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IMPORTANT DAYS**1st October: International Day of the Older Persons**

- The **International Day of Older Persons** is celebrated on **October 1** each year to increase awareness about the importance of ageing and promote the rights of older persons.
- The overall umbrella **theme** for the United Nations International Day of Older Persons in 2022 is **“Resilience of Older Persons in a Changing World.”**
- The **International Day of Older Persons** was declared by the **UN General Assembly** on **December 14, 1990** (resolution 45/106).
- This was preceded by programs like the **Vienna International Plan of Action on Aging**, which was approved by the **UN General Assembly** and the **World Assembly on Ageing** in 1982.

1st October: International Coffee Day

- **International Coffee Day** is observed on **October 1** every year to promote and celebrate coffee as a beverage.
- The day also aims to promote fair trade coffee and to raise awareness of the plight of coffee growers.
- The exact origin of **International Coffee Day** is unknown.
- An event was **first promoted** in **Japan** in **1983** by **The All-Japan Coffee Association**.
- In **2014**, the **International Coffee Organization** decided to launch the first official **International Coffee Day** in **Milan** as part of **Expo 2015**.

2nd October 2022: Gandhi Jayanti:

- Every year on **October 2nd**, people celebrate **Gandhi Jayanti** to remember the **"Father of the Nation,"** **Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi**.
- According to a declaration made by the **United Nations General Assembly** on **June 15, 2007**, this day is also observed as the **International Day of Non-Violence**.
- On **October 2, 1869**, **Mahatma Gandhi** was born in **Porbandar**, a small town in **Gujarat**.
- He studied law in the **United Kingdom** and practiced in **South Africa**.

- Gandhiji wrote about his infancy and adolescent years, his marriage to Kasturba at the age of 13, and his unwavering love for his country in his **autobiography "My Experiments with Truth."**
- Gandhiji was a pioneer of truth and nonviolence, and he set an example of simple living and noble thinking.

4th October: World Animal Welfare Day:

- Every year on **October 4th, World Animal Welfare Day** is honored.
- This day is observed worldwide to commemorate **the feast day of Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals.**
- The goal of observing this day as World Animal Welfare Day is to elevate the status of animals and improve their well-being.

History:

- The day was first marked in **1925** by **animal rights campaigner Heinrich Zimmermann**, but now, the annual global celebration of animals is coordinated by the **UK-based animal welfare organization, Naturewatch Foundation.**
- To raise awareness, the **Naturewatch Foundation** developed the inaugural **World Animal Day website in 2003**, which offers a directory of global World Animal Day events that take place on and around World Animal Day and encourages supporters to add their events.
- The event was originally set for October 4 to coincide with the feast day of Saint Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of the environment.

5th October 2022: World Teacher's Day

- **World Teachers' Day** is observed every year on **October 5** across the globe to recognize and celebrate educators including teachers, researchers, and professors' work
- The theme this year for International Teachers' Day 2022 is **"The Transformation Of Education Begins With Teachers"**.

History:

- October 5 was recognized as **World Teachers' Day** by **UNESCO** in 1994, to honor the adoption of the **UNESCO/ILO Recommendation.**

- This was a part of the intergovernmental conference convened by UNESCO in Paris that recognized the status of teachers in cooperation with the **International Labour Organization (ILO)**.
- After the adoption of this recommendation, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) declared October 5 to be World Teachers' Day.

7th October 2022: World Cotton Day

- **October 7** is celebrated each year as **World Cotton Day**
- It is a multipurpose plant chiefly used in the textile industry but also in the medical sector, edible oil industry, animal feeds, and bookbinding, among others.
- **The theme for 2022's** celebration of World Cotton Day appears to be **"Weaving a better future for cotton,"** as apparent from the posters released by the **Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO)**.

History:

- The development and promotion of cotton cultivation are part of the United Nations (UN) Sustainable Development Goals. To meet the goals, the World Trade Organisation (WTO), The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), and the International Trade Centre (ITC) undertook a joint initiative on cotton by-products.
- The initiative offers assistance to the "Cotton-4" nations, which are Benin, Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, and other cotton-producing countries in Africa, to develop cotton by-products and their markets.
- In response to a formal appeal by the **Cotton-4 countries to the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)**, on **October 7, 2019**, the WTO Secretariat, in collaboration with Secretariats of the **International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC)**, **FAO**, **UNCTAD**, and **ITC**, hosted the first **World Cotton Day (WCD)** event in Geneva.

8 October-Air Force Day

- **Indian Air Force Day** is celebrated on **8 October** every year.

- The main aim is to pay a tribute to the Air Force of India and acknowledge their contribution, and excellence India has presented in the field.
- Every year the Indian Air Force Day is celebrated at **Hindon Air Force Station, which is the largest air base in Asia.**
- The **Air Force was officially raised** as the supporting force of the **Royal Air Force of the United Kingdom in 1932** and the **first operational squadron was created in 1933.**
- Indian Air Force Day is celebrated to mark the official establishment of the **Indian Air Force, which was on October 8, 1932.**

World Post Day 2022: October 9

- **World Post Day** is celebrated on **9th October of every year.**
- World Post Day is observed to raise awareness about the postal sector.
- This day also reminds people about the important role the postal sector plays in everyday life.

Theme

- The World Post Day 2022 theme is **“Post for Planet.”**

History

- World Post Day was **first declared by the Universal Postal Union (UPU) Congress in Tokyo, Japan in the year of 1969.**
- World Post Day was observed on 9th October because on this day the Universal Postal Day was started in the year **1874 in Switzerland.**
- The Universal Postal Union started the global revolution in communication and it started the ability to write letters to others in the world.
- Since World Postal Day started, countries from all over the world took part in the celebrations which are conducted on this day.

10 October: World Mental Health Day

- Every year on **October 10th**, the world celebrates **World Mental Health Day.**
- The day is observed to promote global awareness of mental health concerns and organize efforts in support of mental health.

- World Mental Health Day is coordinated by the **World Federation for Mental Health**.
- The theme for World Mental Health Day 2022 is **“Make Mental Health For All a Global Priority.”**

History:

- The **World Federation for Mental Health**, a global mental health organization, initiated the celebration in 1992.
- The Day allows all stakeholders working on mental health issues to discuss their work and what more needs to be done to make mental health care a reality for people all around the world.

10 October: National Post Day

- In India, **National Postal Day** is observed on **10 October** each year as an extension of **World Post Day**, which is observed on **9 October**.
- The purpose of the Day is to remember the role of the **Indian Postal Department**, which was formed in **1854** by **Lord Dalhousie**.
- The Indian postal service is an essential component of the country.
- Despite the diversity of culture, tradition, and tough geographical terrain, India's postal systems have performed well.

11 October- International Day of the Girl Child

- **International Day of the Girl Child** is commemorated on **11 October** every year for empowering girls and amplifying their voices around the globe.
- This day recognizes the rights of the girl child and the challenges faced by them across the world.
- Girls are breaking stereotypes, boundaries, and barriers.
- The theme of the International Day of the Girl Child 2022 is **“Our time is now – Our Rights, Our Future”**.

History:

- The **Beijing Declaration** was adopted by the UN in 1995 during the **World Conference on Women in Beijing**.
- This resolution is the first to specifically call out girls' rights.

- The United Nations General Assembly declared 11 October as the International Day of the Girl Child on 19 December 2011.
- The day was formed to focus on the fulfillment of the human rights of girls and the challenges that they face.

World Arthritis Day- October 12

- World Arthritis day 2022 is observed on the 12th of October.
- Any condition that affects the joints is commonly referred to as arthritis.
- Pain and stiffness in the joints are typical symptoms. Redness, warmth, swelling, and a reduced range of motion in the afflicted joints are possible additional symptoms.
- The theme of World Arthritis Day 2022 is 'It's in your hands, Take Action'.

History

- The Arthritis Foundation established World Arthritis Day.
- The Greek terms "arthro," which means "joint," and "itis," which means "inflammation," are the origin of the word "arthritis."
- Inflammation of the joints is a symptom of arthritis. Any living organism with bones is susceptible.
- The existence of ankle arthritis in humans dates back to at least 4500 B.C., and there is evidence that it was present in dinosaurs as well!
- In actuality, it was among the most prevalent diseases among prehistoric populations.
- William Musgrave's 1715 book "De Arthritide Symptomata," was the first in-depth research and categorization.

World Sight Day: October 13

- World Sight Day is an International Day of Awareness, held annually on the second Thursday of October.
- This year, World Sight Day is observed on the 13th of October 2022.
- The World Sight Day 2022 theme is, "#LoveYourEyes"

History

- Lions Clubs International partnered with blindness presentation organizations worldwide for the first World Sight Day in 1998.
- This event was later integrated into VISION 2020, a global initiative that the International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness (IAPB) coordinates.
- This initiative is a joint program between WHO and the IAPB.
- It involves non-government organizations, and professional associations, as well as eye-care institutions and corporations.

International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction: October 13

- **The International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction 2022 is observed on the 13th of October.**
- The day offers an opportunity to celebrate the advancements made in reducing disaster vulnerability and the resulting loss of lives, economy, and health.
- **The International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction 2022 theme is, "Early Warning"**

History

- The International Day for Natural Disaster Reduction was established by a resolution passed by the UN General Assembly in 1989.
- However, the Assembly changed its resolution on December 21, 2009, deciding to observe the Day on October 13.
- Also, the day was renamed International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction.

World Standards Day: October 14

- **World Standards Day is observed annually on the 14th of October 2022.**
- The opportunity to deepen understanding of the value of standardization and to increase awareness of it is provided by World Standards Day in 2022.
- **World Standards Standards 2022 Theme is, "Shared Vision for a Better World"**

History

- **The first World Standards Day was celebrated in 1946 in London, the same year that the International Organization for Standardization was founded.**

- **Every year on October 14**, people all over the world, including members of the I.E.C., I.S.O., I.T.U., and other international standardization organizations, celebrate the collaborative efforts of experts, volunteers, and everyone who participates in standardization activities globally.

World Egg Day: October 14

- **World Egg Day** is observed annually on the **second Friday in October**.
- This year, **World egg day is on the 14th of October 2022**.
- World Egg Day 2022 Theme is, **"Eggs for a better life"**

History

- **World Egg Day was created in 1996 at the IEC conference in Vienna** to recognize and honor the value and relevance of eggs to all of humanity.
- Since then International Egg Day is observed annually on **the second Friday in October**.

Global Handwashing Day: October 15

- **Global Handwashing Day 2022** is observed on the **15th of October**.
- Hand washing is such a basic habit, but it can change everything and save lives.
- Global Handwashing Day 2022 theme is, **"Unite for Universal Hand Hygiene."**
- The Global Handwashing Partnership established Global Handwashing Day as a chance to develop and put into practice original strategies for inspiring people to wash their hands with soap, particularly in times of need.
- In 2008, the first Global Handwashing Day was observed.

International Day of Rural Women: October 15

- **International Day of Rural Women 2022** is observed on the **15th of October 2022**.
- This day serves as a reminder that millions of women in isolated rural communities still require our assistance.
- There are several methods to reach out and improve the lives of these women, from providing necessities to financial aid.

- It was proposed to empower and recognize women in 1995 during the Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing, China.
- To recognize the importance of rural women to agriculture, food production, and food safety, it was suggested that October 15 be observed as International Day of Rural Women.
- October 15 will be recognized yearly as International Day of Rural Women globally, according to a resolution 62/136 passed by the United Nations General Assembly on December 18, 2007.

White Cane Safety Day: October 15

- **White Cane Safety Day 2022** is observed on the 15th of October 2022.
- This day is dedicated to **visually impaired people**
- This day is a chance to connect with others that might need your assistance.
- On White Cane Safety Day, you can participate in gatherings and activities that will benefit persons who are blind or visually impaired.
- **James Biggs, a photographer from Bristol**, came up with the concept of white canes.
- Biggs had an accident in 1921 that left him blind.
- During that time, there were more cars on the road, so Biggs decided to paint his cane white to make himself more visible to drivers and other pedestrians.
- White Cane Safety Day was **established annually on October 15** by a joint resolution that **President Lyndon B. Johnson and the U.S. Congress signed on October 6, 1964.**

Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day: October 15

- **Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day 2022** is observed on the 15th of October 2022.
- The purpose of this day is to increase awareness, remembrance, and support for the 1 in 4 people and families whose lives are reportedly irreversibly changed by the death of their child(ren) during pregnancy, delivery, or infancy.
- **Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day (PAILRD)** is a memorial day that is annually honored on **October 15 in the United States and Canada.**
- To honor, commemorate, and remember infants who have died from miscarriage, stillbirth, neonatal death, and other causes of baby loss, the day was created in 2002.

- **Robyn Bear, Lisa Brown, and Tammy Novak** started the movement by petitioning the federal government to recognize the particular day on October 15.
- On **September 28, 2006**, the **House of Representatives** finally approved National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day.
- The month of **October** had previously been declared to be **Pregnancy & Infant Loss Awareness Month** by President Ronald Reagan.

World Students Day: October 15

- **World Students Day 2022** is observed on the **15th of October 2022**, to honor the **birthday of our former president, the late Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam**.
- In **2010**, **World Students Day** was established by the **United Nations**.
- In honor of former Indian president APJ Abdul Kalam, who was born on the same day in 1931, **October 15 of each year is observed as World Students' Day**.
- The purpose of the day is **to honor Kalam's contributions to education and students**
- Early in his life, Kalam studied science and physics.
- He was born in Rameswaram, Tamil Nadu.
- Through his insightful lectures, Kalam devoted his life to teaching and encouraging students to become the best versions of themselves.

World Food Day: October 16

- **World Food Day 2022** is observed annually on the **16th of October 2022**.
- World Food Day 2022 theme is, "**Leave No One Behind**"
- The **Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)**, a specialized body of the United Nations, created **World Food Day in 1945**.
- However, it would take another 34 years until the **20th FAO conference in November 1979**, when it was declared a global holiday.
- Following this, 150 nations continued to commemorate the day once it was given official UN recognition.

- Since 2014, the day's popularity has been exploited to advance the causes of world hunger relief and eradicate poverty in developing countries.

World Anaesthesia Day: October 16

- **World Anaesthesia Day 2022** is observed on the **16th of October 2022**.
- Anaesthesia, which is generated for therapeutic reasons, is a controlled, brief loss of feeling or awareness.
- World Anaesthesia Day 2022 theme is, "**Anaesthesia and children: Caring for your kids**"
- World Anaesthesia Day is observed on October 16 in **remembrance of W.T.G. Morton, who made the first successful official demonstration** of ether as an anesthetic on this date 173 years ago.
- This event ushered in the practice of anesthesiology.
- **Since 1903**, unique occasions have been planned to commemorate this momentous day.
- Given in an operating room at Massachusetts General Hospital, it is regarded as one of the pivotal moments in medical history.

International Day for the Eradication of Poverty: October 17

- **International Day for the Eradication of Poverty 2022** is observed on the **17th of October 2022**.
- The International Day for the Eradication of Poverty 2022 is an opportunity to recognize the challenges and efforts of those who are poor, give them a voice, and highlight that they are the ones who fight against poverty first.
- International Day for the Eradication of Poverty 2022 theme, "**Dignity for All in Practice**"
- The first commemoration of this day took place in **1987 at the Trocadéro in Paris**, where more than 100,000 people gathered to remember those who had died from extreme poverty, violence, and hunger at the unveiling of a memorial stone by a **French priest and humanitarian activist named Joseph Wresinski**.
- Such people declared that poverty is a violation of human rights and that we must work together to guarantee that these rights are upheld.

- The general assembly established **October 17 as the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty on December 22, 1992**, four years after Wresinski passed away in 1988.
- The eradication of poverty and misery was the subject of an invitation to all nations to submit and promote initiatives.

World Osteoporosis Day: 20th October

- **World osteoporosis day 2022** is observed on the **20th of October 2022**.
- World Osteoporosis Day 2022 theme set up by the International Osteoporosis Foundation is **“Step Up For Bone Health”**
- World Osteoporosis Day was **launched on October 20, 1996**, by the **United Kingdom's National Osteoporosis Society** and supported by the European Commission.
- Since 1997, this awareness day has been organized by the International Osteoporosis Foundation (IOF).
- In 1998, two prominent organizations committed to educating the public about osteoporosis, combined to create the **International Osteoporosis Foundation**
- The Founding of the IOF was a combination of the joint efforts of the **European Foundation for Osteoporosis** created in 1987 and the **International Federation of Societies on Skeletal Diseases (IFSSD)**, which was started in 1995.

National Solidarity Day: 20th October

- On **20th October**, **National Solidarity Day 2022** is observed.
- This day serves for the war's bravery, honoring the War soldier's family, and honoring the defense armed forces in Military, Navy, and Air soldiers.
- War took place between India and China in 1962.
- It was called **the Indo-China War of 1962**.
- The war took place for the **Kashmir border issue** and the war started on **20th October 1962**.
- The war took place for one month and it finally ended on **21st November 1962**.
- India Finally China occupied some parts of Kashmir which were named **COK - China Occupied Kashmir**.

- In 1966, India was under Prime Minister Indira Gandhi. A Committee Constituting Prime Minister Indira Gandhi decided to dedicate 20th October as “National Solidarity Day” for war remembrance, to honor the Soldiers who participated in the war and to honor the soldier’s families who sacrificed their lives in the war.

Police Commemoration Day: 21st October

- **Police Commemoration Day 2022** is observed on the **21st of October 2022**.
- On 21st October, Police Commemoration Day in India, a nationwide program will be conducted for the Police persons who proved their bravery and excellence in their duty.
- The day commemorates the sacrifices of ten **CRPF personnel who lost their lives while defending our border with China On October 21, 1959**.
- On **20th October 1959**, The Indian Reconnaissance party went missing.
- One of the **three Parties launched from Ladakh** does not return to the base.
- On 21st October 1959, the Chinese army attacked and killed 10 brave Indian Soldiers.
- In January 1960 they decided that October 21 will be declared as the Police Commemoration Day in India to remember and honor the sacrifices made by on-duty Police Personnel in the country.

International Stuttering Awareness Day: 22nd October

- **International Stuttering Awareness Day 2022** is observed on the **22nd of October 2022**.
- The International Stuttering Awareness Day theme 2022 set up by the ISAD Online Conference Team is “**Being Seen, Being Heard - Representation and Normalization of Stuttering in the mainstream.**”
- **International Stuttering Awareness Day was established in the year 1998** to bring attention to the millions of people across the world who are living with his specific Communication Disorder.
- People think that stuttering means repetitions of some words.
- Stuttering is also mentioned for persons who are having an elongation of a vowel or syllable.
- This condition may also vary because sometimes a person may stutter once in a while and also they stutter continuously while talking.

- In **19th Century Europe**, surgeons recommended surgery for this disorder
- This practice was later stopped because the patients who survived also stuttered again.
- Later it was understood that stuttering was a neurological disorder that can be developmental from Childhood and also can be acquired due to excessive drug use and also due to trauma.

United Nations Day: 24th October

- **United Nations Day 2022** is observed on the **24th of October 2022**.
- The **United Nations Conference** took place in **San Francisco** in **1945**. **50 countries** came to the conference to form the **United Nations Charter**.
- The **United Nations Organisation** aims to bring peace among the people to stop the **War Situation**.
- **UNO** also works to reduce **Poverty** across the **Globe**.
- The **Permanent members** of **UNO** are the **United States, India, the United Kingdom, France, Turkey, and Canada**.
- **United Nations Day** is celebrated for the remembrance of the formation of the **United Nations Organisation**. **United Nations Day** is celebrated annually.
- This year **United Nations Day 2022** will be celebrated by **UNO** globally by conducting a **Peace Conference**.

World Polio Day: 24th October

- **World Polio Day 2022** is observed on the **24th of October 2022**.
- **World Polio Day** is **first initiated and Celebrated** by **Rotary International** for the birthday of **Jonas Salk**, the **Medical Researcher** who led the first team to develop a vaccine against polio.
- He developed the **Inactivated Poliovirus Vaccine** in **1955**.
- Later **Albert Sabin** developed **Oral Polio Vaccine** in **1962**.
- **Rotary International** and **WHO** established the **Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI)** in **1988**.
- At the time there were around **3,50,000 cases** across the world.
- Now the **European Countries** have **completely eradicated polio** and now announced themselves as **Polio-free Countries**.

- But Still Asian Countries like Afghanistan, Pakistan, and India still find rare cases across the country.
- World Polio Day 2022 is celebrated for over a decade now by Rotary International.
- This year they announced an awareness program to vaccinate babies as per the schedule.

Disarmament Week- 24 to 30 October

- Every year, from October 24 to 30, Disarmament Week is observed.
- One of the primary purposes of the United Nations is to achieve universal peace.
- To that goal, the organization observes **Disarmament Week every year from October 24 to October 30.**
- Disarmament Week attempts to **raise awareness and understanding of disarmament challenges and their interconnections.**

History:

- The week-long yearly observance began on October 24, the anniversary of the United Nations' creation, and was initially called for in the **Final Document of the General Assembly's 1978 special session on disarmament (resolution S-10/2).**
- **In 1995, the General Assembly** asked states and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to continue actively participating in Disarmament Week (resolution 50/72 B, 12 December 1995) to increase public understanding of disarmament concerns.
- In 1952, the **United Nations Disarmament Commission (UNDC)** was founded.
- It was tasked with developing treaty proposal documents to limit and reduce the number of nations' military forces and weaponry.

About United Nations Disarmament Commission

- Founded: 11 January 1952
- Headquarters location: New York, United States
- Head: Han Tae-song.

World Day for Audiovisual Heritage: 27th October

- **World day for Audiovisual Heritage 2022** is observed on the 27th of October 2022.

- UNESCO aims to promote digital platforms so that our Culture and Heritage will be transferred to the next younger generation quickly to their place so that they will be aware of the rich heritage and culture of all countries worldwide.
- World Day for Audiovisual Heritage 2022 Theme set up by UNESCO is “Enlisting documentary heritage to promote inclusive, just, and peaceful societies.”
- The World Day for Audiovisual Heritage (WDAH) is a commemoration of the adoption, in 1980 by the 21st General Conference, of the Recommendation for the Safeguarding and Preservation of Moving Images.
- Since the World Day for Audiovisual Heritage 2022 is celebrated in conjunction with the 30th anniversary of the World Programme, the members of State in UNESCO take this day as an opportunity to evaluate their performance in implementing the Recommendations for Preservation and Access of the Documentary Heritage in Digital Form.

World Stroke Day: 29th October

- World Stroke Day 2022 is observed on the 29th of October 2022.
- World Stroke Day 2022 theme set by the WSO is “Learn the signs, Say it’s a stroke and save Precious time.”
- World stroke day was established on 29th October 2004 at World Stroke Congress in Vancouver, Canada.
- Later in 2006, the day was proclaimed for public awareness.
- In 2006, World Stroke Organization was created with the merger of the World Stroke Federation and the International Stroke Society.
- Since then, World Stroke Organization (WSO) has been taking care of the management and advocacy of World stroke day (WSD) on different platforms.
- In 2010, World Stroke Organization (WSO) declared stroke a public health emergency to curb the trending mortality and disability due to the lack of awareness and proper accessibility of diagnosis and treatment to everyone.

World Savings Day: 31st October

- **World Savings Day 2022** is observed on the **31st of October 2022**. (30th October in India)
- **World Savings Day 2022** theme set up by the International Savings Bank Congress is **“Saving prepares you for a better future”**
- **World Savings Day**, also called **World Thrift Day**, was first established in the year **1924** during the first **International Savings Bank Congress**.
- The **Congress started on October 24**.
- On the last day of Congress exactly on **October 30**, the Congress decided to celebrate **World Savings day** every year to insist on the importance of saving money and also to insist on the method of saving money through banks and other modes.
- However, the Establishment lost its importance after the **First World War**.
- Then later the Day gained importance after the **second world war**.
- The Day is officially celebrated on **October 31st** every year.
- **But in India, it is celebrated on October 30** since the former Prime Minister **Mrs. Indhra Gandhi** died on **October 31st**.

Halloween Day: 31st October

- **Halloween Day 2022** is observed on the **31st of October 2022**.
- Halloween Day 2022 theme is **“Carving of Pumpkin.”**
- On this Day People set a campfire on the hilltop to show that bad evils are burnt and the people wear different kinds of masks to show that ghosts will go back from their place after seeing them.
- **People who died on the day of the Samhain festival** believed that **their souls returned to their homes**.
- People who died that year believed that they would go to another world.
- Halloween had its **origin in the festival of Samhain among the Celts of ancient Britain and Ireland**.
- The Observance of Halloween is mainly non-religious.
- The Next day, **November 1** is believed to be a new calendar year.
- That date was considered the beginning of the winter period.

National Unity Day: 31st October

- **National Unity Day 2022** is observed on the **31st of October 2022**.
- The **National Unity Day 2022** was first started in the year 2014 by our Honourable Prime Minister Narendra Modi to honor the birth anniversary of **Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel** on **31st October 1875**.
- He made a huge contribution to bringing all the scattered states into one nation after independence.
- He was also the first deputy Prime Minister and Home Minister of India.
- **National unity Day** is also called **Rashtriya Ekta Diwas Day**.
- The same day the **Statue of Unity** was opened in 2018 by our Prime Minister in remembrance of **Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel**.
- It was the highest statue in the world.
- **Shanghai Cooperation Organisation** announced the **Statue of Unity** as the **eighth World Wonder**.
- Hereafter **31st October National Unity Day 2022** will also be called and celebrated as **Rashtriya Ekta Diwas Day 2022**.