

Today in History on 04 OCT 2024

- **1824: Mexico creates a new constitution and becomes a federal republic.**

The Mexican Federal Constitution of 1824 established that Mexico would be a federal republic, and no longer a monarchy. The republic is a representative system of government, in which power is in the hands of the people, who elect representatives to act on their political behalf. It established a system of 'provincial delegations', which gave local governments in the colonies greater autonomy, as well as freedom of expression.



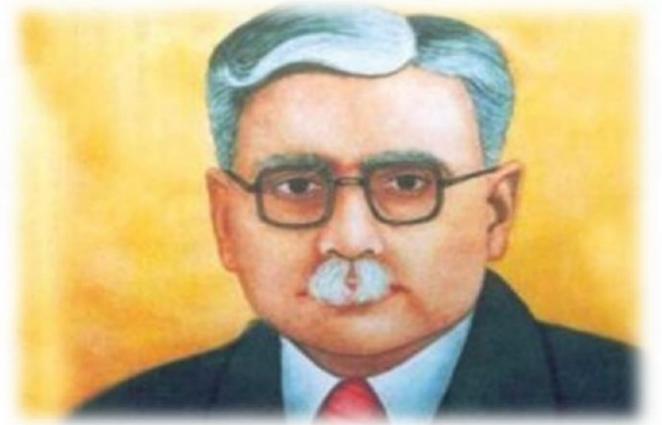
- **1830: The Kingdom of Belgium separates from the Netherlands.**

On 4 October 1830, the Belgian provinces of the United Kingdom of the Netherlands declared independence. A provisional government was formed and it was decided to convene a National Congress to establish a constitution for the new country. Although Belgian independence threatened to destroy a key aspect of the geopolitical framework of the Vienna Convention, the response of the great powers was cool.



- **1884: Prominent Hindi writer and critic Ram Chandra Shukla was born.**

Ram Chandra Shukla (4 October 1884 – 2 February 1941), better known as Acharya Shukla, was an Indian historian of Hindi literature. He is considered the first codifier of the history of Hindi literature in a scientific system using extensive, empirical research with limited resources. As a writer, he is best known for Hindi Sahitya Ka Itihaas (1928–29).



➤ 1943: US captures Solomons from the Japanese.

The US captures Solomons from the Japanese in 1943. The Solomon Islands campaign was a major campaign of the Pacific War of World War II. The campaign began with the Japanese landing and occupation of several areas of Bougainville in the British Solomon Islands and the Territory of New Guinea during the first six months of 1942.



➤ 2000: Chang Chun-hsiung becomes new Prime Minister of Taiwan.

Chang Chun-hsiung becomes new Prime Minister of Taiwan in 2000. Chang Chun-hsiung is a Taiwanese politician who served as Prime Minister of Taiwan from 2000 to 2002 and from 2007 to 2008 under the presidency of Chen Shui-bian. His appointment by then-President Chen in 2000 marked the first time a member of the Democratic Progressive Party (DPP) had held the prime ministership. As a founding member of the DPP, he served on its Central Committee and Central Standing Committee from 1986 to 2000.



Important NEWS on 04 OCT 2024

➤ India's Great Virat Kohli Achieved The Fastest 27000 Runs Milestone

Virat Kohli completed 27000 international runs and became the fastest cricketer to reach that milestone and broke the record of Sachin Tendulkar who earlier held the record. Virat achieved this feat against Bangladesh in the 2nd test match in Kanpur.



➤ Ishpreet Entered Into Semi-Final & First Indian After a Decade

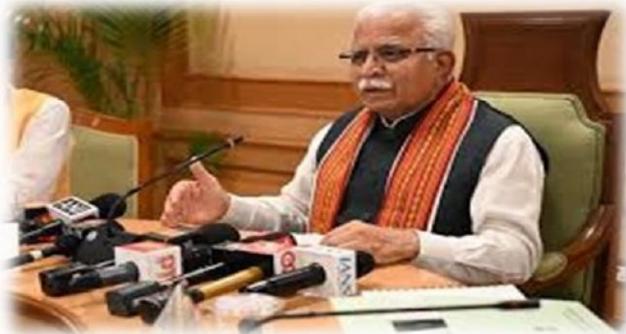
Ishpreet Singh Chadha beat the four time world champion Mark Selby in the Pro circuit snooker to make place in the semi final of that tournament.

He became the first player from his country to make the semi-finals of a ranking tournament since Aditya Mehta reached the last four of the 2013 Indian Open.



➤ Achievements in the First 100 Days of the New Government

In the first 100 days of the new government, significant strides have been made in enhancing the ease of living for citizens and providing a dignified way of life. Union Minister Shri Manohar Lal addressed the press, highlighting the government's commitment to fulfilling basic necessities, particularly housing and water management.



➤ Army Sports Conclave Hosted By Indian Army

The Indian Army hosted the much-anticipated "Army Sports Conclave" today, highlighting the role of the Indian Army in India's sporting ecosystem. As India sets its sight on hosting the 2036 Olympics, the Army Sports Conclave serves as a crucial platform to align efforts and contribute to this national mission. Mission Olympic Wing of Indian Army was established in 2001, under which a total of 9000 players are taking training at 28 different sports nodes.



➤ KAZIND 2024 Exercise Commences in the Uttarakhand

8th India-Kazakhstan joint military exercise KAZIND-2024 started at Surya Foreign Training Node, Auli, Uttarakhand. An annual affair, the exercise will end on 13th October. To bid to improve the joint military capability and undertake counter terrorism operations in a sub conventional scenario. The aim of the joint exercise is to enhance the joint military capability of both sides to conduct counter-terrorism operations in sub-conventional scenario under Chapter VII of the United Nations Charter.



Current Account Deficit Widens to \$9.7 Billion in April-June Quarter

In the April-June 2024 quarter, India's current account deficit (CAD) increased to \$9.7 billion, or 1.1% of GDP, up from \$8.9 billion (1% of GDP) in Q1 FY2024, according to the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). This marginal widening is attributed to a rise in the merchandise trade deficit, which expanded to \$65.1 billion from \$56.7 billion in the previous year.



Mithun Chakraborty to Receive Dadasaheb Phalke Award

Veteran actor Mithun Chakraborty, known for his versatile contributions to Indian cinema, will be honoured with the prestigious Dadasaheb Phalke Award at the 70th National Film Awards ceremony on October 8, 2024. At 74, Mithun Chakraborty expressed his overwhelming joy, dedicating the honour to his family and fans. Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Information & Broadcasting Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw congratulated him on his achievement, highlighting his enduring legacy in Indian cinema.



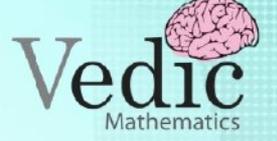
Current affairs MCQS on 04 OCT 2024

Q.1. Where was the "Ayush Medical Value Travel Summit 2024" inaugurated?

- (a) Mumbai
- (b) Chennai
- (c) New Delhi
- (d) Hyderabad

Answer : (a) Mumbai

Shri Prataprao Jadhav, Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for the Ministry of AYUSH and Union Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare inaugurated the AYUSH Medical Value



Travel Summit 2024 in Mumbai. The theme of the summit is 'Global Synergies in AYUSH: Transforming Health and Wellness through Medical Value Travel'. The summit is being organized by the Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India in collaboration with the Ministry of Tourism, Government of Maharashtra and key partners.

Q.2. Which country has topped the list of foreign tourists visiting India recently?

- (a) Russia
- (b) Australia
- (c) France
- (d) Bangladesh

Answer: (d) Bangladesh

Foreign tourist arrivals in India reached nearly 4.78 million from January to June, with Bangladesh and the US being the top source countries. Despite the increase compared to 2023, inbound tourism still lags behind pre-pandemic levels. Foreign exchange earnings have increased, and Indian outbound tourism is also on the rise.

Q.3. Who has recently taken oath as a judge of the 'Madras High Court'?

- (a) J. Tashi Rabstan
- (b) J. Shamim Ahmed
- (c) J. Manmohan
- (d) None of the above

Answer: (b) J. Shamim Ahmed

Madras High Court Chief Justice K R Sriram administered the oath of office to Justice Shamim Ahmed, who has been transferred here from the Allahabad High Court. Advocate General P S Raman welcomed the judge and introduced him to the bar.

Q.4. How many medals has India won in the recent Junior World Wushu Championship?

- (a) Seven
- (b) Five
- (c) Eight
- (d) Four

Answer: (a) Seven

The Indian team won seven medals including two gold, one silver and four bronze medals in the Junior World Wushu Championships. Aryan of India won the gold medal by defeating Gong Huanran of China in the boys junior 48 kg weight category. Shaurya won another gold medal by defeating his Iranian opponent Alireza Zamani in the boys 48 kg (children) category. Nang Mingbi Borphan won the silver medal in the Taolu Jian Shu Si Group event.

Q.5. Which state governments have given the status of 'Rajya Mata' to the native cow?

- (a) Haryana
- (b) Uttarakhand
- (c) Uttar Pradesh
- (d) Maharashtra

Answer: (d) Maharashtra

The Maharashtra government has taken an important decision in the cabinet meeting to give the status of 'Rajyamata-Gomata' to the indigenous cow. Along with this, the government has also announced to give subsidy to cow protection organizations for every indigenous cow. To avail the benefits of this scheme, the organization will have to register with the Maharashtra Gauseva Commission.

Q.6. Where has a new species of catfish 'Exostoma centenarius' been discovered recently?

- (a) Nagaland
- (b) Assam
- (c) Mizoram
- (d) Manipur

Answer: (a) Nagaland

A new species of catfish, *Exostoma centionoe*, has been discovered in the Zuleke River in Nagaland, India. The river is part of the Barak River system, and the discovery is significant as it shows how rich the aquatic life of the region is.

Q.7. Where will NATO establish its Northern Land Command recently?

- (a) Denmark
- (b) Fiji
- (c) Italy
- (d) Eastern Finland

Answer: (d) Eastern Finland

NATO plans to establish a new land command in Finland near the Russian border in 2025 to lead land force operations in northern Europe during potential military conflicts. Finland, which joined NATO last year, is preparing for the alliance's presence on its territory following Russia's invasion of Ukraine in 2022. Finland's Defence Minister Antti Hakanen announced the proposal to set up the command at Finland's army headquarters in Mikkeli. The centre, called the Multi Corps Land Component Command, will operate under NATO's US-based Norfolk Joint Force Command and Finland's own land forces command.

Q.8. The 8th edition of the joint military exercise KAZIND has started between which countries and India?

- (a) Italy
- (b) Kazakhstan
- (c) Singapore
- (d) Switzerland

Answer: (b) Kazakhstan

The eighth edition of the India-Kazakhstan joint military exercise KAZIND-2024 began in Uttarakhand. The Indian Armed Forces, comprising 120 personnel, are being represented by a battalion of the Kumaon Regiment of the Indian Army. According to the Defence Ministry, the aim of the joint exercise is to enhance the joint military capability of both sides for counter-terrorism operations. The ministry said the exercise will focus on operations in semi-urban and mountainous terrain. It will enhance defence cooperation and promote interoperability between the two armies, the ministry said.

Q.9. Where has the 14th Hockey India Junior Women's National Championship 2024 started recently?

- (a) Karnataka
- (b) Kerala
- (c) Jharkhand
- (d) Bihar

Answer: (c) Jharkhand

The first day of the 14th Hockey India Junior Women's National Championship 2024 in Ranchi saw many thrilling matches, with Hockey Maharashtra, Hockey Chandigarh, Hockey Uttar Pradesh and Hockey Jharkhand winning their respective matches. The match between Hockey

Punjab and Hockey Jammu and Kashmir was officially cancelled in favour of Hockey Punjab.

Q.10. Which bank has recently reappointed 'Sumant Kathpalia' as MD and CEO?

- (a) IndusInd Bank
- (b) Canara Bank
- (c) Axis Bank
- (d) Yes Bank

Answer: (a) IndusInd Bank

The board of IndusInd Bank has approved the re-appointment of Sumant Kathpalia as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (MD & CEO) for a period of three years from March 24, 2025 to March 23, 2028, pending approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and shareholders.

Q.11. Who has recently been appointed as the new Chief Secretary of Madhya Pradesh?

- (a) Anurag Jain
- (b) Ajit Bansal
- (c) Saurabh Shah
- (d) Amrit Mohan

Answer: (a) Anurag Jain

Anurag Jain, a 1989 batch IAS officer, will be the new Chief Secretary. Meanwhile, Additional Chief Secretary Rajesh Rajoura has lagged behind in this race. Anurag Jain was currently on central deputation. He will soon come to Bhopal from Delhi and take charge.

Q.12. Who has recently won the 'Best Actor' award at IIFA 2024?

- (a) Shahrukh Khan
- (b) Varun Dhawan
- (c) Aamir Khan

(d) Akshay Kumar

Answer: (a) Shahrukh Khan

Bollywood star Shah Rukh Khan and veteran actress Rani Mukerji are among the top winners of the International Indian Film Academy (IIFA) 2024. Khan won the award for his performance in the 2023 film 'Jawaan', in which he played both father and son. Mukerji was honoured with the award for his stellar performance in the judicial drama 'Mrs. Chatterjee vs Norway'.

Q.13. Who has recently become the first Indian left-arm spinner to take 300 wickets in Test cricket?

- (a) Kuldeep Yadav
- (b) Axar Patel
- (c) Ravindra Jadeja
- (d) None of these

Answer: (c) Ravindra Jadeja

The second Test match is being played between India and Bangladesh in Kanpur. On the fourth day of the match, Indian star all-rounder Ravindra Jadeja has achieved a big achievement. In fact, he has completed his 300 wickets in Test cricket. Khalid Ahmed was his 300th wicket. With this, Jadeja has become the 7th bowler and 4th spinner of India to do so.

Q.14. Where has the 70th edition of the 'Nehru Trophy Boat Race' been held recently?

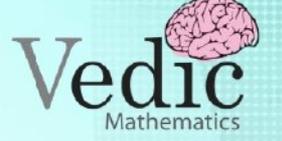
- (a) Mumbai
- (b) Odisha
- (c) Alappuzha
- (d) Goa

Answer: (c) Alappuzha

The 70th Nehru Trophy Boat Race will be held at the serene Punnamada Lake in Alappuzha in Kerala. 19

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Chundan Vallam or Snake Boats will compete for the coveted Silver Trophy. 54 smaller boats belonging to different categories are also participating in the event.

Q.15. Who has been recently selected for the 'Dada Saheb Phalke Award'?

- (a) Mithun Chakraborty
- (b) Anupam Kher
- (c) Aamir Khan
- (d) Amitabh Bachchan

Answer: (a) Mithun Chakraborty

Mithun Chakraborty, the brilliant actor of Hindi cinema, has been honored with the prestigious Dadasaheb Phalke Award. Mithun Chakraborty has received the Dadasaheb Phalke Award at the age of 74. Mithun is still active in Indian cinema and is winning the hearts of fans with his acting.



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