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## Today in History on 15 SEP

### ➤ 14 September: Hindi got the status of official language

After independence, a big question arose about language in our country which has many dialects and languages. Finally, on 14 September 1949, Hindi was given the status of official language. Although initially both Hindi and English were chosen as the language of the new nation and the Constituent Assembly accepted Hindi with Devanagari script as well as English as the official language, but on this day in 1949, the Constituent Assembly declared Hindi as the official language of India.



### ➤ 1960: Mineral oil producing countries together established OPEC.

OPEC (Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries) is the abbreviation of Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries. It is a permanent, intergovernmental organization, which was formed by Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Venezuela at

the Baghdad Conference on September 14, 1960. By increasing the price of crude oil produced by these countries, more profits can be earned and stability in international crude oil prices can be ensured.



### ➤ 1901: American President William Mackenzie shot dead.

McKinley was shot on September 6, 1901, in Buffalo, New York, as he shook hands with people after giving a speech. A man shot him twice in the chest at close range. He was succeeded by Vice President Theodore Roosevelt as President. Leon F. McKinley, 28, of Detroit, pleaded guilty to the shooting. He was sentenced to death by electrocution on October 29, 1901.





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#### ➤ 2008: Aeroflot plane crashes at Perm airport in Russia. All 88 people on board the plane died.

A passenger plane flying from Moscow to the Ural mountain city of Perm crashed while preparing to land in the early hours, killing all 88 people on board. There were no signs of terrorism in the crash of the Boeing-737-500 aircraft, which crashed on the outskirts of the local city, a spokeswoman for the Russian Emergency Situations Ministry said.



#### ➤ 1959: Soviet Union's spacecraft landed on the surface of the Moon for the first time.

The world's first spacecraft to land on the moon was Luna-2, which touched the surface of the moon on 14 September 1959. It is also called Lunik-2. The Soviet Union i.e. Russia got this success after a lot of efforts. This was the second spacecraft launched under the Soviet Union's Luna Project. Luna-2 is considered to be the first man-made object to successfully reach the moon.



#### Important NEWS on 15 SEP

#### ➤ IIM Ahmedabad Launches First Global Campus in Dubai

In a historic step toward the internationalisation of Indian higher education, the Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad (IIMA) inaugurated its first international campus in Dubai on September 2025. The ceremony was jointly led by Sheikh





Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Crown Prince of Dubai, and Dharmendra Pradhan, Union Minister of Education, Government of India. The event marked a major milestone in the expanding India-UAE education partnership, reinforcing shared goals of fostering innovation, leadership, and global talent mobility.



#### ➤ India Launches SAJEX 2025 in Jeddah to Boost Jewellery Trade

In a landmark move to deepen bilateral trade and expand India's global presence in the jewellery sector, the Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council (GJEPC) has launched the Saudi Arabia Jewellery Exposition (SAJEX) 2025 in Jeddah. The event, organized with support from the Consulate General of India in Jeddah, the Indian Embassy in Riyadh, and the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, marks a major initiative to strengthen India's jewellery exports to Saudi Arabia and the wider GCC.

#### ➤ Purple Fest 2025 Celebrates Inclusion and Empowerment

Held on September 25, 2025, Purple Fest 2025 brought together people, purpose, and policy to celebrate the creativity, resilience, and achievements of Divyangjan—persons with disabilities. Organized by the Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC) in collaboration with Amity University, Noida, the event showcased a powerful message: disability is not a limitation, but a different kind of strength.





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#### ➤ Larry Ellison Surpasses Elon Musk as World's Richest

In a dramatic financial shake-up, Oracle co-founder Larry Ellison has overtaken Tesla CEO Elon Musk to become the world's richest person, according to Forbes' real-time billionaire rankings. On September, 2025, Oracle's stock surged 41% in New York trading—its steepest jump since 1992—boosting Ellison's wealth by \$101 billion in a single day. Ellison's total net worth now stands at \$395.7 billion, pushing him past Musk, whose fortune has been hit by fluctuations in Tesla's stock performance.



#### ➤ Srinivas Injeti Appointed Chairperson of NSE Governing Board with SEBI Approval

In a significant development for India's financial regulatory landscape, retired IAS officer Srinivas Injeti has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Governing Board of the National Stock Exchange (NSE). The appointment, cleared by the Securities

and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), underscores a strategic move to further strengthen governance and oversight in one of Asia's largest stock exchanges.



#### ➤ Manmohan Singh Posthumously Honoured with PV Narasimha Rao

##### Award for Economics

Late former Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh, one of India's most celebrated economists and the architect of the 1991 economic liberalisation, has been posthumously honoured with the P V Narasimha Rao Memorial Award for Economics. The award acknowledges his monumental contributions to India's economic reforms and his lifelong commitment to nation-building through economic policy.







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### ➤ 80th year of Tamil Valarchi Kazhagam

Tamil Valarchi Kazhagam was established in 1946 by former Education Minister T S Avinashilingam Chettiar under the Registration of Societies Act. It was functioning from the Chepauk campus of the University of Madras, enters its 80th year in September 2025. Former Union Minister for Home Affairs and Finance P Chidambaram is the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees of the Kazhagam.





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### Current affairs MCQS on 15 SEP

**Q.1. Anupam Kher has recently announced his fourth book, what is its name?**

- (a) The Best Thing About You Is You
- (b) Your Best Day Is Today
- (c) Different But No Less
- (d) Lessons Life Taught Me Unknowingly

**Answer: (c) Different But No Less**

Continuing his tradition of transforming his personal experiences into a message of hope and inspiration, veteran actor and motivational speaker Anupam Kher has announced his fourth book 'Different But No Less'. The book presents a heartwarming story based on deep experiences from Kher's life and creative journey.

**Q.2. In the recently held Norwegian parliamentary elections, which party won a majority and brought Prime Minister Jonas Gahr Store back to power for the second consecutive time?**

- (a) Labor Party
- (b) Conservative Party
- (c) Progress Party
- (d) Green Party

**Answer: (a) Labor Party**

In the recently held Norwegian parliamentary elections, the Labour Party led by Prime Minister Jonas Gahr Store won a second consecutive term. The party won 87 out of a total of 169 seats, slightly more than the 85 seats required for a majority. This victory comes at a time when the country is facing economic challenges, rising inflation, Ukraine and Gaza wars, and a heated debate over investments in the oil industry and wealth funds.

**Q.3. NASA's Perseverance Rover has recently found signs of organic carbon and minerals in the rocks of which place on Mars, which is being considered the strongest evidence of the possibility of ancient microbial life?**

- (a) Gale Crater
- (b) Olympus Mons

- (c) Neretva Vallis, Jezero Crater
- (d) Valles Marineris

**Answer: (c) Neretva Vallis, Jezero Crater**

NASA's Perseverance rover has made an important discovery on Mars. Minerals and organic elements have been found in the rocks of the dried-up Neretva Vallis river, which is considered to be the strongest indication so far that microbial life may have existed on Mars billions of years ago.

**Q.4. Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) has recently signed its 100th technology transfer agreement with which company, under which it will be able to independently manufacture Small Satellite Launch Vehicle (SSLV)?**

- (a) New Space India Limited
- (b) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited
- (c) Bharat Electronics Limited
- (d) Reliance Defence

**Answer: (b) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited**

India's space sector has reached a historic milestone with the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) signing its 100th technology transfer agreement. Under this agreement, Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) will be able to independently manufacture Small Satellite Launch Vehicles (SSLV).

**Q.5. Where did Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan recently inaugurate India's first overseas Atal Innovation Center (AIC)?**

- (a) Dubai International Financial Center
- (b) Sharjah University
- (c) IIT Delhi-Abu Dhabi Campus, United Arab Emirates
- (d) Indian School, Ajman

**Answer: (c) IIT Delhi-Abu Dhabi Campus, United Arab Emirates**

In a historic move in India's education sector, Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan inaugurated India's first overseas Atal Innovation Centre (AIC) at IIT Delhi-Abu Dhabi campus in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) during his two-day official visit. This initiative marks the beginning of a







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new chapter for the Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), through which India's innovation ecosystem will now expand globally. The centre will become a hub for research, entrepreneurship and knowledge exchange and encourage collaboration between India-UAE academic institutions.

**Q.6. Recently ISRO Chairman V. Narayanan announced how many big world records India has made in space exploration so far?**

- (a) 7
- (b) 8
- (c) 9
- (d) 10

**Answer: (c) 9**

India's space programme is once again in the global spotlight. According to ISRO Chairman V. Narayanan, India has set 9 major world records so far and is expected to achieve 8-10 more in the coming years. Speaking at an event in New Delhi, he said that India's space journey, based on low-cost innovation and technological advancement, has today become a model of efficiency and excellence for the entire world.

**Q.7. Recently, the Ministry of Tribal Affairs launched which digital platform at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, which is being considered as the world's first digital university for tribal culture?**

- (a) Adi Sanskriti
- (b) Adi Vani
- (c) Adi Haat
- (d) Adi Sampada

**Answer: (a) Adi Sanskriti**

Minister of State for Tribal Affairs Durgadas Uikey launched the world's first digital tribal university, Aadi Sanskriti, in New Delhi. Mr Uikey said Aadi Sanskriti is a digital academy and e-learning platform. It is an online marketplace of tribal art, culture, crafts and information for national and global audiences. He said it will create new opportunities for cultural preservation and livelihood.

**Q.8. Recently, the Himachal Pradesh government is planning to convert how many schools from Himachal Pradesh School Education Board to CBSE in the first phase?**

- (a) 239
- (b) 200
- (c) 100
- (d) 150

**Answer: (c) 100**

In the first phase, the education department in Himachal wants to change only 100 schools from Himachal Pradesh School Education Board to Central School Education Board i.e. CBSE. The agenda for this is almost ready before the cabinet meeting. Changes have also been made in the list of 239 schools sent by the Directorate of Education to the Education Secretary.

**Q.9. Recently, the Union Cabinet approved the doubling of Bhagalpur-Dumka-Rampurhat railway line. What is the estimated cost of this project?**

- (a) ₹ 3,169 crore
- (b) ₹ 2,850 crore
- (c) ₹ 3,500 crore
- (d) ₹ 4,000 crore

**Answer: (a) ₹ 3,169 crore**

The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has approved the doubling of Bhagalpur-Dumka-Rampurhat railway line (177 km). The project, which passes through Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal, will cost around ₹3,169 crore. It aims to strengthen rail connectivity, increase freight traffic and promote development in backward and aspiring districts.

**Q.10. Recently, Srinivas Injeti has been appointed as the Chairman of the Governing Board of the National Stock Exchange (NSE). He has previously been the first Chairperson of which authority?**

- (a) Securities and Exchange Board of India
- (b) National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority
- (c) International Financial Services Centre Authority
- (d) Life Insurance Corporation of India





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#### Answer: (c) International Financial Services Centre Authority

In a major overhaul of India's financial regulatory framework, retired IAS officer Srinivas Injeti has been appointed chairman of the governing board of the National Stock Exchange (NSE). The appointment, made with the approval of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), is seen as a strategic move to further strengthen good governance and transparency at one of Asia's largest stock exchanges. Injeti has been appointed the first chairman of the International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA).

**Q.11. Recently, after the devastation caused by floods and landslides in Uttarakhand, Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced a relief package of how many crore rupees for the state?**

- (a) ₹ 1,200 crores
- (b) ₹ 1,000 crores
- (c) ₹ 1,500 crores
- (d) ₹ 800 crores

#### Answer: (a) ₹ 1,200 crores

Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced financial assistance of ₹1,200 crore for flood-hit Uttarakhand. During his visit to the state, Mr Modi also announced an ex-gratia of ₹2 lakh for the families of those killed in rain-related incidents and ₹50,000 for the injured.

**Q.12. Who has been given the additional charge of Governor of Maharashtra after C.P. Radhakrishnan was elected as the Vice President of India?**

- (a) Ramesh Bais
- (b) Arif Mohammad Khan
- (c) Acharya Devvrat
- (d) Vishwabhushan Harichandan

#### Answer: (c) Acharya Devvrat

Gujarat Governor Acharya Devvrat has been given additional charge of Maharashtra. A press release issued by Rashtrapati Bhavan said that Acharya Devvrat has been given this charge after C.P. Radhakrishnan resigned from the post of Governor

of Maharashtra after being elected Vice President of India.

**Q.13. In September 2025, which public sector bank signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Telecommunications Consultants India Limited (TCIL) to facilitate digital banking services?**

- (a) Bank of Baroda
- (b) Punjab National Bank
- (c) Canara Bank
- (d) Union Bank of India

#### Answer: (b) Punjab National Bank

Taking a significant step towards improving digital banking services, Telecommunications Consultants India Limited (TCIL) and Punjab National Bank (PNB) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). The collaboration aims to strengthen PNB's IT infrastructure and accelerate its transition towards more secure, flexible and customer-centric digital services. Senior officials including TCIL CMD Sanjeev Kumar and PNB General Manager Manish Agarwal were present at the signing ceremony held at TCIL headquarters in New Delhi.

**Q.14. What is the name of India's fastest train, which runs at a speed of 160 km/h and operates on the Delhi-Meerut Regional Rapid Transport System (RRTS), recently launched?**

- (a) Namo Bharat
- (b) Vande Bharat
- (c) Gatiman Express
- (d) Tejas Express

#### Answer: (a) Namo Bharat

With the country's fastest train "NaMo Bharat", which has a maximum speed of 160 km/h, India has officially entered the era of rapid regional transport. This high-speed train, running on the Delhi-Meerut Regional Rapid Transport System (RRTS), connects the two major urban centres in less than 60 minutes, redefining daily commuting in North India.

**Q.15. What is the total value of the special economic package announced by India for Mauritius in**







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September 2025, which includes grant assistance, grant-cum-line of credit (LOC) and budgetary support?

- (a) US\$ 440 million
- (b) US\$ 215 million
- (c) US\$ 680 million
- (d) US\$ 500 million

**Answer: (c) US\$ 680 million**

India announced a special economic package of US\$ 680 million for Mauritius, which includes healthcare, infrastructure, port redevelopment and strategic cooperation. India and Mauritius have once again strengthened their close ties of friendship and cooperation. During the State visit of Prime Minister of Mauritius Dr. Navinchandra Ramgoolam to India at the invitation of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, the two leaders held wide-ranging talks on bilateral cooperation. Following the talks, India announced a special economic package for Mauritius, which includes critical infrastructure, healthcare, education and strategic cooperation projects.



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