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Today in History on 13 SEP

➤ 1791 - French King Louis XIV adopts a new constitution.

In the year 1791, French King Louis XIV adopts a new constitution. Which was created after the fall of the autocratic monarchy of the Ancien Régime. One of the basic principles of the French Revolution was to adopt constitutionalism and establish popular sovereignty. The National Assembly asserted its legal presence in the French government by establishing its permanence in the constitution and instituting a system for recurring elections.



➤ 1845 - Henry Cotton (President of Indian National Congress) was born

Henry Cotton (President of Indian National Congress) was born in the year 1845. Cotton was

born in 1845 in the city of Kumbakonam in the Madras region of India, his parents were Joseph John Cotton (1813-1867) and Susan Jessie Minchin (1823-1888) of Indian origin of English descent. Cotton joined the Indian Civil Service and arrived in India in 1867. His first posting was in Midnapore



➤ 1923: Military coup in Spain, Miguel de Primo Rivera takes power and establishes a dictatorial government.

General Miguel Primo de Rivera's dictatorship over Spain began with a coup on 13 September 1923 and ended with his resignation on 28 January 1930. It occurred during the extensive reign of King Alfonso XIII. In establishing his dictatorship, Primo de Rivera ousted the liberal government led by Prime Minister Manuel García Prieto and initially had the support of King Alfonso XIII and the military.





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The Warsaw Pact was a collective defense pact established by the Soviet Union and seven other Soviet satellite states in Central and Eastern Europe: Albania, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Hungary, Poland, and Romania (Albania withdrew in 1968). The Warsaw Pact Organization (also known as the Warsaw Pact) was a political and military alliance established on May 14, 1955, between the Soviet Union and several Eastern European countries.

➤ 1931- Gandhi-Irwin Pact.

In 1931, before the Second Round Table Conference in London, a political agreement was signed between Mahatma Gandhi and the then Viceroy Lord Irwin, which is called the Gandhi-Irwin Pact. It is also called the "Delhi Pact". In 1931, a Congress session was held in Karachi to approve the Gandhi-Irwin Pact. Vallabhbhai Patel was its president.



Important NEWS on 13 SEP



➤ Cabinet Approves Doubling of Bhagalpur-Dumka-Rampurhat Rail Line

In a significant infrastructure push, the Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has approved the doubling of the Bhagalpur-Dumka-Rampurhat railway line, covering 177 km across Bihar, Jharkhand, and West Bengal. The project, with an estimated cost of ₹3,169 crore, aims

➤ 1968: Albania withdraws from the Warsaw Pact



to strengthen rail connectivity, enhance freight movement, and promote regional development, particularly in underdeveloped and aspirational districts.



➤ CPRI Inaugurates Advanced Testing Lab in Nashik for Power Sector

In a key development for India's electrical and power equipment industry, Union Minister Manohar Lal Khattar inaugurated the Central Power Research Institute (CPRI)'s Regional Testing Laboratory (RTL) in Nashik on September, 2025. The new facility, developed under the Ministry of Power, marks a major step in expanding India's national testing infrastructure, especially for industries in the western region. The lab aims to provide state-of-the-art testing services for a wide array of power sector equipment such as transformers, energy meters, smart meters, and transformer oil—essential components in modern electricity grids.



➤ Norway PM Jonas Gahr Støre Secured 2nd Term

In a closely watched parliamentary election held on September, 2025, Norway's Labour Party, led by Prime Minister Jonas Gahr Støre, secured a second consecutive term in power, winning 87 out of 169 seats—just above the majority threshold of 85. The win comes amid growing economic anxiety over rising living costs, ongoing wars in Ukraine and Gaza, and debates about Norway's oil industry and wealth fund investments.



➤ Dr Geetha Vani Rayasam Takes Over as NIScPR Director

Dr Geetha Vani Rayasam has officially taken charge as the Director of CSIR–National Institute of Science Communication and Policy Research (NIScPR) on September, 2025. In her inaugural address, she emphasized a future-ready vision for science communication, agile Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) policies, and global partnerships to strengthen India's role in the knowledge economy.



➤ Asia Cup Schedule 2025

The Asia Cup 2025, the premier continental cricket tournament organized by the Asian Cricket Council (ACC), started on September, 2025, in the United Arab Emirates (UAE). This is the 17th edition of the Asia Cup, with matches to be played in the T20 format as a preparation for the T20 World Cup 2026.

➤ Union Minister Conferred Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan Awards To Winners

The Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan Awards 2025 and Wetland Cities Recognition Ceremony were held on September, 2025, celebrating India's most innovative and environmentally proactive urban centers. Union Environment Minister Shri Bhopender Yadav felicitated top-performing cities under the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) and acknowledged Indore and Udaipur for receiving Wetland City Accreditation under the Ramsar Convention.

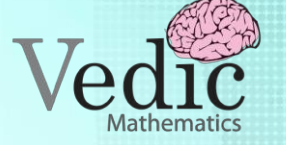


➤ Tamil Nadu tightens all organ transplant rules

Nearly two months after the state busted illegal kidney transplants by two hospitals, the health department has mandated that all organ donations from live donors related and non-related must be approved by the respective state or regional authorization committee. Each of these applications

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will cost 2,000, a notification by health department said.



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Current affairs MCQS on 13 SEP

Q.1. Who will be the interim CFO of Dell Technologies after the recent resignation of Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Yvonne McGill?

- (A) Michael Dell
- (B) David Kennedy
- (C) Brian Humphries
- (D) Satya Nadella

Answer: (B) David Kennedy

David Kennedy, currently senior vice president, global business operations, finance at Dell, will take over as interim chief financial officer (CFO). Kennedy, who has been with Dell for 27 years, has institutional understanding and is expected to maintain continuity. McGill will remain with the company as an advisor until October 31, 2025 to ensure a smooth transition.

Q.2. Recently, which new initiative was announced by India's Principal Scientific Advisor Ajay Kumar



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Sood during the Dialogue NEXT 2025 program held in New Delhi?

- (A) National Soil Health Mission
- (B) National Water Management Scheme
- (C) National Plant Health Mission
- (D) National Agri-Tech Innovation Scheme

Answer: (C) National Plant Health Mission

Recently, India's Principal Scientific Adviser Ajay Kumar Sood announced the new initiative of National Plant Health Mission during the Dialogue Next 2025 event held in New Delhi. Ajay Kumar Sood, Principal Scientific Adviser to the Prime Minister, said that agriculture contributes 15 to 20 percent to India's economic output.

Q.3. Which major initiative was jointly launched by India Post, NPCI International Payments Limited and Universal Postal Union (UPU) during the 28th Universal Postal Congress held in Dubai recently?

- (A) UPI-UPU Integration Project
- (B) Digital Postal Transformation Mission
- (C) Global Postal Logistics Network
- (D) International E-Commerce Alliance

Answer: (A) UPI-UPU Integration Project

Union Minister for Communications and Development of North Eastern Region Jyotiraditya M. Scindia unveiled the UPI-UPU integration project at the 28th Universal Postal Congress in Dubai and called it a historic step towards transforming cross-border remittances and expanding financial inclusion across the world.

Q.4. Recently, India won its first medal in the CAFA Nations Cup 2025 by defeating which country in the third place playoff played at Hisor Central Stadium in Tajikistan?

- (A) Oman
- (B) Uzbekistan
- (C) Kazakhstan
- (D) Iran

Answer: (A) Oman

India won the bronze medal in the CAFA Nations Cup Football Tournament-2025 by defeating Oman at

Hisor Central Stadium in Tajikistan. The match was tied 1-1 in regulation time after Udanta Singh scored the equaliser for India. Oman missed their first two chances in the penalty shootout and Gurpreet Singh Sandhu saved the last penalty to give India a 3-2 win. This was the first time India had defeated Oman in an international football match.

Q.5. In September 2025, India signed a bilateral investment agreement with which country to boost investments in sectors such as fintech, cybersecurity and defence technology?

- (A) France
- (B) Japan
- (C) Israel
- (D) Germany

Answer: (C) Israel

India and Israel signed a bilateral investment agreement in New Delhi aimed at promoting mutual investments, providing protection to investors and strengthening cooperation in areas such as technology, cybersecurity and financial innovation. The agreement was signed by India's Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and Israel's Finance Minister Bezael Smotrich.

Q.6. Which state government donated Rs 5 crore to the Chief Minister's Relief Fund after the heavy monsoon damage of 2025 in Himachal Pradesh?

- (A) Uttarakhand Government
- (B) Assam Government
- (C) Punjab Government
- (D) Gujarat Government

Answer: (B) Assam Government

In view of the damage caused by heavy rains in Himachal Pradesh during this monsoon, Energy, Skill, Employment and Entrepreneurship Minister Prashant Phukan on behalf of the Government of Assam presented a cheque of Rs 5 crore to Chief Minister Thakur Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu for the Chief Minister's Relief Fund in New Delhi. In addition, Senior Manager Legal and Corporate Affairs Mr Rahul Bagga presented a cheque of Rs 50





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lakh to the Chief Minister on behalf of Hindustan Unilever Limited for the Chief Minister's Relief Fund.

Q.7. Who has been elected as the 15th Vice President of India in September 2025 by securing 452 votes?

- (A) B. Sudarshan Reddy
- (B) M. Venkaiah Naidu
- (C) C. P. Radhakrishnan
- (D) Jagdeep Dhankhar

Answer: (C) C. P. Radhakrishnan

National Democratic Alliance (NDA) candidate CP Radhakrishnan has been elected as the Vice President of India. He defeated India Block candidate Justice B Sudarshan Reddy. Radhakrishnan got 452 first preference votes while Justice Reddy got 300 votes. 15 votes were declared invalid. Rajya Sabha Secretary General PC Modi announced the results after counting of votes. The election saw 98.20 per cent polling and 767 out of 781 MPs exercised their franchise. 13 MPs abstained from voting, including seven from Biju Janata Dal, four from Bharat Rashtra Samiti, one from Shiromani Akali Dal and one independent MP.

Q.8. Recently, Prime Minister K.P. Sharma Oli of which country resigned amid violent protests by Generation-Z against the social media ban?

- (A) Nepal
- (B) Bhutan
- (C) Sri Lanka
- (D) Myanmar

Answer: (A) Nepal

Nepal's Prime Minister KP Sharma Oli has resigned following a nationwide uproar after he banned social media. 19 people have died in Generation Z protests against corruption and the government's ban on social media in Nepal. Nepal's Prime Minister KP Sharma Oli has resigned amid widespread violent protests across the country. Oli's resignation comes after hundreds of protesters stormed his office shouting anti-government slogans. This is the first "Generation Z" protest anywhere in the world.

Q.9. Recently, which 16-year-old American chess genius created history by defeating the current world champion D. Gukesh in the FIDE Grand Swiss 2025 held in Samarkand, Uzbekistan?

- (A) Abhimanyu Mishra
- (B) Hikaru Nakamura
- (C) R. Praggnanandhaa
- (D) Arjun Erigaisi

Answer: (A) Abhimanyu Mishra

Abhimanyu Mishra, a 16-year-old talented chess player from the United States, has taken the global chess world by storm. Already hailed as the youngest Grandmaster in history, he etched his name in the record books once again by defeating reigning World Champion D. Gukesh at the recent FIDE Grand Swiss 2025. This victory not only reflects his immense talent but also highlights his extraordinary journey filled with early achievements and relentless dedication.

Q.10. Recently, iDEX-DIO and EdCIL (India) Limited signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to launch which new initiative focused on dual-use technology under defense and education?

- (A) SHAKTI
- (B) SURAKSHA
- (C) ASPIRE
- (D) UDAAN

Answer: (C) ASPIRE

Giving a major boost to Aatmanirbhar Bharat, iDEX-DIO and EdCIL (India) Limited signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in New Delhi. Under the agreement, dual-use technologies will be jointly developed under a new initiative called ASPIRE (Accelerating Strategic Advances in Research and Education). This strategic partnership will leverage India's growing start-up ecosystem to combine defence innovation with education technology and enhance indigenous capabilities in both areas.





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Q.11. According to Moody's Ratings recently, India's new two-slab GST structure (5% and 18%+40% on luxury items) will be effective from which date?

- (A) 15 September 2025
- (B) 22 September 2025
- (C) 1 October 2025
- (D) 31 December 2025

Answer: (B) 22 September 2025

A big reason for the common man and the middle class to be happy! From September 22, most of the items used in people's daily life - from food to shampoo and household appliances - are going to become cheaper. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman announced a major cut in GST rates and changes in slabs, under which most items came under the tax rate category of 5% and 18%. Many food items will now attract 0% or zero GST and even life and health insurance will not be taxed.

Q.12. Recently, the Indian Navy launched its 11th Ammunition cum Torpedo cum Missile (ACTCM) Barge - LSAM 25 (Yard 135) in which shipyard?

- (A) M/s Suryadipta Projects Pvt. Ltd., Thane
- (B) Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers, Kolkata
- (C) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders, Mumbai
- (D) Cochin Shipyard, Kerala

Answer: (A) M/s Suryadipta Projects Pvt. Ltd., Thane

Indian Navy launched its 11th Ammunition cum Torpedo cum Missile (ACTCM) Barge - LSAM 25 (Yard 135) at M/s Suryadipta Projects Pvt Ltd, Thane. This achievement further strengthens India's defence production capability under the Make in India and Atmanirbhar Bharat initiatives.

Q.13. Where is the recently held multilateral military exercise "Zapad 2025" taking place?

- (A) St. Petersburg, Russia
- (B) Astrakhan, Russia
- (C) Mulino Training Ground, Nizhny (Russia)
- (D) Volgograd, Russia

Answer: (C) Mulino Training Ground, Nizhny (Russia)

A contingent of the Indian Armed Forces has left for Russia to participate in the multilateral military exercise "Zapad 2025". The exercise will be held at the Mulino training ground in Nizhny Novgorod. The exercise underlines India's commitment to deepen military cooperation and enhance strategic interoperability with global partners.

Q.14. Who recently took charge as the Director of CSIR-National Institute of Science Communication and Policy Research (NISCRP)?

- (A) Dr. Geeta Vani Raisam
- (B) Dr. Anil Kakodkar
- (C) Prof. Ashutosh Sharma
- (D) Dr. Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw

Answer: (A) Dr. Geeta Vani Raisam

Dr. Geetha Vani Raisam has officially taken over as the Director of CSIR-National Institute of Science Communication and Policy Research (NISCRP). In her inaugural address, she emphasized on a future-ready approach to science communication, agile science, technology and innovation (STI) policies and global partnerships to strengthen India's role in the knowledge economy.

Q.15. Recently which city ranked first with 200/200 points in Clean Air Survey 2025 (population > 10 lakh category)?

- (A) Indore
- (B) Jabalpur
- (C) Agra
- (D) Surat

Answer: (A) Indore

In the Clean Air Survey 2025, Indore city ranked first with 200/200 points in the category of cities with a population of more than 1 million. The survey was conducted under the National Clean Air Program (NCAP), which evaluated the efforts made by cities to reduce air pollution. The city has got this position not only for its efforts to reduce air pollution, but also for doing remarkable work in terms of tree plantation and public transport.





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