

Important Days in 2026

National and International Days List

Important Days in 2026 with a complete month-wise list covering national and international observances, themes, significance, and exam-relevant current affairs.

Important Days in 2026, Month-wise List helps candidates track national and international observances throughout the year in an organised manner. These days cover important themes such as health, environment, education, science, culture, and national pride. Remembering the date along with its significance improves general awareness and exam performance.

The detailed article on Important Days in 2026, along with a month-wise list have been mentioned below.

Important Days in 2026

Important Days in 2026 include nationally and internationally recognised dates observed to promote awareness about health, environment, human rights, culture, science, and historical events. Throughout the year, these days commemorate significant milestones such as independence movements, social reforms, humanitarian efforts, and global cooperation initiatives.

Important Days in January 2026

Important Days in January 2026 mark the beginning of the year with significant national and international observances such as Republic Day, National Youth Day, and Army Day. These days highlight themes of patriotism, youth empowerment, cultural heritage, and social awareness.

Important Days in January 2026		
Date	Important Day	Significance
1 January	English New Year	Marks the beginning of the Gregorian calendar year
1-31 January	National Road Safety Month	Spreads awareness on traffic safety and accident prevention
4 January	World Braille Day	Highlights importance of Braille for visually impaired
4 January	Holi	Festival symbolising victory of good over evil
5 January	National Birds Day	Promotes bird conservation and biodiversity

6 January	World War Orphans Day	Focuses on children orphaned due to wars
9 January	Pravasi Bharatiya Divas	Celebrates contribution of Indian diaspora
10 January	World Hindi Day	Promotes Hindi language globally
11 January	Lal Bahadur Shastri Death Anniversary	Remembers India's second Prime Minister
12 January	National Youth Day	Birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda
13 January	Lohri	Harvest festival of North India
14 January	Makar Sankranti	Marks sun's transition into Capricorn
15 January	Army Day	Establishment of Indian Army leadership
23 January	Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Jayanti	Honors freedom fighter Subhas Chandra Bose
25 January	India Tourism Day	Promotes tourism in India
25 January	National Voters Day	Encourages democratic participation
26 January	Republic Day	Adoption of Indian Constitution
28 January	Lala Lajpat Rai Jayanti	Birth anniversary of Punjab Kesari
28 January	Data Protection Day	Awareness on data privacy
28 January	K.M. Cariappa Day	Honors India's first Field Marshal
30 January	Martyrs' Day	Death anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi
30 January	World Leprosy Day	Awareness for leprosy eradication
31 January	International Zebra Day	Conservation of zebra species

Important Days in February 2026

Important Days in February 2026 focus on health, science, language, and social justice, with key observances like World Cancer Day, National Science Day, and International Mother Language Day.

Important Days in February 2026		
Date	Important Day	Significance
1 February	Indian Coast Guard Day	Formation of Indian Coast Guard
2 February	World Wetlands Day	Conservation of wetlands
4 February	World Cancer Day	Awareness on cancer prevention
13 February	World Radio Day	Importance of radio communication
20 February	World Social Justice Day	Promotes equality and fairness
21 February	Mother Language Day	Protects linguistic diversity
24 February	Central Excise Day	Formation of Excise Department
28 February	National Science Day	Discovery of Raman Effect

Important Days in March 2026

March 2026 emphasises equality, happiness, and environmental protection through observances such as International Women's Day, World Water Day, and World Wildlife Day. It promotes social justice, sustainability, and global well-being.

Important Days in March 2026		
Date	Important Day	Significance
1 March	Zero Discrimination Day	Promotes equality

3 March	World Wildlife Day	Wildlife conservation
8 March	International Women's Day	Women empowerment
14 March	Pi Day	Mathematical awareness
15 March	Consumer Rights Day	Protects consumer interests
20 March	Happiness Day	Global well-being
21 March	World Forestry Day	Forest conservation
22 March	World Water Day	Sustainable water management
23 March	Shaheed Diwas	Martyrdom of Bhagat Singh
24 March	World Tuberculosis (TB) Day	Tuberculosis awareness

Important Days in April 2026

Important Days in April 2026 underlines public welfare, democracy, and cultural heritage. The table have been shared below.

Important Days in April 2026		
Date	Important Day	Important Day
1 April	Odisha Foundation Day	Marks the formation of Odisha as a separate state in 1936
1 April	April Fools' Day	A day associated with humor, jokes, and light-hearted pranks
1 April	Prevention of Blindness Week	Promotes eye care awareness and prevention of avoidable blindness
2 April	World Autism Awareness Day	Spreads awareness about autism spectrum disorder and social inclusion
5 April	National Maritime Day	Commemorates India's maritime history and shipping sector
7 April	World Health Day	Raises awareness on global public health issues under WHO

10 April	World Homoeopathy Day	Birth anniversary of Dr. Samuel Hahnemann, founder of homoeopathy
11 April	National Safe Motherhood Day	Focuses on maternal health and reducing maternal mortality
13 April	Vaisakhi / Baisakhi / Vishu	Harvest festivals celebrated in different parts of India
13 April	Jallianwala Bagh Massacre	Remembers the 1919 massacre during India's freedom struggle
14 April	Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Jayanti	Birth anniversary of the chief architect of the Indian Constitution
15 April	Bengali New Year / Bihu	Celebrates New Year and harvest season in eastern India
17 April	World Haemophilia Day	Raises awareness about haemophilia and bleeding disorders
18 April	World Heritage Day	Promotes protection of cultural and natural heritage sites
21 April	National Civil Service Day	Recognises the role of civil servants in governance
22 April	World Earth Day	Encourages environmental protection and climate action
23 April	World Book and Copyright Day	Promotes reading, publishing, and intellectual property rights
24 April	National Panchayati Raj Day	Marks constitutional status of local self-governance in India
25 April	World Malaria Day	Focuses on prevention and eradication of malaria
26 April	World Intellectual Property Day	Highlights importance of innovation and IP rights
30 April	World Veterinary Day	Recognises contributions of veterinarians to animal health

Important Days in May 2026

Important Days in May 2026 focuses on workers' rights, family values, and global health through days like International Labour Day, International Day of Families, and World No Tobacco Day.



Important Days in May 2026

Date	Important Day	Significance
1 May	International Labour Day / May Day	Celebrates workers' rights and labour movements worldwide
1 May	Maharashtra Day	Marks the formation of Maharashtra state in 1960
2 May	World Asthma Day	Raises awareness about asthma management and care
3 May	World Press Freedom Day	Promotes freedom of expression and press independence
4 May	Coal Miners Day	Recognises the contribution of coal miners
7 May	World Athletics Day	Encourages youth participation in sports and fitness
8 May	World Red Cross Day	Marks the birth of Henry Dunant and humanitarian work
8 May	World Thalassaemia Day	Raises awareness about thalassaemia prevention and care
9 May	Rabindranath Tagore Jayanti	Birth anniversary of Nobel laureate Rabindranath Tagore
11 May	National Technology Day	Commemorates India's technological achievements
12 May	Mother's Day	Celebrates motherhood and maternal bonds
12 May	International Nurses Day	Birth anniversary of Florence Nightingale
17 May	National Endangered Species Day	Promotes conservation of endangered species
18 May	Armed Forces Day	Honours the armed forces and their service
18 May	World AIDS Vaccine Day	Encourages research towards HIV vaccines
18 May	International Museum Day	Highlights role of museums in cultural preservation



21 May	National Anti-Terrorism Day	Observed in memory of Rajiv Gandhi
22 May	International Day for Biological Diversity	Promotes biodiversity conservation
26 May	National Memorial Day	Honours military personnel who died in service
31 May	World No Tobacco Day	Raises awareness about harmful effects of tobacco

Important Days in June 2026

Important Days in June 2026 centre on environmental protection, yoga, and humanitarian issues, including World Environment Day and International Yoga Day.

Important Days in June 2026		
Date	Important Day	Significance
1 June	World Milk Day	Highlights the importance of milk and dairy for nutrition
2 June	Telangana Formation Day	Marks formation of Telangana state in 2014
4 June	International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression	Protects children affected by war and violence
5 June	World Environment Day	Encourages environmental protection and climate action
7 June	World Food Safety Day	Raises awareness of safe food handling and hygiene
8 June	World Oceans Day	Promotes conservation of oceans and marine resources
12 June	World Day Against Child Labour	Focuses on ending child labour worldwide
16 June	Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev	Commemorates the 5th Sikh Guru's martyrdom
17 June	World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought	Promotes sustainable land management
19 June	World Sickle Cell Awareness Day	Awareness about sickle cell disease

19 June	World Sauntering Day	Promotes slow walking for health and relaxation
20 June	World Refugee Day	Recognises the rights and plight of refugees
21 June	World Hydrography Day	Highlights the importance of mapping seas and waterways
21 June	International Yoga Day	Promotes physical and mental well-being through yoga
23 June	International Olympic Day	Celebrates Olympic values and sports participation
23 June	United Nations Public Service Day	Recognises contributions of public servants
23 June	International Widow's Day	Raises awareness of challenges faced by widows
26 June	International Day against Drug Abuse	Focuses on prevention of drug abuse worldwide
29 June	National Statistics Day	Recognises importance of statistics for development
30 June	World Asteroid Day	Promotes awareness of asteroid impact risks

– Important Days in July 2026

Important Days in July 2026 highlights population awareness, youth skills, and national pride with observances such as World Population Day and Kargil Vijay Diwas. It encourages responsibility, innovation, and patriotism.

Important Days in July 2026		
Date	Important Day	Significance
1 July	National Doctor's Day	Honours doctors for their contributions to healthcare
1 July	Canada Day	Celebrates Canada's national day and independence
1 July	Chartered Accountants Day (India)	Recognises the role of CAs in India's economy

2 July	National Anisette Day	Celebrates the anise-flavored liqueur drink
4 July	Independence Day (USA)	Commemorates US independence from British rule in 1776
7 July	Jagannath Puri Rath Yatra	Annual Hindu chariot festival in Puri, Odisha
11 July	World Population Day	Focuses on global population awareness and challenges
12 July	Malala Day	Celebrates education advocacy and women's rights inspired by Malala Yousafzai
15 July	World Youth Skills Day	Highlights importance of skill development for youth
17 July	World Day for International Justice	Promotes accountability and international justice mechanisms
18 July	International Nelson Mandela Day	Honors Mandela's legacy of peace, equality, and social justice
21 July	Guru Purnima	Pays tribute to spiritual and academic teachers
22 July	Chandrayaan 2 Launch Anniversary	Marks India's second lunar mission launch
24 July	National Thermal Engineer Day	Recognises contributions of thermal engineers in India
26 July	Kargil Vijay Diwas	Commemorates India's victory in Kargil War (1999)
28 July	World Nature Conservation Day	Promotes biodiversity and natural habitat protection
28 July	World Hepatitis Day	Raises awareness about hepatitis prevention and treatment
29 July	International Tiger Day	Promotes tiger conservation and wildlife protection

Important Days in August 2026

Important Days in August 2026 commemorate freedom, humanitarian values, and peace, led by Independence Day, Quit India Movement Day, and World Humanitarian Day. The month reflects sacrifice, unity, and national pride.



Date	Important Day	Significance
6 August	Hiroshima Day	Remembers the atomic bombing of Hiroshima in 1945
7 August	National Handloom Day	Promotes India's handloom sector and traditional weaving
8 August	Quit India Movement Day	Commemorates India's 1942 struggle for independence
9 August	Nagasaki Day	Remembers atomic bombing of Nagasaki in 1945
12 August	International Youth Day	Highlights youth empowerment and social engagement
12 August	World Elephant Day	Promotes conservation of elephants and their habitats
13 August	World Organ Donation Day	Encourages organ donation to save lives
14 August	Youm-e-Azadi (Pakistan Independence Day)	Commemorates Pakistan's independence from British India in 1947
15 August	National Mourning Day (Bangladesh)	Observes the assassination of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman in 1975
15 August	Independence Day (India)	Marks India's independence from British rule in 1947
19 August	World Humanitarian Day	Honors aid workers and promotes humanitarian causes
20 August	Sadbhavna Diwas	Promotes national harmony and peace in India
20 August	Indian Akshay Urja Day	Highlights renewable energy initiatives in India
29 August	National Sports Day	Marks birth anniversary of hockey legend Major Dhyan Chand

Important Days in September 2026

Important Days in September 2026 focus on education, democracy, and peace through International Literacy Day and International Day of Peace.



Important Days in September 2026		
Date	Important Day	Significance
1 September	National Nutrition Week	Promotes awareness about balanced diet and nutrition
5 September	Teachers' Day (India)	Honors teachers on Dr. S. Radhakrishnan's birth anniversary
8 September	International Literacy Day	Promotes global literacy and education
11 September	National Forest Martyrs Day	Honors forest personnel who sacrificed their lives
14 September	Hindi Diwas	Celebrates Hindi as India's official language
15 September	Engineer's Day (India)	Marks birth anniversary of M. Visvesvaraya
15 September	International Day of Democracy	Promotes democratic values and governance
16 September	World Ozone Day	Raises awareness on ozone layer protection
18 September	World Bamboo Day	Promotes sustainable use of bamboo resources
21 September	International Day of Peace (UN)	Promotes global peace and non-violence
22 September	World Rhino Day	Promotes conservation of rhinoceros species
24 September	Antyodaya Diwas	Honors Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya's birth anniversary
25 September	World Pharmacists Day	Recognizes role of pharmacists in healthcare
26 September	World Environmental Health Day	Highlights link between environment and public health
28 September	World Rabies Day	Raises awareness to eliminate rabies
30 September	International Translation Day	Honors translators and language professionals

Important Days in October 2026

Important Days in October 2026 highlight non-violence, mental health, and social equality, with key observances like Gandhi Jayanti and World Mental Health Day.

Important Days in October 2026		
Date	Important Day	Significance
1 October	International Day of the Older Persons	Promotes dignity, rights, and well-being of senior citizens
2 October	Gandhi Jayanti	Marks birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi
2 October	International Day of Non-Violence	Promotes non-violence inspired by Gandhian philosophy
8 October	Indian Air Force Day	Commemorates establishment of Indian Air Force in 1932
9 October	World Postal Day	Highlights role of postal services in communication
10 October	World Mental Health Day	Raises awareness about mental health issues
12 October	Dussehra	Celebrates victory of good over evil
13 October	International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction	Promotes disaster preparedness and resilience
16 October	World Anaesthesia Day	Commemorates first public demonstration of anaesthesia
17 October	International Day for the Eradication of Poverty	Highlights need to end poverty globally
20 October	World Statistics Day	Promotes importance of statistics in development
24 October	United Nations Day	Marks establishment of the United Nations in 1945
31 October	Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day)	Marks birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel

Important Days in November 2026



Important Days in November 2026 emphasise children's welfare, science, and social tolerance through Children's Day and World Science Day. It reflects compassion, education, and equality.

Important Days in November 2026		
Date	Important Day	Significance
1 November	Rajyotsava Day (Karnataka Formation Day)	Celebrates formation of Karnataka state in 1956
5 November	World Tsunami Awareness Day	Raises awareness about tsunami risks and preparedness
7 November	National Cancer Awareness Day	Promotes early detection and cancer prevention
9 November	Legal Services Day	Raises awareness about legal aid and justice
11 November	National Education Day	Celebrates birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad
12 November	World Pneumonia Day	Raises awareness on pneumonia prevention
14 November	Children's Day (India)	Celebrates childhood on Jawaharlal Nehru's birth anniversary
16 November	International Day for Tolerance	Promotes mutual understanding and harmony
17 November	National Epilepsy Day	Raises awareness about epilepsy
19 November	World Toilet Day	Promotes sanitation and hygiene
24 November	Guru Nanak Jayanti	Celebrates birth of Guru Nanak Dev Ji
25 November	International Day for Elimination of Violence against Women	Raises awareness to end gender-based violence
26 November	Constitution Day of India	Commemorates adoption of Indian Constitution

Important Days in December 2026



Important Days in December 2026 focus on human rights, national pride, and social responsibility, marked by World AIDS Day, Vijay Diwas, and Human Rights Day.

Important Days in December 2026		
Date	Important Day	Significance
1 December	World AIDS Day	Raises awareness about HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment
2 December	National Pollution Control Day	Commemorates the Bhopal Gas Tragedy and promotes pollution control
4 December	Indian Navy Day	Marks Operation Trident and honours the Indian Navy
5 December	World Soil Day	Highlights importance of soil health for ecosystems
7 December	Armed Forces Flag Day	Supports welfare of Indian armed forces personnel
9 December	International Anti-Corruption Day	Raises awareness against corruption globally
10 December	Human Rights Day	Marks adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights
14 December	National Energy Conservation Day	Promotes energy efficiency and conservation in India
16 December	Vijay Diwas	Celebrates India's victory in the 1971 Indo-Pak war
18 December	Minorities Rights Day (India)	Protects constitutional rights of minorities
19 December	Goa's Liberation Day	Marks Goa's liberation from Portuguese rule in 1961
22 December	National Mathematics Day	Birth anniversary of Srinivasa Ramanujan
23 December	Kisan Diwas	Birth anniversary of Chaudhary Charan Singh
24 December	National Consumer Rights Day	Promotes awareness of consumer rights
25 December	Christmas Day	Celebrates birth of Jesus Christ

25 December	National Good Governance Day	Birth anniversary of Atal Bihari Vajpayee
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