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IMPORTANT DAYS**National Unity Day (Rashtriya Ekta Diwas)- Oct 31**

- **National Unity Day or Rashtriya Ekta Diwas** has been celebrated on 31st October every year since 2014 to commemorate the birth anniversary of **Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel**.
- This year marks the **146th birth anniversary of Sardar Patel**, freedom fighter and later a politician who played a major role in the integration of India.
- He played an instrumental role in India's struggle for independence, and later during the integration of the country.
- Sardar Patel was the first Home Minister and Deputy Prime Minister of India.
- He is often referred to as **the Father of the Indian Constitution** and was a key member of the **Constituent Assembly**.

About Statue of Unity:

- The Statue of Unity represents Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel - India's first Home Minister.
- It is the world's tallest statue with a height of 182 metres or 597 feet.
- It is located on the river Narmada in Kevadiya, Gujarat facing the Sardar Sarovar Dam.

World Savings Day: Oct 30

- **World Savings Day/World Thrift Day** is celebrated across the world every year on October 31.
- However, it is celebrated annually in **India** on **October 30**.
- The theme of World Savings Day 2021 is "**Understanding the Importance of Savings**".
- World Savings Day was established on October 31, 1924, during the **1st International Savings Bank Congress (World Society of Savings Banks)** in Milano, Italy.
- The Italian Professor Filippo Ravizza declared this day the "International Saving Day" on the last day of the congress.
- World Savings Day or World Thrift Day was established to inform people all around the world about the idea of **saving their money in a bank rather than keeping it under their mattress**.

World Vegan Day- Nov 1

- **World Vegan Day** is an annual event celebrated by vegans around the world **every 1 November**.
- The benefits of veganism for humans and the natural environment are celebrated through activities such as setting up stalls, hosting potlucks, and planting memorial trees.
- The day was established in **1994** by **Louise Wallis**, then Chair of The Vegan Society in the United Kingdom, to commemorate the **50th anniversary** of the founding of the organisation and the coining of the term's "**vegan**" and "**veganism**".
- Purpose to spread the benefits of **veganism for humans, non-human animals, and the natural environment**.

World Cities Day - Oct 31

- The UN's General Assembly (UNGA) adopted **31 October as World Cities Day**.
- This Day is to greatly **promote the international community's interest in global urbanization** and push forward cooperation among countries in meeting opportunities addressing challenges of urbanization and contributing to sustainable urban development around the world.
- The Sub - Theme of World Cities Day 2021 is **"Adapting Cities for Climate Resilience"**.
- The general theme of World Cities Day is **Better City, Better Life** - Each year a different sub-theme and a location for its global observance is selected.
- This year 2021, The Global Observance was **co-hosted by UN-Habitat and the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt** and took place in **Luxor**.

National Ayurveda Day - Nov 2

- The **National Ayurveda Day** is being observed on **November 2** every year.
- The Day is celebrated on **Dhanvantari Jayanti** to create awareness about the health benefits of Ayurveda and to promote the Ayurvedic lifestyle.
- The theme of this year Ayurveda day is **Ayurveda for Poshan**.

Event:

- The main event of Ayurveda day will be held at National Institute of Ayurveda in **Jaipur, Rajasthan**.
- **Ayush Minister Sarbananda Sonowal** will launch a short film based on scientific achievements in the field of Ayurveda Poshan and a booklet on benefits of Ayurveda-based nutritious diet.

Objective:

- To focus on strengths of Ayurveda and its unique treatment principles.
- The main aim of Ayurveda is prevention of disease and promotion of health.

About AYUSH:

- Union Minister: Sarbananda Sonowal
- Minister of State: Dr. Mahendra Munjapara

International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists- Nov 2:

- The International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists is an UN-recognized international day observed annually on 2 November.
- The day draws attention to the level of impunity for crimes against journalists, which remains extremely high globally.
- The day was recognized by the UN General Assembly in December 2013.
- The date chosen by the UN marks the death of Ghislaine Dupont and Claude Verlon, two French journalists killed while reporting in Mali on November 2, 2013.

About UNESCO:

- Headquarters: Paris, France
- Head: Director-General; Audrey Azoulay
- Founded: 16 November 1945, London, United Kingdom

6th International One Health Day – Nov 3

- November 3, 2021, marks the **6th annual One Health Day**.
- This day Focus on the **theme 'Industry and One Health'** as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.
- It is a global campaign that celebrates and brings attention to the need for a One Health approach to address shared health threats at the human-animal-environment interface.
- It was 1st initiated in 2016 by three International One Health Groups: One Health Commission, the One Health Platform, and the One Health Initiative Team.
- **7th World One Health Congress (WOHC)** will take place from November 7 – 11, 2022 at the **Sands Expo and Convention Centre** in Singapore.
- **7th World One Health Congress focus on the Theme: Integrating Science, Policy and Clinical Practice: A One Health Imperative Post COVID-19.**

World Tsunami Awareness Day Observed on 05 November

- **World Tsunami Awareness Day** is observed on **November 5** every year.

Purpose :

- To raise awareness in areas such as **tsunami early warning, public action** and building back better after a disaster to reduce future impacts.
- In 2021, World Tsunami Awareness Day will promote the '**Sendai Seven Campaign**' which aims to Substantially enhance international cooperation to developing countries through adequate and sustainable support to complement their national actions for implementation of the present Framework by 2030.
- The **United Nations (UN)** in **December 2015** designated November 5 every year as World Tsunami Awareness Day.

About Tsunami:

- The word "tsunami" comes from the **Japanese words "tsu"** meaning (**harbour**) and "**nami**" meaning (**wave**).
- A tsunami is a series of giant waves caused by earthquakes or undersea volcanic eruptions and underwater landslides.
- The highest number of deaths took place in the Indian ocean at the time of the tsunami in December 2004 in 14 countries.

- It is estimated that around 2,27,000 people died in Indonesia, Sri Lanka, and India alone and the hardest-hit country was Thailand.

International Day For Preventing Exploitation Of Environment In War And Armed Conflict Observed - Nov 06

- The **UN General Assembly** declared **6 November** of each year as the **International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict**.
- It was established on November 5, 2001 by the United Nations General Assembly, during Kofi Atta Annan's tenure as Secretary-General.

Aim :

- To educate people about what effects war and armed conflict have on the environment.
- To ensure that no harm is done to the environment during armed conflict.
- To raise awareness about the protection of the environment and ecosystem in any circumstance.
- The United Nations Environment Assembly adopted resolution UNEP/EA.2/Res.15, which recognized the role of healthy ecosystems and sustainably managed resources in reducing the risk of armed conflict.
- The **United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)** has found that over the last **60 years, at least 40 percent** of all internal conflicts have been linked to the exploitation of natural resources.
- Conflicts involving natural resources have also been found to be twice as likely to relapse.
- The UNEP gives the example of wars in conflict zones like Afghanistan, Colombia, or Iraq which have led to a great depreciation of natural resources. In Afghanistan, some parts of the country have registered a 95 % rate of increase in deforestation.

About UNGA:

- President: Abdulla Shahid
- Headquarters: New York, United States
- Founder: United Nations
- Founded: 1945

About UNEP:

- Head: Inger Andersen
- Headquarters location: Nairobi, Kenya
- Founded: 5 June 1972

National Cancer Awareness Day- Nov 7

- The **National Cancer Awareness Day** is observed annually in India on **November 7**, to spread awareness on cancer, its symptoms and treatment.
- According to the **World Health Organization (WHO)**, cancer is the second leading cause of death globally.

- National Cancer Awareness Day was first announced in September 2014 by then Union health minister **Dr Harsh Vardhan**, with November 7 chosen for the occasion to coincide with the birth anniversary of **Nobel laureate Marie Curie, who was born on 7th November, 1867** and whose works led to the development of radiotherapy to treat cancer.
- In India, nearly 1.1 million new cases are being reported annually. Two-thirds of cancer cases are diagnosed at an advanced stage, reducing patients' chances of survival.

About Ministry of Health and Family Welfare:

- Union Minister: Dr Mansukh Mandaviya
- Minister of State: Dr Bharati Pravin Pawar

Infant Protection Day - Nov 7

- Infant Protection Day is celebrated every year on **November 7**.
- This day is celebrated to raise awareness about the safety of new-born and to safeguard their lives by providing suitable care for infants.
- 2021 Infant Protection Day Theme: **"Protecting, promoting, and developing infants"**.

World Urbanism Day- Nov 8

- **The World Urbanism Day, often known as "World Town Planning Day" is celebrated on 8 November globally**, to recognize and promote the role of planning in creating livable communities.
- World Urbanism Day is an occasion to examine planning from a global perspective in order to raise awareness of the environmental consequences of urban and territorial development.
- WUD is organized by **the International Society of City and Regional Planners (ISOCARP)**.
- The day was founded in **1949 by the late Professor Carlos Maria Della Pollera** of the University of Buenos Aires, to advance public and professional interest in planning.
- ISOCARP was founded in **1965 and is headquartered in The Hague, Netherlands**.

International Day of Radiology- Nov 8

- **International Day of Radiology** is observed globally on **8th November every year**.
- The theme for 2021 is **'Interventional Radiology – Active care for the patient'**
- The day is celebrated to promote the awareness of the value that radiology contributes to safe patient care, and improve public understanding of the vital role radiologists and radiographers play in the healthcare continuum.
- The day also marks the anniversary of the discovery of x-rays by **Wilhelm Roentgen in 1895**.
- It was first introduced in 2012, as a joint initiative of the **European Society of Radiology (ESR)**, the **Radiological Society of North America (RSNA)**, and the **American College of Radiology (ACR)**.

- The International Day of Radiology is acknowledged and celebrated by nearly 200 national, sub-speciality, and related societies around the world.

National Legal Services Day- Nov 9

- **The National Legal Services Day is observed on November 9 annually in India.**
- The Legal Services Day is celebrated to commemorate the enactment of the **Legal Services Authorities Act 1987.**
- The National Legal Services Day is significant to create awareness among people regarding various provisions under the Legal Services Authorities Act as well as the rights of the litigants.
- The Day is celebrated to make people aware of the various provisions under the Legal Services Authorities Act and the right of the litigants.
- The Legal Services Authorities Act, **1987 was enacted on October 11, 1987**, and the act came into effect on **November 9, 1995.**
- The National Legal Services Day was commenced **by the Supreme Court of India in 1995 to assist and provide help and support to the weaker sections of the society** and commemorate the enactment of the Legal Services Authorities Act.

World Science Day for Peace and Development Observed on 10 November

- **World Science Day for Peace and Development** is marked and observed every year on **November 10.**

Purpose :

- To highlight the important role that science plays in society and the need to engage the wider public in debates on emerging scientific issues.

Aim of the day :

- To ensure that citizens are kept informed of developments in science.
- The **Theme of 2021** is : **“Building Climate-Ready Communities”.**
- World Science Day was proclaimed by the **United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)** in 2001.
- The **first** World Science Day for Peace and Development was celebrated worldwide on **November 10, 2002.**

Significance of the day :

- To strengthen awareness about the role of science for peaceful and sustainable societies.
- To promote national and international solidarity for shared science between countries.
- To draw attention to the challenges faced by science in raising support for the scientific endeavor.
- To make new national and international commitments to the use of science that will benefit societies.
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- The event was the positive outcome of the 1999 World Conference on Science in Budapest.
- It was considered as an opportunity to reaffirm the commitment to attaining the goals proclaimed in the Declaration on Science and the Use of Scientific Knowledge every year.

National Education Day Observed 11 November

- The **National Education Day** is being celebrated on **November 11** to commemorate the **birth anniversary of India's first Education Minister Maulana Abul Kalam Azad**.
- The day was announced by the **Ministry of Human Resource Development (Currently Ministry of Education)** on **11 September 2008**.
- MHRD also gives the Maulana Abul Kalam Azad National Fellowship in the form of financial assistance to students from minority communities to pursue M Phil and PhD.

About Maulana Abul Kalam Azad :

- Maulana Abul Kalam Azad born on 11 November 1888 in Mecca Hejaz, Ottoman Empire (Presently Saudi Arabia).
- He is commonly remembered as Maulana Azad.
- He was an Indian independence activist, Islamic theologian, writer and a senior leader of the Indian National Congress.
- He started a weekly journal in Urdu in 1912 called **Al-Hilal** to criticise the British policies.
- He was the **first education minister** of independent India and served from **15 August 1947 to 2 February 1958**.
- The first IIT, IISc, School of Planning and Architecture and the University Grants Commission were established under his tenure as the education minister.
- The prominent cultural, literary academies were also set up including the Sangeet Natak Academy, Lalit Kala Academy, Sahitya Academy as well as the Indian Council for Cultural Relations.
- He breathed his last in 1958.

Awards & Honours :

- For his contribution as an educationalist & freedom fighter In 1992 the government of India honoured by giving posthumously **Bharat Ratna**.

International Week of Science and Peace 2021 – Nov 8 to 14

- **International Week of Science and Peace (IWOSP)** is a global observance celebrated from **November 9 to 14 of every year**.
- The first International Week of Science and Peace was first observed from **10th to 16th November 1986**

- The event is celebrated to encourage people to develop better technology and cultivate peace in their countries.
- This weekly celebration was adopted by the **United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)**.

About United Nations General Assembly (UNGA):

- President: Abdulla Shahid
- Headquarters: New York, United States
- Founder: United Nations

Cabinet adopts November 15 as Janjatiya Gaurav Divas

- The Union Cabinet, chaired by **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** approved the declaration of **November 15**, the birth anniversary of **Birsa Munda**, as **Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas**.

Aim of the day :

- In order to honour brave tribal freedom fighters and make the youth aware of their sacrifices.
- The day will be celebrated every year from now on to recognize the efforts of the tribals for preservation of cultural heritage and promotion of Indian values of valour, hospitality and national pride.
- Also, the Government of India has planned week long celebrations starting from **15th November to 22nd November 2021** to celebrate and commemorate **75 years of glorious history of tribal people, culture and achievements**.

About Birsa Munda:

- Birsa Munda was born on 15 November 1875 Ulihatu, Lohardaga district, Bengal Presidency (now in Khunti district of Jharkhand).
- He was an Indian tribal freedom fighter, religious leader, and folk hero who belonged to the Munda tribe.
- He is revered as Bhagwan by tribal communities across the country.
- He participated in anti-missionary and anti-establishment activities between 188 –1890 in Chaibasa.
- He started a movement called 'Ulgulan', or 'The Great Tumult'.
- He also coined the slogan, 'Abua raj seter jana, maharani raj tundu jana' which means 'End the kingdom of the queen, create our kingdom'.
- Birsa Munda died in jail on 9 June 1900.

World Pneumonia Day: Nov 12

- **World Pneumonia Day** is observed across the world on **November 12 every year** to raise awareness, promote prevention and treatment and produce action to combat the disease.
- **World Pneumonia Day** provides an annual forum for the world to stand together and demand action in the fight against pneumonia. More than 100 organizations representing the interests of children joined forces as the Global Coalition against **Child Pneumonia** to hold the first **World Pneumonia Day** on **2 November 2009**.

- To end the preventable burden of childhood pneumonia and deaths there is a need to **Raise awareness about pneumonia, the leading killer of young children.**
- Strengthen, accelerate and sustain interventions to prevent and treat pneumonia.
- Focus on equitable access to, and delivery of comprehensive pneumonia prevention and control programs.
- Design specific strategies to reach the “harder-to-reach” populations to improve their accessibility to available interventions.
- World Pneumonia Day was established by the **Stop Pneumonia Initiative** in 2009 to advocate a global action to prevent Pneumonia.

Public Service Broadcasting Day- Nov 12

- Public Service Broadcasting Day is celebrated every year on November 12 as the remembrance of the **first and only visit of Mahatma Gandhi to the studio of All India Radio, Delhi in 1947.**
- During his visit to the All-India Radio station, **Gandhi addressed people who were displaced after partition of Haryana and were temporarily settled in Kurukshetra.**
- Every year, a special event is organized to observe the Public Service Broadcasting Day in the premises of All India Radio, New Delhi.
- The day was declared as Public Service Broadcasting Day or (Jan Prasaran Diwas) in 2000, **after it was conceptualised by Suhas Borker, Convenor, Jan Prasar. Prasar Bharati** has been given the responsibility of public service broadcasting, deepen democratic traditions and provide opportunities to all diverse communities and cultures.
- Mahatma Gandhi had decided to visit the studio of All India Radio, to convey his message through radio, as he couldn't visit refugees of Partition stationed at Kurukshetra in Haryana.

World Kindness Day- Nov 13

- **World Kindness Day is celebrated on 13 November** and this day provides us an opportunity to reflect and follow the most important and one of the unique human principles.
- **This day promotes small acts of kindness and brings people together.**
- **It was introduced in 1998 by the World Kindness Movement**, a coalition of nations' kindness NGOs. It is observed in many countries, including Canada, Australia, Nigeria and the United Arab Emirates. **Singapore observed the day for the first time in 2009.**
- World Kindness Day was first commemorated in the year 1998 by an **organisation called the World Kindness Movement.** It was formed at a **Tokyo conference in 1997** of like-minded kindness organisations.
- In the **United Kingdom (UK)**, this special day is organised by **Kindness UK**, which is a not-for-profit organisation. For the uninitiated, Kindness Day UK was declared on **13 November, 2010.**

World Diabetes Day- Nov 14

- World Diabetes Day is observed on **14th November** every year.
- The campaign aims to raise awareness **around the crucial role that nurses play in supporting people living with diabetes.**
- World Diabetes Day was launched in **1991** by the **International Diabetes Foundation (IDF)** and the **World Health Organization (WHO)** in response to the rapid rise of diabetes around the world.
- The theme for World Diabetes Day **2021-23: “Access to Diabetes Care”.**
- In 2007 General Assembly adopted resolution 61/225 designating 14 November as World Diabetes Day.
- The document recognized “the urgent need to pursue multilateral efforts to promote and improve human health, and provide access to treatment and health-care education.”

About International Diabetes Foundation (IDF):

- Headquarters: Brussels, Belgium.
- President: Andrew Boulton.

International Day for Tolerance- Nov 16

- The United Nations **observes “International Day for Tolerance”** on **16th November** every year.
- The United Nations is **committed to strengthening tolerance by fostering mutual understanding among cultures and peoples.**
- The objective behind celebrating the day is to create public awareness of the dangers of intolerance. UNESCO created a prize for the promotion of tolerance and non-violence to mark the **United Nations Year for Tolerance** in **1995** and the **125th anniversary of the birth of Mahatma Gandhi.**
- The UN General Assembly in **1996** by resolution **51/95** invited the **UN Member States** to observe the **International Day for Tolerance** on **16 November.**

National Press Day 2021 – Nov 16

- **The National Press Day** observed on **November 16th** to mark the presence of an independent and responsible press in India.
- The day highlights the importance of the independent press, the **4th pillar of democracy.**
- **Press Council of India (PCI)** came into effect in **1966** that marks the National Press Day.

About Press Council of India (PCI):

- Chairman: Justice Chandramauli Kumar Prasad
- Headquarters: New Delhi, Delhi

National Epilepsy Day – 17 Nov

- **National Epilepsy Day** is observed on **November 17** every year by the **Epilepsy Foundation**, to create awareness about epilepsy.

- The month of November is observed as 'National Epilepsy Awareness Month.'
- Lavender or purple colour ribbon is recognized for those who suffer from epilepsy and lavender or purple is the official colour of epilepsy.

About Epilepsy Foundation:

- Founder: Warren Lammert
- Founded: 1968
- Headquarters: United States.

World COPD Day 2021 – 17 Nov

- **World COPD Day** is observed on **17th November (Third Wednesday of November)** every year.
- The day is organised by the **Global Initiative for Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease (GOLD)** with the collaboration of health care professionals and COPD patient groups across the globe.

Purpose :

- To raise awareness about chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and improve COPD care throughout the world.
- The **first World COPD Day** was held in **2002**.
- The 2020 World COPD Day was observed on Nov 18, 2020.

About Global Initiative for Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease :

- The Global Initiative for Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease (GOLD) is a non-profit organization started by the World Health Organization and the US National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute in 1997 to improve care for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).

World Philosophy Day 2021- Nov 18 (Third Thursday of November)

- World Philosophy Day is celebrated on the **Third Thursday of November each year**.
- In 2021, the day falls on 18 November. WPD aims to raise public awareness of the importance of philosophy..
- **World Philosophy Day** was introduced in **2002** by **UNESCO**. In 2005 the UNESCO General Conference proclaimed that World Philosophy Day would be celebrated every third Thursday of November
- Philosophy comes from the **Greek word philosophía** which means '**the love of wisdom.**'
- It is the study of the nature of reality and existence, of what is possible to know, and of right and wrong behavior.

Ministry of AYUSH Observes Fourth Naturopathy Day- Nov 18

- Every year, **National Naturopathy Day** is observed on **18th November** in India.
- The main objective of this day is to promote positive mental and physical health through a drugless system of medicine, called Naturopathy.

- The day was declared by the Ministry of AYUSH (Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homeopathy), Government of India, on November 18, 2018.
- It was on this day in 1945, when Mahatma Gandhi became lifetime Chairman of the All India Nature Cure Foundation Trust and signed the deed with the object of making the benefits of Nature Cure available to all classes of people

World Toilet Day- Nov 19

- **World Toilet Day is an official United Nations International observance day on 19 November** to inspire action to tackle the global sanitation crisis.
- Worldwide, 4.2 billion people live without "safely managed sanitation" and around 673 million people practice open defecation
- **World Toilet Day 2021 theme: "valuing toilets".**
- The day is observed to inform, engage and inspire people to take action toward achieving the goal of improving sanitation and aims to **"Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all."**
- The World Toilet Day was firstly observed on 19th November 2012 established by the World Toilet Organization in 2001 also the inaugural World Toilet Summit was held on the same day and Twelve years later, in 2013, the UN General Assembly declared World Toilet Day an official UN day.

World Antimicrobial Awareness Week: Nov 18-24

- **World Antimicrobial Awareness Week (WAAW)** is celebrated from 18-24 November every year.
- The 2021 theme, Spread Awareness, Stop Resistance, calls on One Health stakeholders, policymakers, health care providers, and the general public to be Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Awareness champions.
- The purpose of the week is to increase awareness of global antimicrobial resistance, encourage best practices among the general public, health workers and policymakers to avoid the further emergence and spread of drug-resistant infections.
- Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) has been declared as one of the top 10 global health threats by the World Health Organization (WHO).

World Children's Day – Nov 20

- **The Universal/World Children's Day is celebrated on 20 November** annually to promote international togetherness, awareness among children worldwide, and improving children's welfare.
- November 20th is an important date as it is the date in 1959 when the UN General Assembly adopted the Declaration of the Rights of the Child. 2021 marks the 32nd anniversary of the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

- The theme of World Children's Day 2021 is " **A better future for every child.**" The theme focuses on raising the voice on the issues that matter to the generation of children and young people and calling for adults to create a better future.
- In 1954, World Children's Day was first established as Universal Children's Day and is decided to celebrate it on 20 November every year.
- The UN General Assembly adopted the Declaration of the **Rights of the child in 1959**. And it is also the date when the UN General Assembly adopted the Convention on the Rights of the Child in 1989.

About UN General Assembly:

- President: Abdulla Shahid
- Headquarters: New York, United States.
- Formation: 1945

World Fisheries Day: Nov 21

- **World Fisheries Day** is observed on **21 November** every year by fishing communities across the world.
- It highlights the importance of healthy oceans, ecosystems and ensure sustainable stocks of fisheries in the world.
- **The first World Fisheries Day was celebrated on November 21, 2015.** On the same day, The grand opening of the International Fisherman's organization was held in New Delhi.
- A forum for the World Fisheries consortium was established in **1997** and was famously called **WFF (World Fisheries Forum)**.
- Under this forum, several participants across the world actively took part in it. Around **18 countries** signed a global consensus document that marked the standardization of practices.
- **The memories of WFF in 1997 lay etched in the pages of history** because it wrote a new form of working pattern of the **fisherfolk community**.

Awards

- World Fisheries Day 2021 award ceremony is conducted at Convention Centre, Bhubaneswar, Odisha
- The award is organised by the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal husbandry and Dairying
- It is the first time that the government of India facilitated the fisheries sector awards on World Fisheries Day 2020.
- Best performing states 2020-2021
- Best Marine State - Andhra Pradesh
- Best Inland States - Telangana
- Best Hilly and North East State – Tripura
- Best Performing Districts 2020-2021
- Best Marine District - Balasore , Odisha
- Best Inland District - Balaghat, Madhya Pradesh

- Best Hilly and North East District - Bongaigaon, Assam
- Best Marine Quasi Government Organisation – Kerala State Cooperative Federation For Fisheries Development Ltd
- Best Inland Quasi Government Organisation – Uttar Pradesh Matsya Jivi Sahakari Sangh Ltd

World Television Day – Nov 21

- **World Television Day** is commemorated on **21 November every year**.
- The day is a reminder of the power of visual media and how it helps in shaping public opinion and influencing world politics.
- **In December 1996 the United Nations proclaimed 21 November as World Television Day** commemorating the date on which the first World Television Forum was held in 1996..
- **The first World Television Day** was observed on **21st November 1997**.

International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women- Nov 25

- **The United Nations General Assembly has designated November 25** as the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women.
- To raise awareness of the fact that women around the world are subject to **various forms of violence and true nature of the issue is often hidden**.
- Theme for 2021 is **“Orange the World: End Violence against Women Now!”**.
- This Global theme for UN's International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women is set by the **UNiTE Campaign 2021**
- The day was officially designated by UNGA on December **17, 1999**.
- Women's rights activists have observed 25 November as a day against **gender-based violence since 1981**.
- This date was selected to honour the Mirabal sisters, three political activists from the Dominican Republic who were brutally murdered in 1960 by order of the country's ruler, Rafael Trujillo (1930-1961).

About UN Women:

- Executive Director: Sima sami Bahous (Jordan)
- Headquarters: New York, US

Indian Constitution Day- Nov 26

- **Constitution Day, also known as National Law Day**, is celebrated in India on 26 November every year to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India.
- The President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind, inaugurated the Indian Constitution Day celebrations organised by the Supreme Court, **on November 26, 2018 in New Delhi**.

- On **26 November 1949**, the Constituent Assembly of India adopted the Constitution of India, and it came into effect on 26 January 1950.
- Dr **Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar**, who became the **first law minister of India** in the Congress-led Centre, was appointed as the chairman of the constitution drafting **committee in 1947** and was given the responsibility of writing the country's new constitution.

National Milk Day- 26 November

- **November 26 is observed as National Milk Day in India**, every year.
- The day has been observed since 2014 to commemorate the birth anniversary of the Father of India's White Revolution, **Dr Verghese Kurien**.
- He is also nicknamed as "**Milkman of India**". To celebrate National Milk Day, the College of Dairy Science & Technology and Guru Angad Dev Veterinary & Animal Sciences University is organizing "**Milk Adulteration Testing Camp**" on **25 and 26 November 2021**.
- The National Milk Day is observed with the objective of providing information regarding the need and importance of milk in human's life.
- Dr Verghese Kurien is known as the '**Father of the White Revolution in India**'.
- He was a social entrepreneur. He led Operation Flood, which is the largest agricultural dairy development programme worldwide.

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- On **1st June** every year United Nations observe **World Milk Day**.
- Dr Verghese Kurien was born on **26th November 1921** and this is his **100th birth anniversary**.

National Organ Donation Day- Nov 27

- National Organ Donation Day is celebrated on **November 27 in India every year**.
- The day has been observed for **the last 10 years**.
- The main objective of the national organ donation day is to spread awareness among people and to recognize the selfless efforts made towards mankind, and re-establish our belief in humanity.
- **2021 marks the 12th National Organ Donation Day**.
- It is organised by the **National Organ & Tissue Transplant Organization (NOTTO)** under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.



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