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## Today in History on 06 AUG

### ➤ 1825: Bolivia gains independence from Peru.

In 1825, Bolivia gains independence from Peru. On August 6, 1825, Bolivia declared its independence at a congress in Chuquisaca. With this declaration, Bolivia became an independent republic. Bolivia's independence war, against Spanish colonial rule, began in 1809 and ended with the declaration of independence in 1825. The war involved several battles, including the Battle of Ayacucho, after which Bolivia gained independence.



### ➤ 1862: Madras High Court established.

The Madras High Court was established in 1862. It was one of the three High Courts established under the Indian High Courts Act 1861, the other two being Calcutta and Bombay. However, in 1865 new Letters

Patent were issued for these courts, also known as Amended Letters Patent. The Madras High Court complex is famous for its vast area as it is the second largest judicial structure in the world after the courts in London.



### ➤ 1914: Austria declares war on Russia.

In 1914, Austria declared war on Russia. This event was a key part of the start of World War I. Russia entered World War I in July 1914. It was allied with Britain and France and fought against Germany and Austria-Hungary. Russia's economy was not ready for a major war and thus Russia lost to Germany.



### ➤ 1962: Jamaica gained independence.





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In 1962, Jamaica gained independence from the United Kingdom. This happened on August 6, 1962. This day is celebrated as Independence Day in Jamaica. Jamaica became independent on August 6, 1962 and remained a member of the British Commonwealth. The United States recognized Jamaica's independence on August 16, 1962 with the establishment of the US Embassy in Kingston. Jamaica's independence meant that Britain no longer had control over the country's affairs. Jamaica created its own constitution, symbols, army, currency, and passports. Alexander Bustamante became the first elected Prime Minister.



#### ➤ 1996: NASA raised the possibility of life on Mars.

In 1996, NASA made an important claim about the possibility of life on Mars. They reported the discovery of possible evidence of microscopic fossils in a Martian meteorite (ALH84001). However, this discovery was not widely accepted in the scientific

community, and debate continues today over whether there was actually evidence of life on Mars.



#### Important NEWS on 06 AUG

#### ➤ India Ranks Second Globally in Fish Production

India has once again affirmed its strong position in the global fisheries sector, securing the second rank in fish production worldwide, according to Union Minister of Fisheries and Animal Husbandry Rajiv Ranjan Singh. The announcement was made during a meeting in Kolkata, where the minister chaired discussions with representatives from West Bengal, Bihar, Jharkhand, and Chhattisgarh to explore ways of further boosting fish production.







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### ➤ Western Railway Resumes Heritage Train on This 155-Year-Old Line

The Western Railway has resumed operations of its 9.5 km metre-gauge heritage train on the iconic Patalpani-Kalakund line in Madhya Pradesh. Services had been briefly suspended earlier due to a decline in tourist footfall. With its rich history and breathtaking scenic views, the train remains a major attraction for heritage tourism enthusiasts. The journey is considered a unique experience, blending history, culture, and natural beauty.



### ➤ AB de Villiers' Blazing Century Powers South Africa Champions to WCL 2025 Title

The World Championship of Legends (WCL) 2025 Final at Edgbaston, Birmingham witnessed a spectacular display of batting mastery by AB de Villiers, as South Africa Champions defeated Pakistan Champions by 9 wickets to lift the coveted title. With this emphatic victory, South Africa became the champions of the tournament's second

edition, ending Pakistan's dream run in the competition.



### ➤ Magnus Carlsen Wins First-Ever Chess Esports World Cup

In a landmark moment for competitive chess, Magnus Carlsen claimed victory at the first edition of the Chess Esports World Cup (EWC 2025) in Riyadh, defeating Alireza Firouzja of Team Falcons in a dominant display. Representing Team Liquid, Carlsen further cemented his legacy by showcasing his mastery both on the board and in the new era of esports-driven chess.





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### ➤ Lando Norris Clinches Hungarian Grand Prix After Thrilling Duel With Piastri

In a nail-biting finale at the Hungarian Grand Prix 2025, Lando Norris secured victory after fending off a late charge from his McLaren teammate Oscar Piastri. The race, held at the Hungaroring in Budapest, showcased intense strategy, high drama, and fierce wheel-to-wheel battles, giving fans one of the most memorable races of the season. Piastri, close behind in second, attempted an undercut during the first round of pit stops but couldn't edge past the Monegasque driver.



Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) framework, this innovation is designed to ensure financial inclusion while enhancing both security and convenience.



### ➤ 'Nalam Kaakkum Stalin scheme

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin on August, 2025 inaugurated medical camps across all 38 districts in the State. It was organised under the 'Nalam Kaakkum Stalin scheme. He unveiled this at the inaugural event organised by the Health Department at the Saint Bede's Anglo-Indian Higher Secondary School complex in Santhome, Chennai.



### ➤ India Post Payments Bank Launches Aadhaar-Based Face Authentication for Digital Banking

In a landmark step towards inclusive and secure digital banking, the India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) has launched a nationwide Aadhaar-based face authentication feature for customer transactions. Developed under the Unique







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### Current affairs MCQS on 06 AUG

**Q.1. Recently, which state has become the first state to launch 'Formal Rest Leave Scheme' for government employees?**

- A. Sikkim
- B. Meghalaya
- C. Rajasthan
- D. Manipur

**Answer: A. Sikkim**

Sikkim has become the first state in India to launch a "Sabbatical Leave Scheme" for government employees. The scheme provides employees with a unique opportunity for personal and professional growth, while also ensuring them job security. This progressive policy has been launched with the aim of enhancing workforce well-being, career development and administrative efficiency in the state's administrative set-up.

**Q.2. Recently, the GST collection of the Central Government has increased by 7.5% to how many lakh crores?**

- A. ₹1.00 lakh crore
- B. ₹1.40 lakh crore
- C. ₹1.96 lakh crore
- D. ₹2.96 lakh crore

**Answer: C. ₹1.96 lakh crore**

India's goods and services tax (GST) collection rose to Rs 1.96 lakh crore in July, up 7.5 per cent from the same month last year. The rise was driven by a rise in revenue from both domestic transactions and imports, indicating stable economic activity, although the pace of growth was slower than in recent months.

**Q.3. Currently, approximately what percentage of its total oil imports does India buy from Russia?**

- A. 40%
- B. 50%
- C. 60%
- D. 70%

**Answer: A. 40%**





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Russia is India's major crude oil supplier. India is the world's third-largest oil importer and consumer. Russia's share in India's total crude oil supply is about 35-40%. Before the war with Ukraine, this share was less than 0.2 percent. According to data obtained by Reuters, India imported about 1.75 million barrels of Russian oil per day from January to June this year. This is 1% more than a year ago.

**Q.4. Nahargarh Wildlife Sanctuary (NWS), which was in the news recently, is located in which state?**

- A. Karnataka
- B. Andhra Pradesh
- C. Rajasthan
- D. Gujarat

**Answer: C. Rajasthan**

The Rajasthan forest department has recently changed the boundaries of the Nahargarh Wildlife Sanctuary (NWS), benefiting luxury hotels and commercial establishments located within the sanctuary and its Eco Sensitive Zone (ESZ). The move, submitted to the National Green Tribunal (NGT), is without the approval of the National Board for Wildlife (NBWL), which is in violation of Section 26A of the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972. Nahargarh Wildlife Sanctuary is located in Rajasthan. It is named after the Nahargarh Fort built in the 18th century by Jaipur's founder Maharaja Sawai Jai Singh II.

**Q.5. Recently, India has received the last consignment of 16 Airbus C-295 military transport aircraft from which country?**

- A. Spain
- B. Portugal
- C. Britain
- D. France

**Answer: A. Spain**

India has received the last of the 16 Airbus C-295 military transport aircraft from Spain that will strengthen the country's defense capabilities. The aircraft is equipped with modern technology and will replace the old Avro aircraft. Out of the 56

aircraft, 16 have been received from Spain while the remaining 40 will be manufactured in India by Tata Advanced Systems Limited.

**Q.6. Recently, which municipal corporation has announced to build a road in the name of astronaut Shubhanshu Shukla?**

- A. Kolkata Municipal Corporation
- B. Lucknow Municipal Corporation
- C. Ghaziabad Municipal Corporation
- D. Hyderabad Municipal Corporation

**Answer: B. Lucknow Municipal Corporation**

Recently, Lucknow Municipal Corporation has announced to build a road in the name of astronaut Shubhanshu Shukla. Lucknow Municipal Corporation has decided that the road in front of his residence in Triveni Nagar Pratham will be named "Shubhanshu Shukla Marg". Along with this, this road will also be given a new look at a cost of Rs 10 lakh.

**Q.7. Recently, Mount Lewotobi Laki-Laki volcano located on the Flores Island of which country has erupted?**

- A. Malaysia
- B. Japan
- C. Indonesia
- D. Brunei

**Answer: C. Indonesia**

Recently, several people have died due to the eruption of Mount Lewotobi Laki-Laki, an active volcano located on the island of Flores, Indonesia. It is an active volcano located on the island of Flores in East Nusa Tenggara province. This volcano is part of a twin volcanic system that local residents consider as male and female mountains.

**Q.8. Recently, the third conference of the United Nations Landlocked Countries will be held in which country?**

- A. Kazakhstan
- B. Tajikistan
- C. Turkmenistan







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D. Mongolia

**Answer: C. Turkmenistan**

Prime Minister KP Sharma Oli will visit Turkmenistan and lead the Nepali delegation to the 3rd United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDC3). The conference is being held in Avaza, Turkmenistan. Prime Minister Oli is visiting Turkmenistan to attend the conference at the invitation of Turkmenistan President Serdar Berdimuhamedov and United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres.

**Q.9. Recently, SpaceX has sent a joint astronaut team to the ISS under the "Crew-11 Mission" of which agency?**

- A. ISRO
- B. NASA
- C. JAXA
- D. Roscosmos

**Answer: B. NASA**

An international crew of four astronauts took off from Florida on a SpaceX rocket for the International Space Station. This is a routine NASA mission that could be the first of many that will last a few months longer than usual.

**Q.10. Recently, the Bluebird communication satellite has been developed by which country?**

- A. United States
- B. France
- C. China
- D. Russia

**Answer: A. United States**

Just days after the successful launch of the NISAR earth observation satellite, the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has begun preparations for its next Indo-US collaboration mission. Under this mission, the Block-2 Bluebird communication satellite developed by the US company AST Spacemobile will be launched. The launch will be carried out through ISRO's most powerful launch vehicle LVM3 (formerly GSLV-Mk

III) from the Satish Dhawan Space Center in Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh.

**Q.11. Who has recently unveiled the official mascot of the Asia Rugby Under-20 (Sevens) Championship?**

- A. Shri Yogi Adityanath
- B. Shri Nitish Kumar
- C. Shri Bhajanlal Sharma
- D. Shri Pushkar Dhami

**Answer: B. Shri Nitish Kumar**

Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar unveiled the mascot of the Asia Rugby Under 20 (Sevens) Championship to be held in Rajgir on August 9 and 10. Under this championship, men's and women's teams of Asia will face off for the trophy at the Rajgir Sports Complex. This event is being held in Bihar for the first time. Top eight Asian countries will participate in this championship, which is a seven-member team event.

**Q.12. Recently, when has the Election Commission of India announced the election schedule for the 17th Vice-Presidential election?**

- A. 21 August
- B. 30 August
- C. 09 September
- D. 19 September

**Answer: C. 09 September**

The Electronics Commission of India (ECI) has announced the election schedule for India. According to the ECI, the elections will be held on September 9. The election is necessary after Jagdeep Dhankhar retired from the post last month. This will be the 17th by-election. The opposition is elected by an electoral college, which consists of the opposition and members of the Rajya Sabha.

**Q.13. Recently, Fitch Ratings has reduced India's GDP estimate for the current financial year to how much?**

- A. 5.3%
- B. 6.0%





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C. 6.1%

D. 6.3%

**Answer: D. 6.3%**

Fitch Ratings has lowered India's GDP growth forecast for FY2025-26 to 6.3 percent. The rating agency has cited strong infrastructure spending as a key driver for sectors such as cement, steel and construction. The agency expects better credit metrics for rated Indian companies despite higher capital expenditure.

**Q.14. Where was the high level investors' round table meeting held recently?**

A. Bhopal

B. Indore

C. Bengaluru

D. Chennai

**Answer: C. Bengaluru**

A high-level investor roundtable was held in Bengaluru under the chairmanship of Shri Amardeep Singh Bhatia, Secretary, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT). The meeting was organised as part of efforts to realise the vision of Developing India @2047 and served as a platform to showcase the potential of Southern Industrial Hubs under National Industrial Corridor Development Programme (NICDP) and strengthen Centre-State collaboration for industrial development.

**Q.15. Who has recently taken charge as the first woman Director General of Railway Protection Force?**

A. Aruna Bahuguna

B. Sonali Mishra

C. Rashmi Shukla

D. Kanchan Chaudhary Bhattacharya

**Answer: B. Sonali Mishra**

Sonali Mishra, a 1983 batch IPS officer of Madhya Pradesh cadre, has taken over as the Director General (DG) of the Railway Protection Force (RPF). She has become the first woman to lead the force in the 143-year history of the RPF. Sonali Mishra's

appointment has been approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet. She will hold the post till her retirement on October 31, 2026.

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