantaram Bapu, was an Indian film director, producer, screenwriter, and actor known for his work in Hindi and Marathi films. He is best known for films such as Dr. Kotnis Ki Amar Kahani (1946), Amar Bhoopali (1951), Jhanak Jhanak Payal Baaje (1955), Do Aankhen Barah Haath (1957), Navrang (1959), Duniya Na Mane (1937), Pinjara (1972), Chani, Iye Marathiche Nagari and Zunj.V. Shantaram started his film career doing odd jobs in Maharashtra Film Co. owned by Baburao Painter at Kolhapur. He went on to debut as an actor in the silent film Surekha Haran in 1921.



1883: Death of Swami Dayanand Saraswati

The influential philosopher and social reformer Swami Dayanand Saraswati, the founder of the Arya Samaj reform movement, passed away in Ajmer.

1966: Shiv Sena's First Rally

The regional political party Shiv Sena held its first Dussehra rally at Shivaji Park in Mumbai, a foundational moment for the party.

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Historical event for India

1990: Ayodhya Incident

Security forces opened fire on a crowd of 'karsevaks' marching towards the Ram Janmabhoomi/Babri Masjid site in Ayodhya, resulting in several deaths and injuries. This was a significant and tragic event in the Ram Janmabhoomi movement.

1947: Kashmir Conflict

Following the Instrument of Accession on October 26th, Indian Air Force (IAF) Spitfires from the Advanced Flying School at Ambala reached Srinagar and were engaged in strafing the tribal invaders beyond Pattan, playing a crucial early role in securing the Kashmir Valley during the Indo-Pakistani War of 1947.

1945: UN Membership

India officially became a founding member of the United Nations (UN), even while still under British rule.



Birth Anniversaries – International Personalities

John Adams (1735): American statesman, lawyer, diplomat, writer, and a Founding Father who served as





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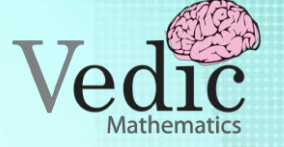
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the second President of the United States from 1797 to 1801.

Ezra Pound (1885): Expatriate American poet and critic, a major figure in the early Modernist poetry movement.

Diego Maradona (1960): Argentine professional football player and manager, widely regarded as one of the greatest football players of all time.

Death Anniversaries – International Personalities

Henry Dunant (1910): Swiss humanitarian, businessman, and social activist. He was the founder of the Red Cross and the first-ever recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize (1901).

Joseph Campbell (1987): American professor, writer, and rhetorician best known for his work in mythology and comparative religion, particularly his book *The Hero with a Thousand Faces*.

Claude Lévi-Strauss (2009): French anthropologist and ethnologist whose work was key in the development of structuralism and structural anthropology.

International Historical Events

1974: "The Rumble in the Jungle"

Muhammad Ali knocked out George Foreman in the eighth round of a boxing match in Kinshasa, Zaire (now Democratic Republic of the Congo), to regain the world heavyweight title. It is one of the most famous sporting events of the 20th century.

1961: Tsar Bomba Detonated

The Soviet Union detonated the Tsar Bomba (King of Bombs) over Novaya Zemlya island in the Arctic Ocean.

It remains the most powerful explosive device ever detonated by humans.

1947: General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT)

The GATT was officially founded by 23 nations in Geneva, Switzerland. This agreement would later become the foundation for the World Trade Organization (WTO).

1918: Armistice of Mudros

During World War I, the Ottoman Empire signed the Armistice of Mudros with the Allies aboard a British battleship. This effectively ended the Ottoman Empire's involvement in the war and led to its subsequent partition.

1905: October Manifesto (Russia)

Tsar Nicholas II of Russia issued the October Manifesto, promising basic civil liberties and the creation of an elected legislative body, the Duma, in response to the widespread strikes and protests of the Russian Revolution of 1905.

1863: George I becomes King of the Hellenes

Danish Prince Vilhelm arrived in Athens to officially assume his throne as George I, King of the Hellenes, beginning a long and significant royal line in Greece.

Other Significant Events

1983: The first democratic elections were held in Argentina after seven years of military rule.

1975: Prince Juan Carlos I of Spain became the acting head of state, taking over for the country's ailing dictator, Gen. Francisco Franco, paving the way for the restoration of the monarchy.

1973: The Bosphorus Bridge in Turkey (now called the 15 July Martyrs Bridge) was completed in Istanbul, connecting the continents of Europe and Asia.





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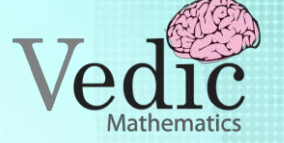
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Sports-related Historical Events Internationally

1974: The Rumble in the Jungle

Muhammad Ali defeated the undefeated and undisputed world heavyweight champion George Foreman by an 8th-round knockout in Kinshasa, Zaire (now Democratic Republic of the Congo).

Ali was a 4–1 underdog and famously employed the "rope-a-dope" tactic—leaning back on the ropes, covering up, and allowing Foreman to expend his energy by hitting his arms and body.

2003: LeBron James' NBA Debut

American basketball player LeBron James made his NBA debut for the Cleveland Cavaliers against the Sacramento Kings. He was drafted directly out of high school and has since become one of the most dominant and decorated players in NBA history.



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