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IMPORTANT DAYS

World Vegan Day: November 1st

- Every year, World Vegan Day is celebrated on November 1.
- This day is observed to raise awareness of the advantages of veganism for humans, non-human animals, and the natural environment.
- Vegan Day is an opportunity to raise awareness about the advantages of a vegan diet and veganism in general.
- Louise Wallis, then-Chair of The Vegan Society in the United Kingdom, established the day in 1994 to commemorate the organization's founding and the coining of the terms "vegan" and "veganism."
- The date of November 1st was chosen by the Vegan Society's President.
- This is now recognized as the date on which the Vegan Society was founded, as well as the date on which Vegan Day is observed.

All Souls' Day: 2nd November

- All Souls' Day 2022 is observed on the 2nd of November 2022.
- All Souls Day commemorates baptized Christians who are believed to be in purgatory.
- The day is also known as the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed.

History:

- Roman Catholic doctrine holds that the prayers of the faithful on earth will help cleanse these souls to fit them for the vision of God in heaven, and the day is dedicated to prayer and remembrance.
- Requiem masses are commonly held, and many people visit and sometimes decorate the graves of loved ones.
- From antiquity certain days were devoted to intercession for particular groups of the dead.
- The institution of a day for a general intercession on November 2 is due to Odilo, abbot of Cluny (died 1048).
- The date, which became practically universal before the end of the 13th century, was chosen to follow All Saints' Day.

- Having celebrated the feast of all the members of the church who are believed to be in heaven,
 the church on earth turns, on the next day, to commemorate those souls believed to be suffering in purgatory.
- Priests celebrate mass wearing vestments of varying colors—black (for mourning), violet (symbolizing penance), or white (symbolizing the hope of resurrection).

Central Vigilance Awareness Week - October 31st to November 6th:

- Vigilance Awareness Week is being held this year from October 31 to November 6, 2022, with the theme "Corruption-free India for a Developed Nation."
- The week that includes October 31st, late Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's birthday, is known as Vigilance Awareness Week and is observed by the Central Vigilance Commission.
- The Central Vigilance Commission conducted a three-month campaign in advance of Vigilance
 Awareness Week 2022 to emphasize certain preventative vigilance activities as key areas for all the Ministries, Departments, and Organizations.
- To raise public awareness about the dangers of corruption and to enlist the support of all the stakeholders in the anti-corruption campaign, public meetings will be held at the district and block levels during Vigilance Awareness Week.
- Participants will include students, young people, academics, current and former government officials, self-help groups, NGOs, and members of civil society.
- According to the Central Vigilance Commission Act of 2003, the Central Vigilance Commission
 is responsible for policing public administration for integrity and preventing corruption.

World Tsunami Awareness Day: 5th November

- World Tsunami Awareness Day 2022 is observed on the 5th of November 2022.
- World Tsunami Awareness Day 2022 Theme setup for this year is "Early Warning and Early
 Action Before Every Tsunami"
- On November 5th, 1854, Hiromura a little village which is located in the western part of Japan started celebrating their Traditional Practice, the Burning of Rice Sheaves.

- A farmer who lived in the village anticipated that a big Tsunami would come when he noticed the lowering of the Tide and the natural decrease in the level of Well Water which is a natural sign for a Tsunami warning.
- Later the Villager guided the entire village to the hilltop by burning rice sheaves to indicate the sign of danger.
- Later from the hilltop, they witnessed the tsunami destroy their village.
- They understood that the Fire saved them from the Tsunami.
- Japan proposed this day as World Tsunami Awareness Day because of the intent to protect the
 precious lives of people.

International Day for Preventing Exploitation of Environment in War and Armed Conflict: 6th November

- International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict 2022 is observed on 6th November 2022.
- On 5th November 2001, the UN General Assembly declared the 6th November of each year as an International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the environment in War and Armed Conflict.
- On 27th May 2016 United Nations General Assembly passed a resolution to recognize the role
 of a healthy ecosystem and sustainably managed resources in reducing the risk of armed
 conflict
- The United Nations ensured strong commitment to the full implementation of the Sustainable
 Development goals according to the resolution passed on 27th May.
- The United Nations Organisation (UN) and European Nations (EU) have made partnerships to help countries to identify and prevent the War conflict on natural resources as a part of peacemaking.

Infant Protection Day: 7th November

- Infant Protection Day 2022 is observed on the 7th of November 2022.
- In 1990 nearly 5 million infants died due to a lack of awareness of protecting Infants.

- So in the early 1900s, many Countries decided that steps should be taken for better child health care and to reduce Infant Mortality Rate (IMR).
- Europe first started a campaign to improve child health care. Europe Countries established
 Infant Protection Day to create awareness among the people about Child Care Services and to reduce Infant Mortality Rate (IMR).
- The Infant Mortality Rate has decreased from 100 to 10 deaths per 1000 births because of the awareness created by this day.
- Later America joined in this and started to celebrate Infant Protection Day to create awareness among the People.
- So Infant Protection Day was celebrated every year on 7th November.

National Cancer Awareness Day: 7th November

- National Cancer Awareness Day 2022 is observed on the 7th of November 2022.
- National Cancer Awareness Day 2022 is celebrated on 7th November after the birth anniversary
 of Nobel Prize winner Scientist Marie Curie who discovered Polonium and radium and her
 remarkable service for cancer treatment.
- The National Cancer Awareness day celebration was **first announced by Dr. Harsh Vardhan**, the Indian Union Minister for health and family welfare **in September 2014**.
- A committee was formed in September 2014 and decided National Cancer Awareness Day will be celebrated on 7th November every year.
- National Cancer Awareness Day is celebrated every year to create awareness about the early detection of cancer and prevention methods
- Dr. Harsha launched a state-level cancer control process that encourages early detection and research in finding a cancer cure.
- In 1975 National Cancer Control Programme was started to arrange treatment facilities for cancer.
- In 1984-85 some changes were made in the National Cancer Control Programme to make the
 Cancer treatment process more efficient and available to all.

World Radiography Day: 8th November

- World Radiography Day 2022 is observed on the 8th of November 2022.
- World Radiography Day 2022 is celebrated every year for one of the great discoveries of a new
 Electromagnetic wave called X-ray.
- The day is celebrated worldwide by various national radiographers' associations and societies.
- The International Society of Radiographers and Radiological Technologists has celebrated 8
 November as World Radiography Day since 2007.
- In India, the Radiographers Association of Madhya Pradesh is celebrating this day since 1996 and the theme for this day was raised by Shivakant Vajpai, secretary of the Madhya Pradesh Radiographers Association.

Guru Nanak Dev's Birthday: 8th November

- Guru Nanak Dev's Birthday in 2022 is observed on the 8th of November 2022.
- Guru Nanak Dev was born on 15th April 1469 A.D.
- He was born in Lahore, Punjab.
- Guru Nanak was the son of Mehta Kalu Chand and Mata Tripti Devi.
- He got married to Bibi Sulakhani and was blessed with two sons, Srichand and Lakshmichand.
- He was religious from a small age, so he left the home and went to the woods to meditate.
- He started to Preach about God and the life of humans to reach God.
- His hymns were recorded in Japji Sahib, a holy scripture in Sikhism, which is a part of Guru
 Granth Sahib as well.
- It is a description of the stages of a man's life before he departs this life.
- His first devotee was Mardana, and Baba Nanak travelled across the land to preach to the public
- His birthday anniversary is celebrated in November every year on a special day
- Guru Nanak took his last breath at the age of 69 in 1538 A.D.

National Legal Services: 9th November

National Legal Services Day 2022 is observed on the 9th of November 2022.

- The Day aims to increase public understanding of the rights of litigants as well as the various parts of the Legal Services Authorities Act.
- Every year on November 9th, National Legal Services Day is marked to mark the beginning of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987, which went into effect on that date in 1995.
- State Legal Services Authorities across the nation hold legal awareness events on National Legal Services Day to inform people about the availability of free legal help.
- Additionally, every year campaigns are held across the country to inform the public of the many services offered by Legal Services Authorities.

9-15 November 2022: International Week of Science and Peace

- Every year, the International Week of Science and Peace is commemorated from November 9 to November 14.
- This week is an initiative launched by the United Nations (UN) with the hopes of encouraging
 and promoting peace around the world.
- People inspire and promote peace in their countries during this week, as well as produce breakthrough technology for a better way of life.
- Worldwide, various events and activities are arranged, and individuals from all over the world participate.

History:

- The International Week of Science and Peace was established in 1986 as part of the International Year of Peace celebrations.
- The non-governmental organization of events and activities for the week was undertaken; the International Year of Peace secretariat was notified of the preparatory activities and the final summary of events that transpired throughout the week.
- The organizers attempted to promote as much international participation in the commemoration as possible.

World Science Day for Peace and Development: 10th November

- World Science Day for Peace and Development 2022 is observed on the 10th of November 2022.
- World Science Day for Peace and Development 2022 theme is "Basic Sciences for Sustainable Development"
- The first World Conference on Science was held in 1999 and was coordinated by UNESCO and the International Council for Science.
- The gathering was held in Hungary, where various delegations concurred on the importance of educating the public about science.
- It was agreed upon by everybody that science should have a special day or week.
- To establish a strong relationship between science and society, actions were initiated in 2001.
- World Science Day for Peace and Development was first observed in 2002.

National Education Day: 11th November

- National Education Day 2022 is observed on the 11th of November 2022.
- National Education Day is first observed by the Ministry of Human Resource Development on November 11, 2008.
- It is observed every year after the birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad who was the first Educational Minister of Independent India.
- He served as Educational Minister for over Ten Years.
- The Day is celebrated to honour the First Educational Minister of India and his uncomparable contribution made to the Education system of India.
- Maulana Abul Kalam Azad helped with the establishment of two major education governing bodies of India - the University Grants Commission (UGC) and the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE).
- The First National Education Day was celebrated on 11th November 2008 at Vigyan Bhawan,
 New Delhi, and was first inaugurated by then President Pratibha Patil.

World Pneumonia Day: 12th November

World Pneumonia Day 2022 is observed on the 12th of November 2022.

- World Pneumonia Day 2022 Theme for this year is "Pneumonia affects Everyone".
- The main purpose of observing World Pneumonia Day is to create awareness about the disease
 Pneumonia.
- Pneumonia is one of the oldest and deadliest diseases among the children age group less than
 5 and older age group more than 50.
- World Pneumonia Day was first observed on 12 November 2009.
- It was observed under the "Stop Pneumonia" initiatives by the Global Coalition Against Child
 Pneumonia, a coalition of various institutions all together to fight child mortality due to respiratory infection.
- Streptococcus Pneumoniae is the most common bacterial Pneumonia in Children.

World Kindness Day: 13th November

- World Kindness Day 2022 is observed on the 13th of November 2022.
- World Kindness Day 2022 Theme set up for this year is "Be Kind Whenever Possible".
- World Kindness Day is celebrated by nearly 27 countries around the world.
- But yet the UN has not officially celebrated this day.
- Some of the countries which celebrate World Kindness Day are India, Brazil, Australia, Canada,
 Japan, Italy, etc.
- World Kindness day was first celebrated in 1998 at the Tokyo Conference.
- World Kindness Day Movement has been started which helped to bring small Organizations together for the World Kindness day Celebration.
- Now it helped to conduct a mega event to promote Kindness globally.
- Now It turned into a WorldWide Movement which helped to spread Kindness quicker because kindness among people will help to reduce conflict between Nations.

Children's Day in India: 14th November

- Children's Day in India is observed on the 14th of November 2022.
- Jawaharlal Nehru was born to a Kashmiri Brahmans Royal family on November 14th, 1889.
- Later he moved to Delhi and completed his Scholarship.

- His father's name was Motilal Nehru. Jawaharlal was the eldest of four children, two of whom were girls.
- A sister, Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, later became the first woman president of the United Nations
 General Assembly.
- Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru was called Chacha Nehru by the children.
- Jawaharlal Nehru believed that Children are the real strength of the nation and the foundation of society.
- After the death of Jawaharlal Nehru in 1964, a resolution was passed in the parliament unanimously to honor him, declaring his birth anniversary as the official date of Children's Day.

World Diabetes Day: 14th November

- World Diabetes Day 2022 is observed on the 14th of November 2022.
- World Diabetes Day 2022 theme set by WHO is "access to diabetes education".
- World Diabetes Day became an official UN day in 2006.
- World Diabetes day was established in 1991 by the International Diabetes Federation with support from WHO for the growing concerns about the health and economic threat posed by diabetes.
- Diabetes occurs due to insufficient secretion of Insulin by the Pancreas.
- To meet Insulin secretion in the body research took place and finally, Insulin booster Injection
 was discovered by Sir Frederick G Banting (pictured), Charles H Best, and JJR Macleod at the
 University of Toronto in 1921 and it was later purified by James B Collip.

National Press Day 2022 - Nov 16

- National Press Day is observed on November 16 every year to acknowledge and honour the
 Press Council of India (PCI).
- The day marks the presence of an independent and responsible press in India.
- National Press Day 2022 will mark the 56th anniversary of the Press Council's establishment.

World Press Freedom Index 2022:

- According to the World Press Freedom Index 2022, India's ranking dropped to the 150th position from 142nd rank among 180 nations in 2021.
- Norway (1st) Denmark (2nd), Sweden (3rd) Estonia (4th) and Finland (5th) grabbed the top 5
 positions, while North Korea remained at the bottom of the list of the 180 countries and
 territories.

Additional Info:

• Press Freedom is protected under article 19(1)(a) of the constitution, which states - "All citizens shall have the right to freedom of speech and expression".

About PCI:

- Headquarters: New Delhi, Delhi, India
- Chairman : Justice Ranjana Prakash Desai
- The PCI is a statutory, adjudicating organization in India formed in 1966 by its parliament.
- In 1966 on 16 November, the PCI was formed.
- It is the self-regulatory watchdog of the press, for the press and by the press, that operates under the Press Council Act of 1978.
- It also examines the quality of reportage of the Indian press and keeps a check on journalistic activities.

International Day for Tolerance Observed on 16 November

- International Day for Tolerance 2022 is annually observed on the 16th of November 2022 by the United Nations (UN).
- In 1993, at the initiative of UNESCO, the United Nations proclaimed 1995 as "The Year for Tolerance".

Significance:

- The day marks the signing of the Declaration of Principles on Tolerance by the United Nations
 Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) on Nov 16, 1995.
- In 1995, to mark the United Nations Year for Tolerance and the 125th anniversary of the birth of Mahatma Gandhi, UNESCO created a prize for the promotion of tolerance and non-violence: the UNESCO-Madanjeet Singh Prize with an amount of US \$100000.

- The prize is awarded every two years to individuals or organizations on International Tolerance
 Day.
- This Prize rewards significant activities in the scientific, artistic, cultural or communication fields aimed at the promotion of a spirit of tolerance and non-violence.

About UNESCO:

- Established: 16 November 1945
- Headquarters: Paris, France
- Director General: Audrey Azoulay
- UNESCO is a specialized agency of the United Nations (UN).

Aim:

 To promote world peace and security through international cooperation in education, arts, sciences and culture.

International Students Day: 17th November

- International Students' Day, is celebrated on November 17th to remember the courage of student activists during the 1939 Nazi attack at the University of Prague.
- The first observance took place in 1941 at the International Students' Council in London.
- It was there that students decided to introduce International Students' Day, to be observed every November 17.
- The day commemorates the anniversary of the 1939 death of Czech student Jan Opletal, who
 was killed by the Nazis during a student protest.
- On International Students Day 2022, Students will organize many events in their Universities insisting on the right to education and supporting multiculturalism.
- Students will bring different groups together for an engaging day of discussion, film, music, and art from around the world.

National Epilepsy Day: 17th November

 In India, National Epilepsy Day is observed on November 17 each year to increase understanding of the condition.

- The Epilepsy Foundation of India created National Epilepsy Day as a national campaign to reduce the prevalence of epilepsy in India.
- National Epilepsy Day 2022 is observed to raise public awareness of epilepsy. Epilepsy is a chronic brain disease that is characterised by recurrent "fits" or "seizures."
- National Epilepsy Day will be observed in 2022 by several governmental and non-governmental organisations to increase public awareness of the causes and symptoms of epilepsy.
- Since 1969, the Epilepsy Foundation has recognized November as National Epilepsy
 Awareness Month (NEAM).

World Antimicrobial Awareness Week: 18-24 November

- Every year, World Antimicrobial Awareness Week (WAAW) takes place from November 18 to November 24.
- The subject of WAAW this year is "Preventing Antimicrobial Resistance Together."
- It's an international campaign to raise awareness about the **growing problem of antibiotic and** antimicrobial resistance.
- The goal of the week is to raise awareness of global antimicrobial resistance and to encourage best practices among the general public, health professionals, and policymakers to prevent the emergence and spread of drug-resistant illnesses.
- In 2015, the World Health Organization established "World Antibiotic Awareness Week" to raise worldwide awareness and support action to prevent the emergence and spread of antibioticresistant bacteria.
- In 2020, the campaign was renamed "World Antimicrobial Awareness Week."
- With cause, the World Health Organization (WHO) conveys a sense of urgency surrounding the worldwide issue of antibiotic resistance.
- You may die if you develop a disease or infection that cannot be treated with antibiotics in a typical manner.

International Men's Day: 19th November

International Men's Day 2022 is observed on 19th November.

- International Men's Day 2022 celebration also focuses on Men's Health.
- International Men's Day 2022 Theme set up for this year is "Helping Men and Boys".
- This day is first celebrated in February.
- Then later it was celebrated in November.
- In 1968, an American journalist named John P. Harris communicated that there is a celebration for International Women's Day for female workers but failed to deliver a male counterpart
- In the early 1990s Thomas Oaster, the director of the Missouri Center for Men's Studies, invited organizations in the U.S., Australia, and Malta to hold small International Men's Day events during February.
- Oyster celebrated this small event for two years successfully and later the celebration does not take place well.
- Malta is the sole country that celebrated this event continuously.
- Teelucksingh understood the importance of a male role in society as his father had been an
 excellent example for him and chose to celebrate International Men's Day on November 19th,
 the day of his father's birthday as well as the day a local soccer team had united his country with
 their endeavours to qualify for the world cup.
- After that, all Countries celebrated International Men's Day on 19th November.
- Malta celebrated in February then changed the celebration day to November.

World Toilet Day: 19th November

- World Toilet Day 2022 is observed on the 19th of November 2022
- It is celebrated to inspire action to tackle the global sanitation crisis and help **achieve**Sustainable Development Goal 6 which promises sanitation for all by 2030.
- Jack Sim, a philanthropist from Singapore, founded the World Toilet Organization on November 19, 2001, He declared that day as World Toilet Day.
- Toilets are only the first stage of sanitation apparatuses.
- World Toilet Day was made to spread and increase public awareness of broader sanitation systems such as wastewater treatment, stormwater management, and hand washing.

- •UN Sustainable Development Goal 6 says that waste should be safely processed. Their efforts to call attention to the sanitation crisis were strengthened in 2010.
- In 2013, the Government of Singapore and the WorldToiletOrganizationIed to Singapore's first UN resolution called "Sanitation for All."
- This resolution decided to take action to end the world sanitation crisis by 2025.
- •As a result, World Toilet Day was declared an official UN day and the resolution was adopted by 122 countries at the 67th session of the UN General Assembly in New York.

Universal Children's Day 2022 Theme and History: 20th November

- Universal Children's Day 2022 is observed on 20th November.
- It is celebrated to create awareness of the problems children face in every corner of the globe, improve the welfare of all children, and promote the education of children, health, proper care, and nourishment.
- Universal Children's Day 2022 Theme set for this year is "Equality and Inclusion, for every child".
- Children's Day was first officially declared a national holiday by the Republic of Turkey in 1920 on April 23.
- Children's Day has been celebrated nationally since 1920 by the Turkish government and they
 declared as the day for children.
- However, it was decided that an official confirmation was needed to clarify and justify this
 celebration and the official declaration was made nationally in 1929 by the founder and the
 President of the Republic of Turkey, Mustafa Kemal Ataturk.
- Though Universal Children's Day was established by the United Nations in 1954, it wasn't until
 November 20, 1959 that the UN General Assembly adopted an extended form of the Declaration
 of the Rights of the Child.
- Originally acquired in 1924 by the League of Nations, the UN adopted this document as its own statement of children's rights.

World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims: 20th November

- World Day of Remembrance for Road traffic Victims 2022 is observed on the 20th of November 2022.
- World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims 2022 theme set by the WHO this year is "Remember. Support. Act".
- Brigitte Chaudhry MBE was living with his husband and her only son. At the age of 26, her son
 met with a fatal accident.
- A Van jumps the Red light signal and hits his son at the junction.
- She lost her son due to untimely first aid and negligence in proper medication.
- Chaudhry founded RoadPeace, a British charity for road crash victims. RoadPeace operates a 24/7 helpline, providing emotional support and practical advocacy to the people affected by road crashes.
- In 1993, RoadPeace founded The World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims to give
 public recognition to the pain and suffering of millions of people.
- The day has reached more than 30 countries within the last decade and is now a global event, observed in solemn remembrance of the lives we have lost to the senseless tragedy of road crashes.
- The remembrance has also helped the U.K. Government change its posture towards the victims of road crashes and understood the enormity of the crisis.

World Television Day: 21st November

- World Television day 2022 is observed on the 21st of November 2022
- The UN General Assembly decided to name November 21 World Television Day, not to celebrate the object itself, but the symbol for communication and globalization in the contemporary world that it represents.
- In 1927, a 21-year-old inventor by the name of Philo Taylor Farnsworth invented the world's first electronic television.
- Neither of them knew the television would become the emblem for an international day promoting the spread of global information.
- On November 21 and 22 in 1996, the United Nations held the first World Television Forum.

- UN leaders recognized that television could bring attention to conflicts, raise awareness of threats to peace and security, and sharpen focus on social and economic issues.
- Television has an undoubtedly presence and influence on world politics.

International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women: 25th November

- International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women 2022 is observed on the 25th of November 2022.
- On November 25, 1960, the Mirabal sisters of the Dominican Republic were assassinated by dictator Rafael Trujillo.
- The sisters, who had been active in movements against the Trujillo regime, were beaten and strangled to death, then placed in a Jeep that was driven off a mountainous road to make their deaths appear accidental.
- According to a report by the United Nations, 19 per cent of women between the ages of 15 and
 49 years of age have experienced physical and/or sexual violence "by an intimate partner."
- In some cases, this violence ends in the woman's death.
- In December 1999, the United Nations General Assembly designated November 25 as the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women.

Constitution Day: 26th November

- Constitution day 2022 is observed on the 26th of November 2022.
- On November 26, 1949, the Constituent Assembly of India formally adopted the Constitution of India.
- It came into force on January 26, 1950.
- Constitution Day aims to bring awareness about the importance of the Constitution and Dr. B R
 Ambedkar.
- Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar, chairman of the drafting committee, is considered to be the chief architect of the Constitution of India.
- He is also called the Father of the Indian Constitution.
- The Constitution of India was drafted by the members of the Constituent Assembly.

International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People: 29th November

- International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People 2022 is observed on the 29th of November 2022.
- It has been a long struggle to partition Palestine and Israel into two independent states.
- They are sharing borders with Jerusalem.
- Palestine is an Arab-dominated country and Israel is a Jewish-dominated Country.
- For decades, there has been a need to separate and make both states independent.
- This resulted in the adoption of a New Resolution by the UN.
- The UN Resolution simply meant the creation of independent Arab and Jewish states and a Special International Regime for the city of Jerusalem.
- But it was never fully implemented, however, with the outbreak of a one-year civil war in Palestine.
- Following that, Israel became independent in 1948, but an Arab state was never formed.
- In 1977, the United Nations General Assembly called for an annual observance of the resolution on the partition of Palestine, which was to start in 1978.