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IMPORTANT DAYS**World Wide Web Day 2023: August 1**

- **World Wide Web Day is observed all over the world on August 1st** each year dedicated to web browsing, the online activity that brings the whole world to your fingertips, and places a wealth of knowledge at your feet.
- In 1989, **Sir Tim Berners-Lee invented the World Wide Web,**
- **On 1st August 1989, is World Wide Web Day,** marking the invention by Tim Berners-Lee of an internet-based communication system that changed the world.

World Breastfeeding Week 2023 - August 1 to 7

- **Breastfeeding week** is celebrated every year during the **first week of August(August 1 to 7).**
- The **theme set by the World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action (WABA)** for this year (2023) is: **“Enabling breastfeeding: making a difference for working parents.”**
- World Breastfeeding Week is **observed by World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action (WABA), World Health Organisation (WHO), and UNICEF to promote world breastfeeding week.**
- WADA was **first formed on 14th February 1991.**
- **World Breastfeeding Week was first observed in 1992 by WADA.**

Hiroshima Day 2023: August 6

- Every year **August 6 is celebrated as Hiroshima Day.**
- Hiroshima Day 2023 is observed all over the world to promote peace politics.
- This **day is observed to raise awareness of the bomb attack on Hiroshima.**
- In 1945, **the United States (US) deployed a nuclear bomb in the city of Hiroshima which is located in the country of Japan.**
- This nuclear bomb wiped out 39 per cent of the civilians of Hiroshima.
- The US has named the atomic bomb named **“The Little Boy” which was dropped on August 6.**

National Handloom Day 2023 - August 7

- **National Handloom Day** is observed **every year on August 7.**
- On this day, the Government and other organizations raised awareness to honour the handloom weaving community.
- **In 2015, the first National Handloom Day was celebrated which was inaugurated by PM Narendra Modi**
- On **August 7, 1905, The Swadeshi movement was launched in Calcutta Town Hall.** This movement focuses on reviving domestic production, encouraging handloom industries and the spirit of Swadeshi.
- **The Ministry of Textiles will be celebrating National Handloom Day at Dilli Haat which is celebrated from August 1 to August 15.**

Quit India Movement - August 8:

- **Quit India Movement** is observed **annually on August 8.**
- This day is **also known as August Kranti Din.**

- This day is observed as an important movement in the freedom struggle and many freedom fighters took charge themselves.
- **Quit India Movement was launched in the year 1942.**

Nagasaki Day 2023 - August 9

- **Nagasaki Day is observed on August 9 every year.**
- This day is the **78th Anniversary of the US atomic bombing.**
- On August 9, 1945, during the second world war, the US dropped a bomb on Nagasaki in the city of Japan.
- The **nuclear bomb that was attacked by the US in Nagasaki was called the 'FAT MAN'.**

International Day of World's Indigenous People 2023 - August 9:

- **International Day of World's Indigenous People** is observed annually on **August 9.**
- **This year's theme is Indigenous Youth as Agents of Change for Self-determination.**
- This day is observed to raise awareness about life and to protect the indigenous people.
- **This day was first observed by United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) in December 1994.**
- This day is observed annually to recognize the first UN working group on indigenous people meeting in Geneva in 1982.

World Biofuel Day 2023: August 10

- **Every year World Biofuel Day** is observed on the **10th of August.**
- World Biofuel Day 2023 is celebrated to raise awareness about the importance of biofuels and features the efforts made by the Government in the biofuel sector.
- **World Biofuel Day 2023 is observed to honour Sir Rudolf Diesel for his research experiments.**
- Since 2015, **India has celebrated World Biofuel Day through the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (MoP&NG) and the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC).**

World Elephant Day 2023: August 12

- **World Elephant Day is an international annual event on August 12,** Conceived in 2011 by Canadian filmmakers Patrica Sims and Michael Clark of Canazwest Pictures and Sivaporn Dardarananda, Secretary General of Elephant Reintroduction Foundation in Thailand.
- **It was officially launched on August 12, 2012.**
- **The first world elephant day was held on 12 August 2012.**
- The world elephant day website was designed and maintained by Canazwest Pictures.
- **World elephant day was founded in November 2015 to support elephant conservation worldwide.**

International Youth Day 2023: August 12

- **International Youth Day** is observed annually all over the **world on August 12.**
- International youth day focuses on all the difficulties that young people are facing throughout the world.
- The **theme of International Youth Day is 'Green Skills for Youth: Towards a Sustainable World'.**
- The United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) and Economic and Social Council focus on three themes called Participation, development, and peace.
- The United Nations passed a resolution for creating **the International Youth Day in 1999 at the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA).**

- **The first International Youth Day was observed on 12th August 2000.**

International Lefthanders Day 2023: August 13

- **International Lefthanders Day 2023 is the 31st annual lefthanders day celebrated on the 13th of August every year worldwide.**
- **The theme for International Lefthanders Day 2023 is “Left Handers in Sports.”**
- **The Left-Handers Club launched International Lefthanders Day as an annual event on the 13th of August, 1992.**

World Organ Donation Day 2023: August 13

- **Every year World Organ Donation Day is celebrated on the 13th of August to raise awareness about the importance of organ donation and encourage people to donate their organs after death.**
- **World Organ Donation Day 2023 theme is "Step up to volunteer; need more organ donors to fill the lacunae".**
- **World Organ Donation Day was first observed in 2005.**
- **The first organ donation was performed in 1954, when Ronald Lee Herrick donated his kidney to his twin brother.**

Independence Day in India 2023: August 15

- **Every year, Independence Day in India is observed on the 15th of August, 2023.**
- **The theme of the 77th Independence Day 2023 of India is Nation First, Always First as a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.**
- **On August 14, 1947, Jawaharlal Nehru, the first Prime Minister of India conveyed an iconic speech Tryst with Destiny.**

World Photography Day 2023 - August 19

- **World Photography Day is celebrated on August 19 every year.**
- **World Photography Day 2023 is a Worldwide celebration of the art, crafts, science, and history of photography.**
- **The first World Photography Day was held on August 19, 2010.**
- **On World Photography Day nearly 270 photographers shared their pictures in a global online gallery.**
- **The first digital photograph was created in 1957, two decades before the digital camera was invented.**

Sadbhavana Diwas 2023 - August 20

- **Sadbhavana Diwas is celebrated on 20 August every year.**
- **The birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Late Shri Rajiv Gandhi is observed as “Sadbhavana Diwas” on August 20.**
- **Rajiv Gandhi's initiatives resulted in the establishment of Mahanagar Telephone Nigam (MTNL) in 1986.**
- **The first Sadbhavana Diwas was observed in 1992, a year after Rajiv Gandhi died in a suicide bomb attack in Tamil Nadu's Sriperumbudur.**

World Mosquito Day 2023: August 20

- **World Mosquito Day** is observed annually on **20 August**.
- **World Mosquito Day** was first established in **1897** by **Sir Ronald Ross** who discovered that female mosquitoes transmit malaria to humans.
- **World Mosquito Day** is dedicated to the memory of **Sir Ronald Ross**.
- **Sir Ronald Ross** was first observed on **20 August 1897**.

International Day for the Remembrance Of Slave Trade And Abolition 2023:August 23

- **International Day for the Remembrance of Slave Trade and Abolition** is celebrated on **23 August** every year.
- **This day is designated by UNESCO** to memorialize the transatlantic slave trade.
- **International Day for the Remembrance of Slave Trade and Abolition** is observed to commemorate the uprising on **August 23, 1791, in Santo Domingo, Haiti**, which played a crucial role in the abolition of the transatlantic slave trade.

About UNESCO:

- Established : 16 November 1945
- Headquarters : Paris, France
- Director General : Audrey Azoulay
- Parent Organisation : United Nations Economic and Social Council
- UNESCO is a **specialised agency** of the United Nations (UN) aimed at **promoting world peace** and security through international cooperation in education, arts, sciences and culture.

Women's Equality Day 2023 - August 26

- **Women's Equality Day** is observed on **August 26** every year to commemorate the right of women to vote in the United States.
- This year's (2023) **theme for Women's Equality Day** is **#EmbraceEquity**.

National Sports Day 2023 - August 29

- **National Sports Day** or **Rashtriya Khel Divas** is celebrated on **29 August** every year.
- This day is celebrated on **Dhyan Chand's birthday** to honour the **hockey legend**.

Small Industry Day 2023 - August 30:

- The **Small Industry Day** is an **annual celebration** observed on **30th August**.
- This day is dedicated to **promoting small businesses nationwide** and offering job opportunities to unemployed males and females for the betterment of their life.
- Small Industry Day is celebrated since **2017** following a resolution passed in the Assembly during the year.