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**IMPORTANT DAYS****Odisha Foundation Day 2023: April 1**

- On April 1st, 2023, Utkal Diwas or Odisha Foundation Day is celebrated all over the state of Odisha, India.
- It is a national day observed annually on April 1st every year.
- It is celebrated on April 1 every year to remember the formation of the Odisha state after a struggle to be recognized as an independent state
- Odisha used to form a major portion of the ancient Kalinga.
- The region witnessed the epic “Kalinga War” led by King Ashoka who invaded and conquered the region in 260 BC.
- In the year 1912, Orissa and Bihar were formed and on 1 April 1936, Odisha was formed.

**World Autism Awareness Day 2023: April 2**

- On April 2nd of this current year World Autism Awareness Day 2023 is observed all over the world
- The theme of World Autism Awareness Day 2023 is Transformation: Toward a Neuro-Inclusive World for All”.
- In 2007, created by the United Nations General Assembly, World Autism Awareness Day lands on April 2 every year.

**International Day for Mine Awareness 2023: April 4**

- International Day for Mine Awareness 2023 is observed all over the world on April 4th.
- In 2023 the United Nations Mine Action Service will promote the International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action under the theme “Safe Ground, Safe Steps, Safe Home”.
- The United Nations’ International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action is celebrated on the 4th of April every year.

**National Maritime Day 2023: April 5**

- Every year, National Maritime Day in India is celebrated on the 5th of April.
- It is a day celebrated to show gratitude to the men who spend many months in the sea, carrying out the bulk of India’s trade and commerce at a global level.
- "MARPOL at 50 – Our commitment goes on" is the World Maritime theme for 2023, reflecting the

need to support a green transition of the maritime sector into a sustainable future, while leaving no one behind.

### World Health Day 2023: April 7

- **World Health Day 2023** is observed all over the world on **7th April**.
- The World Health Organization's physical, emotional, and mental well-being is promoted and celebrated all over the world to this day.
- The main theme of this year is "**Health For All**".
- **World Health Day** was created and first celebrated on **22nd July 1949**.
- **Later the date was changed to 7th April** and the WHO encourage the students to participate.

### World Homeopathy Day 2023- April 10

- **World Homeopathy Day 2023** is celebrated on the **10th of April every year**.
- The day is celebrated to spread knowledge of homeopathy medicine in public health.
- The World Homeopathy Day 2023 theme is "**One Health, One Family**".
- **Dr. Christian Samuel Hahnemann** father and founder of homeopathy were born on **10th April in 1755**.

### National Safe Motherhood Day 2023: April 11

- **National Safe Motherhood Day** is celebrated on the **11th of April every year**.
- In India significance the importance of care in pregnancy, and skilled care during childbirth and the first few weeks after birth.
- The theme of the National Safe Motherhood Day 2023 is "**Remain at home amid coronavirus, protect mother and infant from coronavirus**".
- The National Safe Motherhood Day was first proposed by (WRAI) White Ribbon Alliance.

### Jallianwala Bagh Massacre 2023: April 13

- Every year **April 13th** is observed as **Jallianwala Bagh Massacre**.
- **Jallianwala** also called as **Massacre of Amritsar** incident on **April 13, 1919**, in which British troops fired on a large crowd of unarmed Indians in an open space known as the Jallianwala Bagh Massacre in the Punjab region of India.
- The people gathered at Jallianwala Bagh to protest against the arrest of the two nationalist leaders **Satya Pal** and **Dr. Saifuddin Kitchlew** on **13th April 1919**.

### World Hemophilia Day 2023: April 17

- **World Hemophilia Day** is celebrated on **April 17th** every year.
- The theme of World Hemophilia Day is "**Access for All: Prevention of Bleeds as the global standard of care**".
- **World Hemophilia Day** was first started in **1989** by the **World Federation of Hemophilia**

### World Heritage Day 2023: April 18

- Every year **April 18th** is celebrated as **World Heritage Day** or **International day for monuments and sites**.

### National Civil Service Day 2023: April 21

- Every year **April 21st** is celebrated as **National Civil Service Day**.
- The first such function was held in **Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi** on **21st April 2006**.

### Earth Day 2023: April 22

- **Every year April 22nd** is celebrated as **Earth Day** for the past fifty-four years it has been celebrated by billions of people around the globe.
- The **Earth Day 2023** theme is "**Invest in our planet**".
- **Earth Day** is first celebrated in **1969** when a **US senator** named **Gaylord Nelson** witnessed the effects of a massive oil spill in **Santa Barbara, CA**.
- He called to action on all Americans to take a stand for the environment in **1970** and thousands of colleges and universities across the **United Nations** organized protests for a healthy sustainable Earth.
- In **1968** the **US Public Health Service** organized the **Human Ecology Symposium** the event invited students to come and listen to scientists talking about the impact of the deteriorating environment on human health.
- In **1972** the **US government** formed the **Environmental protection Agency** and passed the **Clean Air Act**.
- In **1990** **Earth Day** went global with more than **140 countries** participating in the event.
- In **1995** **Nelson** the man behind the **Earth Day** movement was awarded the **Presidential Medal of Freedom**.

### World Book and Copyright Day: April 23

- Every year World Book and Copyright Day is celebrated on April 23 and it is also known as World Book Day.
- The theme for World Book Day 2023 is “Indigenous Languages.”
- The theme is focused on the native languages of a country.
- The day is celebrated by United Nations, Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organizations and other related organizations across the world to honor authors, books, and to promote the art of reading etc..,
- United Nations, Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organizations has selected 23rd April as World Book Day to pay tribute to great literary figures including William Shakespeare, Miguel Cervantes, and Inca Garcilaso de la Vega who died this day.
- In 1995 this date was finalised by the United Nations, Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organizations general conference, held in Paris, to pay tribute and honour authors and books worldwide.
- Idea to celebrate a day of books came originally from the Catalans day of books called as Dia del Llibre.
- Dia del Llibre was celebrated in Catalonia every year on April 23.

### National Panchayati Raj Day: April 24

- In India, 24th April is designated as National Panchayati Raj Day.
- The day is held to remember the passing of the 73rd Amendment to the Constitution on June 17, 1992, and on April 24, 1993, the law went into force.
- Prime Minister Manmohan Singh designated the first National Panchayati Raj Day on April 24, 2010.
- The constitution of the 73rd Amendment act of 1992 that came into force with effect on April 24, 1993, has vested constitutional status on Panchayati Raj Institutions.
- This marks the moment in the history of decentralization of political power to the grassroots level.
- As a result, it was determined to delegate democracy's authority.
- For this reason, a panel headed by Balwantrai Mehta was established in 1957 to meet the demand.
- And for the first moment in decades, Panchayati Raj was established in India.

### World Malaria Day 2022: April 25

- World Malaria Day is observed on April 25 all over the world.

- World Malaria Day will reinforce the Global Fund Investment (GFI) using the theme advance quality, building resilience, and ending malaria.
- That effort is echoed in this year's theme: **"Time to deliver zero malaria: invest, innovate, implement."**
- **World Malaria Day which was first held in 2008 developed from Africa Malaria Day** an event that had been observed since 2001 by African governments.
- The observance served as a time to assess progress towards goals aimed at controlling malaria and reducing its mortality in African countries.
- In 2007 at the 60th session of the World Health Assembly by the World Health Organization it was proposed that Africa Malaria day be changed to World Malaria Day to recognize the existence of malaria in countries worldwide and to bring greater awareness to the global fight against the malaria disease

### World Intellectual Property Day 2023: April 26

- **Every year April 26 is celebrated as World Intellectual Property Day** to learn about the role that intellectual property rights play in encouraging innovation and creativity.
- The theme of World Intellectual Property Day is **"Women and IP: Accelerating Innovation and Creativity"**.
- **World Intellectual Property Day was launched in the year 2000 by the World Intellectual Property organization** to promote and protect creative ideas, including music, art, trademarks, writings, and inventions.
- The official date of World Intellectual Property Day is April 26 but events are held all over the world throughout the springtime.
- World Intellectual Property Day is celebrated all over the globe in the form of panels, receptions, expos, and educational outreach for students of all ages.

### International Dance Day 2023: April 29

- **Every year April 29th is celebrated as International Dance Day** also known as World Dance Day.
- International Dance Day or World Dance Day celebration for those who can see the value and importance of dance.
- International Dance Day or World Dance Day is celebrated through promotion by **the International Dance Council**.
- The day was first introduced in 1982 by the International Dance Committee of the United Nations



Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization.

- The French Ballet master and a great reformer of dance Jean-Georges Novrre were born in 1727.