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IMPORTANT DAYS**World Milk Day 2024: June 1**

- Every year on **June 1**, **World Milk Day** is commemorated.
- This year's theme will focus on celebrating the vital role dairy plays in delivering quality nutrition to nourish the world. Dairy is an accessible, affordable, and nutrient-dense food, and an essential part of balanced diets across the world.
- In **2001**, World Milk Day was established by the **Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations** to recognize the importance of milk as a global food, and to celebrate the dairy sector.

Telangana Formation Day 2024: June 2

- On **June 2nd**, **Telangana Formation Day 2024** is observed by the Telangana people.
- It is a national event celebrated annually on June 2nd to celebrate the day when Telangana was formed from the state of Andhra Pradesh.
- In **2014**, the bill was introduced in the **Indian Parliament**, and the same year, the **Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act** was passed.
- According to the bill, Telangana would be formed by 10 districts in northwestern Andhra Pradesh.

World Bicycle Day 2024: June 3

- **World Bicycle Day** is celebrated all over the globe **every year on the 3rd of June** to recognize the versatility and uniqueness of the bicycle, as well as its reliability and sustainability as a mode of transportation.
- The celebration of World Bicycle Day honours the bicycle for providing people with a distinctive, durable, and sustainable mode of transportation.
- The theme of World Bicycle Day 2024 is **“Encouraging good health, fairness, and sustainability through cycling.”**

International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression: June 4

- Every year on **June 4th**, the **International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression** acknowledges the pain that children around the world suffer.
- In **1982**, the **International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression** was established on August 19.
- In **1997**, **U.N.O.D.C.** was established.

World Environment Day 2024: June 5

- Every year on **June 5th**, **World Environment Day** raises public awareness about various concerns such as increasing deforestation, which contributes to global warming.
- **Organised by:** United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)
- **Theme:** “Land Restoration, Desertification and Drought Resilience”
- The **first World Environment Day** was celebrated in 1973 with the theme “Only One Earth”.

Russian Language Day is celebrated on 6 June at the UNESCO Headquarters

- The **UN Russian Language Day** is celebrated on **6 June** – the birthday of the great Russian poet **Alexander Pushkin**.
- This Day was set by the decision of the UN Department of Public Information in **2010**.
- Its celebration, along with the days of the other official UN languages, was welcomed by the **UN General Assembly** in **2017** and supported by the **UNESCO 215th Executive Board (2022)**.
- It is the second time (**first was in 2023**) when the Russian Language Day is celebrated at the Organization’s Headquarters.

World Food Safety Day 2024: June 7

- Every year on **June 7th**, **World Food Safety Day** is commemorated.
- **Theme:** “Food safety: prepare for the unexpected”
- World Food Safety Day was established by the United Nations General Assembly in December 2018.
- It was **first celebrated** on **June 7, 2019**.
- The **World Health Organization (WHO)** and the **Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)** of the **United Nations** play a key role in promoting this day and its activities.

World Brain Tumour Day 2024: June 8

- Every year on **June 8th**, **World Brain Tumor Day** is commemorated.
- The day raises awareness of brain tumours and educates people about them.
- The **theme of World Brain Tumour Day 2024** is '**Brain Health and Prevention**'.
- The history of World Brain Tumour Day goes back 24 years when it was **first observed in the year 2000** by a Leipzig-based NPO Deutsche Hirntumorhilfe e.V or German Brain Tumour Association.

World Oceans Day 2024: June 8

- Every year on **June 8th**, **World Ocean Day** is commemorated to raise awareness of the ocean's vital role in human life and ways to conserve it across the world.

- The theme for World Oceans Day 2024 is “Awaken New Depths”.
- In 1992, during the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro, the notion of World Ocean Day was introduced.
- On June 8, 2009, The United Nations General Assembly formally designated the day with Resolution 63/111.

World Day Against Child Labour 2024: June 12

- **World Day Against Child Labour 2024** is observed all over the world on **June 12th** as an awareness event to protect children against labour.
- The theme for World Day Against Child Labour 2024 is – **Let's act on our commitments: End Child Labour!**
- In 1919, **The International Labour Organization (ILO)** was founded to promote social justice and establish International Labor Standards. ILO has 137 states as members.

Russia Day: June 12

- **Russia Day** is a national holiday in Russia observed every year on **June 12**.
- On **December 25, 1991**, the country was renamed **the Russian Federation**.
- The festival to mark this occasion in the world's largest country, however, has undergone two name changes since then.
- And although it was not a national holiday, it was initially termed '**Independence Day**.'

International Albinism Awareness Day 2024

- **International Albinism Awareness Day** is observed on **13 June** every year to raise awareness about albinism, a rare, genetically inherited condition that causes a lack of pigmentation in the **skin, resulting in uncharacteristically light hair, skin, and eyes**.
- This year's theme for International Albinism Awareness Day is “**10 years of IAAD: A decade of collective progress**.”

World Blood Donor Day 2024: June 14

- Every year, **World Blood Donor Day** is observed on **June 14**. This year, World Blood Donor Day falls on Friday.
- In **1940**, a scientist called **Richard Lower** performed a blood transfusion between two dogs without any ill effects.
- In **2005**, **The World Health Assembly** announced **June 14** to be observed as **World Blood Donor Day** every year.

- The theme of this year's World Blood Donor Day is - **20 years of celebrating giving: thank you, blood donors.**

Global Wind Day 2024: June 15

- **Global Wind Day**, which is observed on **15 June** every year, raises awareness about the importance of wind energy and its power to alter the globe.
- In **2007**, The **European Wind Energy Association (EWEA)** organized the first **Wind Day**.
- In **2009** the **EWEA** joined forces with the **Global Wind Energy Council (GWEC)** and made it a worldwide event.

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day 2024: June 15

- On **June 15th**, every year the world commemorates **World Elder Abuse Awareness Day**.
- This day is marked in order to raise awareness about the plight of the elderly who are abused and harmed.
- The theme of **World Elder Abuse Awareness Day 2024** is '**Spotlight on Older Persons in Emergencies.**'
- In **1978**, **SAGE** was formed and the **Advocacy and Services for LGBT elders** were created.
- In **1983**, The first book on elder abuse, "**Abuse and Maltreatment of the Elderly: Causes and Interventions**", was published.

World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought: June 17

- Every year on **June 17th**, the **World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought** is commemorated to increase public awareness about the critical need to combat desertification and drought.
- The theme of this year's **World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought** is - '**United for Land. Our Legacy. Our Future.** "'
- In **1994**, The **UN General Assembly** established the **United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)** - the legally binding international agreement linking environment, development and sustainable land management.
- In **2007**, the **UN General Assembly** declared the decade of **2010 to 2020** as the **United Nations Decade for Deserts and the fight against Desertification**.

Autistic Pride Day 2024: June 18

- Every year on **June 18th**, the globe celebrates **Autistic Pride Day** to raise awareness that autism is a condition, not a disease.
- **Aspies for Freedom** established **Autistic Pride Day in 2005** by **Aspies for Freedom** to improve public awareness and celebrate the similarities and differences among persons with autism.
- **Aspies For Freedom (AFF)** is a grassroots advocacy and solidarity organisation dedicated to increasing public awareness of the autism rights movement.
- AFF's mission is to inform the public that autism is not necessarily a handicap and that there are benefits as well as drawbacks

World Sauntering Day 2024: June 19

- On the **19th of June every year**, **World Sauntering Day** is observed each year all over the world to encourage people to slow down and appreciate the world around them and connect with nature.
- In **1979**, **W.T. Rabe** established **World Sauntering Day**.
- He was the one who started this holiday in the **1970s**.
- This day was created in response to jogging's growing popularity. **W.T. Rabe**, it appears, has also devised a few sauntering norms.
- The purpose of commemorating this day is to encourage people to take a break, enjoy life, and appreciate what they have.

World Sickle Cell Awareness Day 2024: June 19

- Every year on **June 19th**, **World Sickle Cell Day** is commemorated to raise awareness of the human Sickle Cell illness.
- The theme of 2024 is **“Hope Through Progress: Advancing Care Globally.”**
- The UN declared the day, and it has served to raise awareness of the condition, its organization, the care and measures that should be taken, and the treatment that should be given to someone who is suffering from it.
- The **United Nations General Assembly** declared **World Sickle Cell Day** in **2008** to promote awareness of sickle cell illness.

World Refugee Day 2024: June 20

- Every year on **June 20th**, **World Refugee Day** is commemorated to raise awareness of the plight of refugees and the difficulties they face.

- World Refugee Day traces its origins to Resolution 55/76 of the **United Nations General Assembly**, adopted on **December 4, 2000**.
- This resolution was introduced to raise awareness about the increasing global refugee population and to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the 1951 Refugee Convention.
- The **1951 Refugee Convention** emerged in the aftermath of **World War II** and established the foundational legal framework for protecting and ensuring the rights of refugees.

World Hydrography Day 2024: June 21

- Every year on **June 21st**, **World Hydrography Day** is commemorated to promote awareness about the importance of hydrography, safe navigation, and maritime environmental conservation
- The theme of 2024 is **“Hydrographic Information - Enhancing Safety, Efficiency and Sustainability in Marine Activities”**.
- The International Hydrographic Bureau was founded in 1921 to provide a forum for states to confer on issues such as safe navigation, technical standards, and the conservation of the maritime environment.
- The international commemoration of **World Hydrography Day** began in **2006**.
- The day honors hydrographers' efforts and raises awareness about the vital importance of hydrography in people's lives.

International Yoga Day 2024: June 21

- Every year on the **21st of June**, **International Yoga Day** is commemorated to create awareness about the relevance and advantages of yoga in everyone's life.
- The **2024** theme, **"Yoga for Self and Society"**.
- On December 27, 2014, The Prime Minister proposed that the UN General Assembly commemorate International Yoga Day with the goal of boosting public awareness about the relevance of yoga around the world.
- On **June 21, 2015**, the first International Yoga Day was observed all around the world.

World Music Day 2024: June 21

- On **21st June**, **World Music Day 2024** is celebrated all over the globe to celebrate music among the public.
- **Fête de la Musique** was held in **Paris** in **1982** to commemorate World Music Day. This day was

arranged by two members of the French Minister of Culture, Jack Lang, a French politician, and Maurice Fleuret, a composer, music journalist, radio producer, and arts administrator.

International Widow's Day 2024: June 23

- **International Widows Day** is observed all over the universe each year on the **23rd of June** to draw attention to widows' voices and experiences and galvanize the exceptional support they need.
- Widows had to immolate themselves on their late husband's funeral pyre before 1827.
- In **2005**, the **Loomba Foundation** established International Widow's Day in honor of Loomba's mother, who became a widow on June 23, 1954.
- The main aim of International Widow's day is to provide education to the widows' children, provide them with healthcare facilities, and develop various resources and policies to empower widows.

United Nations Public Service Day 2024: June 23

- The **United Nations Public Service Day** is celebrated on **June 23** of every year to celebrate the value and virtue of public service to the community; highlight the contribution of public service in the development process; recognize the work of public servants, and encourage young people to pursue careers in the public sector.
- Every year on June 23rd, the United Nations Public Service Day is observed to emphasize the importance and virtue of public service to the community, to acknowledge their commitment to the development process through public service, and to encourage youngsters to choose a career in the public sector.
- By approving resolution 57/277 on **December 20, 2002**, the **United Nations General Assembly** declared June 23rd as **United Nations Public Service Day**.

International Olympic Day 2024: June 23

- **Olympic Day Run** or **International Olympic Day** is celebrated on **June 23** all around the world.
- The day embraces all through pure Olympic values.
- The **theme for Olympic Day 2024** is '**Let's Move and Celebrate**', aiming to inspire people worldwide to engage in daily physical activity. Abhinav Bindra, India's first individual gold medallist at the Olympics, shared his thoughts on his social media handle.
- **Venezuela, Belgium, Canada, Switzerland, Portugal, Greece, Austria, the United Kingdom, and**

Uruguay commemorated the first Olympic Day on June 23, 1948.

- The National Olympic Committee picked June 23 to commemorate the International Olympic Committee's (IOC) formation on the same day in 1894.

International Day against Drug Abuse & Illicit Trafficking 2024: June 26

- Every year on **June 26th**, the **International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking 2024** is commemorated to raise awareness about the impact and negative consequences that drugs have on society.
- 2024 THEME: **“The evidence is clear: invest in prevention”**
- On **December 7, 1987**, the **United Nations General Assembly** established June 26 as International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking. During the early twentieth century, the global epidemic of drug usage was already recognized.

World Asteroid Day 2024: June 30

- **World Asteroid Day**, observed annually on **June 30**, is a global event aimed at **raising awareness about asteroids and the potential hazards** they pose to our planet.
- This day serves as a reminder of the **importance of scientific research and international collaboration** in detecting and mitigating asteroid impacts.