

## Today in History on 08 NOV

### ➤ 1627: Death of Mughal ruler Jahangir.

Jahangir died on his way back from Kashmir in 1627 at a place called Bhimwar. Jahangir was born on 31 August 1569 in Fatehpur Sikri in present-day Uttar Pradesh to Mughal emperor Akbar and his wife Mariam-uz-Zamani. Jahangir was named Mirza Noor-ud-Din Beg Mohammad Khan Salim and was simply known as Prince Salim. When he took over the Mughal throne, he assumed the title of Jahangir (world conqueror).



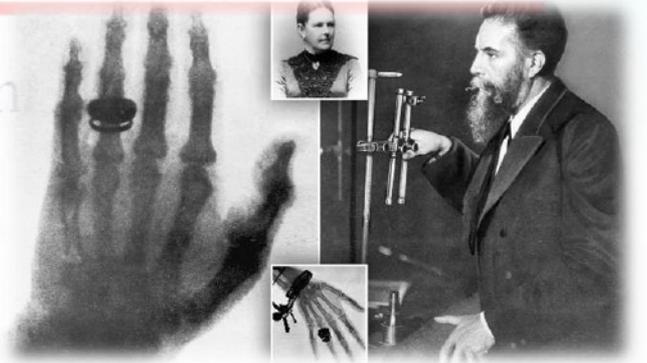
### ➤ 1895: Physicist Wilhelm Conrad Röntgen discovers X-rays.

Wilhelm Conrad Röntgen was a German mechanical engineer and physicist who produced and detected electromagnetic radiation in the wavelength range known as X-rays on 8 November 1895, an achievement that earned him the inaugural Nobel Prize in Physics in 1901.



### ➤ 1829: Lord William Bentinck, Governor General of the East India Company, took the initiative to end the practice of Sati.

In the year 1829, Lord William Bentinck, Governor General of the East India Company, took the initiative to end the practice of Sati. Bentinck abolished the practice of Sati in 1829 with the help of Raja Rammohan Roy. Bentinck made a law against this practice and declared the practice of Sati of widows illegal through Section 17 in 1829.



### ➤ 1990: Ireland becomes first female president

Mary Robinson served as President of Ireland between 1990 and 1997. The first female president of Ireland, Robinson was exceptionally popular in her role, becoming the most popular president in Irish history. Prior to her election, Robinson served

seven terms as a senator, and alongside her time in Seanad Éireann she also worked as a lawyer and an academic. Robinson resigned early from the presidency to take up the position of High Commissioner for Human Rights with the United Nations.



➤ **2008: India's first unmanned space mission Chandrayaan-1 reached the Moon's orbit.**

In 2008, India's first unmanned space mission Chandrayaan-1 reached the Moon's orbit.

Chandrayaan-1 was launched from Satish Dhawan Space Center in Sriharikota. This mission was carried out by the Indian Space Research Center (ISRO). Chandrayaan-1 made more than 3,400 orbits around the Moon.



## Important NEWS on 08 NOV

➤ **Union Minister Dr Virendra Kumar Launches 'Shilp Samagam Mela 2024' and Unveils 'TULIP' Platform**

The Union Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment inaugurated the 'Shilp Samagam Mela 2024' with a grand opening at Dilli Haat, New Delhi. Organized by key Corporations under the Ministry, including the National Scheduled Castes Finance and Development Corporation (NSFDC), National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation (NBCDFC), and National Safai Karmachari Finance and Development Corporation (NSKFDC).



➤ **Donald Trump Set to Back in the White House as 47th President of USA**

Donald Trump has clinched a critical victory in Wisconsin, securing 276 electoral votes—well above the 270 needed—to reclaim the White House as America's 47th president. Speaking to an enthusiastic crowd in West Palm Beach, Florida, Trump expressed gratitude for the "extraordinary honor" bestowed upon him by the American people,

acknowledging his unique role as both the 45th and now the 47th president.



#### ➤ IDFC FIRST Bank Launches Real-Time International Money Transfer Tracking

IDFC FIRST Bank, in partnership with Swift, has introduced a groundbreaking real-time tracking service for international money transfers. Available on its award-winning mobile app and internet banking platforms, this service positions IDFC FIRST Bank as the first Indian bank to offer end-to-end traceability for cross-border payments. This service aligns with the bank's "Customer First" philosophy, aimed at bringing the transparency and speed of UPI and IMPS digital payments to international transactions.



#### ➤ Royal Enfield Launches EV Brand "Flying Flea"

Royal Enfield has recently unveiled its highly anticipated electric vehicle (EV) brand, "Flying Flea", an homage to one of the brand's most iconic models. The original Flying Flea was a compact, lightweight motorcycle designed in the 1940s for military use during World War II. Engineered to be air-dropped behind enemy lines, the bike was valued for its nimble handling and ability to navigate rugged terrains.



#### ➤ IREL and Kazakhstan's UKTMP Collaborate for Titanium Slag JV in Odisha

In a significant Indo-Kazakh collaboration, IREL (India) Limited, a CPSU under the Department of Atomic Energy (DAE), and Kazakhstan's Ust-Kamenogorsk Titanium and Magnesium Plant JSC (UKTMP JSC) have inked a joint venture agreement to establish IREUK Titanium Limited, aimed at producing titanium slag in Odisha, India.



### ISRO to Launch EU's Proba-3 Satellite in December, Aims for Bold Space Milestones

In a significant advancement for India's space sector, the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) is set to launch the European Union's Proba-3 Solar Observation Mission in December from Sriharikota. The satellite, arriving at Sriharikota, is designed to study the Sun's faint corona, a crucial aspect of solar science. This marks India's third collaboration with the EU in space, following the earlier launches of Proba-1 and Proba-2.



### Supreme Court Targets Child Marriage Elimination in Rajasthan by 2030

The Supreme Court's recent guidelines to eliminate child marriages in Rajasthan by 2030 have provided a significant boost to civil society organizations working to combat this issue. With a focus on holding local panchayats, school authorities, and child protection officers accountable, these guidelines aim to address the widespread practice of child marriages in the state.



### Current affairs MCQS on 08 NOV

Q.1. When is World Radiography Day celebrated?

- (a) 05 November
- (b) 06 November
- (c) 07 November
- (d) 08 November

**Answer: (d) 08 November**

Every year 'World Radiography Day' is celebrated on 8 November. With the help of radiography, doctors are able to detect diseases of the body with the help of X-ray technology. The main purpose of celebrating this day is to make people aware. Using radiography, doctors detect internal diseases of the patient. With its help, X-ray, MRI and ultrasound are done. Dental disease, mammography, orthopedic evaluation, chiropractic examination are done with the help of X-ray. World Radiography Day was celebrated for

the first time in the year 2012. It was started by the European Society of Radiology, Radiological Society of North America and American College of Radiology. Since then World Radiography Day is celebrated every year.

**Q.2. Who has recently been elected as the President of the International Solar Alliance?**

- (a) Australia
- (b) India
- (c) Spain
- (d) France

**Answer: (b) India**

Union Minister Pralhad Joshi said India has been re-elected Chair of the Indian Solar Alliance (ISA) for the term from 2024 to 2026. Addressing a press conference at the 7th General Assembly of ISA, Joshi informed that France has been re-elected as Vice President of ISA. Joshi said India's election to the presidency is a testament to the impressive work done for global good over the years under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, including promoting the adoption of solar energy worldwide and investments in essential solar projects including mini grids and healthcare solutions. Eight Vice-Presidents of the Standing Committee were also elected by the Assembly, two from each of the four ISA geographical regions. Ghana and Seychelles have been elected as Vice-Presidents from the Africa region.

**Q.3. Which ministry has launched the Digital India Common Service Center (DICSC) project?**

- (a) Ministry of Defense
- (b) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- (c) Ministry of Agriculture
- (d) Ministry of Science and Technology

**Answer: (b) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology**

The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) has launched the Digital India Common Service Centre (DICSC) project to bridge

the digital divide in rural India. The project has been launched in Pilibhit and Gorakhpur in Uttar Pradesh, providing access to e-governance, financial and commercial services. A total of 4,740 model DICSC centres will be set up in gram panchayats of 10 districts across the country. Pilibhit will have 720 centres, Gorakhpur 1,273 and other districts include Chhatrapati Sambhajnagar (870), Chamba (309), Khammam (589), Gandhinagar (288), Mamit (100), Jodhpur (415), Leh (95) and Puducherry (81).

**Q.4. Where was the 32nd meeting of the Central Hindi Committee held recently?**

- (a) New Delhi
- (b) Bhopal
- (c) Jaipur
- (d) Lucknow

**Answer: (a) New Delhi**

Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation Shri Amit Shah chaired the 32nd meeting of the 'Kendriya Hindi Samiti' in New Delhi. The 'Kendriya Hindi Samiti' is the apex body to provide guidelines for the development and promotion of Hindi language. In his address, the Home Minister said that Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has taken several initiatives for the preservation, promotion and wider use of Indian languages, making the period from 2014 to 2024 an era dedicated to the preservation and promotion of Indian languages. He said that under the leadership of Prime Minister Modi, five more Indian languages have recently been given the status of classical languages. He highlighted that India is the only country in the world where 11 languages have the status of classical languages.

**Q.5. Recently, the Chief Minister of which state has demanded the inclusion of "Ho" language in the 8th Schedule of the Constitution?**

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

**Answer: (c) Assam**

Ahead of the Jharkhand assembly elections, Assam Chief Minister and BJP co-in-charge Himanta Biswa Sarma stressed on the inclusion of the 'Ho' language in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution. Mr Sarma said that the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) government will make every effort to include the Ho language in the Eighth Schedule.

**Q.6. Who has topped the recently released AI Readiness Index 2023?**

- (a) Denmark
- (b) Japan
- (c) America
- (d) Singapore

**Answer: (d) Singapore**

Singapore tops the AI Readiness Index 2023, ranking first with a score of 0.80, while India, with 338 AI startups and high user engagement in AI tools like ChatGPT, is ranked 72nd with a score of 0.49, indicating scope for growth in AI infrastructure and readiness compared to advanced economies.

**Q.7. Recently ADB (Asian Development Bank) has approved a loan of \$241 million to increase power distribution in which state?**

- (a) Madhya Pradesh
- (b) Odisha
- (c) Bihar
- (d) West Bengal

**Answer: (d) West Bengal**

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a \$241.3 million loan to enhance electricity distribution in West Bengal, aiming to improve the quality of life by ensuring reliable and sustainable electricity supply. "ADB's program is in line with the government's restructured distribution sector plan, which is designed to strengthen the operational efficiency of electricity distribution companies," said Roka Sanda, ADB lead energy specialist.

**Q.8. Recently "Lewotobi" volcano has erupted in which country?**

- (a) Indonesia

(b) Singapore

(c) Japan

(d) Australia

**Answer: (a) Indonesia**

Mount Lewotobi Laki-Laki on Indonesia's Flores island has erupted, killing at least 10 people and destroying several houses including a convent. The eruption sent volcanic debris spewing up to 6 kilometres, affecting 10,000 residents in several villages. Authorities have raised the alert level to the highest level, as rescue teams search for more victims amid ongoing seismic activity. Such volcanic eruptions are not uncommon in Indonesia, located along the famous 'Ring of Fire' in the Pacific Ocean.

**Q.9. Recently, 'Meluri' will become the 17th district of the state?**

- (a) Meghalaya
- (b) Arunachal Pradesh
- (c) Manipur
- (d) Nagaland

**Answer: (d) Nagaland**

The Nagaland government has announced the creation of Meluri as the 17th district of the state. This upgrade from a sub-division to a full-fledged district marks administrative changes in the region. Meluri is notable for being inhabited primarily by the Pochuri Naga tribe. It also shares an international border with Myanmar.

**Q.10. Recently who has been appointed as the Secretary General of WAF (World Agriculture Forum)?**

- (a) Dr. Jacqueline D'Arome
- (b) Cami Bednok
- (c) Pam Kaur
- (d) None of the above

**Answer: (a) Dr. Jacqueline D'Arome**

In a significant leadership development for global agricultural advocacy, Dr Jacqueline D'Rose Hughes, outgoing Director-General of the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT), is set to take up the role of Secretary-

General of the World Agriculture Forum (WAF) in mid-November 2024. Known for her dedication to sustainable agriculture and food security, Dr Hughes brings a wealth of expertise and experience to WAF, a platform that will play a key role in shaping the future of agriculture around the world.

**Q.11. Where has the 5th edition of India and Vietnam bilateral army exercise VINBAX started recently?**

- (a) Bhubaneswar
- (b) Surat
- (c) Bhopal
- (d) Ambala

**Answer: (d) Ambala**

The 5th edition of Vietnam-India bilateral military exercise "Winbex 2024" began in Ambala. The exercise will take place both in Ambala and Chandimandir, with an aim to strengthen military cooperation and interoperability between the two countries. Winbex 2024 will be conducted as a regional training exercise, expanding the scope of previous editions. The exercise comes after the last bilateral exercise held in Vietnam in 2023, giving a boost to India-Vietnam defence ties. For the first time, Winbex involves the participation of personnel from both the Army and Air Force of the two countries.

**Q.12. Recently the President of which country will be the chief guest on Republic Day 2025?**

- (a) Indonesia
- (b) Australia
- (c) Spain
- (d) France

**Answer: (a) Indonesia**

Indonesia's new President Prabowo Subianto may be invited as the chief guest of the Republic Day celebrations in 2025. Several high-level talks and defense deals are likely to take place with the new Indonesian government, as well as the Indonesian military may be invited to participate in the parade.

**Q.13. The 55th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) 2024 will be held from 20 to 28 November at which place recently?**

- (a) New Delhi
- (b) Goa
- (c) Surat
- (d) Mumbai

**Answer: (b) Goa**

The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting has launched the interactive Zairland Motocross 2024 to commemorate the launch of the Debut Indian Gingerbread Section 2024. The 55th IFFI Festival is being held in Goa from November 20 to November 28. IFFI will also focus on Indian debut films through this section. The diverse architecture and cinematic style of the university will be showcased in this section. These sections will showcase the creative visuals and amazing storytelling style of the young nominated films. This section provides a platform to new talent and showcases the work of emerging directors.

**Q.14. Recently which Indian cricketer has announced his retirement from cricket?**

- (a) Hardik Pandya
- (b) Virat Kohli
- (c) Axar Patel
- (d) Wriddhiman Saha

**Answer: (d) Wriddhiman Saha**

Indian wicketkeeper batsman Wriddhiman Saha has announced his retirement from all forms of cricket. He has said that the current Ranji Trophy season will be his last tournament. 40-year-old Saha is considered one of India's best wicketkeepers in Tests. His career was not very big, but he won everyone's heart with his skills. Saha announced this from his social media handle. Saha expressed gratitude for the 'wonderful journey in cricket' and making this last season memorable for Bengal.

**Q.15. Which Indian table tennis player won the men's singles title at WTT Feeder Caracas 2024?**

- (a) Sharath Kamal

- (b) Soumyajit Ghosh  
(c) Harmeet Desai  
(d) Sathiyam Gnanasekaran

**Answer: (c) Harmeet Desai**

India's Harmeet Desai won both the men's singles and mixed doubles titles at the 2024 World Table Tennis (WTT) Feeder Caracas tournament in Venezuela. Harmeet, ranked 90th globally, defeated France's Jo Seyfried (ranked 149th in the world) 11-7, 11-8, 11-6 in the men's singles final. In mixed doubles, Harmeet and Kritvika Roy defeated Cuba's Jorge Campos and Daniela Fonseca Carrazana 3-2 in a closely fought match.

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